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XLISP-PLUS is an enhanced version of David Michael Betz's XLISP to have additional features of Common Lisp. XLISP-PLUS is distributed for the IBM-PC family and for UNIX, but can be easily ported to other platforms. Complete source code is provided (in "C") to allow easy modification and extension.

Since XLISP-PLUS is based on XLISP, most XLISP programs will run on XLISP-PLUS. Since XLISP-PLUS incorporates many more features of Common Lisp, many small Common Lisp applications will run on XLISP-PLUS with little modification.

Many Common Lisp functions are built into XLISP-PLUS. In addition , XLISP defines the objects 'Object' and 'Class' as primitives. 'Object' is the only class that has no superclass and hence is the root of the class heirarchy tree. 'Class' is the class of which all classes are instances (it is the only object that is an instance of itself).

This document is a brief description of XLISP-PLUS. It assumes some knowledge of LISP and some understanding of the concepts of object-oriented programming.

You will probably also need a copy of "Common Lisp: The Language" by Guy L. Steele, Jr., published by Digital Press to use as a reference for some of the Common Lisp functions that are described only briefly in this document.

XLISP-PLUS has a number of compilation options to eliminate groups of functions and to tailor itself to various environments. Unless otherwise indicated this manual assumes all options are enabled and the system dependent code is as complete as that provided for the MS/DOS environment. Assistance for using or porting XLISP-PLUS can be obtained on the USENET newsgroup comp.lang.lisp.x, or by writing to Tom Almy at the Internet address toma@sail.labs.tek.com. You can also reach Tom by writing to him at 17830 SW Shasta Trail, Tualatin, OR 97062, USA.

Introduction to the Windows port

The Windows version of the XLisp is the unchanged XLisp version 2.1d adapted to the Windows 3.x environment. The XLisp features were preserved (except the graphics capability - see later) while the system now can take advantage of the Windows environment - multitasking , virtual memory , task-to-task communication. You need at least Windows 3.0 and a 286 machine to run this program.

When the XLisp for Windows is invoked , it generally does not offer more than the DOS versions , it has the same line editor although its window can be resized. The LOAD and RESTORE functions can also be issued by using the menu bar. Special Windows functions were not included into the language - instead the system offers a server function. The server interface is an easy-to-use subroutine library (DLL) by which client tasks can log in to the XLisp server , send tasks to it and get replies. XLisp can run in the background exploiting the idle time of the Windows or if the clients can stop for the processing time , run at full speed. See details about the communication DLL at the [XLisp server](#) chapter.

Unfortunately the WINDOWS.H file got stuck on the XLisp headers so some global names must have been modified. For this reason the Windows version is provided in itself not together with the other stuffs because almost all the sources have been changed a little.

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10[#] wintro

11^{\$} Introduction to the Windows port

12^K Windows port

When XLISP is started, it first tries to load the workspace "xlisp.wks", or an alternative file specified with the "-wfilename" option, from the current directory. If that file doesn't exist, or the "-w" flag is in the command line, XLISP builds an initial workspace, empty except for the built-in functions and symbols.

Then, providing no workspace file was loaded, XLISP attempts to load "init.lsp" from the current directory. It then loads any files named as parameters on the command line (after appending ".lsp" to their names). If the -s flag is in the command line , XLisp is started as a server task - this is generally done by the interface library (XSERVER.DLL). The XLisp server task is shown as an icon at the beginning although it can be maximized , in this case its window shows the requests and replies processed so far. XLISP then issues the following prompt.

>

This indicates that XLISP is waiting for an expression to be typed. The expression can come from the user (keyboard) or from a client task. If a client task is logged in you can still type in expressions from the keyboard but doing this you can corrupt the protocol built between the client and the server.

When a complete expression has been entered, XLISP attempts to evaluate that expression. If the expression evaluates successfully, XLISP prints the result and then returns for another expression.

The following control characters can be used while XLISP is waiting for input:

Backspace	delete last character
Del	delete last character
tab	tabs over (treated as space by XLISP reader)
ctrl-C	goto top level
ctrl-G	cleanup and return one level
ctrl-Z	end of file (returns one level or exits program)
ctrl-P	proceed (continue)
ctrl-T	print information (added function by TAA , now in window (PG))

Under Windows the following control characters can be typed while XLISP is executing (providing standard input has not been redirected away from the console):

ctrl-B	BREAK -- enter break loop
ctrl-S	Pause until another key is struck
ctrl-C	go to top level (if lucky: ctrl-B,ctrl-C is safer)
ctrl-T	print information

When XLISP encounters an error while evaluating an expression, it attempts to handle the error in the following way:

If the symbol *breakenable* is true, the message corresponding to the error is printed. If the error is correctable, the correction message is printed.

If the symbol *tracenable* is true, a trace back is printed. The number of entries printed depends on the value of the symbol *tracelimit*. If this symbol is set to something other than a number, the entire trace back stack is printed.

XLISP then enters a read/eval/print loop to allow the user to examine the state of the interpreter in the context of the error. This loop differs from the normal top-level read/eval/print loop in that if the user invokes the function 'continue', XLISP will continue from a correctable error. If the user invokes the function 'clean-up', XLISP will abort the break loop and return to the top level or the next lower numbered break loop. When in a break loop, XLISP prefixes the break level to the normal prompt.

If the symbol *breakenable* is NIL, XLISP looks for a surrounding errset function. If one is found, XLISP examines the value of the print flag. If this flag is true, the error message is printed. In any case, XLISP causes the errset function call to return NIL. If there is no surrounding errset function, XLISP prints the error message and returns to the top level.

There are several different data types available to XLISP-PLUS programmers. Typical implementation limits are shown for 32 bit word systems. Values in square brackets apply to 16 bit MS-DOS implementations.

All data nodes are effectively cons cells consisting of two pointers and one or two bytes of identification flags (9 or 10 bytes per cell). Node space is managed and garbage collected by XLISP. Array and string storage is either allocated by the C runtime or managed and garbage collected by XLISP (compilation option). If C does the allocation, memory fragmentation can occur. Fragmentation can be eliminated by saving the image and restarting XLISP-PLUS.

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#22 \$23 K24 +25 ***NIL***

Unlike the original XLISP, NIL is a symbol (although not in the *obarray*), to allowing setting its properties.

22# dt_nil
23\$ NIL
24K NIL
25+ dt:001

Either NIL or a CDR-linked list of cons cells, terminated by a symbol (typically NIL). Circular lists are allowable, but can cause problems with some functions so they must be used with care.

The CDR field of an array points to the dynamically allocated data array, while the CAR contains the integer length of the array. Elements in the data array are pointers to other cells [Size limited to about 16360].

Implemented like arrays, except string array is byte indexed and contains the actual characters. Note that unlike the underlying C, the null character (value 0) is valid. [Size limited to about 65500]

Implemented as a 4 element array. The elements are value cell, function cell, property list, and print name (a character string node). Print names are limited to 100 characters. There are also flags for constant and special. Values bound to special symbols (declared with DEFVAR or DEFPARAMETER) are always dynamically bound, rather than being lexically bound.

Small integers (> -129 and <256) are statically allocated and are thus always EQ integers of the same value. The CAR field is used to hold the value, which is a 32 bit signed integer.

The CAR field is used to hold the numerator while the CDR field is used to hold the denominator. The numerator is a 32 bit signed value while the denominator is a 31 bit positive value.

All characters are statically allocated and are thus EQ characters of the same value. The CAR field is used to hold the value. In XLISP characters are "unsigned" and thus range in value from 0 to 255.

#₅₄ \$₅₅ K₅₆ +₅₇ **Flonums (floating point numbers)**

The CAR and CDR fields hold the value, which is typically a 64 bit IEEE floating point number.

54[#] dt_flonum
55^{\$} Floating point numbers
56^K Flonums
57⁺ dt:080

Part of the math extension compilation option. Internally implemented as an array of the real and imaginary parts. The parts can be either both fixnums or both flonums. Any function which would return a fixnum complex number with a zero imaginary part returns just the fixnum.

#62 \$63 K64 +65 **Objects**

Implemented as an array of instance variable count plus one elements. The first element is the object's class, while the remaining arguments are the instance variables.

62# dt_object
63\$ Object type
64K Object type
65+ dt:100

The CAR and CDR fields are used in a system dependent way as a file pointer.

Implemented as a tconc-style list of characters.

#74 \$75 K76 +77 **Subrs**

The subrs are built-in functions. The CAR field points to the actual code to execute, while the CDR field is an internal pointer to the name of the function.

74# dt_subr
75\$ Subrs
76K Subrs
77+ dt:120

The fsubrs are special forms. Same implementation as subrs.

- The closures (user defined functions) are implemented as an array of 11 elements:
1. name symbol or NIL
 2. 'lambda or 'macro
 3. list of required arguments
 4. optional arguments as list of (<arg> <init> <specified-p>) triples.
 5. &rest argument
 6. &key arguments as list of (<key> <arg> <init> <specified-p>) quadruples.
 7. &aux arguments as list of (<arg> <init>) pairs.
 8. function body
 9. value environment
 10. function environment
 11. argument list (unprocessed)

Implemented as an array with first element being a pointer to the structure name string, and the remaining elements being the structure elements.

Implemented as a structure of varying length with no generalized accessing functions, but with a special print function (print functions not available for standard structures).

Implemented as a structure with a single element which is the random state (here a fixnum, but could change without impacting xlist programs).

The process of evaluation in XLISP:

Strings, characters, numbers of any type, objects, arrays, structures, streams, subrs, fsubrs and closures evaluate to themselves.

Symbols act as variables and are evaluated by retrieving the value associated with their current binding.

Lists are evaluated by examining the first element of the list and then taking one of the following actions:

- If it is a symbol, the functional binding of the symbol is retrieved.
- If it is a lambda expression, a closure is constructed for the function described by the lambda expression.
- If it is a subr, fsubr or closure, it stands for itself.
- Any other value is an error.

Then, the value produced by the previous step is examined:

If it is a subr or closure, the remaining list elements are evaluated and the subr or closure is applied to these evaluated expressions.

If it is an fsubr, the fsubr is called with the remaining list elements as arguments (unevaluated).

If it is a macro, the macro is expanded with the remaining list elements as arguments (unevaluated). The macro expansion is then evaluated in place of the original macro call. If the symbol *displace-macros* is not NIL, then the expanded macro will (destructively) replace the original macro expression. This means that the macro will only be expanded once, but the original code will be lost. The displacement will not take place unless the macro expands into a list. The standard XLISP practice is the macro will be expanded each time the expression is evaluated, which negates some of the advantages of using macros.

The evalhook and applyhook facility are useful for implementing debugging programs or just observing the operation of XLISP. It is possible to control evaluation of forms in any context.

If the symbol *evalhook* is bound to a function closure, then every call of eval will call this function. The function takes two arguments, the form to be evaluated and execution environment. During the execution of this function, *evalhook* (and *applyhook*) are dynamically bound to NIL to prevent undesirable recursion. This "hook" function returns the result of the evaluation.

If the symbol *applyhook* is bound to a function, then every function application within an eval will call this function (note that the function apply, and others which do not use eval, will not invoke the apply hook function). The function takes two arguments, the function closure and the argument list (which is already evaluated). During execution of this hook function, *applyhook* (and *evalhook*) are dynamically bound to NIL to prevent undesired recursion. This function is to return the result of the function application.

Note that the hook functions cannot reset *evalhook* or *applyhook* to NIL, because upon exit these values will be reset. An escape mechanism is provided -- execution of 'top-level', or any error that causes return to the top level, will unhook the functions. Applications should bind these values either via progv, evalhook, or applyhook.

The functions 'evalhook' and 'applyhook' allowed for controlled application of the hook functions. The form supplied as an argument to 'evalhook', or the function application given to 'applyhook', are not hooked themselves, but any subsidiary forms and applications are. In addition, by supplying NIL values for the hook functions, 'evalhook' can be used to execute a form within a specific environment passed as an argument.

An additional hook function exists for the garbage collector. If the symbol *gc-hook* is bound to a function, then this function is called after every garbage collection. The function has two arguments. The first is the total number of nodes, and the second is the number of nodes free. The return value is ignored. During the execution of the function, *gc-hook* is dynamically bound to NIL to prevent undesirable recursion.

The following conventions must be followed when entering XLISP programs:

Comments in XLISP code begin with a semi-colon character and continue to the end of the line.

Except when escape sequences are used, symbol names in XLISP can consist of any sequence of non-blank printable characters except the terminating macro characters:

() ' ` , " ;

and the escape characters:

\ |

In addition, the first character may not be '#' (non-terminating macro character), nor may the symbol have identical syntax with a numeric literal. Uppercase and lowercase characters are not distinguished within symbol names because, by default, lowercase characters are mapped to uppercase on input.

Any printing character, including whitespace, may be part of a symbol name when escape characters are used. The backslash escapes the following character, while multiple characters can be escaped by placing them between vertical bars. At all times the backslash must be used to escape either escape characters.

For semantic reasons, certain character sequences should/can never be used as symbols in XLISP. A single period is used to denote dotted lists. The symbol NIL represents an empty list. Symbols starting with a colon are keywords, and will always evaluate to themselves. Thus they should not be used as regular symbols. The symbol T is also reserved for use as the truth value.

Fixnum (integer) literals consist of a sequence of digits optionally beginning with a sign ('+' or '-'). The range of values an integer can represent is limited by the size of a C 'long' on the machine on which XLISP is running.

Ratio literals consist of two integer literals separated by a slash character ('/'). The second number, the denominator, must be positive. Ratios are automatically reduced to their canonical form; if they are integral, then they are reduced to an integer.

Flonum (floating point) literals consist of a sequence of digits optionally beginning with a sign ('+' or '-') and including one or both of an embedded decimal point or a trailing exponent. The optional exponent is denoted by an 'E' or 'e' followed by an optional sign and one or more digits. The range of values a floating point number can represent is limited by the size of a C 'double' on most machines on which XLISP is running.

Numeric literals cannot have embedded escape characters. If they do, they are treated as symbols. Thus '12\3' is a symbol even though it would appear to be identical to '123'.

Complex literals are constructed using a read-macro of the format #C(r i), where r is the real part and i is the imaginary part. The numeric fields can be any valid fixnum, ratio, or flonum literal. If either field has a ratio or flonum literal, then both values are converted to flonums. Fixnum complex literals with a zero imaginary part are automatically reduced to fixnums.

Character literals are handled via the #\ read-macro construct:

#\<char> == the ASCII code of the printing character
#\newline == ASCII linefeed character
#\space == ASCII space character
#\rubout == ASCII rubout (DEL)
#\C-<char> == ASCII control character
#\M-<char> == ASCII character with msb set (Meta character)
#\M-C-<char> == ASCII control character with msb set

Literal strings are sequences of characters surrounded by double quotes (the " read-macro). Within quoted strings the '\ character is used to allow non-printable characters to be included. The codes recognized are:

\\ means the character '\'
\n means newline
\t means tab
\r means return
\f means form feed
\nnn means the character whose octal code is nnn

The behaviour of the reader is controlled by a data structure called a "readtable". The reader uses the symbol `*readtable*` to locate the current readtable. This table controls the interpretation of input characters -- if it is changed then the section [Lexical conventions](#) may not apply. The readtable is an array with 256 entries, one for each of the extended ASCII character codes. Each entry contains one of the following values, with the initial entries assigned to the values indicated:

<code>:white-space</code>	A whitespace character - tab, cr, lf, ff, space
<code>(:tmacro . fun)</code>	terminating readmacro - () " , ; ' `
<code>(:nmacro . fun)</code>	non-terminating readmacro - #
<code>:sescape</code>	Single escape character - \
<code>:mescape</code>	Multiple escape character -
<code>:constituent</code>	Indicating a symbol constituent (all printing characters not listed above)
<code>NIL</code>	Indicating an invalid character (everything else)

In the case of `:TMACRO` and `:NMACRO`, the "fun" component is a function. This can either be a built-in readmacro function or a lambda expression. The function takes two parameters. The first is the input stream and the second is the character that caused the invocation of the readmacro. The readmacro function should return `NIL` to indicate that the character should be treated as white space or a value consed with `NIL` to indicate that the readmacro should be treated as an occurrence of the specified value. Of course, the readmacro code is free to read additional characters from the input stream. A `:nmacro` is a symbol constituent except as the first character of a symbol. As an example, the following read macro allows the square brackets to be used as a more visibly appealing alternative to the `SEND` function:

```
(setf (aref *readtable* (char-int #\[)) ; #\[ table entry
      (cons :tmacro
            (lambda (f c &aux ex) ; second arg is not used
              (do ()
                ((eq (peek-char t f) #\]))
                (setf ex (append ex (list (read f))))))
            (read-char f) ; toss the trailing #\]
            (cons (cons 'send ex) NIL))))

(setf (aref *readtable* (char-int #\]))
      (cons :tmacro
            (lambda (f c)
              (error "misplaced right bracket"))))
```

XLISP defines several useful read macros:

```
'<expr> == (quote <expr>)
`<expr> == (backquote <expr>)
,<expr> == (comma <expr>)
,@<expr> == (comma-at <expr>)
#<expr> == (function <expr>)
#(<expr>...) == an array of the specified expressions
#S(<structtype> [<slotname> <value>]...)
== structure of specified type and initial values
#.<expr> == result of evaluating <expr>
#x<hdigits> == a hexadecimal number (0-9,A-F)
#o<odigits> == an octal number (0-7)
#b<bdigits> == a binary number (0-1)
#| |# == a comment
#:<symbol> == an uninterned symbol
#C(r i) == a complex number
```

XLISP-PLUS uses two variables, *READTABLE-CASE* and *PRINT-CASE* to determine case conversion during reading and printing of symbols. *READTABLE-CASE* can have the values :UPCASE :DOWNCASE :PRESERVE or :INVERT, while *PRINT-CASE* can have the values :UPCASE or :DOWNCASE. By default, or when other values have been specified, both are :UPCASE.

When *READTABLE-CASE* is :UPCASE, all unescaped lowercase characters are converted to uppercase when read. When it is :DOWNCASE, all unescaped uppercase characters are converted to lowercase. This mode is not very useful because the predefined symbols are all uppercase and would need to be escaped to read them. When *READTABLE-CASE* is :PRESERVE, no conversion takes place. This allows case sensitive input with predefined functions in uppercase. The final choice, :INVERT, will invert the case of any symbol that is not mixed case. This provides case sensitive input while making the predefined functions and variables appear to be in lowercase.

The printing of symbols involves the settings of both *READTABLE-CASE* and *PRINT-CASE*. When *READTABLE-CASE* is :UPCASE, lowercase characters are escaped (unless PRINC is used), and uppercase characters are printed in the case specified by *PRINT-CASE*. When *READTABLE-CASE* is :DOWNCASE, uppercase characters are escaped (unless PRINC is used), and lowercase are printed in the case specified by *PRINT-CASE*. The remaining *READTABLE-CASE* modes ignore *PRINT-CASE* and do not escape alphabetic characters. :PRESERVE never changes the case of characters while :INVERT inverts the case of any non mixed-case symbols.

There are four major useful combinations of these modes:

A: *READTABLE-CASE* :UPCASE *PRINT-CASE* :UPCASE

"Traditional" mode. Case insensitive input; must escape to put lowercase characters in symbol names. Symbols print exactly as they are stored, with lowercase characters escaped when PRIN1 is used.

B: *READTABLE-CASE* :UPCASE *PRINT-CASE* :DOWNCASE

"Eyesaver" mode. Case insensitive input; must escape to put lowercase characters in symbol name. Symbols print entirely in lowercase except symbols escaped when lowercase characters present with PRIN1.

C: *READTABLE-CASE* :PRESERVE

"Oldfashioned case sensitive" mode. Case sensitive input. Predefined symbols must be typed in uppercase. No alpha quoting needed. Symbols print exactly as stored.

D: *READTABLE-CASE* :INVERT

"Modern case sensitive" mode. Case sensitive input. Predefined symbols must be typed in lowercase. Alpha quoting should be avoided. Predefined symbols print in lower case, other symbols print as they were entered.

As far as compatibility between these modes are concerned, data printed in mode A can be read in A, B, or C. Data printed in mode B can be read in A, B, and D. Data printed in mode C can be read in mode C, and if no lowercase symbols in modes A and B as well. Data printed in mode D can be read in mode D, and if no (internally) lowercase symbols in modes A and B as well. In addition, symbols containing characters requiring quoting are compatible among all modes.

110# symbol_case
111\$ Symbol case control
112K Symbol case control

There are several forms in XLISP that require that a "lambda list" be specified. A lambda list is a definition of the arguments accepted by a function. There are four different types of arguments.

The lambda list starts with required arguments. Required arguments must be specified in every call to the function.

The required arguments are followed by the &optional arguments. Optional arguments may be provided or omitted in a call. An initialization expression may be specified to provide a default value for an &optional argument if it is omitted from a call. If no initialization expression is specified, an omitted argument is initialized to NIL. It is also possible to provide the name of a 'supplied-p' variable that can be used to determine if a call provided a value for the argument or if the initialization expression was used. If specified, the supplied-p variable will be bound to T if a value was specified in the call and NIL if the default value was used.

The &optional arguments are followed by the &rest argument. The &rest argument gets bound to the remainder of the argument list after the required and &optional arguments have been removed.

The &rest argument is followed by the &key arguments. When a keyword argument is passed to a function, a pair of values appears in the argument list. The first expression in the pair should evaluate to a keyword symbol (a symbol that begins with a ':'). The value of the second expression is the value of the keyword argument. Like &optional arguments, &key arguments can have initialization expressions and supplied-p variables. In addition, it is possible to specify the keyword to be used in a function call. If no keyword is specified, the keyword obtained by adding a ':' to the beginning of the keyword argument symbol is used. In other words, if the keyword argument symbol is 'foo', the keyword will be ':foo'. Extra keywords will signal an error unless &allow-other-keys is present, in which case the extra keywords are ignored. In XLISP, the &allow-other-keys argument is ignored, and extra keywords are ignored.

The &key arguments are followed by the &aux variables. These are local variables that are bound during the evaluation of the function body. It is possible to have initialization expressions for the &aux variables. Here is the complete syntax for lambda lists:

```
(<rarg>...
[&optional [<oarg> | (<oarg> [<init> [<svar>]])]...]
[&rest <rarg>]
[&key
 [<karg> | ([<karg> | (<key> <karg>)] [<init> [<svar>]])] ...
 [&allow-other-keys]]
[&aux [<aux> | (<aux> [<init>]])...])
```

where:

- <rarg> is a required argument symbol
- <oarg> is an &optional argument symbol
- <rarg> is the &rest argument symbol
- <karg> is a &key argument symbol
- <key> is a keyword symbol (starts with ':')
- <aux> is an auxiliary variable symbol
- <init> is an initialization expression
- <svar> is a supplied-p variable symbol

Definitions:

- selector - a symbol used to select an appropriate method
- message - a selector and a list of actual arguments
- method - the code that implements a message

Since XLISP was created to provide a simple basis for experimenting with object-oriented programming, one of the primitive data types included is 'object'. In XLISP, an object consists of a data structure containing a pointer to the object's class as well as an array containing the values of the object's instance variables.

Officially, there is no way to see inside an object (look at the values of its instance variables). The only way to communicate with an object is by sending it a message.

You can send a message to an object using the 'send' function. This function takes the object as its first argument, the message selector as its second argument (which must be a symbol) and the message arguments as its remaining arguments.

The 'send' function determines the class of the receiving object and attempts to find a method corresponding to the message selector in the set of messages defined for that class. If the message is not found in the object's class and the class has a super-class, the search continues by looking at the messages defined for the super-class. This process continues from one super-class to the next until a method for the message is found. If no method is found, an error occurs.

To perform a method lookup starting with the method's superclass rather than the object's class, use the function 'send-super'. This allows a subclass to invoke a standard method in its parent class even though it overrides that method with its own specialized version.

When a method is found, the evaluator binds the receiving object to the symbol 'self' and evaluates the method using the remaining elements of the original list as arguments to the method. These arguments are always evaluated prior to being bound to their corresponding formal arguments. The result of evaluating the method becomes the result of the expression.

Two objects, both classes, are predefined: Object and Class. Both Object and Class are of class Class. The superclass of Class is Object, while Object has no superclass. Typical use is to create new classes (by sending :new to Class) to represent application objects. Objects of these classes, created by sending :new to the appropriate new class, are subclasses of Object. The Object method :show can be used to view the contents of any object.

The 'Object' class

- Object : the top of the class hierarchy
- Messages of the Object class

The 'Class' class

- Class : The class of all object classes (including itself)
- Messages of the Class class
- Instance variables of the Class class

When a new instance of a class is created by sending the message ':new' to an existing class, the message ':isnew' followed by whatever parameters were passed to the ':new' message is sent to the newly created object. Therefore, when a new class is created by sending ':new' to class 'Class' the message ':isnew' is sent to Class automatically. To create a new class, a function of the following format is used:

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(setq <newclassname> (send Class :new <ivars> [<cvars> [<super>]]))
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When a new class is created, an optional parameter may be specified indicating the superclass of the new class. If this parameter is omitted, the new class will be a subclass of 'Object'. A class inherits all instance variables, and methods from its super-class. Only class variables of a method's class are accessible.

:show
Show an object's instance variables.

:class
Return the class of an object

:prin1 [<stream>]
Print the object. <stream> default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*. Returns the object

:isnew
The default object initialization routine. Returns the object

:superclass
Get the superclass of the object. Returns NIL. (Defined in classes.lsp, see :superclass below)

:ismemberof <class>
Class membership. <class> : class name. Returns T if object member of class, else NIL (defined in classes.lsp)

:iskindof <class>
Class membership. <class> : class name. Returns T if object member of class or subclass of class, else NIL (defined in classes.lsp)

:respondsto <sel>
Selector knowledge. <sel> : message selector. Returns T if object responds to message selector, else NIL. (defined in classes.lsp)

:storeon
Read representation. Returns a list, that when executed will create a copy of the object. Only works for members of classes created with defclass. (defined in classes.lsp)

119# msg_object
120\$ Messages of the Object class
121K Messages of the Object class

:new
Create a new instance of a class. Returns the new class object

:isnew <ivars> [<cvars> [<super>]]
Initialize a new class. <ivars> : the list of instance variable symbol , <cvars>: the list of class variable symbols , <super> : the superclass (default is Object). Returns the new class object

:answer <msg> <fargs> <code>
Add a message to a class. <msg> : the message symbol , <fargs> : the formal argument list (lambda list) , <code> : a list of executable expressions. Returns the object

:superclass
Get the superclass of the object. Returns the superclass of the class. (defined in classes.lsp)

:messages
Get the list of messages of the class. Returns association list of message selectors and closures for messages. (defined in classes.lsp)

:storeon
Read representation. Returns a list, that when executed will re-create the class and its methods. (defined in classes.lsp)

- MESSAGES**
An association list of message names and closures implementing the messages.
- IVARS**
List of names of instance variables.
- CVARS**
List of names of class variables.
- CVAL**
Array of class variable values.
- SUPERCLASS**
The superclass of this class or NIL if no superclass (only for class OBJECT).
- IVARCNT**
Instance variables in this class (length of IVARS)
- IVARTOTAL**
Total instance variables for this class and all superclasses of this class.
- PNAME**
Printname string for this class.

¹²⁵# msg_ivar
¹²⁶\$ Instance variables of 'CLASS' class
¹²⁷K Instance variables of 'CLASS' class

All values are initially NIL unless otherwise specified. All are special variables unless indicated to be constants.

- NIL**
Represents empty list and the boolean value for "false". The value of NIL is NIL, and cannot be changed (it is a constant). (car NIL) and (cdr NIL) are also defined to be NIL.
- t**
Boolean value "true" is constant with value t.
- self**
Within a method context, the current object otherwise initially unbound.
- object**
Constant, value is the class 'Object'.
- class**
Constant, value is the class 'Class'.
- internal-time-units-per-second**
Integer constant to divide returned times by to get time in seconds.
- pi**
Floating point aproximation of pi (constant defined when math extension is compiled).
- *obarray***
The object hash table. Length of array is a compilation option. Objects are hashed using the hash function and are placed on a list in the appropriate array slot.
- *terminal-io***
Stream bound to keyboard and display. Do not alter.
- *standard-input***
The standard input stream, initially stdin.
- *standard-output***
The standard output stream, initially stdout.
- *error-output***
The error output stream (used by all error messages), initially same as *terminal-io*.
- *trace-output***
The trace output stream (used by the trace function), initially same as *terminal-io*.
- *debug-io***
The break loop i/o stream, initially same as *terminal-io*. System messages (other than error messages) also print out on this stream.
- *breakenable***
Flag controlling entering break loop on errors
- *tracelist***
List of names of functions to trace, as set by trace function.
- *tracenable***
Enable trace back printout on errors.
- *tracelimit***
Number of levels of trace back information.
- *evalhook***
User substitute for the evaluator function
- *applyhook***
User substitute for function application.
- *readtable***
The current readtable.
- *unbound***
Indicator for unbound symbols. A constant. Do not use this symbol since accessing any variable to which this has been bound will cause an unbound symbol error message.
- *gc-flag***
Controls the printing of gc messages. When non-NIL, a message is printed after each garbage collection giving the total number of nodes and the number of nodes free.
- *gc-hook***
Function to call after garbage collection
- *integer-format***
Format for printing integers (when not bound to a string, defaults to "%d" or "%ld" depending on implementation)
- *ratio-format***
Format for printing ratios (when not bound to a string, defaults to "%d/%d" or "%ld/%ld" depending on implementation)
- *float-format***
Format for printing floats (when not bound to a string, defaults to "%g")
- *readtable-case***
Symbol read and output case.
- *print-case***
Symbol output case when printing.
- *print-level***
When bound to a number, list levels beyond this value are printed as '#'. Used by all printing functions. Good precaution to avoid getting caught in circular lists.
- *print-length***
When bound to a number, lists longer than this value are printed as '...'. Used by all printing functions. Good precaution to avoid getting caught in circular lists.
- *displace-macros***
When not NIL, macros are replaced by their expansions when executed.
- *random-state***
The default random-state used by the random function.

There are several symbols maintained by the read/eval/print loop. The symbols '+', '++', and '+++' are bound to the most recent three input expressions. The symbols '*', '**' and '***' are bound to the most recent three results. The symbol '-' is bound to the expression currently being evaluated. It becomes the value of '+' at the end of the evaluation.

#131 \$132 K133 *Evaluation functions*

- eval
- apply
- funcall
- quote
- function
- identity
- backquote
- comma
- comma-at
- lambda
- get-lambda-expression
- macroexpand
- macroexpand-1

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131# eval_func
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132\$ Evaluation functions

133^K Evaluation functions

#134 \$135 K136 +137 *Eval*

Syntax : (eval <expr>)

Evaluate an XLisp expression
 <expr> the expression to be evaluated

Returns : The result of evaluating the expression

134# func_eval
135\$ Eval
136K Eval
137+ ev_func:010

Syntax : (apply <fun> <arg>...<args>)

Apply a function to a list of arguments

<fun>	The function to apply (or function symbol). May not be macro or fsubr.
<arg>	Initial arguments, which are CONSed to...
<args>	The argument list

Returns : The result of applying the function to the arguments

Syntax : (funcall <fun> <arg>...)

Call a function with arguments
 <fun> The function to call (or function symbol). May not be macro or fsubr.
 <arg> Arguments to pass to the function

Returns : The result of calling the function with the arguments

Syntax : (quote <expr>)

Return an expression unevaluated
fsubr
 <expr> The expression to be quoted (quoted)

Returns : <expr> unevaluated

#150 \$151 K152 +153 **Function**

Syntax : (function <expr>)

Get the functional interpretation
subr
expr> The symbol or lambda expression (quoted)

Returns : the functional interpretation

150# func_function
151\$ Function
152K Function
153+ ev_func:060

#154 \$155 K156 +157 *Identity*

Syntax : (identity <expr>)

Return the expression. New function. In common.lsp
 <expr> The expression

Returns : the expression

Syntax : (backquote <expr>)

Fill in a template. fsubr. Note: an improved backquote facility, which works properly when nested, is available by loading the file backquot.lsp.
 <expr> The template (quoted)

Returns : a copy of the template with comma and comma-at expressions expanded.

Syntax : (comma <expr>)

Comma expression. (Never executed) As the object of a backquote expansion, the expression is evaluated and becomes an object in the enclosing list.

Syntax : (comma-at <expr>)

Comma-at expression. (Never executed) As the object of a backquote expansion, the expression is evaluated (and must evaluate to a list) and is then spliced into the enclosing list.

#170 \$171 K172 +173 *Lambda*

Syntax : (lambda <args> <expr>...)

Make a function closure. fsubr
 <args> Formal argument list (lambda list) (quoted)
 <expr> Expressions of the function body (quoted)

Returns : the function closure

170# func_lambda
171\$ Lambda
172K Lambda
173+ ev_func:110

#174 \$175 K176 +177 **Get-lambda-expression**

Syntax : (get-lambda-expression <closure>)

Get the lambda expression
 <closure> The closure

Returns : the original lambda expression

174# func_getlambda
175\$ Get-lambda-expression
176K Get-lambda-expression
177+ ev_func:120

#178 \$179 K180 +181 **Macroexpand**

Syntax : (macroexpand <form>)

Recursively expand macro calls
 <form> The form to expand

Returns : the macro expansion

178# func_macroexpand
179\$ Macroexpand
180K Macroexpand
181+ ev_func:130

#182 \$183 K184 +185 **Macroexpand-1**

Syntax : (macroexpand-1 <form>)

Expand a macro call
 <form> The macro call form

Returns : the macro expansion

182# func_macroexpand1
183\$ Macroexpand-1
184K Macroexpand-1
185+ ev_func:140

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Syntax : (set <sym> <expr>)

Set the global value of a symbol
 <sym> The symbol being set
 <expr> The new value

Returns : the new value

Syntax : (setq [<sym> <expr>]...)

Set the value of a symbol. fsubr
 <sym> The symbol being set (quoted)
 <expr> The new value

Returns : the new value

Syntax : (psetq [<sym> <expr>]...)

Parallel version of setq. fsubr. All expressions are evaluated before any assignments are made.
 <sym> the symbol being set (quoted)
 <expr> the new value

Returns : the new value

Syntax : (setf [<place> <expr>]...)

Set the value of a field. fsubr.

<place>	the field specifier (if a macro it is expanded, then the form arguments are evaluated):
<sym>	set value of a symbol
(car <expr>)	set car of a cons node
(cdr <expr>)	set cdr of a cons node
(nth <n> <expr>)	set nth car of a list
(aref <expr> <n>)	set nth element of an array or string
(elt <expr> <n>)	set nth element of a sequence
(get <sym> <prop>)	set value of a property
(symbol-value <sym>)	set global value of a symbol
(symbol-function <sym>)	set functional value of a symbol
(symbol-plist <sym>)	set property list of a symbol
(gethash <key> <tbl> <def>)	add or replace hash table entry. <def> is ignored
(send <obj> :<ivar>)	(When classes.lsp used), set instance variable of object.
(<sym>-<element> <struct>)	set the element of structure struct, type sym.
(<fieldsym> <args>)	the function stored in property *setf* in symbol <fieldsym> is applied to (<args> <expr>)
<value>	the new value

Returns : the new value

201[#] func_setf
202^{\$} Setf
203^K Setf
204⁺ sym_func:040

Syntax : (defsetf <sym> <fcn>)

Define a setf field specifier

Syntax : (defsetf <sym> <fargs> (<value>) <expr>...)

Defined as macro in common.lsp. Convenient, Common Lisp compatible alternative to setting *setf* property directly, although second format is not as efficient.

- <sym> field specifier symbol (quoted)
- <fcn> function to use (quoted symbol) which takes the same arguments as the field specifier plus an additional argument for the value. The value must be returned.
- <fargs> formal argument list (lambda list) (quoted)
- <value> symbol bound to value to store (quoted).
- <expr> expressions to evaluate (quoted). The last expression must return <value>.

Returns : the field specifier symbol

Syntax : (push <expr> <place>)

Cons to a field. Defined as macro in common.lsp. Only evaluates place form arguments one time. It is recommended that *displace-macros* be non-NIL for best performance.
 <place>field specifier being modified (see setf)
 <expr> value to cons to field

Returns : the new value which is (CONS <expr> <place>)

Syntax : (pushnew <expr> <place> &key :test :test-not :key)

Cons new to a field. Defined as macro in common.lsp. Only evaluates place form arguments one time. It is recommended that *displace-macros* be non-NIL for best performance.

- <place>field specifier being modified (see setf)
- <expr> value to cons to field, if not already MEMBER of field
- :test the test function (defaults to eql)
- :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
- :key function to apply to test function list argument (defaults to identity)

Returns : the new value which is (CONS <expr> <place>) or <place>

Syntax : (pop <place>)

Remove first element of a field. Defined as macro in common.lsp. Only evaluates place form arguments one time. It is recommended that *displace-macros* be non-NIL for best performance.
 <place>the field being modified (see setf)

Returns : (CAR <place>), field changed to (CDR <place>)

Syntax : (incf <place> [<value>])

Increment a field

Syntax : (decf <place> [<value>])

Decrement a field

Defined as macro in common.lsp. Only evaluates place form arguments one time. It is recommended that *displace-macros* be non-NIL for best performance.

<place>field specifier being modified (see setf)

<value>Numeric value (default 1)

Returns : the new value which is (+ <place> <value>) or (- <place> <value>)

Syntax : (defun <sym> <fargs> <expr>...)

Define a function

Syntax : (defmacro <sym> <fargs> <expr>...)

Define a macro. fsubr
 <sym> symbol being defined (quoted)
 <fargs> formal argument list (lambda list) (quoted)
 <expr> expressions the body of the function (quoted)

Returns : the function symbol

#₂₃₁ \$₂₃₂ K₂₃₃ +₂₃₄ **Gensym**

Syntax : (gensym [<tag>])

Generate a symbol.
 <tag> string or number

Returns : the new symbol, uninterned

231# func_gensym
232\$ Gensym
233K Gensym
234+ sym_func:110

#₂₃₅ \$₂₃₆ K₂₃₇ +₂₃₈ *Intern*

Syntax : (intern <pname>)

Make an interned symbol.
 <pname> the symbol's print name string

Returns : the new symbol

235# func_intern
236\$ Intern
237K Intern
238+ sym_func:120

#₂₃₉ \$₂₄₀ K₂₄₁ +₂₄₂ ***Make-symbol***

Syntax : (make-symbol <pname>)

Make an uninterned symbol
 <pname> the symbol's print name string

Returns : the new symbol

239# func_make_symbol
240\$ Make-symbol
241^K Make-symbol
242⁺ sym_func:130

#²⁴³ \$²⁴⁴ K²⁴⁵ +²⁴⁶ **Symbol-name**

Syntax : (symbol-name <sym>)

Get the print name of a symbol
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol's print name

243# func_symbol_name
244\$ Symbol-name
245K Symbol-name
246+ sym_func:140

#²⁴⁷ \$²⁴⁸ K²⁴⁹ +²⁵⁰ **Symbol-value**

Syntax : (symbol-value <sym>)

Get the value of a symbol
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol's value

247[#] func_symbol_value
248^{\$} Symbol-value
249^K Symbol-value
250⁺ sym_func:150

#251 \$252 K253 +254 **Symbol-function**

Syntax : (symbol-function <sym>)

Get the functional value of a symbol
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol's functional value

251# func_symbol_function
252\$ Symbol-function
253K Symbol-function
254+ sym_func:160

Syntax : (symbol-plist <sym>)

Get the property list of a symbol
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol's property list

Syntax : (hash <expr> <n>)

Compute the hash index
 <expr> the object to hash
 <n> the table size (positive integer)

Returns : the hash index (integer 0 to n-1)

Syntax : (makunbound <sym>)

Make a symbol value be unbound. You cannot unbind constants.
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol

#267 \$268 K269 +270 **Fmakunbound**

Syntax : (fmakunbound <sym>)

Make a symbol function be unbound. Defined in init.lsp
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : the symbol

267# func_fmakunbound
268\$ Fmakunbound
269K Fmakunbound
270+ sym_func:200

#271 \$272 K273 +274 **Unintern**

Syntax : (unintern <sym>)

Unintern a symbol. Defined in common.lsp
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : t if successful, NIL if symbol not interned

271# func_unintern
272\$ Unintern
273K Unintern
274+ sym_func:210

Syntax : (defconstant <sym> <val>)

Define a constant. fsubr.
 <sym> the symbol
 <val> the value

Returns : the value

275[#] func_defconstant
276^{\$} Defconstant
277^K Defconstant
278⁺ sym_func:220

#279 \$280 K281 +282 *Defparameter*

Syntax : (defparameter <sym> <val>)

Define a parameter. fsubr.
 <sym> the symbol
 <val> the value

Returns : the value

279# func_defparameter
280\$ Defparameter
281K Defparameter
282+ sym_func:230

Syntax : (defvar <sym> [<val>])

Define a variable. fsubr. Variable only initialized if not previously defined.
 <sym> the symbol
 <val> the initial value, or NIL if absent.

Returns : the current value

Note that property names are not limited to symbols.

get putprop
remprop

#290 \$291 K292 +293 **Get**

Syntax : (get <sym> <prop>)

Get the value of a property
 <sym> the symbol
 <prop> the property symbol

Returns : the property value or NIL

290# func_get
291\$ Get
292K Get
293+ prop_func:010

Syntax : (putprop <sym> <val> <prop>)

Put a property onto a property list
 <sym> the symbol
 <val> the property value
 <prop> the property symbol

Returns : the property value

#₂₉₈ \$₂₉₉ K₃₀₀ +₃₀₁ **Remprop**

Syntax : (remprop <sym> <prop>)

Delete a property
 <sym> the symbol
 <prop> the property symbol

Returns : NIL

298# func_remprop
299\$ Remprop
300K Remprop
301+ prop_func:030

A hash table is implemented as an structure of type hash-table. No general accessing functions are provided, and hash tables print out using the angle bracket convention (not readable by READ). The first element is the comparison function. The remaining elements contain association lists of keys (that hash to the same value) and their data.

make-hash-table
gethashremhash
clrhash
hash-table-count
maphash

Syntax : (make-hash-table &key :size :test)

Make a hash table

- :size size of hash table -- should be a prime number. Default is 31.
- :test comparison function. Defaults to eql.

Returns : the hash table

#309 \$310 K311 +312 **Gethash**

Syntax : (gethash <key> <table> [<def>])

Extract from hash table. See also gethash in SETE.

- <key> hash key
- <table> hash table
- <def> value to return on no match (default is NIL)

Returns : associated data, if found, or <def> if not found.

309# func_gethash
310\$ Gethash
311K Gethash
312+ hash_func:020

#313 \$314 K315 +316 **Remhash**

Syntax : (remhash <key> <table>)

Delete from hash table
 <key> hash key
 <table> hash table

Returns : T if deleted, NIL if not in table

313# func_remhash
314\$ Remhash
315K Remhash
316+ hash_func:030

#317 \$318 K319 +320 **Clrhash**

Syntax : (clrhash <table>)

Clear the hash table
 <table> hash table

Returns : NIL, all entries cleared from table

317# func_clrhash
318\$ Clrhash
319K Clrhash
320+ hash_func:040

#321 \$322 K323 +324 **Hash-table-count**

Syntax : (hash-table-count <table>)

Number of entries in hash table
 <table> hash table

Returns : integer number of entries in table

321# func_hashcount
322\$ Hash-table-count
323K Hash-table-count
324+ hash_func:050

Syntax : (maphash <fcn> <table>)

Map function over table entries
 <fcn> the function or function name, a function of two arguments, the first is
 bound to the key, and the second the value of each table entry in turn.
 <table> hash table

Returns : NIL

Note that sequence functions also work on arrays.

aref
make-array
vector

#₃₃₂ \$₃₃₃ K₃₃₄ +₃₃₅ **Aref**

Syntax : (aref <array> <n>)

Get the nth element of an array. See setf for setting elements of arrays
 <array> the array (or string)
 <n> the array index (integer, zero based)

Returns : the value of the array element

332[#] func_aref
333^{\$} Aref
334^K Aref
335⁺ arr_func:010

#336 \$337 K338 +339 **Make-array**

Syntax : (make-array <size>)

Make a new array
 <size> the size of the new array (integer)

Returns : the new array

336# func_make_array
337\$ Make-array
338K Make-array
339+ arr_func:020

#340 \$341 K342 +343 **Vector**

Syntax : (vector <expr>...)

Make an initialized vector
 <expr> the vector elements

Returns : the new vector

340# func_vector
341\$ Vector
342K Vector
343+ arr_func:030

These functions work on sequences - lists, arrays, or strings.

- concatenate
- elt
- map
- every
- notevery
- some
- notany
- length
- reverse
- nreverse
- subseq
- search
- remove
- remove-if
- remove-if-not
- count-if find-if position-if delete
- delete-if
- delete-if-not
- reduce remove-duplicates
- fill
- replace

Syntax : (concatenate <type> <expr> ...)

Concatenate sequences. If result type is string, sequences must contain only characters.
 <type> result type, one of CONS, LIST, ARRAY, or STRING
 <expr> zero or more sequences to concatenate

Returns : a sequence which is the concatenation of the argument sequences

#351 \$352 K353 +354 *Elt*

Syntax : (elt <expr> <n>)

Get the nth element of a sequence
 <expr> the sequence
 <n> the index of element to return

Returns : the element if the index is in bounds, otherwise error

351# func_elt
352\$ Elt
353K Elt
354+ s_func:020

Syntax : (map <type> <fcn> <expr> ...)

Apply function to successive elements
 <type> result type, one of CONS, LIST, ARRAY, STRING, or NIL
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <expr> a sequence for each argument of the function

Returns : a new sequence of type <type>.

#359 \$360 K361 K362 +363 **Every,Notevery**

Syntax : (every <fcn> <expr> ...)

Syntax : (notevery <fcn> <expr> ...)

Apply function to elements until false

<fcn> the function or function name

<expr> a sequence for each argument of the function

Returns : every returns last evaluated function result , notevery returns T if there is a NIL function result, else NIL

359# func_every
360\$ Every,notevery
361K Every
362K Notevery
363+ s_func:040

#364 \$365 K366 K367 +368 **Some,notany**

Syntax : (some <fcn> <expr> ...)

Syntax : (notany <fcn> <expr> ...)

Apply function to elements until true
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <expr> a sequence for each argument of the function

Returns : some returns first non-NIL function result, or NIL notany returns NIL if there is a non-NIL function result, else T

364# func_some
365\$ Some,notany
366K Some
367K Notany
368+ s_func:050

Syntax : (length <expr>)

Find the length of a sequence
 <expr> the list, vector or string

Returns : the length of the list, vector or string

#373 \$374 K375 K376 +377 **Reverse,nreverse**

Syntax : (reverse <expr>)

Reverse a sequence

Syntax : (nreverse <expr>)

Destructively reverse a sequence
 <expr> the sequence to reverse

Returns : a new sequence in the reverse order

373# func_reverse
374\$ Reverse,nreverse
375K Reverse
376K Nreverse
377+ s_func:070

Syntax : (subseq <seq> <start> [<end>])

Extract a subsequence
 <seq> the sequence
 <start> the starting position (zero origin)
 <end> the ending position + 1 (defaults to end) or NIL for end of sequence

Returns : the sequence between <start> and <end>

Syntax : (search <seq1> <seq2> &key :test :test-not :key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Search for sequence
<seq1> the sequence to search for
<seq2> the sequence to search in
:test the test function (defaults to eql)
:test-not the test function (sense inverted)
:key function to apply to test function arguments (defaults to identity)
:start1 starting index in <seq1>
:end1 index of end+1 in <seq1> or NIL for end of sequence
:start2 starting index in <seq2>
:end2 index of end+1 in <seq2> or NIL for end of sequence

Returns : position of first match

Syntax : (remove <expr> <seq> &key :test :test-not :key :start :end)

Remove elements from a sequence
 <expr> the element to remove
 <seq> the sequence
 :test the test function (defaults to eql)
 :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
 :key function to apply to test function sequence argument (defaults to identity)
 :start starting index
 :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : copy of sequence with matching expressions removed

#390 §391 K392 K393 +394 **Remove-if,remove-if-not**

Syntax : (remove-if <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Remove elements that pass test

Syntax : (remove-if-not <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

remove elements that fail test

- <test> the test predicate
- <seq> the sequence
- :key function to apply to test function argument (defaults to identity)
- :start starting index
- :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : copy of sequence with matching or non-matching elements removed

390# func_removeif
391§ Remove-if , remove-if-not
392K Remove-if
393K Remove-if-not
394+ s_func:110

Syntax : (count-if <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Count elements that pass test
<test> the test predicate
<seq> the sequence
:key function to apply to test function argument (defaults to identity)
:start starting index
:end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : count of matching elements

Syntax : (find-if <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Find first element that passes test
 <test> the test predicate
 <seq> the list
 :key function to apply to test function argument (defaults to identity)
 :start starting index
 :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : first element of sequence that passes test

Syntax : (position-if <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Find position of first element that passes test

- <test> the test predicate
- <seq> the list
- :key function to apply to test function argument (defaults to identity)
- :start starting index
- :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : position of first element of sequence that passes test , or NIL.

Syntax : (delete <expr> <seq> &key :key :test :test-not :start :end)

Delete elements from a sequence
 <expr> the element to delete
 <seq> the sequence
 :test the test function (defaults to eql)
 :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
 :key function to apply to test function sequence argument (defaults to identity)
 :start starting index
 :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : the sequence with the matching expressions deleted

#411 \$412 K413 K414 +415 **Delete-if,delete-if-not**

Syntax : (delete-if <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Delete elements that pass test

Syntax : (delete-if-not <test> <seq> &key :key :start :end)

Delete elements that fail test

- <test> the test predicate
- <seq> the sequence
- :key function to apply to test function argument (defaults to identity)
- :start starting index
- :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : the sequence with matching or non-matching elements deleted

411# func_deleteif
412\$ Delete-if,delete-if-not
413K Delete-if
414K Delete-if-not
415+ s_func:160

Syntax : (reduce <fcn> <seq> &key :initial-value :start :end)

Reduce sequence to single value

<fcn>	function (of two arguments) to apply to result of previous function application (or first element) and each member of sequence.
<seq>	the sequence
:initial-value	value to use as first argument in first function application rather than using the first element of the sequence.
:start	starting index
:end	index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : if sequence is empty and there is no initial value, returns result of applying function to zero arguments. If there is a single element, returns the element. Otherwise returns the result of the last function application.

Syntax : (remove-duplicates <seq> &key :test :test-not :key :start :end)

Remove duplicates from sequence

<seq>	the sequence
:test	comparison function (default eql)
:test-not	comparison function (sense inverted)
:key	function to apply to test function arguments (defaults to identity)
:start	starting index
:end	index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : copy of sequence with duplicates removed.

Syntax : (fill <seq> <expr> &key :start :end)

Replace items in sequence. Defined in common.lsp
 <seq> the sequence
 <expr> new value to place in sequence
 :start starting index
 :end index of end+1, or NIL for (length <seq>)

Returns : sequence with items replaced with new item

Syntax : (replace <seq1> <seq2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Replace items in sequence from sequence. Defined in common.lsp

- <seq1> the sequence to modify
- <seq2> sequence with new items
- :start1 starting index in <seq1>
- :end1 index of end+1 in <seq1> or NIL for end of sequence
- :start2 starting index in <seq2>
- :end2 index of end+1 in <seq2> or NIL for end of sequence

Returns : first sequence with items replaced

car
cdr cxxr,cxxxr,cxxxxr
first
rest
second
third
fourth
cons
acons
list
list*
append
last
butlast
nth
nthcdr
member
assoc
mapc
mapcar
mapl
maplist
mapcan
mapcon
subst
sublis
pairlis
copy-list
copy-alist
copy-tree
intersection
union
set-difference
set-exclusive-or
nintersection
nunion
nset-difference
nset-exclusive-or
adjoin

432# list_func
433\$ List functions
434K List functions

Syntax : (car <expr>)

Return the car of a list node. The **first** function is the synonym of car.
 <expr> the list node

Returns : the car of the list node

Syntax : (cdr <exp>)

Return the cdr of a list node. The **rest** function is the synonym of cdr.
 <expr> the list node

Returns : the cdr of the list node

#443 \$444 K445 +446 **Cxxr,cxxxr,cxxxxr**

Syntax : (cxxr <expr>)

All cxxr combinations

Syntax : (cxxxr <expr>)

All cxxxr combinations

Syntax : (cxxxxr <expr>)

All cxxxxr combinations

Synonyms :

(second <expr>) a synonym for cadr
(third <expr>) a synonym for caddr
(fourth <expr>) a synonym for caddrdr

Syntax : (cons <expr1> <expr2>)

Construct a new list node
 <expr1> the car of the new list node
 <expr2> the cdr of the new list node

Returns : the new list node

Syntax : (acons <expr1> <expr2> <alist>)

Add to front of assoc list. Defined in common.lsp
 <expr1> key of new association
 <expr2> value of new association
 <alist> association list

Returns : new association list, which is (cons (cons <expr1> <expr2>) <expr3>))

#455 \$456 K457 +458 *List,list**

Syntax : (list <expr>...)
Syntax : (list* <expr> ... <list>)

Create a list of values
 <expr> expressions to be combined into a list

Returns : the new list

#459 \$460 K461 +462 **Append**

Syntax : (append <expr>...)

Append lists
 <expr> lists whose elements are to be appended

Returns : the new list

459# func_append
460\$ Append
461K Append
462+ l_func:070

#463 \$464 K465 +466 **Last**

Syntax : (last <list>)

Return the last list node of a list
 <list> the list

Returns : the last list node in the list

463# func_last
464\$ Last
465K Last
466+ l_func:080

Syntax : (butlast <list> [<n>])

Return copy of all but last of list
 <list> the list
 <n> count of elements to omit (default 1)

Returns : copy of list with last element(s) absent.

Syntax : (nth <n> <list>)

Return the nth element of a list
 <n> the number of the element to return (zero origin)
 <list> the list

Returns : the nth element or NIL if the list isn't that long

Syntax : (nthcdr <n> <list>)

Return the nth cdr of a list
 <n> the number of the element to return (zero origin)
 <list> the list

Returns : the nth cdr or NIL if the list isn't that long

Syntax : (member <expr> <list> &key :test :test-not :key)

Find an expression in a list
 <expr> the expression to find
 <list> the list to search
 :test the test function (defaults to eql)
 :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
 :key function to apply to test function list argument. (defaults to identity)

Returns : the remainder of the list starting with the expression

Syntax : (assoc <expr> <alist> &key :test :test-not :key)

Find an expression in an A-list
 <expr> the expression to find
 <alist> the association list
 :test the test function (defaults to eql)
 :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
 :key function to apply to test function list argument (defaults to identity)

Returns : the alist entry or NIL

Syntax : (mapc <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cars
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : the first list of arguments

Syntax : (mapcar <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cars
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : a list of the values returned

Syntax : (mapl <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cdrs
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : the first list of arguments

Syntax : (maplist <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cdrs
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : a list of the values returned

#503 \$504 K505 +506 **Mapcan**

Syntax : (mapcan <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cars
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : list of return values nconc'd together

503# func_mapcan
504\$ Mapcan
505K Mapcan
506+ l_func:180

Syntax : (mapcon <fcn> <list1> <list>...)

Apply function to successive cdrs
 <fcn> the function or function name
 <listn> a list for each argument of the function

Returns : list of return values nconc'd together

Syntax : (subst <to> <from> <expr> &key :test :test-not :key)

Substitute expressions. Does minimum copying as required by Common Lisp

- <to> the new expression
- <from> the old expression
- <expr> the expression in which to do the substitutions
- :test the test function (defaults to eql)
- :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
- :key function to apply to test function expression argument (defaults to identity)

Returns : the expression with substitutions

Syntax : (sublis <alist> <expr> &key :test :test-not :key)

Substitute with an A-list. Does minimum copying as required by Common Lisp

- <alist> the association list
- <expr> the expression in which to do the substitutions
- :test the test function (defaults to eql)
- :test-not the test function (sense inverted)
- :key function to apply to test function expression argument (defaults to identity)

Returns : the expression with substitutions

#519 \$520 K521 +522 **Pairlis**

Syntax : (pairlis <keys> <values> [<alist>])

Build an A-list from two lists. In file common.lsp
 <keys> list of association keys
 <values> list of association values, same length as keys
 <alist> existing association list, default NIL

Returns : new association list

519# func_pairlis
520\$ Pairlis
521K Pairlis
522+ l_func:220

Syntax : (copy-list <list>)

Copy the top level of a list. In file common.lsp
 <list> the list

Returns : a copy of the list (new cons cells in top level)

Syntax : (copy-alist <alist>)

Copy an association list. In file common.lsp
 <alist> the association list

Returns : a copy of the association list (keys and values not copies)

#531 \$532 K533 +534 **Copy-tree**

Syntax : (copy-tree <tree>)

Copy a tree. In file common.lsp
 <tree> a tree structure of cons cells

Returns : a copy of the tree structure

531# func_copytree
532\$ Copy-tree
533K Copy-tree
534+ l_func:250

Syntax :
(intersection <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(union <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(set-difference <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(set-exclusive-or <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(nintersection <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(nunion <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(nset-difference <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)
(nset-exclusive-or <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)

set-exclusive-or and nset-exclusive-or defined in common.lsp. nunion, nintersection, and nset-difference are aliased to their non-destructive counterparts in common.lsp.

<list1> first list
<list2> second list
:test the test function (defaults to eql)
:test-not the test function (sense inverted)
:key function to apply to test function arguments (defaults to identity)

Returns : intersection: list of all elements in both lists
union: list of all elements in either list
set-difference: list of all elements in first list but not in second list
set-exclusive-or: list of all elements in only one list
"n" versions are potentially destructive.

535# func_sets
536§ Set functions
537K Set functions
538K Intersection
539K Union
540K Set-difference
541K Set-exclusive-or
542K Nintersection
543K Nunion
544K Nset-difference
545K Nset-exclusive-or
546+ l_func:260

Syntax : (adjoin <expr> <list> :test :test-not :key)

Add unique to list

<expr>	new element to add
<list>	the list
:test	the test function (defaults to eql)
:test-not	the test function <sense inverted>
:key	function to apply to test function arguments (defaults to identity)

Returns : if element not in list then (cons <expr> <list>), else <list>.

See also nreverse, delete, delete-if, delete-if-not, fill, and replace under Sequence functions, setf under Symbol functions, and nintersection, nunion, nset-difference, and nset-exclusive-or under List functions.

rplaca
rplacd
nconc
sort

#554 \$555 K556 +557 **Rplaca**

Syntax : (rplaca <list> <expr>)

Replace the car of a list node
 <list> the list node
 <expr> the new value for the car of the list node

Returns : the list node after updating the car

554# func_rplaca
555\$ Rplaca
556K Rplaca
557+ ld_func:010

Syntax : (rplacd <list> <expr>)

Replace the cdr of a list node
 <list> the list node
 <expr> the new value for the cdr of the list node

Returns : the list node after updating the cdr

#562 \$563 K564 +565 **Nconc**

Syntax : (nconc <list>...)

Destructively concatenate lists
 <list> lists to concatenate

Returns : the result of concatenating the lists

562# func_nconc
563\$ Nconc
564^K Nconc
565+ ld_func:030

Syntax : (sort <list> <test> &key :key)

Sort a list
 <list> the list to sort
 <test> the comparison function
 :key function to apply to comparison function arguments (defaults to identity)

Returns : the sorted list

Warning: integer and ratio calculations that overflow give erroneous results. On systems with IEEE floating point, the values +INF and -INF result from overflowing floating point calculations.

The math extension option adds complex numbers, ratios, new functions, and additional functionality to some existing functions. Because of the size of the extension, and the performance loss it entails, some users may not wish to include it. This section documents the math functions both with and without the extension.

Functions that are described as having floating point arguments (SIN COS TAN ASIN ACOS ATAN EXPT EXP SQRT) will take arguments of any type (real or complex) when the math extension is used. In the descriptions, "rational number" means integer or ratio only, and "real number" means floating point number or rational only.

Any rational results are reduced to canonical form (the gcd of the numerator and denominator is 1, the denominator is positive); integral results are reduced to integers. Integer complex numbers with zero imaginary parts are reduced to integers.

truncate
round
floor
ceiling
float
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1+
1-
rem
mod
min
max
abs
signum
gcd
lcm
random
make-random-state
sin
cos
tan
asin
acos
atan
sinh
cosh
tanh
asinh
acosh
atanh
expt
exp
cis
log
sqrt
numerator
denominator
complex
realpart
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phase
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Syntax : (truncate <expr> <denom>)

Truncates toward zero

Syntax : (round <expr> <denom>)

Rounds toward nearest integer

Syntax : (floor <expr> <denom>)

Truncates toward negative infinity

Syntax : (ceiling <expr> <denom>)

Truncates toward infinity

Round, floor, and ceiling, and the second argument of truncate, are part of the math extension. Results too big to be represented as integers are returned as floating point numbers as part of the math extension. Integers are returned as is.
 <expr> the real number
 <denom> real number to divide <expr> by before converting

Returns : the integer result of converting the number

#580 \$581 K582 +583 **Float**

Syntax : (float <expr>)

Converts an integer to a floating point number
 <expr> the real number

Returns : the number as a floating point number

580# func_float
581\$ Float
582K Float
583+ ar_func:020

#584 \$585 K586 +587 **+**

Syntax : (+ [<expr>...])

Add a list of numbers

With no arguments returns addition identity, 0 (integer)
 <expr> the numbers

Returns : the result of the addition

584# func_add
585\$ +
586K +
587+ ar_func:030

#588 \$589 K590 +591 

Syntax : (- <expr>...)

Subtract a list of numbers or negate a single number
 <expr> the numbers

Returns : the result of the subtraction

588# func_sub
589\$ -
590K -
591+ ar_func:040

#592 \$593 K594 +595 

Syntax : (* [<expr>...])

Multiply a list of numbers. With no arguments returns multiplication identity, 1
 <expr> the numbers

Returns : the result of the multiplication

592# func_mul
593\$ *
594K *
595+ ar_func:050

Syntax : (/ <expr>...)

Divide a list of numbers or invert a single number. With the math extension, division of integer numbers results in a rational quotient, rather than integer. To perform integer division, use TRUNCATE. If an integer complex is divided by an integer, the quotient is floating point complex.
<expr> the numbers

Returns : the result of the division

#600 \$601 K602 +603 **1+**

Syntax : (1+ <expr>)

Add one to a number
 <expr> the number

Returns : the number plus one

600# func_incr
601\$ 1+
602K 1+
603+ ar_func:070

#604 \$605 K606 +607 **1-**

Syntax : (1- <expr>)

Subtract one from a number
 <expr> the number

Returns : the number minus one

604# func_decr
605\$ 1-
606K 1-
607+ ar_func:080

#608 \$609 K610 +611 **Rem**

Syntax : (rem <expr>...)

Remainder of a list of numbers. With the math extension, only two arguments allowed.
 <expr> the real numbers (must be integers, without math extension)

Returns : the result of the remainder operation (remainder with truncating division)

608# func_rem
609\$ Rem
610K Rem
611+ ar_func:090

Syntax : (mod <expr1> <expr2>)

Number modulo another number. Part of math extension.
 <expr1> real number
 <expr2> real number divisor (may not be zero)

Returns : the remainder after dividing <expr1> by <expr2> using flooring division, thus there is no discontinuity in the function around zero.

#616 \$617 K618 +619 **Min**

Syntax : (min <expr>...)

The smallest of a list of numbers
 <expr> the real numbers

Returns : the smallest number in the list

616# func_min
617\$ Min
618K Min
619+ ar_func:110

#620 \$621 K622 +623 **Max**

Syntax : (max <expr>...)

The largest of a list of numbers
 <expr> the real numbers

Returns : the largest number in the list

620# func_max
621\$ Max
622K Max
623+ ar_func:120

Syntax : (abs <expr>)

The absolute value of a number.
 <expr> the number

Returns : the absolute value of the number, which is the floating point magnitude for complex numbers.

Syntax : (signum <expr>)

Get the sign of a number. Defined in common.lsp
 <expr> the number

Returns : zero if number is zero, one if positive, or negative one if negative. Numeric type is same as number. For a complex number, returns unit magnitude but same phase as number.

Syntax : (gcd [<n>...])

Compute the greatest common divisor. With no arguments returns 0, with one argument returns the argument.

<n> The number(s) (integer)

Returns : the greatest common divisor

Syntax : (lcm <n>...)

Compute the least common multiple. Part of math extension.
 <n> The number(s) (integer)

Returns : the least common multiple

#640 \$641 K642 +643 **Random**

Syntax : (random <n> [<state>])

Compute a pseudo-random number
 <n> the real number upper bound
 <state> a random-state (default is *random-state*)

Returns : a random number in range [0,n)

640# func_random
641\$ Random
642K Random
643+ ar_func:170

#644 \$645 K646 +647 **Make-random-state**

Syntax : (make-random-state [<state>])

Create a random state
 <state> a random-state, t, or NIL (default NIL). NIL means *random-state*

Returns : If <state> is t, a random random-state, otherwise a copy of <state>

644# func_makerandom
645\$ Make-random-state
646K Make-random-state
647+ ar_func:180

Syntax : (sin <expr>)

Compute the sine of a number

Syntax : (cos <expr>)

Compute the cosine of a number

Syntax : (tan <expr>)

Compute the tangent of a number

Syntax : (asin <expr>)

Compute the arc sine of a number

Syntax : (acos <expr>)

Compute the arc cosine of a number
 <expr> the floating point number

Returns : the sine, cosine, tangent, arc sine, or arc cosine of the number

Syntax : (atan <expr> [<expr2>])

Compute the arc tangent of a number
 <expr> the floating point number (numerator)
 <expr2> the denominator, default 1. May only be specified if math extension installed

Returns : the arc tangent of <expr>/<expr2>

#660 \$661 K662 K663 K664 K665 K666 K667 +668 **Sinh , cosh , tanh , asinh , acosh , atanh**

Syntax : (sinh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic sine of a number

Syntax : (cosh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic cosine of a number

Syntax : (tanh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic tangent of a number

Syntax : (asinh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic arc sine of a number

Syntax : (acosh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic arc cosine of a number

Syntax : (atanh <expr>)

Compute the hyperbolic arc tangent of a number. Defined in common.lsp
 <expr> the number

Returns : the hyperbolic sine, cosine, tangent, arc sine, arc cosine, or arc tangent of the number.

660# func_sinh
661\$ Sinh , cosh , tanh , asinh , acosh , atanh
662K Sinh
663K Cosh
664K Tanh
665K Asinh
666K Acosh
667K Atanh
668+ ar_func:210

Syntax : (expt <x-expr> <y-expr>)

Compute X to the Y power
 <x-expr> the number
 <y-expr> the exponent

Returns : x to the y power. If y is a fixnum, then the result type is the same as the type of x, unless fixnum or ratio and it would overflow, then the result type is a flonum.

Syntax : (exp <x-expr>)

Compute E to the X power
 <x-expr> the floating point number

Returns : e to the x power

Syntax : (cis <x-expr>)

Compute cosine + I sine. Defined in common.lsp
 <x-expr> the number

Returns : e to the ix power

Syntax : (log <expr> [<base>])

Compute the logarithm. Part of the math extension
 <expr> the number
 <base> the base, default is e

Returns : log base <base> of <expr>

#685 \$686 K687 +688 **Sqrt**

Syntax : (sqrt <expr>)

Compute the square root of a number
 <expr> the number

Returns : the square root of the number

685# func_sqrt
686\$ Sqrt
687K Sqrt
688+ ar_func:260

Syntax : (numerator <expr>)

Get the numerator of a number. Part of math extension
<expr> rational number

Returns : numerator of number (number if integer)

Syntax : (denominator <expr>)

Get the denominator of a number. Part of math extension
<expr> rational number

Returns : denominator of number (1 if integer)

Syntax : (complex <real> [<imag>])

Convert to complex number. Part of math extension.
 <real> real number real part
 <imag> real number imaginary part (default 0)

Returns : the complex number

Syntax : (realpart <expr>)

Get the real part of a number. Part of the math extension
 <expr> the number

Returns : the real part of a complex number, or the number itself if a real number

Syntax : (imagpart <expr>)

Get the imaginary part of a number. Part of the math extension
 <expr> the number

Returns : the imaginary part of a complex number, or zero of the type of the number if a real number.

Syntax : (conjugate <expr>)

Get the conjugate of a number. Part of the math extension
 <expr> the number

Returns : the conjugate of a complex number, or the number itself if a real number.

Syntax : (phase <expr>)

Get the phase of a number. Part of the math extension
 <expr> the number

Returns : the phase angle, equivalent to (atan (imagpart <expr>) (realpart <expr>))

#717 \$718 K719 K720 K721 K722 K723 K724 +725 <, <=, =, /=, >=, >

Syntax : (< <n1> <n2>...)

Test for less than

Syntax : (<= <n1> <n2>...)

Test for less than or equal to

Syntax : (= <n1> <n2>...)

Test for equal to

Syntax : (/= <n1> <n2>...)

Test for not equal to

Syntax : (>= <n1> <n2>...)

Test for greater than or equal to

Syntax : (> <n1> <n2>...)

Test for greater than

<n1>	the first real number to compare
<n2>	the second real number to compare

Returns : the result of comparing <n1> with <n2>...

717# func_compare
718\$ <, <=, =, /=, >=, >
719K <
720K <=
721K =
722K /=
723K >=
724K >
725+ ar_func:340

logand
logior
logxor
lognot
logtest
ash

Syntax : (logand [<expr>...])

The bitwise and of a list of integers. With no arguments returns identity -1
 <expr> the integers

Returns : the result of the and operation

Syntax : (logior [<expr>...])

The bitwise inclusive or of a list of integers. With no arguments returns identity 0
 <expr> the integers

Returns : the result of the inclusive or operation

Syntax : (logxor [<expr>...])

The bitwise exclusive or of a list of integers. With no arguments returns identity 0
<expr> the integers

Returns : the result of the exclusive or operation

Syntax : (lognot <expr>)

The bitwise not of an integer
 <expr> the integer

Returns : the bitwise inversion of integer

Syntax : (logtest <expr1> <expr2>)

Test bitwise and of two integers. Defined in common.lsp
 <expr1> the first integer
 <expr2> the second integer

Returns : T if the result of the and operation is non-zero, else NIL

Syntax : (ash <expr1> <expr2>)

Arithmetic shift. Part of math extension
 <expr1> integer to shift
 <expr2> number of bit positions to shift (positive is to left)

Returns : shifted integer

Note: functions with names starting "string" will also accept a symbol, in which case the symbol's print name is used.

string
string-trim
string-left-trim
string-right-trim
string-upcase
string-downcase
nstring-upcase
nstring-downcase
strcat
string<
string<=
string=
string/=
string>=
string>
string_lessp
string-not-greaterp
string-equal
string-not-equal
string-not-lessp
string-greaterp

Syntax : (string <expr>)

Make a string from an integer ASCII value
 <expr> an integer (which is first converted into its ASCII character value), string,
 character, or symbol

Returns : the string representation of the argument

Syntax : (string-trim <bag> <str>)

Trim both ends of a string
 <bag> a string containing characters to trim
 <str> the string to trim

Returns : a trimmed copy of the string

Syntax : (string-left-trim <bag> <str>)

Trim the left end of a string
 <bag> a string containing characters to trim
 <str> the string to trim

Returns : a trimmed copy of the string

Syntax : (string-right-trim <bag> <str>)

Trim the right end of a string
 <bag> a string containing characters to trim
 <str> the string to trim

Returns : a trimmed copy of the string

Syntax : (string-upcase <str> &key :start :end)

Convert to uppercase

<str>	the string
:start	the starting offset
:end	the ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : a converted copy of the string

Syntax : (string-downcase <str> &key :start :end)

Convert to lowercase

<str>	the string
:start	the starting offset
:end	the ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : a converted copy of the string

Syntax : (nstring-upcase <str> &key :start :end)

Convert to uppercase

<str>	the string
:start	the starting offset
:end	the ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : the converted string (not a copy)

Syntax : (nstring-downcase <str> &key :start :end)

Convert to lowercase

<str>	the string
:start	the starting offset
:end	the ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : the converted string (not a copy)

Syntax : (strcat <expr>...)

Concatenate strings. Macro in init.lsp, to maintain compatibility with XLISP. See CONCATENATE for preferred function.
 <expr> the strings to concatenate

Returns : the result of concatenating the strings

#792 \$793 K794 K795 K796 K797 K798 K799 +800 **String<,string<=,string=,string/=,string>=,string>**

Syntax : (string< <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string<= <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string= <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string/= <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string>= <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string> <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)
<str1> the first string to compare
<str2> the second string to compare
:start1 first substring starting offset
:end1 first substring ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string
:start2 second substring starting offset
:end2 second substring ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : string=: t if predicate is true, NIL otherwise others: If predicate is true then number of initial matching characters, else NIL.
Note: case is significant with these comparison functions.

792# func_scomp
793\$ String<,string<=,string=,string/=,string>=,string>
794K String<
795K String<=
796K String=
797K String/=,string>=
798K String>=
799K String>
800+ str_func:100

#801 §802 K803 K804 K805 K806 K807 K808 +809 **String-lessp,string-not-greaterp,string-equal,string-not-equal,string-not-lessp,string-greaterp**

Syntax : (string-lessp <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string-not-greaterp <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string-equal <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string-not-equal <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string-not-lessp <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)

Syntax : (string-greaterp <str1> <str2> &key :start1 :end1 :start2 :end2)
<str1> the first string to compare
<str2> the second string to compare
:start1 first substring starting offset
:end1 first substring ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string
:start2 second substring starting offset
:end2 second substring ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : string-equal: t if predicate is true, NIL otherwise. others: If predicate is true then number of initial matching characters, else NIL
Note: case is not significant with these comparison functions.

801[#] func_spcomp
802[§] String-lessp,string-not-greaterp,string-equal,string-not-equal,string-not-lessp,string-greaterp
803^K String-lessp
804^K String-not-greaterp
805^K String-equal
806^K String-not-equal
807^K String-not-lessp
808^K String-greaterp
809⁺ str_func:110

char
upper-case-p
lower-case-p
both-case-p
digit-char-p
char-code
code-char
char-upcase
char-downcase
digit-char
char-int
int-char
char<
char<=
char=
char/=
char>=
char>
char-lessp
char-not-greaterp
char-equal
char-not-equal
char-not-lessp
char-greaterp

#813 \$814 K815 +816 **Char**

Syntax : (char <string> <index>)

Extract a character from a string

<string>	the string
<index>	the string index (zero relative)

Returns : the ascii code of the character

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813# func_char
814$ Char
815^K Char
816+ ch_func:010
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#817 \$818 K819 +820 *Upper-case-p*

Syntax : (upper-case-p <chr>)

Is this an upper case character ?
 <chr> the character

Returns : true if the character is upper case, NIL otherwise

817# func_uppercasep
818\$ Upper-case-p
819K Upper-case-p
820+ ch_func:020

#821 \$822 K823 +824 **Lower-case-p**

Syntax : (lower-case-p <chr>)

Is this a lower case character ?
 <chr> the character

Returns : true if the character is lower case, NIL otherwise

821# func_lowercasep
822\$ Lower-case-p
823K Lower-case-p
824+ ch_func:030

#825 \$826 K827 +828 **Both-case-p**

Syntax : (both-case-p <chr>)

Is this an alphabetic (either case) character ?
 <chr> the character

Returns : true if the character is alphabetic, NIL otherwise

#829 \$830 K831 +832 **Digit-char-p**

Syntax : (digit-char-p <chr>)

Is this a digit character ?
 <chr> the character

Returns : the digit weight if character is a digit, NIL otherwise

829# func_digitcharp
830\$ Digit-char-p
831K Digit-char-p
832+ ch_func:050

Syntax : (char-code <chr>)

Get the ASCII code of a character
 <chr> the character

Returns : the ASCII character code (integer, parity bit stripped)

Syntax : (code-char <code>)

Get the character with a specified ASCII code
 <code> the ASCII code (integer, range 0-127)

Returns : the character with that code or NIL

#841 \$842 K843 +844 **Char-upcase**

Syntax : (char-upcase <chr>)

Convert a character to upper case
 <chr> the character

Returns : the upper case character

841# func_charupcase
842\$ Char-upcase
843K Char-upcase
844+ ch_func:080

Syntax : (char-downcase <chr>)

Convert a character to lower case
 <chr> the character

Returns : the lower case character

Syntax : (digit-char <n>)

Convertt a digit weight to a digit
 <n> the digit weight (integer)

Returns : the digit character or NIL

Syntax : (char-int <chr>)

Convert a character to an integer
 <chr> the character

Returns : the ASCII character code (range 0-255)

#857 \$858 K859 +860 *Int-char*

Syntax : (int-char <int>)

Convert an integer to a character
 <int> the ASCII character code (treated modulo 256)

Returns : the character with that code

857# func_intchar
858\$ Int-char
859K Int-char
860+ ch_func:120

Syntax : (char< <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char<= <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char= <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char/= <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char>= <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char> <chr1> <chr2>...)
 <chr1> the first character to compare
 <chr2> the second character(s) to compare

Returns : t if predicate is true, NIL otherwise
Note: case is significant with these comparison functions.

#870 §871 K872 K873 K874 K875 K876 K877 +878 **Char-lessp,char-not-greaterp,char-equal,char-not-equal,char-not-lessp,char-greaterp**

Syntax : (char-lessp <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char-not-greaterp <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char-equal <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char-not-equal <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char-not-lessp <chr1> <chr2>...)

Syntax : (char-greaterp <chr1> <chr2>...)
 <chr1> the first string to compare
 <chr2> the second string(s) to compare

Returns : t if predicate is true, NIL otherwise
Note: case is not significant with these comparison functions.

870# func_cpcomp
871§ Char-lessp,char-not-greaterp,char-equal,char-not-equal,char-not-lessp,char-greaterp
872K Char-lessp
873K Char-not-greaterp
874K Char-equal
875K Char-not-equal
876K Char-not-lessp
877K Char-greaterp
878+ ch_func:140

XLISP provides a subset of the Common Lisp structure definition facility. No slot options are allowed, but slots can have default initialization expressions.

Syntax : (defstruct name <slot-desc>...)
or
(defstruct (name <option>...) <slot-desc>...)
fsubr

<name>	the structure name symbol (quoted)
<option>	option description (quoted)
<slot-desc>	slot descriptions (quoted)

Returns : the structure name

The recognized options are:

(:conc-name name)
(:include name [<slot-desc>...])

Note that if :CONC-NAME appears, it should be before :INCLUDE.

Each slot description takes the form:

<name>
or
(<name> <defexpr>)

If the default initialization expression is not specified, the slot will be initialized to NIL if no keyword argument is passed to the creation function.

DEFSTRUCT causes access functions to be created for each of the slots and also arranges that SETF will work with those access functions. The access function names are constructed by taking the structure name, appending a '-' and then appending the slot name. This can be overridden by using the :CONC-NAME option. DEFSTRUCT also makes a creation function called MAKE-<structname>, a copy function called COPY-<structname> and a predicate function called <structname>-P. The creation function takes keyword arguments for each of the slots. Structures can be created using the #S(read macro, as well.

The property *struct-slots* is added to the symbol that names the structure. This property consists of an association list of slot names and closures that evaluate to the initial values (NIL if no initial value expression).

For instance:

(defstruct foo bar (gag 2))

creates the following functions:

(foo-bar <expr>)
(setf (foo-bar <expr>) <value>)
(foo-gag <expr>)
(setf (foo-gag <expr>) <value>)
(make-foo &key :bar :gag)
(copy-foo <expr>)
(foo-p <expr>)

Note that the functions provided in classes.lsp are useful but not necessary.

Messages defined for Object and Class are listed at [Objects](#) topic.

[send](#)
[send-super](#)
[defclass](#)
[defmethod](#)
[definst](#)

Syntax : (send <object> <message> [<args>...])

Send a message
 <object> the object to receive the message
 <message> message sent to object
 <args> arguments to method (if any)

Returns : the result of the method

#889 \$890 K891 +892 **Send-super**

Syntax : (send-super <message> [<args>])

Send a message to superclass. Valid only in method context
 <message> message sent to method's superclass
 <args> arguments to method (if any)

Returns : the result of the method

889# func_sendsuper
890\$ Send-super
891K Send-super
892+ obj_func:020

Syntax : (defclass <sym> <ivars> [<cvars> [<super>]])

Define a new class. Defined in class.lsp as a macro
 <sym> symbol whose value is to be bound to the class object (quoted)
 <ivars> list of instance variables (quoted). Instance variables specified either as
 <ivar> or (<ivar> <init>) to specify non-NIL default initial value.
 <cvars>list of class variables (quoted)
 <super> superclass, or Object if absent.
 This function sends :SET-PNAME (defined in classes.lsp) to the new class to set the
 class' print name instance variable. Methods defined for classes defined with defclass:

(send <object> :<ivar>)
 Returns the specified instance variable
 (send <object> :SET-IVAR <ivar> <value>)
 Used to set an instance variable, typically with setf.
 (send <sym> :NEW {:<ivar> <init>})
 Actually definition for :ISNEW. Creates new object initializing instance variables as
 specified in keyword arguments, or to their default if keyword argument is missing.
 Returns the object.

Syntax : (defmethod <class> <sym> <fargs> <expr> ...)

Define a new method. Defined in class.lsp as a macro.
 <class> Class which will respond to message
 <sym> Message name (quoted)
 <fargs> Formal argument list. Leading "self" is implied (quoted)
 <expr> Expressions constituting body of method (quoted)

Returns : the class object.

Syntax : (definst <class> <sym> [<args>...])

Define a new global instance. Defined in class.lsp as a macro
 <class> Class of new object
 <sym> Symbol whose value will be set to new object
 <args> Arguments passed to :NEW (typically initial values for instance variables)

atom
symbolp
numberp
null
not
listp
endp
consp
constantp
integerp
floatp
rationalp
complexp
stringp
characterp
arrayp
streamp
open-stream-p
input-stream-p
output-stream-p
objectp
classp
boundp
fboundp
functionp
minusp
zerop
plusp
evenp
oddp
subsetp
eq
eq1
equal
equalp
typep

#908 \$909 K910 +911 **Atom**

Syntax : (atom <expr>)

Is this an atom ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is an atom, NIL otherwise

908# func_atom
909\$ Atom
910K Atom
911+ pr_func:010

#912 \$913 K914 +915 **Symbolp**

Syntax : (symbolp <expr>)

Is this a symbol ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the expression is a symbol, NIL otherwise

912# func_symbolp
913\$ Symbolp
914K Symbolp
915+ pr_func:020

#916 \$917 K918 +919 **Numberp**

Syntax : (numberp <expr>)

Is this a number ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the expression is a number, NIL otherwise

#920 \$921 K922 +923 **Null**

Syntax : (null <expr>)

Is this an empty list ?
 <expr> the list to check

Returns : t if the list is empty, NIL otherwise

920# func_null
921\$ Null
922K Null
923+ pr_func:040

#924 \$925 K926 +927 **Not**

Syntax : (not <expr>)

Is this false ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Return : t if the value is NIL, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (listp <expr>)

Is this a list ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a cons or NIL, NIL otherwise

#932 \$933 K934 +935 **Endp**

Syntax : (endp <list>)

Is this the end of a list ?
 <list> the list

Returns : t if the value is NIL, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (consp <expr>)

Is this a non-empty list ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a cons, NIL otherwise

#940 \$941 K942 +943 **Constantp**

Syntax : (constantp <expr>)

Is this a constant ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a constant (basically, would EVAL <expr> repeatedly return the same thing ?), NIL otherwise.

940# func_constantp
941\$ Constantp
942K Constantp
943+ pr_func:090

Syntax : (integerp <expr>)

Is this an integer ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is an integer, NIL otherwise

#948 \$949 K950 +951 **Floatp**

Syntax : (floatp <expr>)

Is this a float ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a float, NIL otherwise

948# func_floatp
949\$ Floatp
950K Floatp
951+ pr_func:110

#952 \$953 K954 +955 **Rationalp**

Syntax : (rationalp <expr>)

Is this a rational number ? Part of math extension.
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is rational (integer or ratio), NIL otherwise

Syntax : (complexp <expr>)

Is this a complex number ? Part of math extension.
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a complex number, NIL otherwise

#960 \$961 K962 +963 **Stringp**

Syntax : (stringp <expr>)

Is this a string ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a string, NIL otherwise

960# func_stringp
961\$ Stringp
962K Stringp
963+ pr_func:140

Syntax : (characterp <expr>)

Is this a charactet ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a character, NIL otherwise

#968 \$969 K970 +971 **Arrayp**

Syntax : (arrayp <expr>)

Is this an array ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is an array, NIL otherwise

968# func_arrayp
969\$ Arrayp
970K Arrayp
971+ pr_func:160

Syntax : (streamp <expr>)

Is this a stream ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a stream, NIL otherwise

#976 \$977 K978 +979 **Open-stream-p**

Syntax : (open-stream-p <stream>)

Is stream open ?
 <stream> the stream

Returns : t if the stream is open, NIL otherwise

976# func_openstream
977\$ Open-stream-p
978K Open-stream-p
979+ pr_func:180

#980 \$981 K982 +983 ***Input-stream-p***

Syntax : (input-stream-p <stream>)

Is stream readable ?
 <stream> the stream

Returns : t if stream is readable, NIL otherwise

980# func_inputstream
981\$ Input-stream-p
982K Input-stream-p
983+ pr_func:190

#984 \$985 K986 +987 **Output-stream-p**

Syntax : (output-stream-p <stream>)

Is stream writable ?
 <stream> the stream

Returns : t if stream is writable, NIL otherwise

984# func_outputstream
985\$ Output-stream-p
986K Output-stream-p
987+ pr_func:200

Syntax : (objectp <expr>)

Is this an object ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is an object, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (classp <expr>)

Is this a class object ?
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a class object, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (boundp <sym>)

Is a value bound to this symbol ?
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : t if a value is bound to the symbol, NIL otherwise

#1000 \$1001 K1002 +1003 **Fboundp**

Syntax : (fboundp <sym>)

Is a functional value bound to this symbol ?
 <sym> the symbol

Returns : t if a functional value is bound to the symbol, NIL otherwise

1000# func_fboundp
1001\$ Fboundp
1002K Fboundp
1003+ pr_func:240

Syntax : (functionp <sym>)

Is this a function ? Defined in common.lsp
 <expr> the expression to check

Returns : t if the value is a function -- that is, can it be applied to arguments. This is true for any symbol (even those with no function binding), list with car being lambda, a closure, or subr. Otherwise returns NIL.

#1008 \$1009 K1010 +1011 **Minusp**

Syntax : (minusp <expr>)

Is this number negative ?
 <expr> the number to test

Returns : t if the number is negative, NIL otherwise

1008# func_minusp
1009\$ Minusp
1010K Minusp
1011+ pr_func:260

#1012 \$1013 K1014 +1015 **Zerop**

Syntax : (zerop <expr>)

Is this number zero ?
 <expr> the number to test

Returns : t if the number is zero, NIL otherwise

1012# func_zerop
1013\$ Zerop
1014K Zerop
1015+ pr_func:270

#1016 \$1017 K1018 +1019 **Plusp**

Syntax : (plusp <expr>)

Is this number positive ?
 <expr> the number to test

Returns : t if the number is positive, NIL otherwise

1016# func_plus
1017\$ Plusp
1018K Plusp
1019+ pr_func:280

#1020 \$1021 K1022 +1023 **Evenp**

Syntax : (evenp <expr>)

Is this integer even ?
 <expr> the integer to test

Returns : t if the integer is even, NIL otherwise

1020# func_evenp
1021\$ Evenp
1022K Evenp
1023+ pr_func:280

#1024 \$1025 K1026 +1027 **Oddp**

Syntax : (oddp <expr>)

Is this integer odd ?
 <expr> the integer to test

Returns : t if the integer is odd, NIL otherwise

1024# func_oddp
1025\$ Oddp
1026K Oddp
1027+ pr_func:290

Syntax : (subsetp <list1> <list2> &key :test :test-not :key)

Is set a subset ?

- <list1> the first list
- <list2> the second list
- :test test function (defaults to eql)
- :test-not test function (sense inverted)
- :key function to apply to test function arguments (defaults to identity)

Returns : t if every element of the first list is in the second list, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (eq <expr1> <expr2>)

Syntax : (eql <expr1> <expr2>)

Syntax : (equal <expr1> <expr2>)

Syntax : (equalp <expr1> <expr2>)

Are the expressions equal ? equalp defined in common.lsp
 <expr1> the first expression
 <expr2> the second expression

Returns : t if equal, NIL otherwise. Each is progressively more liberal in what is "equal":
eq : identical pointers -- works with characters , symbols, and arbitrarily small integers
eql : works with all , if same type (see also \equiv)
equal : lists and strings
equalp : case insensitive characters (and strings), numbers of differing types, arrays (which can be equalp to string containing same elements)

Syntax : (typep <expr> <type>)

Is this a specified type ?
 <expr> the expression to test
 <type> the type specifier. Symbols can either be one of those listed under type-
 of or one of:
 ATOM any atom
 NULL NIL
 LIST matches NIL or any cons cell
 STREAM any stream
 NUMBER any number type
 RATIONAL fixnum or ratio (math extension)
 STRUCT any structure (except hash-table)
 FUNCTION any function, as defined by functionp

The specifier can also be a form (which can be nested). All form elements are quoted. Valid form cars:
 or any of the cdr type specifiers must be true
 and all of the cdr type specifiers must be true
 not the single cdr type specifier must be false

satisfies the result of applying the cdr predicate function to <expr>
 member <expr> must be eql to one of the cdr values
 object <expr> must be an object, of class specified by the single cdr value.
 The cdr value can be a symbol which must evaluate to a class.

Note that everything is of type T, and nothing is of type NIL.

Returns : t if <expr> is of type <type>, NIL otherwise.

cond
and
or
if
when
unless
case
let
let*
flet
catch
throw
unwind-protect

Syntax : (cond <pair>...)

Evaluate conditionally. fsubr

- <pair> pair consisting of:
 - (<pred> <expr>...)
- where
 - <pred> is a predicate expression
 - <expr> evaluated if the predicate is not NIL

Returns : the value of the first expression whose predicate is not NIL

Syntax : (and <expr>...)

The logical and of a list of expressions. fsubr
 <expr> the expressions to be ANDed

Returns : NIL if any expression evaluates to NIL, otherwise the value of the last expression
(evaluation of expressions stops after the first expression that evaluates to NIL)

Syntax : (or <expr>...)

The logical or of a list of expressions. fsubr
 <expr> the expressions to be ORed

Returns : NIL if all expressions evaluate to NIL, otherwise the value of the first non-NIL
expression (evaluation of expressions stops after the first expression that does not evaluate to
NIL)

Syntax : (if <texpr> <expr1> [<expr2>])

Evaluate expressions conditionally. fsubr
 <texpr> the test expression
 <expr1> the expression to be evaluated if texpr is non-NIL
 <expr2> the expression to be evaluated if texpr is NIL

Returns : the value of the selected expression

Syntax : (when <texpr> <expr>...)

Evaluate only when a condition is true. fsubr
 <texpr> the test expression
 <expr> the expression(s) to be evaluted if texpr is non-NIL

Returns : the value of the last expression or NIL

Syntax : (unless <texpr> <expr>...)

Evaluate only when a condition is false. fsubr
 <texpr> the test expression
 <expr> the expression(s) to be evaluated if texpr is NIL

Returns : the value of the last expression or NIL

Syntax : (case <expr> <case>...[(t <expr>)])

Select by case. fsubr
 <expr> the selection expression
 <case> pair consisting of:
 (<value> <expr>...)
 where:
 <value>is a single expression or a list of expressions (unevaluated)
 <expr> are expressions to execute if the case matches
 (t <expr>) default case (no previous matching)

Returns : the value of the last expression of the matching case

Syntax : (let (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Create local bindings. fsubr.

Syntax : (let* (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Let with sequential binding. fsubr
 <binding> the variable bindings each of which is either:
 1) a symbol (which is initialized to NIL)
 2) a list whose car is a symbol and whose cadr is an initialization
 expression
 <expr> the expressions to be evaluated

Returns : the value of the last expression

Syntax : (flet (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Create local functions. fsubr

Syntax : (labels (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Flet with recursive functions. fsubr

Syntax : (macrolet (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Create local macros. fsubr

- <binding> the function bindings each of which is:
 - (<sym> <fargs> <expr>...)
 - where:
 - <sym> the function/macro name
 - <fargs> formal argument list (lambda list)
 - <expr> expressions constituting the body of the function/macro
- <expr> the expressions to be evaluated

Returns : the value of the last expression

Syntax : (catch <sym> <expr>...)

Evaluate expressions and catch throws. fsubr
 <sym> the catch tag
 <expr> expressions to evaluate

Returns : the value of the last expression the throw expression

Syntax : (throw <sym> [<expr>])

Throw to a catch. fsubr
 <sym> the catch tag
 <expr> the value for the catch to return (defaults to NIL)

Returns : never returns

Syntax : (unwind-protect <expr> <cexpr>...)

Protect evaluation of an expression. fsubr
 <expr> the expression to protect
 <cexpr> the cleanup expressions

Returns : the value of the expression
Note: unwind-protect guarantees to execute the cleanup expressions even if a non-local exit terminates the evaluation of the protected expression

loop
do
do*
dolist
dotimes

#1099 \$1100 K1101 +1102 **Loop**

Syntax : (loop <expr>...)

Basic looping form. fsubr
 <expr> the body of the loop

Returns : never returns (must use non-local exit, such as RETURN)

1099# func_loop
1100\$ Loop
1101K Loop
1102+ lp_func:010

Syntax : (do (<binding>...) (<texpr> <rexpr>...) <expr>...)

Syntax : (do* (<binding>...) (<texpr> <rexpr>...) <expr>...)

General looping form. fsubr. do binds simultaneously, do* binds sequentially
<binding> the variable bindings each of which is either:
1) a symbol (which is initialized to NIL)
2) a list of the form: (<sym> <init> [<step>])
where:
<sym> is the symbol to bind
<init> the initial value of the symbol
<step> a step expression
<texpr> the termination test expression
<rexpr> result expressions (the default is NIL)
<expr> the body of the loop (treated like an implicit prog)

Returns : the value of the last result expression

Syntax : (dolist (<sym> <expr> [<rexpr>]) <expr>...)

Loop through a list. fsubr
 <sym> the symbol to bind to each list element
 <expr> the list expression
 <rexpr> the result expression (the default is NIL)
 <expr> the body of the loop (treated like an implicit prog)

Returns : the result expression

Syntax : (dotimes (<sym> <expr> [<rexpr>]) <expr>...)

Loop from zero to N-1. fsubr
 <sym> the symbol to bind to each value from 0 to n-1
 <expr> the number of times to loop
 <rexpr> the result expression (the default is NIL)
 <expr> the body of the loop (treated like an implicit prog)

Returns : the result expression

#1116 \$1117 K1118 *The program feature*

prog
prog*
block
return
return-from
tagbody
go
progv
prog1
prog2
progn

Syntax : (prog <binding>...) <expr>...)

The program feature

Syntax : (prog* (<binding>...) <expr>...)

Prog with sequential binding. fsubr -- equivalent to (let () (block NIL (tagbody ...)))
 <binding> the variable bindings each of which is either:
 1) a symbol (which is initialized to NIL)
 2) a list whose car is a symbol and whose cadr is an initialization expression
 <expr> expressions to evaluate or tags (symbols)

Returns : NIL or the argument passed to the return function

Syntax : (block <name> <expr>...)

Named block. fsubr
 <name> the block name (quoted symbol)
 <expr> the block body

Returns : the value of the last expression

#1128 \$1129 K1130 +1131 **Return**

Syntax : (return [<expr>])

Cause a prog construct to return a value. fsubr
 <expr> the value (defaults to NIL)

Returns : never returns

1128# func_return
1129\$ Return
1130^K Return
1131+ prg_func:030

Syntax : (return-from <name> [<value>])

Return from a named block or function. fsubr. In xisp, the names are dynamically scoped.
 <name> the block or function name (quoted symbol). If name is NIL, use
 function RETURN.
 <value>the value to return (defaults to NIL)

Returns : never returns

#1136 \$1137 K1138 +1139 **Tagbody**

Symbols : (tagbody <expr>...)

Block with labels. fsubr
 <expr> expression(s) to evaluate or tags (symbols)

Returns : NIL

1136# func_tagbody
1137\$ Tagbody
1138K Tagbody
1139+ prg_func:050

#1140 \$1141 K1142 +1143 **Go**

Syntax : (go <sym>)

Go to a tag within a TAGBODY . fsubr. In xlist, tags are dynamically scoped.
 <sym> the tag (quoted)

Returns : never returns

1140# func_go
1141\$ Go
1142K Go
1143+ prg_func:060

Syntax : (progv <slist> <vlist> <expr>...)

Dynamically bind symbols. fsubr
 <slist> list of symbols (evaluated)
 <vlist> list of values to bind to the symbols (evaluated)
 <expr> expression(s) to evaluate

Returns : the value of the last expression

#1148 \$1149 K1150 +1151 **Prog1**

Syntax : (prog1 <expr1> <expr>...)

Execute expressions sequentially. fsubr
 <expr1> the first expression to evaluate
 <expr> the remaining expressions to evaluate

Returns : the value of the first expression

1148# func_prog1
1149\$ Prog1
1150K Prog1
1151+ prg_func:080

Syntax : (prog2 <expr1> <expr2> <expr>...)

Execute expressions sequentially. fsubr
 <expr1> the first expression to evaluate
 <expr2> the second expression to evaluate
 <expr> the remaining expressions to evaluate

Returns : the value of the second expression

Syntax : (progn <expr>...)

Execute expressions sequentially. fsubr
 <expr> the expressions to evaluate

Returns : the value of the last expression (or NIL)

Note that when printing objects, printing is accomplished by sending the message :prin1 to the object.

read
set-macro-character
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prin1
princ
pprint
terpri
fresh-line
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y-or-n-p

Syntax : (read [<stream> [<eof> [<rflag>]]])

Read an expression
 <stream> the input stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-input*, T is *terminal-io*)
 <eof> the value to return on end of file (default is NIL)
 <rflag> recursive read flag. The value is ignored

Returns : the expression read

Syntax : (set-macro-character <ch> <fcn> [T])

Modify read table. Defined in init.lsp

<ch>	character to define
<fcn>	function to bind to character.
T	if TMACRO rather than NMACRO

#1171 \$1172 K1173 +1174 **Get-macro-character**

Syntax : (get-macro-character <ch>)

Examine read table. Defined in init.lsp
 <ch> character

Returns : function bound to character

1171# func_getmacchar
1172\$ Get-macro-character
1173K Get-macro-character
1174+ io:030

Syntax : (print <expr> [<stream>])

Print an expression on a new line. The expression is printed using prin1, then current line is terminated (Note: this is backwards from Common Lisp).
 <expr> the expression to be printed
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the expression

Syntax : (prin1 <expr> [<stream>])

Print an expression. Symbols, cons cells (without circularities), arrays, strings, numbers, and characters are printed in a format generally acceptable to the read function. Printing format can be affected by the global formatting variables: *print-level* and *print-length* for lists and arrays, *integer-format* for fixnums, *float-format* for flonums, *ratio-format* for ratios, and *print-case* and *readtable-case* for symbols.

 <expr> the expression to be printed
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the expression

Syntax : (princ <expr> [<stream>])

Print an expression without quoting. Like PRIN1 except symbols (including uninterned), strings, and characters are printed without using any quoting mechanisms.

<expr> the expressions to be printed

<stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the expression

Syntax : (pprint <expr> [<stream>])

Pretty print an expression. Uses prin1 for printing.
 <expr> the expressions to be printed
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the expression

#1191 \$1192 K1193 +1194 *Terpri*

Syntax : (terpri [<stream>])

Terminate the current print line
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : NIL

1191# func_terpri
1192\$ Terpri
1193K Terpri
1194+ io:080

#1195 \$1196 K1197 +1198 **Fresh-line**

Syntax : (fresh-line [<stream>])

Start a new line.
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : t if a new line was started, NIL if already at the start of a line.

1195# func_freshline
1196\$ Fresh-line
1197K Fresh-line
1198+ io:090

#1199 \$1200 K1201 +1202 **Flatsize**

Syntax : (flatsize <expr>)

Length of printed representation using prin1
 <expr> the expression

Returns : the length

1199# func_flatsize
1200\$ Flatsize
1201K Flatsize
1202+ io:100

#1203 \$1204 K1205 +1206 **Flatc**

Syntax : (flatc <expr>)

Length of printed representation using princ
 <expr> the expression

Returns : the length

1203# func_flatc
1204\$ Flatc
1205K Flatc
1206+ io:110

Syntax : (y-or-n-p [<fmt> [<arg>...]])

Ask a yes or no question. Defined in common.lsp. Uses *terminal-io* stream for interaction.

<fmt>	optional format string for question (see <u>format</u> function)
<arg>	arguments, if any, for format string

Returns : T for yes, NIL for no.

Syntax : (format <stream> <fmt> [<arg>...])

Do formatted output

<stream>	the output stream (T is <u>*standard-output*</u>)
<fmt>	the format string
<arg>	the format arguments

Returns : output string if <stream> is NIL, NIL otherwise

The format string can contain characters that should be copied directly to the output and formatting directives. The formatting directives are:

~A or ~a	print next argument using princ
~S or ~s	print next argument using prin1
~D or ~d	print next argument integer
~E or ~e	print next argument in exponential form
~F or ~f	print next argument in fixed point form
~G or ~g	print next argument using either ~E or ~F depending on magnitude
~%	start a new line
~&	start a new line if not on a new line
~t or ~T	go to a specified column
~~	print a tilde character
~\n	ignore return and following whitespace

The format directives can contain optional prefix and optional colon (:) or at-sign (@) modifiers between the tilde and directive character. Prefix characters are unsigned integers, or the character 'v' to indicate the number is taken from the next argument, or a single quote (') followed by a single character for those parameters that should be a single character.

For ~A and ~S the full form is:

~mincol,colinc,minpad,padchar:@A (or S)

If : is given, NIL will print as "()" rather than "NIL". The string is padded on the right (or left, if @ is given) with at least "minpad" copies of the "padchar". Padding characters are then inserted "colinc" characters at a time until the total width is at least "mincol". The defaults are 0 for mincol and minpad, 1 for colinc, and #\space for padchar. For example:

~15,,2,'.@A

The output is padded on the left with at least 2 periods until the output is at least 15 characters wide.

For ~D the full form is:

~mincol,padchar@D

If the argument is not a FIXNUM, then the format "~mincolA" is used. If "mincol" is specified then the number is padded on the left to be at least that many characters long using "padchar". "padchar" defaults to #\space. If @ is used and the value is positive, then a leading plus sign is printed before the first digit.

For ~E ~F and ~G the full form is:

~mincol,round,padchar@E (or F or G)

(This implementation is not Common Lisp compatible.) If the argument is not a real number (FIXNUM, RATIO, or FLONUM), then the format "~mincol,padcharD" is used. The number is printed using the C language e, f, or g formats. If the number could potentially take more than 100 digits to print, then F format is forced to E format, although some C libraries will do this at a lower number of digits. If "round" is specified, then that is the number of digits to the right of the decimal point that will be printed, otherwise six digits (or whatever is necessary in G format) are printed. In G format, trailing zeroes are deleted and exponential notation is used if the exponent of the number is greater than the precision or less than -4. If the @ modifier is used, a leading plus sign is printed before positive values. If "mincol" is specified, the number is padded on the left to be at least "mincol" characters long using "padchar". "padchar" defaults to #\space.

For ~% and ~~ , the full form is ~n% or ~n~. "n" copies (default=1) of the character are output.

For ~&, the full form is ~n&. ~0& does nothing. Otherwise enough new line characters are emitted to move down to the "n"th new line (default=1).

For ~T, the full form is:

~count,tabwidth@T

The cursor is moved to column "count" (default 1). If the cursor is initially at count or beyond, then the cursor is moved forward to the next position that is a multiple of "tabwidth" (default 1) columns beyond count. When the @ modifier is used, then positioning is relative. "count" spaces are printed, then additional spaces are printed to make the column number be a multiple of "tabwidth". Note that column calculations will be incorrect if ASCII tab characters or ANSI cursor positioning sequences are used.

For ~\n, if the colon modifier is used, then the format directive is ignored (allowing embedded returns in the source for enhanced readability). If the at-sign modifier is used, then a carriage return is emitted, and following whitespace is ignored.

Note that initially, when starting XLISP-PLUS, there are six system stream symbols which are associated with three streams. *TERMINAL-IO* is a special stream that is bound to the keyboard and display, and allows for interactive editing. *STANDARD-INPUT* is bound to standard input or to *TERMINAL-IO* if not redirected. *STANDARD-OUTPUT* is bound to standard output or to *TERMINAL-IO* if not redirected. *ERROR-OUTPUT* (error message output), *TRACE-OUTPUT* (for TRACE and TIME functions), and *DEBUG-IO* (break loop i/o, and messages) are all bound to *TERMINAL-IO*. Standard input and output can be redirected on most systems.

File streams are printed using the #< format that cannot be read by the reader. Console, standard input, standard output, and closed streams are explicitly indicated. Other file streams will typically indicate the name of the attached file.

When the transcript is active (DRIBBLE function), all characters that would be sent to the display via *TERMINAL-IO* are also placed in the transcript file.

TERMINAL-IO should not be changed. Any other system streams that are changed by an application should be restored to their original values.

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Syntax : (read-char [<stream>])

Read a character from a stream
 <stream> the input stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-input*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the character or NIL at end of file

Syntax : (peek-char [<flag> [<stream>]])

Peek at the next character.
 <flag> flag for skipping white space (default is NIL)
 <stream> the input stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-input*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the character or NIL at end of file

Syntax : (write-char <ch> [<stream>])

Write a character to a stream
 <ch> the character to write
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output* , T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the character

Syntax : (read-line [<stream>])

Read a line from a stream
 <stream> the input stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-input*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the string excluding the #\newline, or NIL at end of file

Syntax : (open <fname> &key :direction :element-type :if-exists :if-does-not-exist)

Open a file stream. The function OPEN has been significantly enhanced over original XLISP. The original function only had the :direction keyword argument, which could only have the values :input or :output. When used with the :output keyword, it was equivalent to (open <fname> :direction :output :if-exists :supersede). A maximum of ten files can be open at any one time, including any files open via the LOAD, DRIBBLE, SAVE and RESTORE commands. The open command may force a garbage collection to reclaim file slots used by unbound file streams.

<fname>	the file name string, symbol, or file stream created via OPEN. In the last case, the name is used to open a second stream on the same file -- this can cause problems if one or more streams is used for writing.
:direction	Read and write permission for stream (default is :input).
:input	Open file for read operations only.
:probe	Open file for reading, then close it (use to test for file existence)
:output	Open file for write operations only.
:io	Like :output, but reading also allowed.
:element-type	FIXNUM or CHARACTER (default is CHARACTER), as returned by <u>type-of</u> function. Files opened with type FIXNUM are binary files instead of ascii, which means no crlf to/from lf conversion takes place, and control-Z will not terminate an input file. It is the intent of Common Lisp that binary files only be accessed with <u>read-byte</u> and <u>write-byte</u> while ascii files be accessed with any function but read-byte and write-byte. XLISP does not enforce that distinction.
:if-exists	action to take if file exists. Argument ignored for :input (file is positioned at start) or :probe (file is closed)
:error	give error message
:rename	rename file to generated backup name, then open a new file of the original name. This is the default action
:new-version	same as :rename
:overwrite	file is positioned to start, original data intact
:append	file is positioned to end
:supersede	delete original file and open new file of the same name
:rename-and-delete	same as :supersede
NIL	close file and return NIL
:if-does-not-exist	action to take if file does not exist.
:error	give error message (default for :input, or :overwrite or :append)
:create	create a new file (default for :output or :io when not :overwrite or :append)
NIL	return NIL (default for :probe)

Returns : a file stream, or sometimes NIL

Syntax : (close <stream>)

Close a file stream. The stream becomes a "closed stream." Note that unbound file streams are closed automatically during a garbage collection. <stream> the stream, which may be a string stream

Returns : t if stream closed, NIL if terminal (cannot be closed) or already closed.

Syntax : (delete-file <fname>)

Delete a file.
 <fname> file name string, symbol or a stream opened with OPEN

Returns : t if file does not exist or is deleted. If <fname> is a stream, the stream is closed before the file is deleted. An error occurs if the file cannot be deleted.

Syntax : (truename <fname>)

Obtain the file path name
 <fname> file name string, symbol, or a stream opened with OPEN

Returns : string representing the true file name (absolute path to file).

Syntax : (with-open-file (<var> <fname> [<karg>...]) [<expr>...])

Evaluate using a file. Defined in common.lsp as a macro. File will always be closed upon completion

- <var> symbol name to bind stream to while evaluating expresssions (quoted)
- <fname> file name string or symbol
- <karg> keyword arguments for the implicit open command
- <expr> expressions to evaluate while file is open (implicit progn)

Returns : value of last <expr>.

Syntax : (read-byte [<stream>])

Read a byte from a stream.
 <stream> the input stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-input*, T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the byte (integer) or NIL at end of file

Syntax : (write-byte <byte> [<stream>])

Write a byte to a stream
 <byte> the byte to write (integer)
 <stream> the output stream (default, or NIL, is *standard-output* , T is *terminal-io*)

Returns : the byte (integer)

Syntax : (file-length <stream>)

Get length of file. For ascii file, the length reported may be larger than the number of characters read or written because of CR conversion
 <stream> the file stream (should be disk file)

Returns : length of file, or NIL if cannot be determined.

Syntax : (file-position <stream> [<expr>])

Get or set file position. For an ascii file, the file position may not be the same as the number of characters read or written because of CR conversion. It will be correct when using file-position to position a file at a location earlier reported by file-position.

<stream> the file stream (should be a disk file)
<expr> desired file position, if setting position. Can also be :start for start of file or :end for end of file.

Returns : if setting position, and successful, then T; if getting position and successful then the position; otherwise NIL

These functions operate on unnamed streams. An unnamed output stream collects characters sent to it when it is used as the destination of any output function. The functions `get-output-stream` return a string or list of the characters.

An unnamed `input` stream is setup with the `make-string-input-stream` function and returns each character of the string when it is used as the source of any input function.

Note that there is no difference between unnamed input and output streams. Unnamed input streams may be written to by output functions, in which case the characters are appended to the tail end of the stream. Unnamed output streams may also be (destructively) read by any input function as well as the `get-output-stream` functions.

make-string-input-stream
make-string-output-stream
get-output-stream-string
get-output-stream-list
with-input-from-string
with-output-to-string

Syntax : (make-string-input-stream <str> [<start> [<end>]])
 <str> the string
 <start> the starting offset
 <end> the ending offset + 1 or NIL for end of string

Returns : an unnamed stream that reads from the string

#1276 \$1277 K1278 +1279 **Make-string-output-stream**

Syntax : (make-string-output-stream)

Returns : an unnamed output stream

1276# func_makesoutstream
1277\$ Make-string-output-stream
1278K Make-string-output-stream
1279+ sstream:020

Syntax : (get-output-stream-string <stream>)

The output stream is emptied by this function
 <stream> the output stream

Returns : the output so far as a string

Syntax : (get-output-stream-list <stream>)

The output stream is emptied by this function
 <stream> the output stream

Returns : the output so far as a list

Syntax : (with-input-from-string (<var> <str> &key :start :end :index) [<expr>...])

Defined in common.lsp as a macro

<var>	symbol that stream is bound to during execution of expressions (quoted)
<str>	the string
:start	starting offset into string (default 0)
:end	ending offset + 1 (default, or NIL, is end of string)
:index	setf place form which gets final index into string after last expression is executed (quoted)
<expr>	expressions to evaluate (implicit progn)

Returns : the value of the last <expr>

Syntax : (with-output-to-string (<var>) [<expr>...])

Defined in common.lsp as a macro
 <var> symbol that stream is bound to during execution of expressions
 (quoted)
 <expr> expressions to evaluate (implicit progn)

Returns : contents of stream, as a string

trace
untrace
error
cerror
clean-up
top-level
errset
baktrace
evalhook
applyhook
debug
nodebug

#1299 \$1300 K1301 +1302 **Trace**

Syntax : (trace [<sym>...])

Add a function to the trace list. fsubr
 <sym> the function(s) to add (quoted)

Returns : the trace list

1299# func_trace
1300\$ Trace
1301K Trace
1302+ debug:010

Syntax : (untrace [<sym>...])

Remove a function from the trace list fsubr. If no functions given, all functions are removed from the trace list.
 <sym> the function(s) to remove (quoted)

Returns : the trace list

Syntax : (error <emsg> [<arg>])

Signal a non-correctable error

<emsg>	the error message string
<arg>	the argument expression (printed after the message)

Returns : never returns

#1311 \$1312 K1313 +1314 **Cerror**

Syntax : (cerror <msg> <emsg> [<arg>])

Signal a correctable error
 <msg>the continue message string
 <emsg> the error message string
 <arg> the argument expression (printed after the message)

Returns : NIL when continued from the break loop

1311# func_cerror
1312\$ Cerror
1313K Cerror
1314+ debug:040

#1315 \$1316 K1317 +1318 **Break**

Syntax : (break [<bmsg> [<arg>]])

Enter a break loop
 <bmsg> the break message string (defaults to "***BREAK**")
 <arg> the argument expression (printed after the message)

Returns : NIL when continued from the break loop

1315# func_break
1316\$ Break
1317K Break
1318+ debug:050

#1319 \$1320 K1321 +1322 **Clean-up**

Syntax : (clean-up)

Clean up after an error

Returns : never returns

1319# func_cleanup
1320\$ Clean-up
1321K Clean-up
1322+ debug:060

#1323 \$1324 K1325 +1326 **Top-level**

Syntax : (top-level)

Clean-up after an error and return to the top level

Returns : never returns

1323# func_toplevel
1324\$ Top-level
1325K Top-level
1326+ debug:070

#1327 \$1328 K1329 +1330 **Continue**

Syntax : (continue)

Continue from a correctable error

Returns : never returns

1327# func_continue
1328\$ Continue
1329K Continue
1330+ debug:080

Syntax : (errset <expr> [<pflag>])

Trap errors. fsubr
 <expr> the expression to execute
 <pflag> flag to control printing of the error message (default t)

Returns : the value of the last expression consed with NIL or NIL on error

#1335 \$1336 K1337 +1338 **Baktrace**

Syntax : (baktrace [<n>])

Print N levels of trace back information
 <n> the number of levels (defaults to all levels)

Returns : NIL

1335# func_baktrace
1336\$ Baktrace
1337K Baktrace
1338+ debug:100

Syntax : (evalhook <expr> <ehook> <ahook> [<env>])

Evaluate with hooks

- <expr> the expression to evaluate. <ehook> is not used at the top level.
- <ehook> the value for *evalhook*
- <ahook> the value for *applyhook*
- <env> the environment (default is NIL). The format is a dotted pair of value (car) and function (cdr) binding lists. Each binding list is a list of level binding a-lists, with the innermost a-list first. The level binding a-list associates the bound symbol with its value.

Returns : the result of evaluating the expression

Syntax : (applyhook <fun> <arglist> <ehook> <ahook>)

Apply with hooks	
<fun>	The function closure. <ahook> is not used for this function application.
<arglist>	The list of arguments.
<ehook>	the value for *evalhook*
<ahook>	the value for *applyhook*

Returns : the result of applying <fun> to <arglist>

#₁₃₄₇ \$₁₃₄₈ K₁₃₄₉ K₁₃₅₀ +₁₃₅₁ *Debug,nodebug*

Syntax : (debug)

Enable debug breaks

Syntax : (nodebug)

Disable debug breaks

Defined in init.lsp

1347# func_debug
1348\$ Debug,nodebug
1349K Debug
1350K Debug
1351+ debug:130

load
restore
save
savefun
dribble
gc
expand
alloc
room
time
get-internal-real-time
get-internal-run-time
coerce
type-of
peek
poke
address-of
get-key
system
exit
generic

Syntax : (load <fname> &key :verbose :print)

Load a source file. An implicit ERRSET exists in this function so that if error occurs during loading, and *breakenable* is NIL, then the error message will be printed and NIL will be returned. The OS environmental variable XLPATH is used as a search path for files in this function. If the filename does not contain path separators ('/' for UNIX, and either '/' or '\ ' for MS-DOS) and XLPATH is defined, then each pathname in XLPATH is tried in turn until a matching file is found. If no file is found, then one last attempt is made in the current directory. The pathnames are separated by either a space or semicolon, and a trailing path separator character is optional.

- <fname> the filename string, symbol, or a file stream created with OPEN. The extension ".lsp" is assumed.
- :verbose the verbose flag (default is t)
- :print the print flag (default is NIL)

Returns : t if successful, else NIL

Syntax : (restore <fname>)

Restore workspace from a file. The OS environmental variable XLPATH is used as a search path for files in this function. See the note under function load, above. The standard system streams are restored to the defaults as of when XLISP-PLUS was started. Files streams are restored in the same mode they were created, if possible, and are positioned where they were at the time of the save. If the files have been altered or moved since the time of the save, the restore will not be completely successful. Memory allocation will not be the same as the current settings of ALLOC are used. Execution proceeds at the top-level read-eval-print loop. The state of the transcript logging is not affected by this function.

<fname> the filename string, symbol, or a file stream created with OPEN. The extension "wks" is assumed.

Returns : NIL on failure, otherwise never returns

Syntax : (save <fname>)

Save workspace to a file. You cannot save from within a load. Not all of the state may be saved -- see restore. By saving a workspace with the name "xlisp", that workspace will be loaded automatically when you invoke XLISP-PLUS.
 <fname> the filename string, symbol, or a file stream created with OPEN. The extension "wks" is assumed.

Returns : t if workspace was written, NIL otherwise

Syntax : (savefun <fcn>)

Save function to a file. defined in init.lsp
 <fcn> function name (saves it to file of same name, with extension ".lsp")

Returns : t if successful

Syntax : (dribble [<fname>])

Create a file with a transcript of a session
 <fname> file name string, symbol, or file stream created with OPEN (if missing,
 close current transcript)

Returns : t if the transcript is opened, NIL if it is closed

#1375 \$1376 K1377 +1378 **Gc**

Syntax : (gc)

Force garbage collection.

Returns : NIL

1375# func_gc
1376\$ Gc
1377K Gc
1378+ sys:060

Syntax : (expand [<num>])

Expand memory by adding segments
 <num> the number of segments to add, default 1

Returns : the number of segments added

#1383 \$1384 K1385 +1386 *Alloc*

Syntax : (alloc <num> [<num2>])

Change segment size.

- <num> the number of nodes to allocate
- <num2> the number of pointer elements to allocate in an array segment (when dynamic array allocation compiled). Default is no change.

Returns : the old number of nodes to allocate

1383# func_alloc
1384\$ Alloc
1385K Alloc
1386+ sys:080

Syntax : (room)

Show memory allocation statistics. Statistics (which are sent to *STANDARD-OUTPUT*) include:

- Nodes - number of nodes, free and used
- Free nodes - number of free nodes
- Segments - number of node segments, including those reserved for characters and small integers.
- Allocate - number of nodes to allocate in any new node segments
- Total - total memory bytes allocated for node segments, arrays , and strings
- Collections - number of garbage collections

When dynamic array allocation is compiled, the following additional statistics are printed:

- Vector nodes - number of pointers in arrays and (size equivalent) strings
- Vector segs - number of vector segments. Increases and decreases as needed.
- Vec allocate - number of pointer elements to allocate in any new vector segment

Returns : NIL

#1391 \$1392 K1393 +1394 **Time**

Syntax : (time <expr>)

Measure execution time. fsubr.
 <expr> the expression to evaluate

Returns : the result of the expression. The execution time is printed to *TRACE-OUTPUT*

1391# func_time
1392\$ Time
1393K Time
1394+ sys:100

Syntax : (get-internal-real-time)

Get elapsed clock time.

Syntax : (get-internal-run-time)

Get elapsed execution time.

Returns : integer time in system units (see [internal-time-units-per-second](#)) meaning of absolute values is system dependent.

Syntax : (coerce <expr> <type>)

Force expression to designated type. Sequences can be coerced into other sequences, single character strings or symbols with single character printnames can be coerced into characters, fixnums can be coerced into characters or flonums. Ratios can be coerced into flonums. Flonums and ratios can be coerced into complex (so can fixnums, but they turn back into fixnums).

<expr> the expression to coerce
<type> desired type, as returned by type-of

Returns : <expr> if type is correct, or converted object.

Syntax : (type-of <expr>)

Returns the type of the expression. It is recommended that typep be used instead, as it is more general. In the original XLISP, the value NIL was returned for NIL.
 <expr> the expression to return the type of

Returns : One of the symbols:

LIST	for NIL (lists, conses return <u>CONS</u>)
SYMBOL	for symbols
OBJECT	for objects
CONS	for conses
SUBR	for built-in functions
FSUBR	for special forms
CLOSURE	for defined functions
STRING	for strings
FIXNUM	for integers
RATIO	for ratios
FLONUM	for floating point numbers
COMPLEX	for complex numbers
CHARACTER	for characters
FILE-STREAM	for file pointers
UNNAMED-STREAM	for unnamed streams
ARRAY	for arrays
HASH-TABLE	for hash tables
sym	for structures of type "sym"

Syntax : (peek <addr>)

Peek at a location in memory.
 <addr> the address to peek at (integer)

Returns : the value at the specified address (integer)

Syntax : (poke <addr> <value>)

Poke a value into memory.
 <addr> the address to poke (integer)
 <value>the value to poke into the address (integer)

Returns : the value

Syntax : (address-of <expr>)

Get the address of an XLisp node
 <expr> the node

Returns : the address of the node (integer)

#1420 \$1421 K1422 +1423 **Get-key**

Syntax : (get-key)

Read a keystroke from console. OS dependent.

Returns : integer value of key (no echo)

1420# func_getkey
1421\$ Get-key
1422K Get-key
1423+ sys:170

Syntax : (system <command>)

Execute a system command. OS dependent -- not always available.
 <command> Command string, if 0 length then spawn OS shell

Returns : T if successful (note that MS/DOS command.com always returns success)

#₁₄₂₈ \$₁₄₂₉ K₁₄₃₀ +₁₄₃₁ *Exit*

Syntax : (exit)

Exit XLisp

Returns : never returns

1428# func_exit
1429\$ Exit
1430K Exit
1431+ sys:190

Syntax : (generic <expr>)

Create a generic typed copy of the expression. Note: added function, Tom Almy's creation for debugging xisp.
 <expr> the expression to copy

Returns : NIL if value is NIL and NILSYMBOL compilation option not declared, otherwise if type is:

SYMBOL	copy as an ARRAY
OBJECT	copy as an ARRAY
CONS	(CONS (CAR <expr>)(CDR <expr>))
CLOSURE	copy as an ARRAY
STRING	copy of the string
FIXNUM	value
FLONUM	value
RATIO	value
CHARACTER	value
UNNAMED-STREAM	copy as a CONS
ARRAY	copy of the array
COMPLEX	copy as an ARRAY
HASH-TABLE	copy as an ARRAY
structure	copy as an ARRAY

The following graphic and display functions represent an extension by Tom Almy. Although these functions are available under the Windows version of XLisp , they should not be used because the language does not support Windows message handling so an XLisp program cannot handle the WM_PAINT message appropriately. It means that everything drawn by these functions will disappear when resizing the XLisp window. Accessing the Windows resources is possible through an other program written in any accustomed high-level language (C,Pascal) which can use the XLisp as a server through the communication DLL.

- cls
- cleol
- goto-xy
- color
- move
- moverel
- draw
- drawrel

#1439 \$1440 K1441 +1442 **Cls**

Syntax : (cls)

Clear display. Clear the display and position cursor at upper left corner.

Returns : nil

1439# func_cls
1440\$ Cls
1441K Cls
1442+ graph:010

#1443 \$1444 K1445 +1446 *Cleol*

Syntax : (cleol)

Clear to end of line. Clears current line to end.

Returns : nil

1443# func_cleol
1444\$ Cleol
1445K Cleol
1446+ graph:020

Syntax : (goto-xy [<column> <row>])

Get or set cursor position. Cursor is repositioned if optional arguments are specified. Coordinates are clipped to actual size of display.
 <column> 0-based column (x coordinate)
 <row> 0-based row (y coordinate)

Returns : list of original column and row positions

#1451 \$1452 K1453 +1454 *Color*

Syntax : (color <value>)

Set drawing color.
 <value>Drawing color (not checked for validity)

Returns : <value>

1451# func_color
1452\$ Color
1453K Color
1454+ graph:040

#1455 \$1456 K1457 K1458 +1459 **Move,moverel**

Syntax : (move <x1> <y1> [<x2> <y2> ...])

Absolute move

Syntax : (moverel <x1> <y2> [<x2> <y2> ...])

Relative move. For moverel, all coordinates are relative to the preceeding point.

- <x1> <y1> Moves to point x1,y1 in anticipation of draw.
- <x2> <y2> Draws to points specified in additional arguments.

Returns : T if succeeds, else NIL

1455# func_move
1456\$ Move,moverel
1457K Move
1458K Moverel
1459+ graph:050

#1460 \$1461 K1462 K1463 +1464 ***Draw,drawrel***

Syntax : (draw [<x1> <y1> ...])

Absolute draw

Syntax : (drawrel [<x1> <y1> ...])

Relative draw. For drawrel, all coordinates are relative to the preceeding point.
 <x1> <y1> Point(s) drawn to, in order.

Returns : T if succeeds, else NIL

1460# func_draw
1461\$ Draw,drawrel
1462K Draw
1463K Drawrel
1464+ graph:060

The XLisp communication library resides in the XServer.DLL file and invoked automatically when the program is started. Through this library an other program can start the XLisp as a server , have XLisp commands executed by it , and terminate it.

All this program has to do is the following :

- 1. Includes the xserver.h header for the prototypes of the library functions.
- 2. Imports the functions from the DLL in the .DEF file like the following :

```
IMPORTS      XServer.XDStartServer
             XServer.XDTerminateServer
             etc.
```

- 3. Processes the XL_REQ message.

The program calls the imported function in the following order

- 1. First calls the XDStartServer to launch XLisp in server mode. XLisp brings up as an icon. If more client tasks want to use the server , only the first XDStartServer will actually load the program , the following start requests will be administrated by the communication DLL.
- 2. The client issues XDSendRequest call to send XLisp command to the server. The com library schedules the requests from different clients and passes them to the server.
- 3. When the server is ready with the processing , it notifies the client by sending XL_REQ message to its specified window. The window function of the client will respond by calling XDGetReply then XDDeleteReply. Now the client has the reply. The reply cannot be longer than 4KB.
- 4. Finishing its job the client terminates the server by the XDTerminateServer call. This action will terminate the server only if no more client tasks are logged to it.

int FAR PASCAL XDStartServer(HWND Window);

This function starts the XLisp server if it has not been started yet by an other client.
Window Handle to the main window of the client

Returns : 0 if succesful

int FAR PASCAL XDSendRequest(HWND Window , LPSTR Request);

Sends a request to the server. The caller will get back the control immediately after calling the function , the server starts to process the message when the client is descheduled after a GetMessage or PeekMessage call.

Window	Handle to the window to which the XL_REQ notification message is sent.
Request	A null-terminated string which will be passed to XLisp as command line. The line must be closed by CR-LF else XLisp will not start the evaluation.

Returns : 0 if succesful

LPSTR FAR PASCAL XDGetReply();

The client can call this function after receiving an XL_REQ message. XDGetReply will return a far pointer to a null-terminated string containing the reply of the server. You must copy this reply to a safe area immediately after calling this function BEFORE you call any Windows API function. The reply is not removed from the reply queue , you must call [XDDeleteReply](#) after you processed it.

Returns : Pointer to the server's reply

int FAR PASCAL XDDeleteReply();

The client calls this function after processing the reply with [XDGetReply](#). Calling this function the client notifies the com library that it can remove the posted reply from the reply queue.

Returns : 0 , if succesful

int FAR PASCAL XDTerminateServer();

The client calls this function if it is about to terminate and wants to shut down the server. The server will not terminate if it has unprocessed request packet or other clients are still logged to it.

Returns : 0 , if succesful

STEP.LSP
PP.LSP
REPAIR.LSP

This file contains a simple Lisp single-step debugger. It started as an implementation of the "hook" example in chapter 20 of Steele's "Common Lisp". This version was brought up on Xlisp 1.7 for the Amiga, and then on VAXLISP.

To invoke: (step (whatever-form with args))

For each list (interpreted function call), the stepper prints the environment and the list, then enters a read-eval-print loop. At this point the available commands are:

(a list)<CR> evaluate the list in the current environment, print the result, and repeat.
<CR> step into the called function
anything_else<CR> step over the called function.

If the stepper comes to a form that is not a list it prints the form and the value, and continues on without stopping.

Note that stepper commands are executed in the current environment. Since this is the case, the stepper commands can change the current environment. For example, a SETF will change an environment variable and thus can alter the course of execution.

Global variables - newline, *hooklevel*

Functions/macros - while step eval-hool-function step-spaces step-flush

Note : an even more powerful stepper package is in stepper.lsp (documented in stepper.doc).

In addition to the pretty-printer itself, this file contains a few functions that illustrate some simple but useful applications.

Syntax : (pp <object> [<stream>])

Pretty print expression

Syntax : (pp-def <funct> [<stream>])

Pretty print function/macro

Syntax : (pp-file <file> [<stream>])

Pretty print file

- <object> The expression to print
- <funct> Function to print (as DEFUN or DEFMACRO)
- <file> File to print (specify either as string or quoted symbol)
- <stream> Output stream (default is *standard-output*)

Returns : T

Global variables: tabsize maxsize miser-size min-miser-car max-normal-car

Functions/Macros: sym-function pp-file pp-def make-def pp pp1 moveto spaces pp-rest-across pp-rest printmacrop pp-binding-form pp-do-form pp-defining-form pp-pair-form

See the source file for more information.

This file contains a structure editor.
Execute
(repair 'symbol) to edit a symbol.
(repairf symbol) to edit the function binding of a symbol (allows changing the argument list or function type, lambda or macro).

The editor alters the current selection by copying so that aborting all changes is generally possible; the exception is when editing a closure, if the closure is BACKed out of, the change is permanent.

For all commands taking a numeric argument, the first element of the selection is the 0th (as in NTH function).

Any array elements become lists when they are selected, and return to arrays upon RETURN or BACK commands.

Do not create new closures, because the environment will be incorrect. Closures become LAMBDA or MACRO expressions as the selection. Only the closure body may be changed; the argument list cannot be successfully modified, nor can the environment.

For class objects, only the methods and message names can be modified. For instance objects, instance variables can be examined (if the object under-stands the message :<ivar> for the particular ivar), and changed (if :SET-IVAR is defined for that class, as it is if CLASSES.LSP is used).

- COMMANDS (general):
- ? list available commands for the selection.
 - RETURN exit, saving all changes.
 - ABORT exit, without changes.
 - BACK go back one level (as before CAR CDR or N commands).
 - B n go back n levels.
 - L display selection using pprint; if selection is symbol, give short description.
 - MAP pprints each element of selection, or if selection is symbol then gives complete description of properties.
 - PLEV x set *print-level* to x. (Initial default is *rep-print-level*)
 - PLEN x set *print-length* to x. (Initial default is *rep-print-length*)
 - EVAL x evaluates x and prints result. The symbol @ is bound to the selection.
 - REPLACE x replaces the current selection with evaluated x. The symbol @ is bound to the selection.
- COMMANDS (if selection is symbol):
- VALUE edit the value binding.
 - FUNCTION edit the function binding (must be a closure).
 - PROP x edit property x.
- COMMANDS (if selection is list):
- CAR select the CAR of the current selection.
 - CDR select the CDR of the current selection.
 - n where n is small non-negative integer, changes current selection to (NTH n list).
 - SUBST x y all occurrences of (quoted) y are replaced with (quoted) x. EQUAL is used for the comparison.
 - RAISE n removes parenthesis surrounding nth element of selection.
 - LOWER n m inserts parenthesis starting with the nth element, for m elements.
 - ARRAY n m as in LOWER, but makes elements into an array.
 - I n x inserts (quoted) x before nth element in selection.
 - R n x replaces nth element in selection with (quoted) x.
 - D n deletes nth element in selection.

All function names and global variables start with the string "rep-" or ""*rep-*".

Input from a File

To open a file for input, use the OPEN function with the keyword argument :DIRECTION set to :INPUT. To open a file for output, use the OPEN function with the keyword argument :DIRECTION set to :OUTPUT. The OPEN function takes a single required argument which is the name of the file to be opened. This name can be in the form of a string or a symbol. The OPEN function returns an object of type FILE-STREAM if it succeeds in opening the specified file. It returns the value NIL if it fails. In order to manipulate the file, it is necessary to save the value returned by the OPEN function. This is usually done by assigning it to a variable with the SETQ special form or by binding it using LET or LET*. Here is an example:

```
(setq fp (open "init.lsp" :direction :input))
```

Evaluating this expression will result in the file "init.lsp" being opened. The file object that will be returned by the OPEN function will be assigned to the variable "fp".

It is now possible to use the file for input. To read an expression from the file, just supply the value of the "fp" variable as the optional "stream" argument to READ.

```
(read fp)
```

Evaluating this expression will result in reading the first expression from the file "init.lsp". The expression will be returned as the result of the READ function. More expressions can be read from the file using further calls to the READ function. When there are no more expressions to read, the READ function will return NIL (or whatever value was supplied as the second argument to READ).

Once you are done reading from the file, you should close it. To close the file, use the following expression:

```
(close fp)
```

Evaluating this expression will cause the file to be closed.

Output to a File

Writing to a file is pretty much the same as reading from one. You need to open the file first. This time you should use the OPEN function to indicate that you will do output to the file. For example:

```
(setq fp (open "test.dat" :direction :output :if-exists :supersede))
```

Evaluating this expression will open the file "test.dat" for output. If the file already exists, its current contents will be discarded. If it doesn't already exist, it will be created. In any case, a FILE-STREAM object will be returned by the OPEN function. This file object will be assigned to the "fp" variable.

It is now possible to write to this file by supplying the value of the "fp" variable as the optional "stream" parameter in the PRINT function.

```
(print "Hello there" fp)
```

Evaluating this expression will result in the string "Hello there" being written to the file "test.dat". More data can be written to the file using the same technique.

Once you are done writing to the file, you should close it. Closing an output file is just like closing an input file.

```
(close fp)
```

Evaluating this expression will close the output file and make it permanent.

A Slightly More Complicated File Example

This example shows how to open a file, read each Lisp expression from the file and print it. It demonstrates the use of files and the use of the optional "stream" argument to the READ function.

```
(do* ((fp (open "test.dat" :direction :input))
      (ex (read fp) (read fp)))
      ((null ex) (close fp) nil)
      (print ex))
```

The file will be closed with the next garbage collection.

