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Introduction to the BASIC Stamp

BASIC Stamp 1





Figure 1.2: BASIC Stamp 1 OEM (Rev. A) (Stock# 27295).



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to the BASIC Stamp module (assuming the code is correct and the BASIC Stamp is properly connected). The Download Progress window looks similar to the Identify window with the exception of the additional Download Status progress bar, and the indicator LED by the port transmitting the data.

	Port:	Device Type:	Version:	Loopback:	Echo
0	COM1:	BASIC Stamp 2	v1.0	Yes	Yes
	COM4:			Yes	No
	ICUM4:	e BS1 Modules unless dowr	 nloading B	Yes S1 source or	No

If any errors occur, such as communication failure or inability to detect a BASIC Stamp module, you will be prompted appropriately. One possible error occurs when the BASIC Stamp your PBASIC program is targeting does not appear to be connected to the PC (see Figure 3.12). This may be caused, for example, by opening up a BASIC Stamp 1 program (usually has a .bas or .bs1 extension) and trying to download it to a BASIC Stamp 2 module, instead.

n 🛷 Download Error	<u>_ ×</u>
BASIC Stamp 1 not found. Download to another BASIC Stamp instead?	<u>M</u> ore Info
BS1 BS2 BS2g BS2gx BS2g BS2pe BS2px	Cancel

When this happens, you'll be prompted to correct the situation, quickly done by clicking on the BS2 button (if you really intended to download to the BS2 in the first place). Keep in mind that programs written for one BASIC Stamp model may not function properly on a different BASIC Stamp model. Click on the More Info button for more detail. NOTE: If you select the BS2 button, as in this example, the editor will modify the

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Figure 3.11: The Download Progress Window.

Figure 3.12: A Download Error message.

expression 100+90 into a compile-time expression like OneNinety CON 100+90.

To sum up: compile-time expressions are those that involve only constants; once a variable is involved, the expression must be solved at run-time. That's why the line "NotWorking CON 3 * result" would generate an error message. The CON directive works only at compile-time and *result* is a variable; variables are not allowed in compile-time expressions.

DEFINING AND USING PINS WITH THE PIN DIRECTIVE.

Now we know now to create variables and constants (with VAR and CON) but there is a third option if you're using PBASIC 2.5; pin-type symbols (with PIN). PIN is like VAR and CON put together and represents an I/O pin.

There are some situations where it is handy to refer to a pin using a variable (like IN2 or OUT2) and also as a constant (2, in this case). The PIN directive lets you define a context-sensitive symbol representing an I/O pin. Depending on where and how this pin-type symbol is used determines whether it is treated as an I/O pin input variable, and I/O pin output variable or as a constant representing the pin number.

Let's explore a simple example to see where this is useful. It is common practice to define constants for any number used in many places so that changing that number doesn't create a maintenance hassle later on. If we were to use a constant symbol to represent an I/O pin, we might do something like this:

' {\$PBASIC 2.5}	
signal CON 1	' constant-type symbol representing I/O 1 $$
INPUT signal	' set signal pin to input
Wait: IF signal = 0 THEN Wait	' wait until signal pin = 1

Here we define *signal* to represent our desired I/O pin, then we use the INPUT command to set it to the input direction and later we check the state of the signal pin and loop (wait) while it is equal to logic 0. This code has a common bug, however; the INPUT command works as expected, because its *Pin* argument requires a number representing the I/O pin, but

4: BASIC Stamp Architecture – NCD, SIN

	All 2	result	VAR	Word	
		result = 99 DEBUG SDEC ? re result = -resul	sult t		' Put -99 into result '(2's complement format) ' Display as a signed # ' Negate the value
		DEBUG SDEC ? re	sult		' Display as a signed #
ENCODER: NCD	All 2	The Encoder op takes a 16-bit v position plus of NCD is a fast power of two t returns will be	perator (alue, fir one (1 th way to hat this that pow	(NCD) is a "prio nds the highest b nrough 16). If th get an answer t value is greater wer, plus one. Ex	ority" encoder of a 16-bit value. NCD bit containing a 1 and returns the bit the input value is 0, NCD returns 0. to the question "what is the largest than or equal to?" The answer NCD xample:
		result	VAR	Word	
SINE: SIN	All 2	result = %1101 DEBUG ? NCD res Sine operator (specified as an	ult SIN) ret 8-bit bir	turns the two's o nary radian (0 to	' Highest bit set is bit 3 ' Show the NCD of result (4) The complement, 16-bit sine of an angle 255) angle.
		To understand sine function. I as a unit circle) circle to its edg o'clock positio counterclockwi	the SIN By defin I, the sin ge at a g n on th ise.	N operator more ition: given a ci e is the y-coord given angle. An ne circle, increa	e completely, let's look at a typical ircle with a radius of 1 unit (known inate distance from the center of the gles are measured relative to the 3- using as you go around the circle
		At the origin j same y (vertica 0.707. At 90 c degrees, sine is	point (0 al) coorc legrees, -1.	degrees) the si linate as the cir sine is 1. At 18	ine is 0, because that point has the cle center. At 45 degrees the sine is 80 degrees, sine is 0 again. At 270
		The BASIC Stat of 0 to 359 de "brad." Each b circle, which r Stamp SIN is complement for origin, SIN is 0 brads), sine is (192 brads), sin	mp SIN grees. S prad is e results i based orm in e 0. At 4 127. At 127. At	operator breaks some textbooks equivalent to 1. n fractional sin on a 127-unit order to accome 5 degrees (32 bi t 180 degrees (1 7.	s the circle into 0 to 255 units instead call this unit a "binary radian" or 406 degrees. And instead of a unit ie values between 0 and 1, BASIC circle. Results are given in two's modate negative values. So, at the rads), sine is 90. At 90 degrees (64 28 brads), sine is 0. At 270 degrees
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DEBUG BIN8 ? %00001111 ^ %10101001



' Show result of XOR (%10100110)

' Show result of OR NOT (%01011111)

All 2

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DEBUG %result

4: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – ^/

XOR NOT: 1/

The Xor Not operator (^/) returns the bitwise XOR NOT of two values. Each bit of the values is subject to the following logic:

> 0 XOR NOT 0 = 1 0 XOR NOT 1 = 0 1 XOR NOT 0 = 0 1 XOR NOT 1 = 1

The result returned by ^/ will contain 1s in any bit positions in which the first value and second values are equal.

Example:

SYMBOL value1 = B2 SYMBOL value2 = B3 SYMBOL result = B4 value1 = %00001111 value2 = %10101001 result = value1 ^/ value2 DEBUG %result ' Show result of OR NOT (%01011001)

5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – AUXIO

IOTERM port

TOGGLE 3

port = ~port PAUSE 1000 LOOP END

' Switch to main or aux I/Os ' -- depending on port

' Toggle state of I/O pin 3
' -- on main and aux, alternately

' Invert port

' 1 second delay

After running the above code, "x = \$4B" and "x = %01001011" should appear on the screen. To display hexadecimal or binary values without the "symbol = " preface, use the value formatter (#) before the \$ and %, as shown below:

	SYMBOL x = B2			
	x = 75 DEBUG #x, "as HEX DEBUG #x, "as BIN	is ", #\$x ' displays "75 as HEX is \$4B" ARY is ", #%x ' displays "75 as BINARY is %01001011"		
DISPLAYING ASCII CHARACTERS (BS1).	To display a number as its ASCII character equivalent, use the ASCII formatter (@).			
	SYMBOL x = B2			
	x = 75 DEBUG @x			
Table 5.10: DEBUG Formatters for	Formatter	Description		
the BASIC Stamp 1.	#	Suppresses the "symbol = x " format and displays only the 'x' value. The default format is decimal but may be combined with any of the formatters below (ex: #x to display: x value)		
	@	Displays "symbol = 'x'" + carriage return; where x is an ASCII character.		
	\$	Hexadecimal text.		
	%	Binary text.		
USING CR AND CLS (BS1).	Two pre-defined return or clear-se will cause the De cause the Debug corner of the scre	I symbols, CR and CLS, can be used to send a carriage- creen command to the Debug Terminal. The CR symbol ebug Terminal to start a new line and the CLS symbol will Terminal to clear itself and place the cursor at the top-left een. The following code demonstrates this.		
	DEBUG "You can n	Not see this.", CLS, "Here is line 1", CR, "Here is line 2"		
	When the above the screen and " have seen "You immediately foll	is run, the final result is "Here is line 1" on the first line of Here is line 2" on the second line. You may or may not can not see this." appear first. This is because it was owed by a clear-screen symbol, CLS, which caused the		

NOTE: The rest of this discussion does not apply to the BASIC Stamp 1.

display to clear the screen before displaying the rest of the information.

EXIT – BASIC Stamp Command Reference

row	VAR	Nib		
Setup: col = 0				
Main:				
DO WHILE (col	< 10)		ı.	attempt 10 iterations
FOR row = 0	TO 15		ı.	attempt 16 iterations
IF (row >	9) THEN	EXIT	ı.	terminate when row > 9
DEBUG CRS	RXY, (co	1 * 8), row,	1	print col/row at location
DEC	col, "/	", DEC row, CR		-
NEXT				
col = col +	1		1	update column
IF $(col = 3$) THEN E	XIT	1	terminate when col = 3
LOOP				

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5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – I2CIN





12CIN Pin, SlavelD, { Address { \LowAddress }, } [InputData]

Function

Receive data from a device using the I²C protocol.

- **Pin** is a variable/constant/expression (0 or 8) that specifies which I/O pins to use. I²C devices require two I/O pins to communicate. The *Pin* argument serves a double purpose; specifying the first pin (for connection to the chip's SDA pin) and, indirectly, the other required pin (for connection to the chip's SCL pin). See explanation below. Both I/O pins will be toggled between output and input mode during the I2CIN command and both will be set to input mode by the end of the I2CIN command.
- **SlaveID** is a variable/constant/expression (0 255) indicating the unique ID of the I²C chip.
- **Address** is an optional variable/constant/expression (0 255) indicating the desired address within the I²C chip to receive data from. The *Address* argument may be used with the optional *LowAddress* argument to indicate a word-sized address value.
- **LowAddress** is an optional variable/constant/expression (0 255) indicating the low-byte of the word-sized address within the I²C chip to receive data from. This argument must be used along with the *Address* argument.
- **InputData** is a list of variables and modifiers that tells I2CIN what to do with incoming data. I2CIN can store data in a variable or array, interpret numeric text (decimal, binary, or hex) and store the corresponding value in a variable, wait for a fixed or variable sequence of bytes, or ignore a specified number of bytes. These actions can be combined in any order in the *InputData* list.

5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – I2CIN

```
' internal address
addr
                VAR
                         Word
                                     ' block address in 24LC16
block
              VAR
                        Nib
               VAR
                                        ' value to write
' for checking retuned values
                        Byte
Nib
value
check
               VARNib' for checking retuned valueVARByte(16)' array for returned value
                VAR
result
Write To EEPROM:
 DEBUG "Writing...", CR
 PAUSE 2000
 FOR addr = 0 TO 2047 STEP 16' loop through all addressesblock = addr.NIB2 << 1</td>' calculate block address
    value = addr >> 4
                                         ' create value from upper 8 bits
    ' write 16 bytes
   I2COUT SDA, $A0 | block, addr, [REP value\16]
   PAUSE 5
   DEBUG "Addr: ", DEC4 addr, "-", DEC4 addr + 15, " ",
         "Value: ", DEC3 value, CR
 NEXT
 PAUSE 2000
Read_From_EEPROM:
 DEBUG CR, "Reading...", CR
 PAUSE 2000
 FOR addr = 0 TO 2047 STEP 16
   block = addr.NIB2 << 1</pre>
   value = addr >> 4
   I2CIN SDA, $A1 | block, addr, [STR result\16]
    FOR check = 0 TO 15
     IF (result(check) <> value) THEN Error
   NEXT
   DEBUG "Addr: ", DEC4 addr, "-", DEC4 addr + 15, " ",
          "Value: ", DEC3 result, CR
 NEXT
 PAUSE 100
 DEBUG CR, "All locations passed"
 END
Error:
 DEBUG "Error at location: ", DEC4 addr + check, CR,
        "Found: ", DEC3 result(check), ", Expected: ", DEC3 value
 END
```

5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – LCDIN

value	VAR	Byte(13)	
LCDIN	0, 128,	[value]	'receive the ASCII value for "V"
LCDIN	0, 128,	[DEC value]	'receive the number 3.
LCDIN	0, 128,	[HEX value]	'receive the number \$3A.
LCDIN	0, 128,	[BIN value]	'receive the number %101.
LCDIN	0, 128,	[STR value\13]	'receive the string "Value: 3A:101"

Table 5.47 and Table 5.48 list all the special formatters and conversion formatters available to the LCDIN command. See the SERIN command for additional information and examples of their use.

Some possible uses of the LCDIN command are 1) in combination with the LCDOUT command to store and read data from the unused DDRAM or CGRAM locations (as extra variable space), 2) to verify that the data from a previous LCDOUT command was received and processed properly by the LCD, and 3) to read character data from CGRAM for the purposes of modifying it and storing it as a custom character.

Special Formatter	Action
SPSTR L	Input a character string of length L bytes (up to 126) into Scratch Pad RAM, starting at location 0. Use GET to retrieve the characters.
STR ByteArray \L {\E}	Input a character string of length L into an array. If specified, an end character E causes the string input to end before reaching length L. Remaining bytes are filled with 0s (zeros).
WAIT (<i>Value)</i>	Wait for a sequence of bytes specified by value. Value can be numbers separated by commas or quoted text (ex: 65, 66, 67 or "ABC"). The WAIT formatter is limited to a maximum of six characters.
WAITSTR ByteArray {\L}	Wait for a sequence of bytes matching a string stored in an array variable, optionally limited to L characters. If the optional L argument is left off, the end of the array-string must be marked by a byte containing a zero (0).
SKIP Length	Ignore Length bytes of characters.

Table 5.47: LCDIN SpecialFormatters.

OWIN – BASIC Stamp Command Reference

\Conversion Formatter	Type of Number	Numeric Characters Accepted	Notes
DEC{15}	Decimal, optionally limited to 1 – 5 digits	0 through 9	1
SDEC{15}	Signed decimal, optionally limited to 1 – 5 digits	-, 0 through 9	1,2
HEX{14}	Hexadecimal, optionally limited to 1 – 4 digits	0 through 9, A through F	1,3,5
SHEX{14}	Signed hexadecimal, optionally limited to 1 – 4 digits	-, 0 through 9, A through F	1,2,3
IHEX{14}	Indicated hexadecimal, optionally limited to 1 – 4 digits	\$, 0 through 9, A through F	1,3,4
ISHEX{14}	Signed, indicated hexadecimal, optionally limited to 1 – 4 digits	-, \$, 0 through 9, A through F	1,2,3,4
BIN{116}	Binary, optionally limited to 1 – 16 digits	0, 1	1
SBIN{116}	Signed binary, optionally limited to 1 – 16 digits	-, 0, 1	1,2
IBIN{116}	Indicated binary, optionally limited to 1 – 16 digits	%, 0, 1	1,4
ISBIN{116}	Signed, indicated binary, optionally limited to 1 – 16 digits	-, %, 0, 1	1,2,4
NUM	Generic numeric input (decimal, hexadecimal or binary); hexadecimal or binary number must be indicated	\$, %, 0 through 9, A through F	1, 3, 4
SNUM	Similar to NUM with value treated as signed with range -32768 to +32767	-, \$, %, 0 through 9, A through F	1,2,3,4

Table 5.66: OWIN Conversion Formatters

1 All numeric conversions will continue to accept new data until receiving either the specified number of digits (ex: three digits for DEC3) or a non-numeric character.

2 To be recognized as part of a number, the minus sign (-) must immediately precede a numeric character. The minus sign character occurring in non-numeric text is ignored and any character (including a space) between a minus and a number causes the minus to be ignored.

3 The hexadecimal formatters are not case-sensitive; "a" through "f" means the same as "A" through "F".

- 4 Indicated hexadecimal and binary formatters ignore all characters, even valid numerics, until they receive the appropriate prefix (\$ for hexadecimal, % for binary). The indicated formatters can differentiate between text and hexadecimal (ex: ABC would be interpreted by HEX as a number but IHEX would ignore it unless expressed as \$ABC). Likewise, the binary version can distinguish the decimal number 10 from the binary number %10. A prefix occurring in non-numeric text is ignored, and any character (including a space) between a prefix and a number causes the prefix to be ignored. Indicated, signed formatters require that the minus sign come before the prefix, as in -\$1B45.
- 5 The HEX modifier can be used for Decimal to BCD Conversion. See "Hex to BCD Conversion" on page 97.

For examples of all conversion formatters and how they process incoming data, see Appendix C.

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5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – OWOUT

Figure 5.24: OWOUT Reset and Presence Pulse.



This reset pulse is controlled by the lowest two bits of the *Mode* argument in the OWOUT command. It can be made to appear before the ROM Function Command (ex: *Mode* = 1), after the Transaction/Data portion (ex: Mode = 2), before and after the entire transaction (ex: Mode = 3) or not at all (ex: *Mode* = 0). See the section on *Mode*, above, for more information.

Following the Initialization part is the ROM Function Command. The ROM Function Command is used to address the desired 1-Wire device. Table 5.72 shows common ROM Function Commands. If only a single 1-wire device is connected, the Skip ROM command may be used to address it. If more than one 1-wire device is attached, the BASIC Stamp will ultimately have to address them individually using the Match ROM command.

Command	Value (in Hex)	Action
Read ROM	\$33	Reads the 64-bit ID of the 1-Wire device. This command can only be used if there is a single 1-Wire device on the line.
Match ROM	\$55	This command, followed by a 64-bit ID, allows the BASIC Stamp to address a specific 1-Wire device.
Skip ROM	\$CC	Address a 1-Wire device without its 64-bit ID. This command can only be used if there is a single 1-wire device on the line.
Search ROM	\$F0	Reads the 64-bit IDs of all the 1-Wire devices on the line. A process of elimination is used to distinguish each unique device.

The third part, the Memory Function Command, allows the BASIC Stamp to address specific memory locations, or features, of the 1-wire device.

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Table 5.72: OWOUT ROM Function Commands.

POLLIN – BASIC Stamp Command Reference

user program; giving the appearance that it is polling "in the background". This feature should not be confused with the concept of interrupts, as the BASIC Stamp does not support true interrupts.

The following is an example of the POLLIN command:

POLLIN 0, 0 POLLMODE 2

The POLLIN command in the above code will cause the BASIC Stamp to set I/O pin 0 to an input mode and get ready to poll it for a low (0) state. The BASIC Stamp will not actually start polling until it is set to the appropriate mode, however. The second line, POLLMODE, initiates the polling process (see the POLLMODE description for more information). From then on, as the BASIC Stamp executes the rest of the program, it will check for a low level (logic 0) on I/O pin 0, in-between instructions.

In the code above, no obvious action will be noticed since we didn't tell the SETTING ONE OF THE POSSIBLE ACTIONS: BASIC Stamp what to do when it detects a change on the I/O pin. One possible action the BASIC Stamp can be instructed to take is to change the state of an output, called a polled-output. Take a look at the next example:

POLLIN 0, 0 POLLOUT 1, 1 POLLMODE 2 Main: DEBUG "Looping...", CR GOTO Main

In this example, in addition to an endless loop, we've added another polling command called POLLOUT (see the POLLOUT description for more information). Our POLLOUT command tells the BASIC Stamp to set I/O pin 1 to an output mode and set it high (1) when it detects the desired poll state. The poll state is the low (0) level on I/O pin 0 that POLLIN told it to look for. If the polled-input pin is high, it will set polled-output pin 0 to low (0), instead.

Once the program reaches the endless loop, at *Main*, it will continuously print "Looping..." on the PC screen. In between reading the DEBUG command and the GOTO command (and vice versa) it will check polledinput pin 0 and set polled-output pin 1 accordingly. In this case, when I/O pin 0 is set low, the BASIC Stamp will set I/O pin 1 high. When I/O

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A SIMPLE POLLIN EXAMPLE.

POLLED-OUTPUTS

PWM – BASIC Stamp Command Reference

' as the capac ' (by changing ' effect.	itor dis the PAU	charges. Try SE value) an	y varying the interval between PW nd the number of PWM cycles to se	M bursts De their
' {\$STAMP BS1} ' {\$PBASIC 1.0	}			
Main: PWM 0, 100, PAUSE 1000 GOTO Main END	10		' PWM at 100/255 duty (~50 ' wait one second) ms)
Nemo Progra	am (PW	(M_hs2)		All 2
<pre>' PWM.bs2 ' Connect a vo ' range) to th ' command (in ' the meter. T ' as the capac ' (by changing ' effect. ' {\$STAMP BS2} ' {\$PBASIC 2.5</pre>	ltmeter e output the manu hey shou itor dis the PAU }	(such as a c of the circ al). Run th ld come very charges. Try SE value) an	digital multimeter set to its vol cuit shown in the figure for the ne program and observe the readin / close to 1.96V, then decrease s / varying the interval between PW nd the number of PWM cycles to se	NOTE: This example program can bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bused with all BS2 models. This program can be also bus
#SELECT \$STAMP	,			
#CASE BS2, В CycAdj #CASE BS2SX	CON	\$100	' x 1.0, cycle adjustment	(for ms)
CycAdj #CASE BS2P	CON	\$280	' x 2.5	
CycAdj #CASE BS2PE	CON	\$187	' x 1.53	
CycAdj #CASE BS2PX	CON	\$09E	' x 0.62	
CycAdj #ENDSELECT	CON	\$280	' x 2.5	
Cycles	CON	50		
Main:				
PWM 0, 100, PAUSE 1000 GOTO Main END	(Cycles	*/ CycAdj)	' PWM at 100/255 duty (~50 ' wait one second) ms)

DTE: This example program can be ed with all BS2 models. This program es conditional compilation techniques;

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5: BASIC Stamp Command Reference – WRITE

All 2 Demo Program (WRITE.bs2)

' WRITE.bs2 ' This program writes some data to EEPROM and then reads them back out ' and displays the data in the Debug window. ' {\$STAMP BS2} ' {\$PBASIC 2.5} idx VAR Byte 'loop control value VAR Word(3) 'value(s) Main: WRITE 0, 100 ' single byte WRITE 0, 100 WRITE 1, Word 1250 WRITE 3, 45, 90, Word 725 ' single word ' multi-value write Read EE: ' show raw bytes in EE FOR idx = 0 TO 6 READ idx, value DEBUG DEC1 idx, " : ", DEC value, CR NEXT DEBUG CR ' read values as stored READ 0, value DEBUG DEC value, CR READ 1, Word value DEBUG DEC value, CR READ 3, value(0), value(1), Word value(2) FOR idx = 0 TO 2 DEBUG DEC value(idx), CR NEXT END

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NOTE: This example program can be used with all BS2 models by changing the \$STAMP directive accordingly.

Table 5.125: XOUT Commands	Command	Value	Function	
and Their Function.	UNITON	%10010	Turn on the currently selected unit.	
	UNITOFF	%11010	Turn off the currently selected unit.	
	UNITSONf	%11100	Turn off all modules in this house code.	
	LIGHTSON	%10100	Turn on all lamp modules in this house code.	
	DIM	%11110	Reduce brightness of currently selected lamp.	
	BRIGHT	%10110	Increase brightness of currently selected lamp.	
	Note: In most applications, it's not necessary to know the code for a given X-10 instruction. Just use the command constant (UnitOn, Dim, etc.) instead. But knowing the codes leads to some interesting possibilities. For example, XORing a UnitOn command with the value %1000 turns it into a UnitOff command, and vice-versa. This makes it possible to write the equivalent of an X-10 "toggle" instruction.			
A SIMPLE XOUT EXAMPLE: TURNING AN APPLIANCE ON.	VPLE: TURNING AN Here is an example of the XOUT instruction:			
	Mpin	PIN	0	' modulation pin
	Zpin	PIN	1	' zero-cross input
	HouseA	CON	0	' House code A = 0
	Unit1	CON	0	'Unit code 1 = 0
	XOUT Mpin, Zr XOUT Mpin, Zr	pin, [House pin, [House	A\Unit1] A\UNITON]	' get Unitl's attention ' turn it on
COMBINING MULTIPLE COMMANDS.	You can combine those two XOUT instructions into one like so:			
	XOUT Mpin, Zpin, [HouseA\Unit1\2, HouseA\UNITON] 'Unit 1 on.			
	Note that to complete the attention-getting code HouseA\Unit1 we tacked on the normally optional cycles entry \2 to complete the command before beginning the next one. Always specify two cycles in multiple commands unless you're adjusting the brightness of a lamp module.			
DIMMING LIGHTS.	Here is an example of a lamp-dimming instruction:			
	Mpin Zpin	PIN PIN	0 1	' modulation pin ' zero-cross input
	HouseA Unit1	CON CON	0	House code A = 0 Unit code 1 = 0
	XOUT Mpin, Zr XOUT Mpin, Zr XOUT Mpin, Zr	oin, [House oin, [House oin, [House	A\Unit1] A\UNITOFF\2] A\DIM\10]	' get Unitl's attention ' turn it off ' dim half way

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