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NEW COMPUTER LIBRARY ROUTINE B3-EXPL-25

**TITLE:** exponential

**TYPE:** closed, relocatable, mnemonic

**LENGTH:** 30 words

**TEMPORARY STORAGE:** ten words at fixed memory locations 0-9 and the last two words of the program.

**DURATION:** approximately 800 microseconds (October 1962)

**FAST REGISTERS CHANGED:** none

**PARAMETERS:** link in ML5

**ACCURACY:** relative error  $< 2^{-40}$  for  $-ln4 < z < ln4$

**USE:** This subroutine replaces the number  $z$  in the accumulator by

$$0 \quad \text{if} \quad z < -64 \quad ln4 < -87$$

$$e^z \quad \text{if} \quad -64 \quad ln4 < z < 64 \quad ln4$$

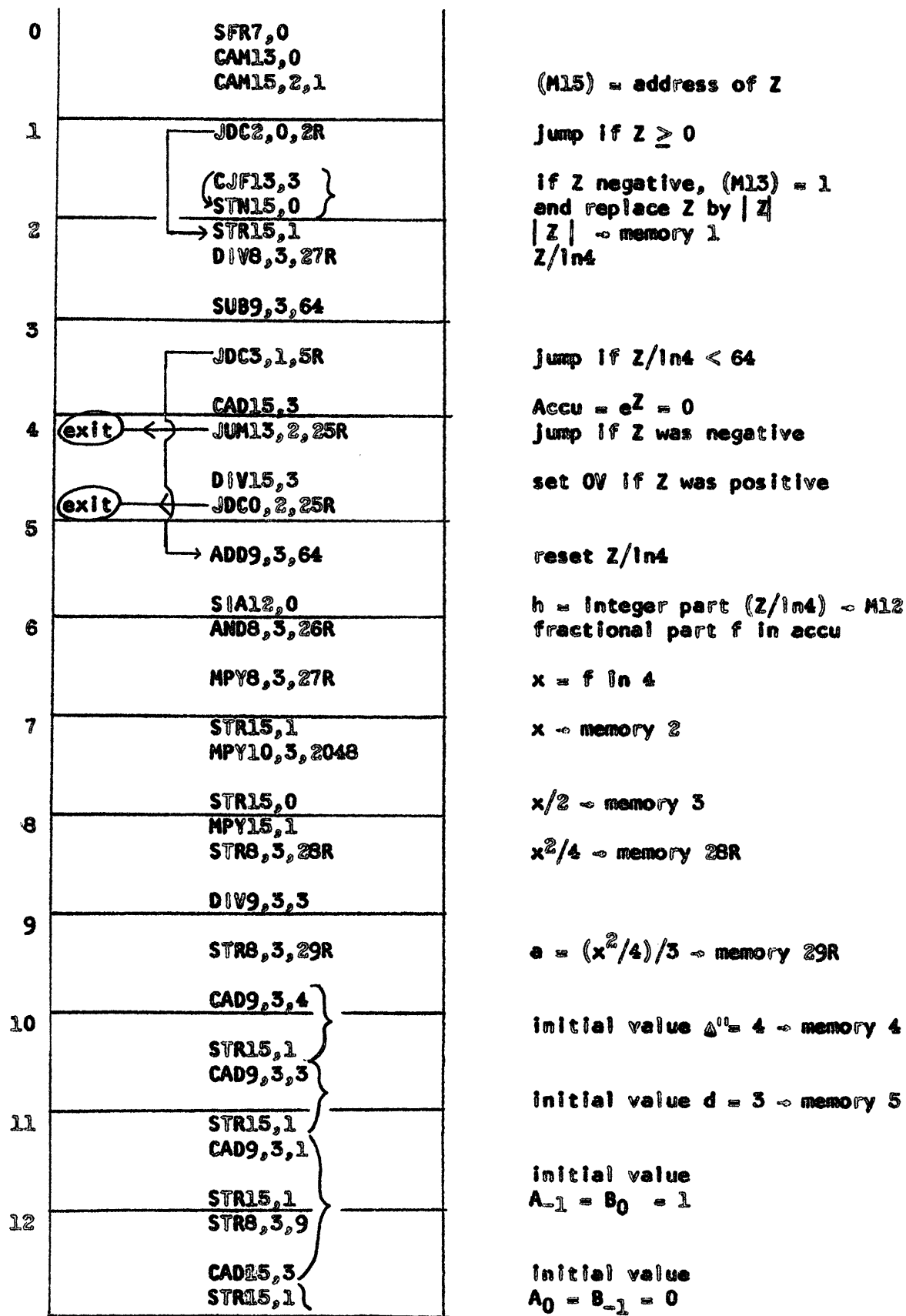
0 and sets OV if  $z > 64 \quad ln4 > 87$

**DESCRIPTION:** For  $0 < x < ln4$  the formula  $e^x = 1 + x/(1-x/2+F)$  is used where  $F$  is the continued fraction  $F = \frac{a_1}{1} + \frac{a_2}{1} + \frac{a_3}{1} + \dots$ ,  $a_n = x^2/(4(4n^2 - 1))$ , which is computed to eight terms. For  $z \geq ln4$ ,  $e^z = 4^h e^x$ , where  $h = \text{integer part}(z/ln4)$ , and  $0 \leq x < ln4$ . For negative values of  $z$ ,  $e^z$  is computed as  $1/e^{-z}$ .

**COMPARE:** N. Maccom, "On the computation of exponential and hyperbolic functions using continued fractions." JACM, Oct '55

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EXP



13	STR15,0 CSM14,2,7
14	① → CAM15,2,6
14	CAD8,3,29R
15	MPY15,1 ADD15,0 XCH15,1 STR8,3,6
16	CAD8,3,29R
16	MPY15,1 ADD15,0
17	XCH15,0 STR8,3,8
17	CAD9,3,8
18	CAM15,2,4
19	ADD15,0 STR15,1 ADD15,0 STR15,1 VID8,3,29R
20	STR8,3,29R
21	① ← CJUL4,3,13R
21	CAD8,3,7 DIV8,3,9
22	ADD9,3,1
22	SUB8,3,3
23	VID8,3,2
23	ADD9,3,1
24	ADE12,0 JZM13,2,25R
25	VID9,3,1
25	exit → LFR7,0 JLH15,0
26	OCT0,17777,17777,17777
27	OCT02613,11027,17372,03401

loop counter

(M15) = address of  $A_{n-2}$

a

$$a A_{n-2} + A_{n-1} = A_n$$

old  $A_{n-1} \rightarrow A_{n-2}$

a

$$a B_{n-2} + B_{n-1} = A_n$$

old  $B_{n-1} \rightarrow B_{n-2}$

$$\Delta' = 8$$

(M15) = address of  $\Delta'$

$$\Delta' \leftarrow \Delta' + 8$$

$$d \leftarrow d + \Delta'$$

$$(M15) = > A_{n-2} <$$

$$(x^2/4)/d \rightarrow a$$

$$F = A/B$$

$$F + 1$$

$$F + 1 - (x/2)$$

$$e^x = 1 + x/(F + 1 - x/2)$$

$$e^z = 4he^x$$

jump if Z was positive