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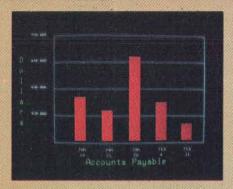


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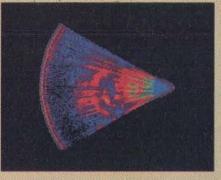
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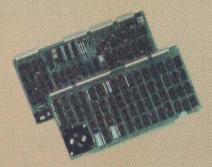
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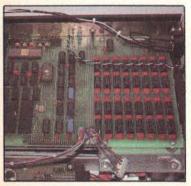
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A number of the articles for this month's theme were solicited with the help of Jay Nickson and Ken Lodding; their editorial begins on page 6. Both are employed by DEC (Digital Equipment Corporation); Jay is the manager of the human in the companion of the simulations man machine comterface program for simplifying man/machine com-munications. Ken is a senior software engineer whose long-term interests intermix art and computer

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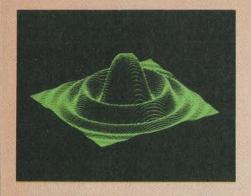
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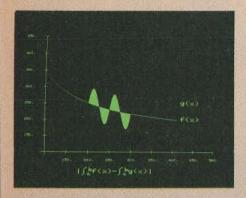


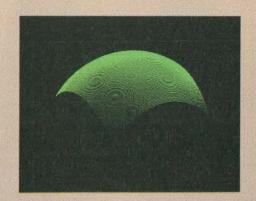
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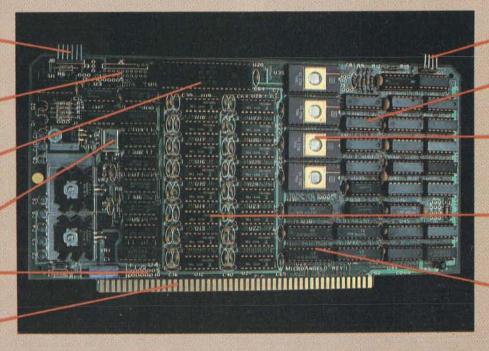
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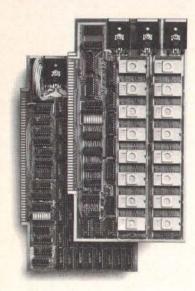
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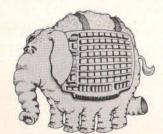
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Guest Editorial by Ken Lodding and Jay Nickson

Man is a visual animal. He surrounds himself with graphic images. Images are employed to convey information, to explain concepts, and to communicate feelings. The ability to draw is instinctive. It materializes in infants soon after the start of verbal development, perhaps to complement the slowly developing verbal skills. Although the ability to draw tends not to become as fully developed as verbal skills, images continue to provide much of the adult human communications ability. Pictures are a primary information-carrying channel: the histogram accompanying a financial article, the plot of a mathematical function, and the illustrations in BYTE are but a few examples.

The importance of graphics for conveying information arises from the nature of man's visual system. The eye provides an extremely high-bandwidth information channel for transferring the data to be processed by the brain's optic center. The importance of this channel can be seen from the redundancy built into the system and from the distribution of optic nerve fibers in the brain. It is believed that no less than six different brain sites are directly serviced by connecting optic nerve fibers. (See reference 4.) The fundamental importance of visual information is reflected in the old adage, "seeing is believing," and in the observation that *understand* is one of the synonyms of the word see. Text fails to use our native abilities to comprehend information fully because it presents data in a linear, sequential fashion. Contrast this with graphical images, which can be processed in a single viewing—a phenomenon called *preattentive perception*. (See reference 6.)

The computer has become a primary source or conveyor of information, yet the main interface between man and machine has remained the serially oriented text display. The net result is that, as the volume of data available to be presented increases, the user's communication channel becomes swamped with an avalanche of text output. The volume of this avalanche far too often restricts the comprehension of the information. The information is obscured as effectively as if it had been encrypted. The spectacle of the computer user literally buried under reams of printed output has ceased to be an amusing cartoon and has become a nightmare for too many. To cope with the flood of in-

formation, the computer user is turning to graphics.

The information-transfer rate of a graph can be many orders of magnitude greater than an equivalent text presentation. Conceptually, a graph has greater information density than a table. Compare the plot of a sine curve with a table of sine values. Each value within the table corresponds to a specific point on the graph. However, the plot displays a far greater number of points than could the most extended table. A high information-transfer rate results from the greater data density and the faster operation of the human mind and visual system. Patterns, periodic functions, trends, and comparisons can often be obtained "by inspection" of a graph, while understanding a tabular display requires much more time and effort. This is not, however, accomplished without a cost. The only penalty paid for speed is the loss of precision: a graph cannot be read to the same number of significant digits as can be obtained from a table. This loss of precision is not a problem, as the specific data value of interest can be extracted from the function or table of data used to generate the plot initially.

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Three-Dimensional Graphics

To provide the illusion of depth, a three-dimensional model can be defined. Establishing the viewer's geometric relationship to the model and following the rules of perspective, the model image is mathematically projected onto a two-dimensional viewing plane. Although providing good visual depth cues (eg: parallel lines appearing to meet at a point), there is no real illusion of depth; in other words, the model image is still "flat." To correct this, the phenomenon of stereopsis (from the Greek, meaning "solid sight") can be employed. You may be familiar with the 1847 Brewster stereoscope. Here, the approach taken to give the illusion of depth was to photograph the same scene twice, having moved the camera about 6 cm sideways between photos. The two images could then be viewed through a stereoscope that utilized a prism and lens system to alter the image paths to the eye, so that the two views seemed to originate from a common point. (The old-fashioned stereopticon and the modern View-Master are variations on this theme.) The observer's visual system fused the two images, giving the illusion of a three-dimensional image.

Various computer-graphic techniques using the same principles have been developed. A common technique is to employ glasses with electro-optic shutter eyepieces to provide the image separation. With the electro-optic glasses, the *cyclopic* video display presents left- and right-perspective images in alternate frames, which are then synchronized with the electro-optic shutters. The left eye is presented with the left stereograph, while the right eye's view is blanked by the optical shutter; the image and shutter swap for the right eye. The viewer's internal visual system fuses the image to give the appearance of depth. For an example of this, see "The Future of Computer Graphics," page 22.

A different approach to providing left and right images to the visual system uses color to separate the images. Using a device called an anaglyph, the left view is presented in one color, and the right in a different color. Color filters control which eye sees what view. A program for generating and viewing anaglyphs is presented in the article "Three-Dimensional Graphics for the Apple II." (See page 148.) While the traditional colors employed are red and green, any two colors and corresponding filters could be used, because the illusion is based on the separation of the images, and has nothing to do with the particular colors. The phenomenon is as apparent to a



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color-blind person as it is to a viewer with normal color vision. For those interested in further information, the book Seeing is an excellent reference on vision in general and stereopsis in particular. (See reference 4.)

A more recent and unique approach to presenting three-dimensional images is SpaceGraph, developed by Dr Larry Sher. His technique uses a vibrating mirror and a video display. The technique is to generate on the display two-dimensional "slices" of the three-dimensional object to be viewed. The slices are rapidly generated in synchronization with the dynamic motion of the mirror, the front slice being generated when the mirror is extended toward the viewer, the back slice when the mirror is concaved away from the viewer, and the intermediate slices as appropriate for the travel of the mirror between these extremes. The rapid sequence of images is fused by the viewer's visual system to give the illusion of a "space filling" object. (See reference 7.)

Those adventuresome souls who find three-dimensions insufficient for their purposes can use computer graphics as an aid for visualizing objects which, theoretically, exist in four or more dimensions. If you are interested in this area, Hypergraphics is a good introduction to the subject. (See reference 3.) The book includes hyperstereograms of such objects as hypercubes or tesseracts, hypercones, and other denizens of higher

Animation is another technique that can assist in user comprehension of data. Often we are dealing with information gathered at discrete intervals over a period of time. Here, the problem of analyzing data is one of understanding what is occurring to the data elements over some length of time. Animation provides a looking glass into the time domain. Flowing, three-dimensional images can represent anything from an economic world model to a bridge under stress.

Hidden Benefits

There are times when animation provides the viewer with unexpected information-information which, in retrospect, was present but not readily discernible by any other method of examination. An interesting example of this situation involves the simulation of an internal combustion engine. The simulation, performed at a research laboratory, wrote out data in the conventional manner: stacks of numbers. At the same laboratory, some time after the engine simulation had been completed and used for experiments, a different group of researchers developed a computer-animation system. The engine simulation was selected as a good demonstration of the new graphics software, and a computer-generated film was produced. During the screening of the film it was noticed that small rectangular elements, used to represent idealized gas packets, displayed a strange, unexpected oscillation at their endpoints. Review of the animation software provided no explanation for this erratic behavior. Close examination of output from the original simulation revealed that the oscillations were indeed present. This fact had not been previously noticed because the information had been obscured by a combination of the tremendous amount of data, the smallness of the oscillation, and the extended period over which it occurred. What had in fact been found were acoustical-wave phenomena occurring within the cylinder of the engine, which could potentially be used for the development of more efficient engines. The events went unnoticed until a computer-generated movie was constructed.

In the 30 years since its beginnings, computergenerated graphics has grown steadily, but not spectacularly. Previously the costs of both the display and the computer resources needed to support graphic displays have limited the impact. Rapidly falling memory prices and television technology have renewed the interest in computer graphics. The combination of a television raster display and a memory-intensive, bit-mapped architecture makes possible a graphic system capable of providing full-color, dynamic images with previously unheard of realism and economy. "Micrograph, Part 1: Developing an Instruction Set for a Raster-Scan Display," describes the design and construction of a color-display processor that costs approximately \$250 to build. (See page 64.) This is possible only because of the plummeting cost of hardware. This is a cost reduction of three orders of magnitude in 15 years, with color added for free!

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The advent of inexpensive graphics hardware has, not unexpectedly, spurred the development of graphics software. The traditional approach for supporting graphics has been to provide a collection of subroutines that perform the graphic-display functions. These subroutines are called from languages whose orientation is toward the manipulation of text and numerical data. This approach is fine if you only want to accumulate data and make a

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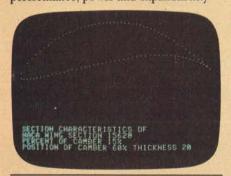
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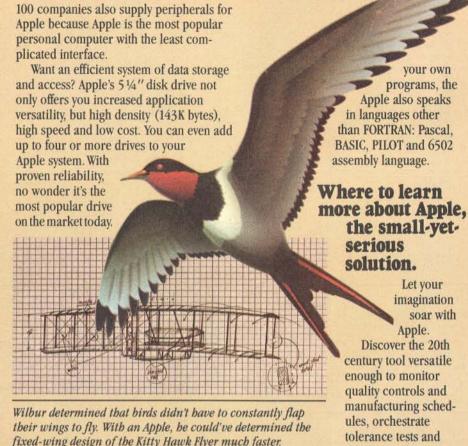
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picture from it. The subroutine approach excludes the possibility of treating graphical objects as variables within the language, or using them within statements and expressions. Some research work has been done which includes the concept of graphical objects and operators within a language structure. To date, there have been a number of different approaches to the problem of handling graphical objects. Deeply intertwined in the problem is our fundamental lack of understanding of how to provide graphics support. Viewed from the perspective of a language, what fundamental primitives must be provided? What are the appropriate data types? How are expressions constructed? What operators need to be provided? The list of unknowns goes on and on. "Language Control Structures for Easy Electronic Visualization," by Dr Tom DeFanti, addresses this area. (See page 90.) Some examples of other, experimental, graphics languages are given in references 2 and 5. SHAZAM (Smalltalk's sHaded imAge Zippy Animated Moviemaker) is an interesting animated-movie language written in Smalltalk. (See reference 1.) In no way does this list exhaust the progress that has been made in graphics languages, but rather it reflects a small sampling of recent work.

All the aspects of graphics we have discussed allow us to construct windows into universes, real or imaginary. Computer graphics is exciting because with this tool we can witness the unraveling of a DNA molecule, or the collision of galaxies. We can watch the structure of the universe as it expands from the moment of the theoretical big bang, or, reversing entropy, see it collapse into the primordial particle. We can plot a mathematical function, view an economic trend, or travel faster than light to where robotic insects populate metallic worlds. Best of all, we can make it all seem real, because we can see it!

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Letters

Moore Praise Comes FORTH

If FORTH is trickery, give me more trickery.

In my view, FORTH is a commonsense approach to programming. Granted, there are also bits of pure genius thrown in.

It makes sense to put all the routines used by the operating system, compiler, parser, editor, etc, in one dictionary conveniently accessible to the user at all times. That is, if they will fit. One of the bits of genius of FORTH is that they do indeed fit with room to spare for user-defined routines. The result is instant liberation from the "systems man" who tries but can't please everyone. It is your computer, and with FORTH you have access to everything on it.

It makes sense to use a stack to pass parameters between routines and to separate this stack from the returnaddress stack. You end up with a language that is designed to compute rather than to be read. Every step in FORTH is directed toward computing a result. FORTH is a sequence of com-

mands rather than statements as found in BASIC or Pascal. The functions of computing and documentation are separated. Hence I strongly disagree with Gregg Williams' advice (see August 1980 BYTE, page 130) that the user should introduce intermediate variables to improve readability. I concur with his objective, but I would encourage their use only in the commentary where they belong. There is no point to introducing unnecessary variables in the computing process. In the commentary, intermediate variables can and should be used very effectively to help describe the computations that are occurring on the stack without interfering with the process

While FORTH takes away the expository statement, it does give back an important documenting feature, namely relative ease in preparing precise common-language definitions of each routine. All FORTH routines have a describable goal, and most of the action takes place on the stack. Hence FORTH routines tend to be simpler to describe. I have never seen a glossary for a language or operating system that comes even close to the completeness and conciseness of the fig-FORTH glossary supplied by the FORTH Interest Group. It is a gem, a complete English-language description of FORTH. Every routine on the computer is concisely defined in English.

You have to have faith that taking the sacred function of documenting out of the language and turning it over to the user to do as he sees fit will work. After a while, you begin to wonder if Milton Friedman didn't write FORTH for his television series Free to Choose.

Finally, it makes sense to give the programmer a shot at controlling the compiler, especially when the compiler has access to all the routines of the system. C H Moore has shown with FORTH that compilers do not have to be large inflexible systems which try to take into account every eventuality and really can't do it. The result of this bit of FORTH trickery is a powerful compiler so tiny that it can be made interactive and used on line with no batch processing, linking loader, or other monstrosity which we are accustomed to associate with a compiler.

How small (or big) is tiny? The fig-FORTH system supplied by the FORTH Interest Group for the 6502 contains 220 primitive routines (not including the Editor or Assembler) that occupy a total of 6221 bytes. By my count, 34 of these routines are compiler functions, and they occupy a total of 982 bytes. My guess is that this is an order of magnitude smaller than other compilers of comparable power. That is trickery.

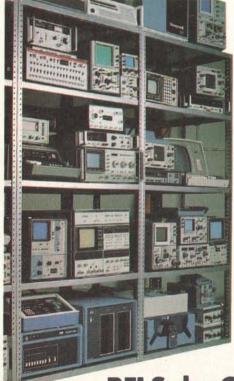
If there ever is a contest for the alltime ingenious software development, I would like to nominate C H Moore's best, the { ;CODE } routine and/or its logical extension

{ <BUILDS ... DOES> }.

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Flash: Magic Exists!

I was delighted to see an issue of BYTE devoted to FORTH. As a user of and tinkerer with STOIC for 5 years, I heartily agree with the various authors' ravings about the extensibility, flexibility, and increase in productivity provided by FORTH. I was, however, amused at the many ways in which postfix (reverse-Polish) notation was rational-

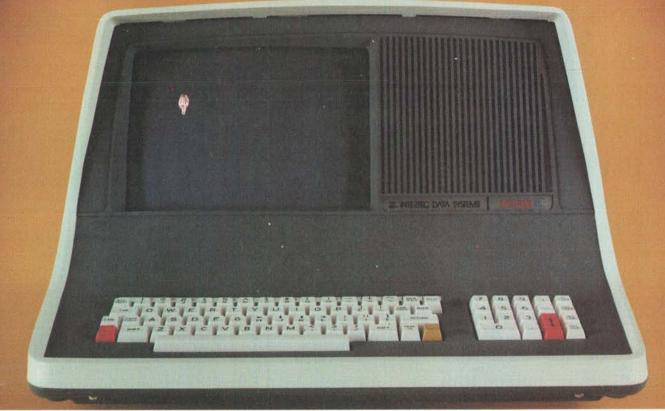


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ized as being a better or more efficient way to do things even though it renders programs "write only" or at best difficult to read.

Since maintainability of programs becomes even more critical when productivity is increased tenfold or more, I feel that the requirement of postfix notation by FORTH is a serious shortcoming. There is nothing mystical about postfix notation; all compilers and interpreters must eventually reach this form because that is the order in which the computer must carry out its operations.

Over the past two years Jeff Morris and I have added various superstructures onto FORTH (one per application) that attempted to combine the better features of Pascal (eg: record structures, algebraic notation) with the power and flexibility of FORTH. The outcome of all of these experiments was a conceptual breakthrough which resulted in the invention of Magic. Magic has all the advantages of FORTH, plus, Magic programs are readable (thus maintainable).

For example, the FORTH (or Magic) statement:

B@ C@ + A@ * A!

can also be written in Magic as:

 $A:=A^*(B+C)$

and in fact compiles in three fewer words (since the @s are not needed), and the FORTH (or Magic) statement:

A@ B@ = IF

can also be written in Magic as:

IF(A.EQ.B)

Magic is a major enhancement to the basic compilation structure of FORTH (a metaFORTH), not simply an add-on superstructure. Magic programs typically compile more slowly (due to the increased complexity of the compiler) but require less memory and run faster than equivalent FORTH programs.

The concept of metaFORTH is discussed briefly in the article by Kim Harris. (See "FORTH Extensibility: or How to Write a Compiler in Twenty-five Words or Less," August 1980 BYTE, page 164.) This is the direction of the future and will be the source of some super-powerful programming tools in the next decade. Magic is a first step in that direction.

I hope and expect that new metaFORTH languages such as Magic will be developed so that FORTH users can have their cake and eat it too. The time has come to stop justifying the unreadability of postfix notation.

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We at BYTE were surprised to find additional FORTH vendors advertising in our August 1980 issue. Other vendors include Rockwell International (for the AIM microcomputer, see page 67 of the August 1980 BYTE), Kenyon Microsystems (for 6809 systems, see page 104 of the same issue), Sirius Systems (for the Radio Shack TRS-80, see page 171), Quality Software (for the Exidy Sorcerer, see page 208), Eric Rehnke (for the KIM, SYM, and AIM computers, see page 290), the Software Farm (for the TRS-80, see page 292), and Professional Management Services (for the Alpha Micro, see page 294). FORTH vendors not listed in the August 1980 BYTE are invited to submit a twoparagraph product release, which will be published in a future BYTE "What's New?" column....GW

FORTH Is Better Than LISP, He Cs

Unlike BYTE's earlier issue on LISP, the August issue on FORTH did an excellent job in making this intriguing language readily understood. The articles did not come right out and say that FORTH is so machine-efficient due to the user preprocessing his logic into postfix notation, but most readers should realize this.

Although I can tolerate that sort of notation for a desk calculator, it is unbearable for computer data processing. Although the C language is philosophically different, it is a threaded language which is much preferable.

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Check Out a Computer

I always look forward to the new issue of BYTE and was especially eager to read the July 1980, Computers and Education issue. Arthur Luehrmann's article, "Computer Illiteracy-A National Crisis and a Solution for It," page 88, struck home on a point with which I wholeheartedly agree: "this country's general public is woefully ill-prepared to live and work in the Age of Informa-

I was, however, disturbed by the fact that the role of public libraries was never mentioned. Public libraries are in a unique position to help solve the problem: they serve people of all ages, regardless of educational background; they are generally open more hours than schools; they are, perhaps more than any other institution, vitally interested in an information-aware public; they specialize in providing access to information, and they are free.

Many public libraries have microcomputers available for public use and provide a complement of interactive programs for individuals to learn with. Libraries that have done this report extensive and enthusiastic use of the equip-

It's a sorry fact that most people have just never had the opportunity to even see a computer system. Until the opportunity to see, touch, and use computers is afforded, computers will remain shrouded in mystery for the vast majority of people of all ages. The public library is one of the best hopes we have to alleviate this problem.

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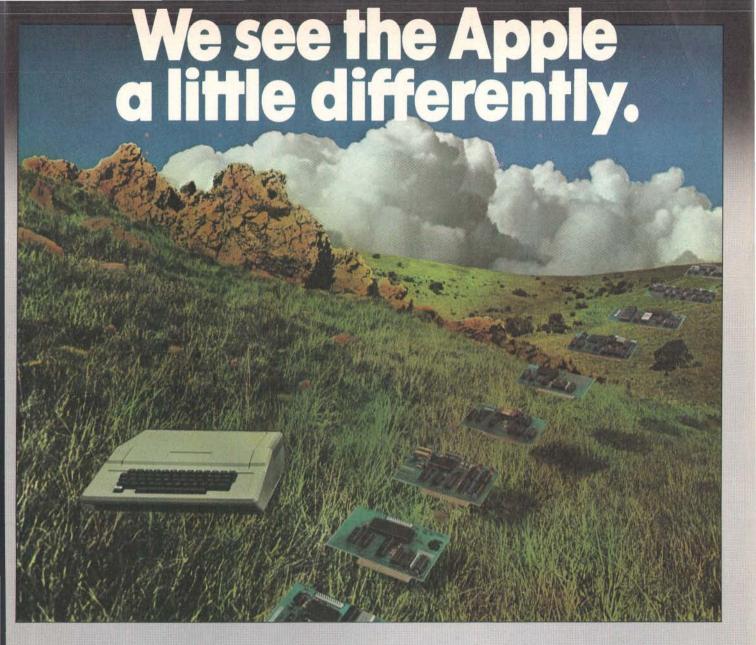
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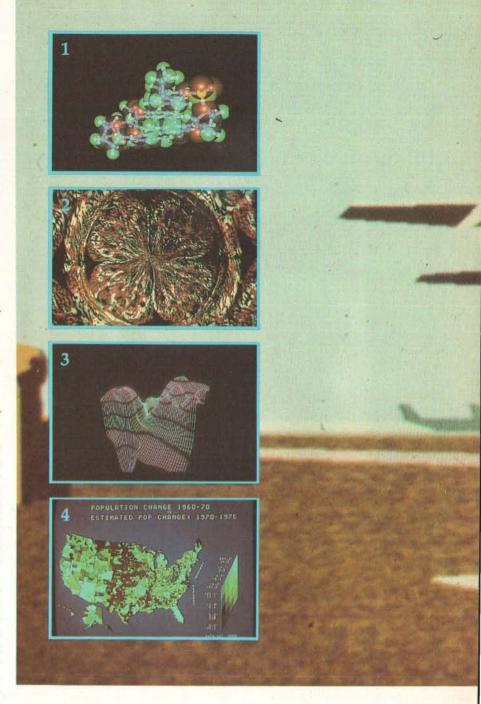
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Predicting the future can place one in a very precarious position. Although technology is moving forward at such a pace that it is almost impossible to look a long way down the road, we do have a good idea of what the near-future trends will be. So here I will discuss where the trends in computer-generated graphics are headed.

Computer graphics is the fastestgrowing segment of the computer industry. Although many existing computer's already have graphics capabilities, the future is even brighter. Since personal computer users will make up the largest percentage of the computer graphics market, the standard color television receiver will be the most common

Editor's note:

It was only 5 years ago when the first annual computer graphics show was held. The Philadelphia show was sponsored by SIGGRAPH (the Association for Computing Machinery's Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics). At that time, the show attracted ten vendors and a few hundred visitors. SIGGRAPH-80, which was held this summer in Seattle, brought to that city over 100 vendors, about 6000 visitors, and filled twenty-four times the space of SIGGRAPH-75. So you can surmise how the the computer graphics field will continue to grow....SM



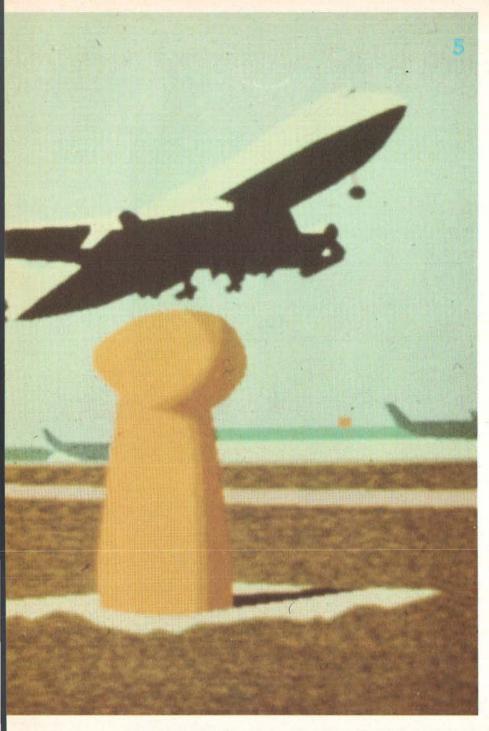
display device. Research is continually going on in video-generation techniques, and we can expect the quality of video images to improve dramatically.

Also on the horizon is the use of networks. Best of all, the price of graphics systems should continue to fall, and as they do, the number of applications will increase drastically.

Three Dimensions

This is an exciting time for experimentation with computer graphics. Looking into our crystal video display, we can see many changes coming within the next few years. True three-dimensional displays will become common. Researchers will finally be able to see their models in three dimensions without the need of special glasses, stereo pairs, or by viewing two-dimensional projections.

Already in existence are integral hologram displays made from computer-generated images. (An example is shown in photo 9.) The



holograms made by are photographing 1080 computergenerated images on 35mm film and transferring them to the hologram. In a few years it will be possible to generate these directly; we might even see a laser-driven, computercontrolled, holographic-image output device.

There are currently several methods in use for displaying threedimensional television images, but the most promising uses an interlaced television picture. The even scan lines display an image for viewing with the right eye and the odd scan lines have an image for the left eye. The screen is viewed through a pair of glasses whose lenses are made with PLZT (lead lanthanum zirconate titanate) ceramic. Voltage pulses synchronized with the display of the odd and even fields darken the left and right lenses alternately. As a result, the viewer sees a true three-dimensional image. Photo 10 is a composite view of a display showing the images for both the left and right eyes.

Photo 1: A computer-generated composite view of a DNA molecule using both ball-and-stick and space-filling models. Using keyboard control, the configuration of the model can be changed and it can be rotated in any direction. Such models are already assisting scientists in their research and will have an even bigger role in the coming years. Photo courtesy of Nelson Max, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

Photo 2: Computer-generated art by Los Angeles artist David M. As you can see, computer graphics could revolutionize the

world of art.

Photo 3: A perspective view of a twodimensional array of numbers. Photo courtesy of Melvin L Prueitt, Los Alamos

Scientific Laboratory.

Photo 4: Census data plotted to show population changes. This is an example of the type of material which could be available on a computer network with wide-band capabilities, such as cable television. Courtesy of Edward Zimmerman, White House.

Photo 5: A ground-level view of a computer-generated airport scene used in a real-time flight simulator. Photo courtesy of Marconi Radar Systems.

Raster-Scan Displays

Low-priced memory will also change the look of computer graphics. Up to the present, the market has been dominated by storage tubes and calligraphic (ie: stroke-writing) displays; however, raster-scan displays can be refreshed from a frame buffer of semiconductor memory. Therefore, in the coming years, we can expect the graphicterminal market to be dominated by raster-scan devices. The standard display will be a color television receiver connected as a mircoprocessor-controlled intelligent terminal. The cost of some of these graphics terminals will be at or near the cost of a modern color television

Raster-scan color television will probably be the graphics standard for the following reasons:

- The US video standard is well established.
- It has a large industry supporting
- The cost of developing another standard is prohibitive.
- The great numbers of personal computer users will help determine the trend. Why buy a color output monitor when you already have one or several available at home?

Top-of-the-line video displays will include devices with 1000-line resolution (already available) as well as a number with 2000-line resolution. The cost of these will be significantly higher than that of a modern color television receiver.

On a raster-scan display, each dot on the screen is known as a picture element or pixel. Since each pixel is displayed 30 times a second, the image generator must either generate 30 Hz or store the pixel intensities in memory. Frame-buffer systems usually use dual-ported memory which both stores the image and refreshes the display.

To simplify things, let's assume a square picture with the standard 500 lines and each line containing 500 pixels. To display a completely blackand-white line image with no shades of grav we would need 250,000 (500 by 500) bits or 32 K bytes of memory. In order to display gray levels, the number of bits used for each pixel must be increased. To display color, we either divide the number of bits available among the three primary colors (red, green, and blue) or use a color map. A color map takes each pixel value stored and outputs the three intensities: the most common method is to use 1 byte input and 3 byte output. The number of colors which can be displayed is the product of the number of output intensities for each color. At a given time, only a subset, which is limited by the input values, can be displayed. If we use 8 bits in, 24 bits out, we can display any 256 colors of the 16,777,216 available.

In the near future we should be seeing 2000-line resolution systems with 24 bits per pixel (1 byte for each of the three primary colors and 12 bits per color in the map). 12 megabytes of

memory would be needed for such a system. With memory prices expected to continue to fall, in about 5 years the major cost element of such a system would be the monitor and electronics.

Vector Displays Although it ap-

pears that rasterscan displays will have the major share of the graphics market, line-drawing (ie: vectordisplay) systems will continue to grow, though at a slower rate. There are basically two types of linedrawing systems: the storage tube and the refresh calligraphic writer.

Storage tubes available today have higher resolution and greater image stability than most refresh systems. One disadvantage of the storage tube

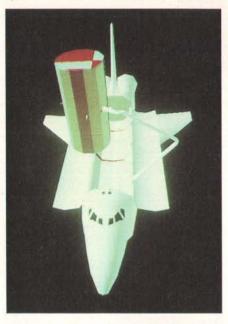


Photo 6 (above): An example of the computer-generated graphics used to train space-shuttle pilots at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas.

Photo 7 (below): The control panel for an experimental fusion reactor at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. Transparent touch panels mounted over the color video displays have eliminated most switches. To control the reactor, the operators need only to touch the screen over the desired control area shown on the screen. Photo courtesy of Glenn Spreckert.

is the lack of selective erasure. In order to remove one line the entire screen must be erased and redrawn. With refresh displays the line is removed from the display list and the line is redrawn on the next refresh

Calligraphic displays can display about 20,000 three-dimensional vectors or 100,000 two-dimensional vectors at 30 Hz. In the next few years we can also expect a doubling of these

capacities.

Raster-scan display buffers can also be used to display vector images and should begin to replace calligraphic displays as faster hardware becomes available. Many users will probably prefer the somewhat slower speed of the raster scan since they are able to display continuous-tone color images.

Input

One tool which should see much use in the future is a transparent touch panel mounted over the face of a video screen. As shown in photo 7, an automated nuclear-reactor control room is one of the many possible applications. (Note the lack of switches.)

Hard Copy

Currently, one of the major problems of graphic terminal users is how satisfactorily get hard-copy output. The most common method is to use a camera to take a picture of the video screen. A device is also available which records the video output directly on film. Both of these methods leave much to be desired. The final solution may not necessarily come from the manufacturers of graphic terminals. The goal of copying machine companies is a dry method of putting a color image on a

piece of paper (like the current, dry black-and-whiteimage method). At present, the device with the highest-quality color output is the film recorder. For raster output devices, the resolution of current recorders is 4000 by 4000 pixels, each with a range

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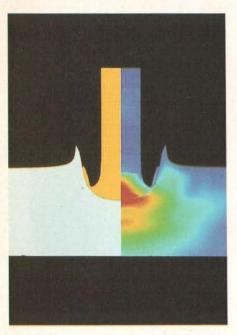


Photo 8: A problem in hydrodynamics illustrated through the use of computer graphics. The photo is part of a series illustrating a steel rod impacting a steel plate. Color changes represent areas of varying stress. In the future, such graphics will be widely used in education. Photo courtesy of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.



Photo 9: Integral hologram of a molecule created by photographing 1080 computer-generated images on 35mm film and then transferring them to a hologram. In the future computers will be able to generate holograms directly. Photo courtesy of Donald L Vickers, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

green, and blue filters or subtractivecolor yellow, cyan, and magenta filters are used. In both systems, the seventh color is neutral for plotting black-and-white images. We can expect to see more of these recorders available in the near future, and some of the stripped-down models should be available at lower prices.

Another group of devices which fit into this category of film output are COM (computer-output-on-microfilm) devices. Many of those currently available have graphic capability as well as variable intensity. At the present time, COM devices are mainly used for alphanumeric-fiche output. Currently only black-and-white machines are available, although color-fiche machines are expected to be produced in the future. The most important consideration is the need for high-quality, large-format color images. The resolution of current COMs is about 32,000 by 32,000 pixels. Although higher resolution is theoretically possible, such devices will not be produced until a need for them is demonstrated.

Laser recorders may soon capture a portion of the expanding graphics market. Since a laser beam has much more energy to deposit on film than a CRT (ie: video display) image, laser recorders will be much faster than existing methods. On a modern film recorder, one full-intensity pass at 4000 by 4000 pixels takes about 1 minute. To record the same amount of data, the laser requires 1 second or less. The energy of a laser beam is great enough that a split beam could record up to five copies at the same time.

A current weak link in laser systems is the deflection systems. Although solid-state methods are being developed, rotating mirrors are used today. Another drawback with any system that uses film is that unless users have their own processing facilities, film development takes at least 24 hours and sometimes much longer.

The Xerox 6500 color copier can be interfaced to a number of terminals for image-recording, or it can be connected to computers for direct output. Ink-jet plotters, printers with color ribbons, and flat bed-drum plotters with color pens are included in this class of output devices. Continued improvements in speed and color reproduction can be expected.

The brightest future is for the video

disk. Today, these devices can hold 50 minutes (180,000 frames) of video per disk. Although the initial cost is high, the great number of frames available makes this device the ideal output and storage medium.

Computers — The Future

Although so far I've concentrated on graphics hardware, what about the future of the beast behind the display — the computer?

It seems likely that within a few years the home computer user will have a choice of several 32-bit virtual machines with at least a million words of expandable, central memory, and 100 million words of disk space. This type of system will be ideal for a color-frame buffer system.

Applications

Since pictures are a very efficient means of communication, the future applications of computer graphics are virtually unlimited. Photo 6 is a photograph of computer-generated graphics used to train space-shuttle pilots. Within the next few years, games and simulations with graphics of nearly the same quality will be available to the personal computer user. The PLZT glasses described earlier will be used to provide threedimensional images for the would-be space-shuttle or 747 pilot. You can also expect the technology to be put to use in amusement parks. The Disneyland people have already used computer-generated graphics in some of their attractions and are continuing to develop them for future use.

Networks

There are a number of advantages to having your own, isolated personal computer, but connecting it to a network opens up a vast new world. Networks designed specifically for personal computer users, such as The Source, are already in existence. Unfortunately, the narrow bandwidth of conventional voice-grade telephone lines severely limits graphic capabilities.

One future possibility is the use of cable television for networks with graphic capabilities. Cable is increasingly available in all but the most rural areas and has wide bandwidth, portions of which are not used. Personal computer users could tap into this resource and use the extra bandwidth for local communication nets.

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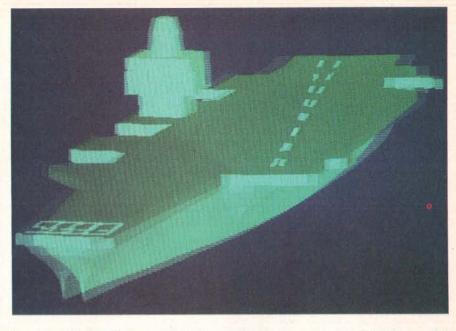


Photo 10: Interlaced left-eye and right-eye view of a computer-generated image of an aircraft carrier. The image is viewed in three dimensions when the user wears glasses with lenses made of PLZT (lead lanthanum zirconate titanate) ceramic. The lenses by the right and left are darkened alternately by voltage pulses synchronized to the display. Photo courtesy of John A Roese and Larry E McCleary, the Naval Ocean Systems Center.

cable-television company provide a main computer to control the network and act as a data base. The range of services which could be provided is virtually limitless. An example is shown in photo 4, where census data has been plotted to show population changes.

Exploring the Future

Computer graphics have exciting possibilities as an artistic medium. It's been said that computer-generated color graphics will revolutionize art in the same way that acrylics changed the world of artists who once worked with oil paints. Photo 2 shows computer-generated art by Los Angeles artist David M.

The simulators discussed earlier will also be widely used by filmmakers. Special effects, instead of being animated one frame at a time, could be programmed and filmed in real time. For instance, a director could ask for an airport scene on a clear day, as in photo 5. By changing a parameter, the same scene could be created on a foggy day.

The motion picture industry is in the forefront of developing and using sophisticated systems for computergenerated graphics. Increasingly higher levels of realism will be created in the future and the time-consuming tasks of creating special effects and editing will be performed using laser scanner/recorders and video disks. In terms of dollars, the movies will be one of the largest users of computer graphics for the near future.

Applications, as we've seen, are limited only by our present imaginations. Photo 1 shows a computergenerated composite view of a DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) molecule using both ball-and-stick and spacefilling models. Such displays will speed up the rate of research. The molecule model can be rotated, changed in configuration, and taken home for the scientist to use on his personal computer.

Classroom displays will greatly surpass the audio-visual methods commonly used today. Photo 8 shows a hydrodynamic problem with impact calculations displayed through color changes. A computer display of this sort could be created and updated in the midst of a lecture.

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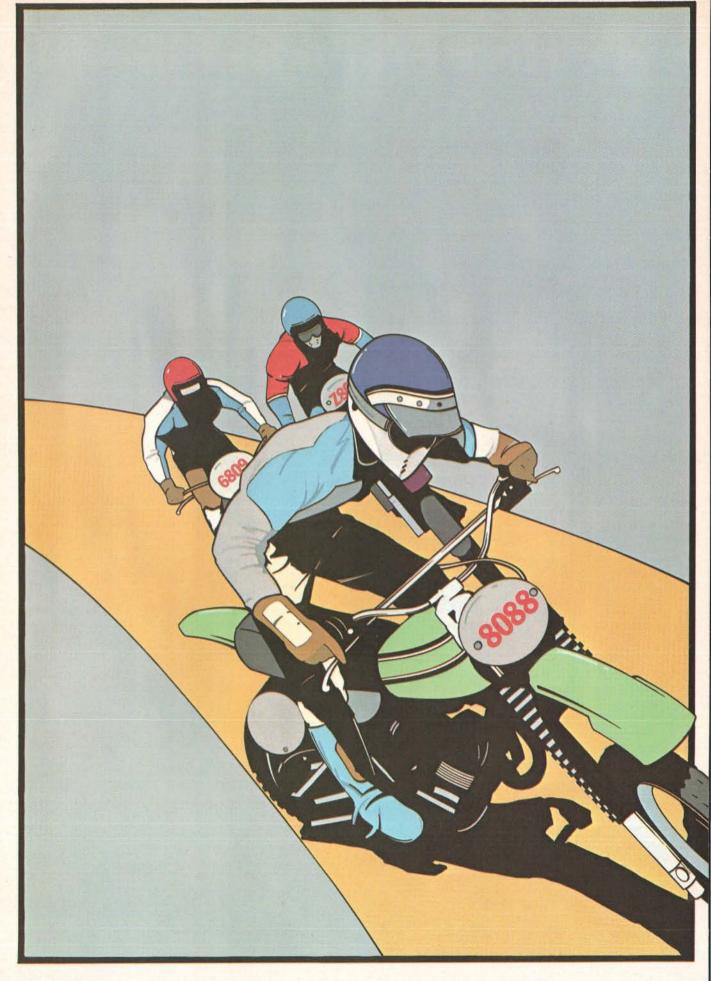
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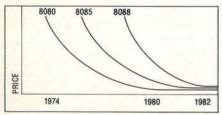
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Home In on the Range!

An Ultrasonic Ranging System

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Each month I try to present a hardware project that is both interesting and relatively easy to build. Unfortunately, it's not as simple as picking a topic and quickly whipping up some circuit. More often than not, I have a number of potential topics and projects on the fire at the same time. Some are in limbo and just waiting for the right parts. Others are postponed when it turns out that the necessary hardware is something that could be better built by NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) than by a computer hobbvist.

One topic that has always interested me is the concept of automatic ranging. I became involved with this idea when I wrote an article entitled "I've Got You In My Scanner," November 1978 BYTE. page 76. The original article was about an infrared sensor and parabolic reflector mounted to rotate on a stepper-motor shaft. With computer-controlled stepping, the result was something like the sweep of a radar antenna. The project was sensitive to infrared and visible light.

The scanner, parabolic-reflector, and stepper-motor combination could easily tell the direction of a light source to an angular resolution

of 7.5°. It could make a 180° sweep, stop, and then follow the brightest object in its field of view. By



Photo 1: A computer-controlled, steppermotor-driven infrared and ultrasonic ranging scanner. An infrared-sensitive photo Darlington transistor (GE L14F2) is mounted at the focus of a parabolic reflector, which is attached to the shaft of a stepper motor; the ultrasonic transducer is mounted above it.

The infrared sensor and drive mechanism were described in a previous Circuit Cellar article, "I've Got You in My Scanner! A Computer Controlled Stepper Motor Light Scanner.

recognizing the absence of known light sources (when the light path is blocked), it could even function as part of an intrusion alarm.

However, even though it could "see," the infrared scanner could not tell how far an object was in front of it, or detect the presence of a nonluminous body crossing its path. What I really wanted was a device that could provide the computer with range as well as direction. That's when I started hanging around the camera shop.

Polaroid to the Rescue

The automatic focusing system on the Polaroid SX-70 Sonar OneStep Land camera intrigued me. I had considered tearing a camera apart just to use the ranging unit for my scanner, but sanity prevailed and I went back to designing my own circuit. Somewhere between thoughts of "Who'd really build this thing anyway?" and "I hope everyone can find all these components," I started seeing ads from Polaroid offering just what I wanted, without the camera.

The solution came in the form of an Ultrasonic Ranging System Designer's Kit sold by Polaroid for \$125. The kit contains a technical manual, two instrument-grade electrostatic ultrasonic transducers, a modified SX-70 ultrasonic circuit board, an experimental demonstrator display board, and two Polapulse 6 V batteries. With this unit I was able to enhance my original infrared-scanner

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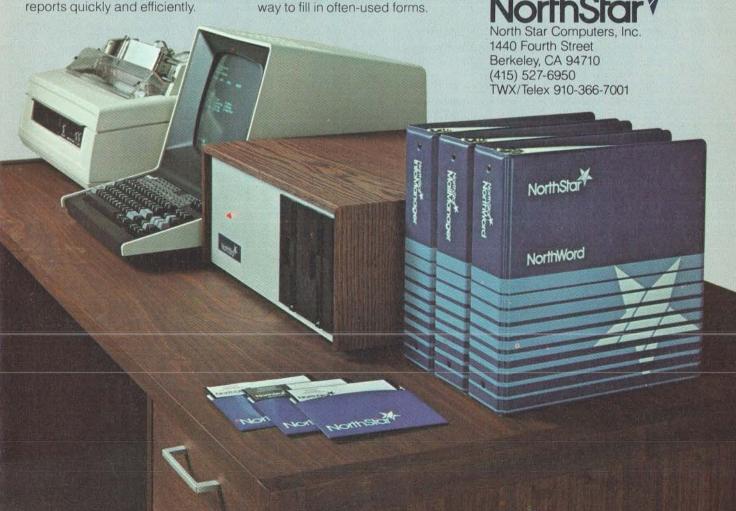
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design to include automatic range detection. The new scanner system incorporating the Polaroid unit is shown in photo 1. More on this later.

Polaroid Ultrasonic Ranging System

The Polaroid Ultrasonic Ranging

System Designer's Kit costs \$125 (This offer is good until December 31, 1980. Photo 2 shows the Designer's Kit as received.), and is available from:

Polaroid Corporation Ultrasonic Ranging Marketing Two primary components compose the ranging unit. They are the electrostatic transducer (see photo 3) and the ultrasonic transceiver board (see photo 4). Together these components are capable of detecting the presence and distance of objects within a range of approximately 0.9 feet (0.3 meters) to 35 feet (10.6 meters) with a resolution of \pm 1.2 inches (\pm 30 mm, or 0.29% of range).

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Essential to system operation is the transducer (shown disassembled in photo 5). It acts as a speaker in the transmit mode and as an electrostatic microphone in the receive mode. The transducer is 1.5 inches (38.1 mm) in diameter and consists of a 0.003 inch (0.07 mm)-thick gold-plated foil stretched over a concentrically



Photo 2: Polaroid Ultrasonic Ranging System Designer's Kit, which includes ultrasonic sonar transducers, electronic circuitry, and a detailed specifications booklet.

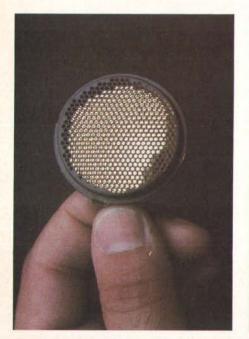


Photo 3: Close-up view of the Polaroid Ultrasonic Transducer.

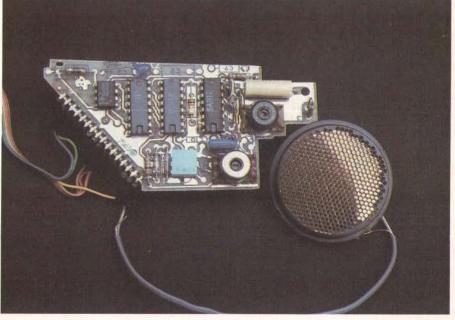


Photo 4: Close-up of the ultrasonic circuit board, which contains custom analog and digital integrated circuits.

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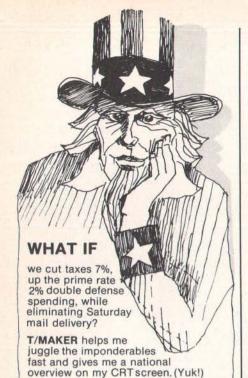
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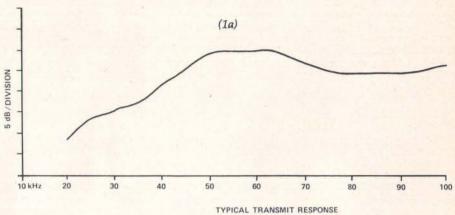
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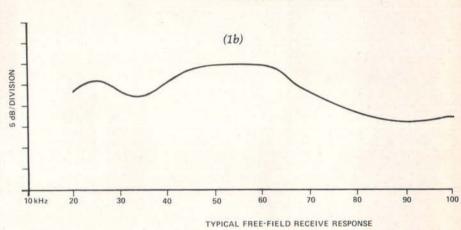


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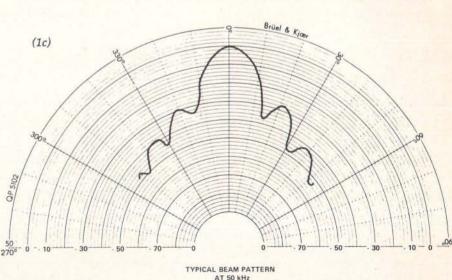


Figure 1: Typical transmission frequency-response curve (1a), reception frequency-response curve (1b), and radial-beam pattern (1c) of the Polaroid ultrasonic transducer. The beam pattern was measured at 50 kHz, with dB values normalized to on-axis response.

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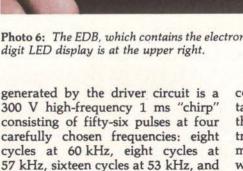
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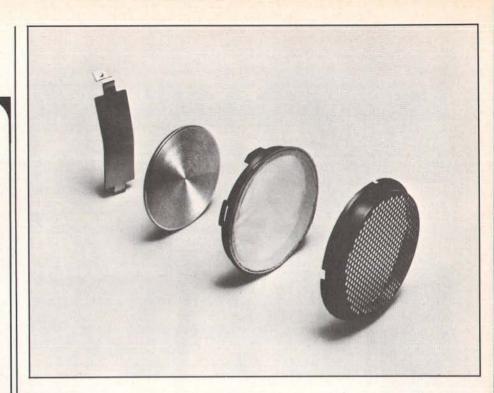


Photo 5: Expanded view of the Polaroid ultrasonic sonar transducer. Behind a honeycomb grill, a 0.003-inch (0.07 mm)-thick gold-coated foil stretches over a concentrically grooved aluminum plate. The retainer at left holds the parts in place.

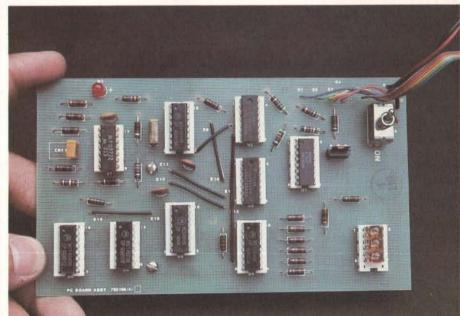


Photo 6: The EDB, which contains the electronic circuitry shown in figure 4. The three-

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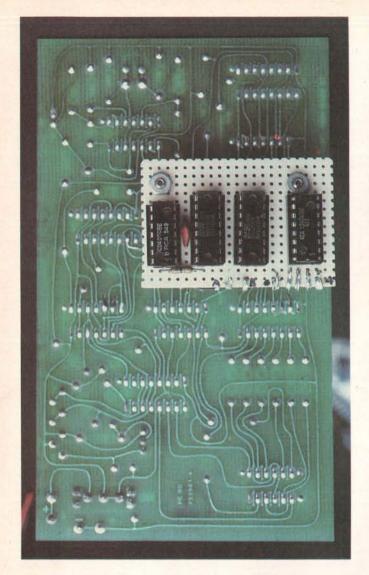


Photo 7: The prototype of the interface circuit of figure 5 has been attached to the EDB. The interface allows a computer to read the three-digit distance value.

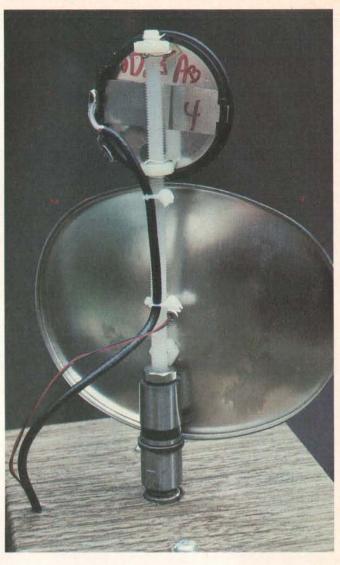


Photo 8: Close-up of the back side of the reflector and transducer of the scanner, showing the mounting apparatus.

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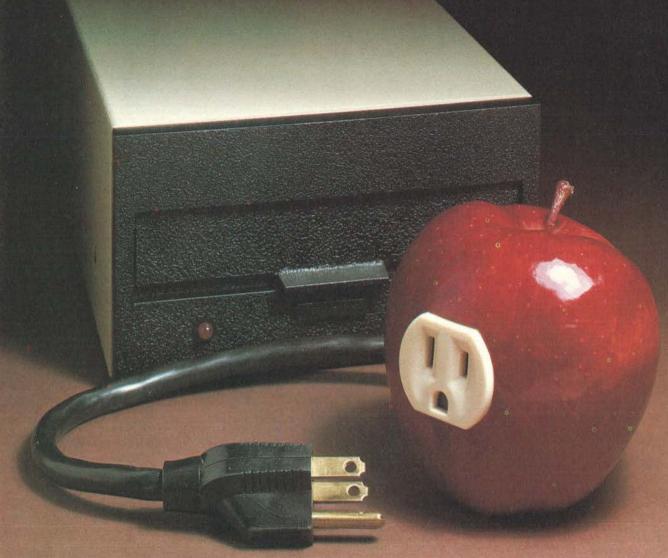
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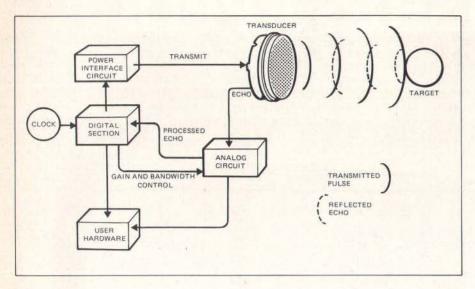


Figure 2: Block diagram of the ultrasonic circuit. The circuit board contains a variety of custom components and is slightly modified from the unit used in SX-70 Land cameras. This circuit, as well as the EDB, is powered by a 6 V Polapulse battery. It seemed to work acceptably with a 5 VDC power supply.

The block labelled "User Hardware" can be the EDB or any interface that can convert the ultrasonic circuit board's time-gated output into useful form.

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Experimental Demonstration Board

The ultrasonic circuit board previously described is a modified camera assembly. The EDB (Experimental Demonstration Board, shown in photo 6) is not a camera component; it was designed specifically as a user interface to the ultrasonic board.

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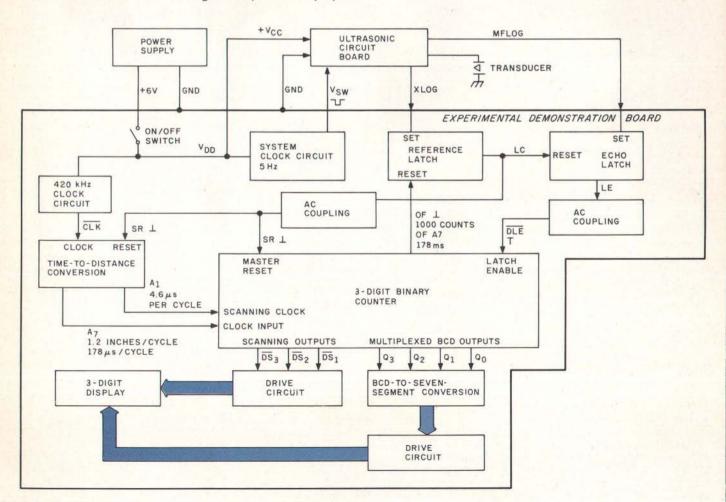
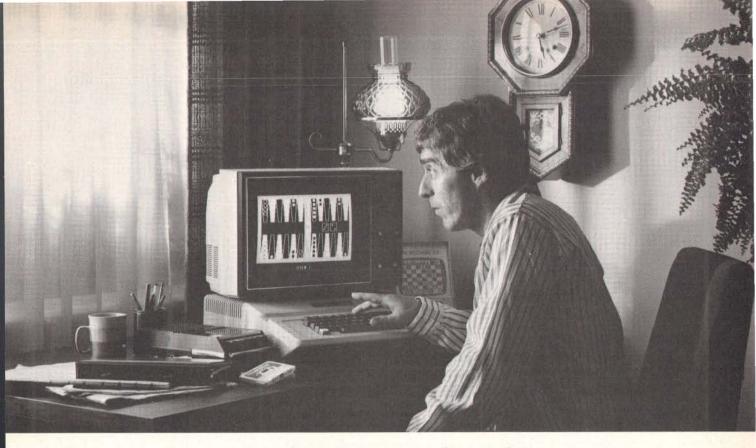


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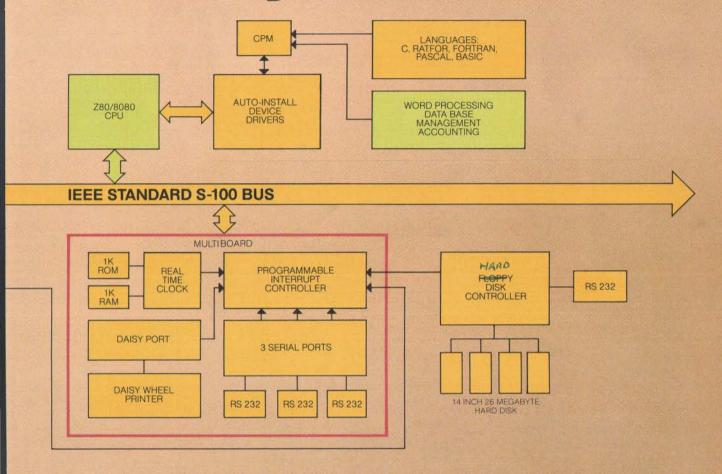
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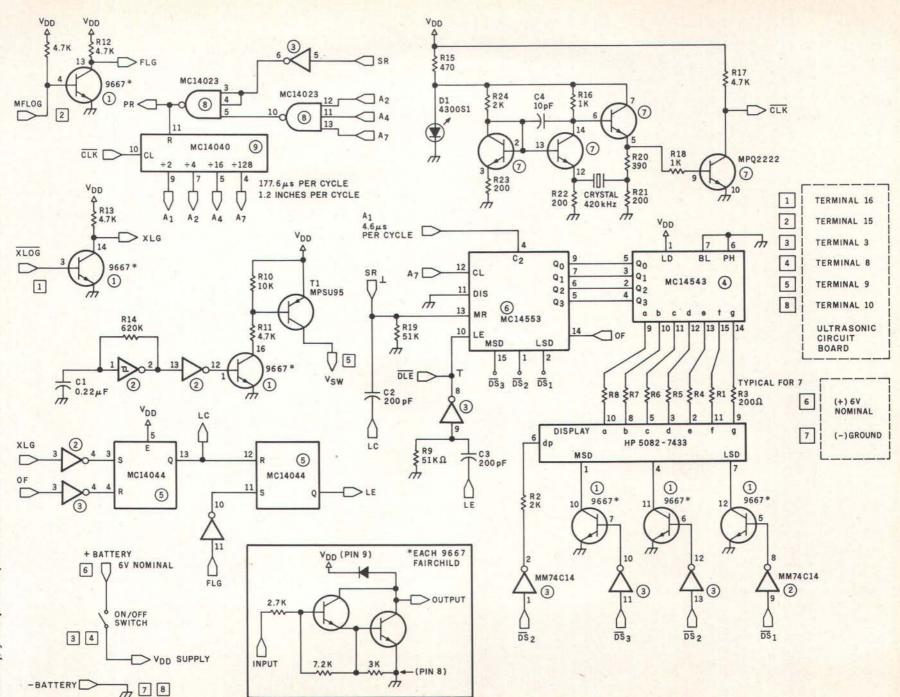
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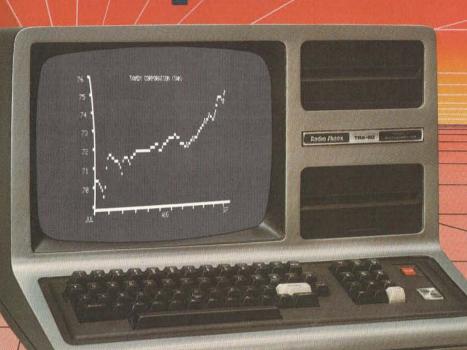
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	0	0	DS, (LSD)
1	0	1	DS ₂
	1	0	DS ₃ (MSD)
	1	1	n/a

Table 1: Correspondence of the 2-bit digit-select codes with the EDB output data sent to the computer.

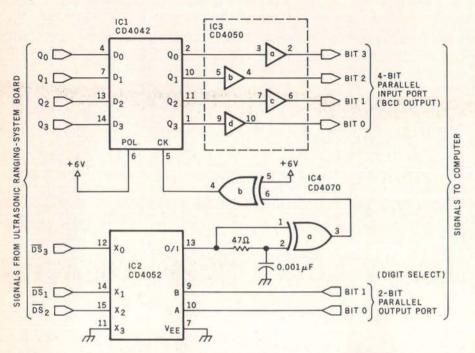


Figure 5: Schematic diagram of an interface that allows a computer to directly read the three-digit LED display of the EDB, using four integrated circuits. Through 2 bits of a parallel output port, the computer sends a digit-select code and then reads the corresponding BCD value of the selected digit through 4 bits of a parallel input port.

Number	Туре	+6 V	GND
IC1	CD4042	16	8
IC2	CD4052	16	8
IC3	CD4050	1	8
IC4	CD4070	14	7

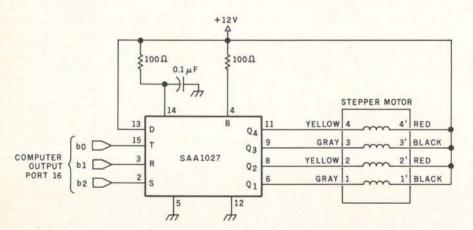


Figure 6: Stepper motor and controller used in the infrared and ultrasonic scanner. The motor is a North American Philips K82701-P2 type, which turns 7.5° per step. It operates on 12 VDC.

The SAA1027 integrated circuit is available from Signetics or from North American Philips, Cheshire, Connecticut, (203) 272-0301.

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The EDB contains all the necessary electronic circuitry to convert the transmit/receive time interval into a figure indicating distance (in feet) and present it on a three-digit LED (light-emitting diode) display. Figure 3 is a block diagram of the EDB, while figure 4 shows the schematic diagram.

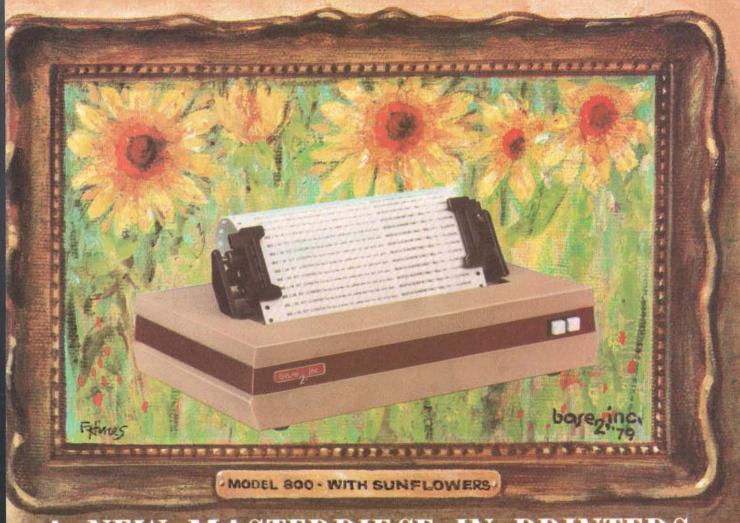
Connecting the EDB to the computer requires some thought. The output of the EDB is a three-digit display with a numeric output range of 00.9 to 35.0 in increments of 0.1 feet. The multiplexed display is controlled by a three-digit binary counter with strobed digit-select lines. It uses a single BCD (binary-coded decimal)to-7-segment decoder/driver. At any instant, only one digit is energized, but because of the persistence of human vision, they all appear to be illuminated. Unfortunately, this multiplexed display output is not very computer-compatible and requires additional interface circuitry.

Decoding the EDB Output

Figure 5 is the schematic diagram of a four-integrated-circuit interface that decodes the counter output on the EDB and latches the digits while the computer reads them. Essentially the circuit consists of a three-input demultiplexer (IC2), an edge detector (IC4), a 4-bit latch (IC1), and an output buffer (IC3). The four-chip circuit is conveniently mounted on a piece of perforated circuit board and attached to the rear of the EDB, as illustrated in photo 7.

When the MSD (most-significant digit) of the LED display is energized, the DS₃ line is low. The data on Q₀ thru Q3 at this time form the BCD value of that number. Similarly, when DS₂ goes low, the data lines will hold the second digit value. IC2 is a 4-to-1-line demultiplexer with the three digit strobes as inputs. A 2-bit TTL (transistor-transistor logic)compatible parallel output from the computer determines which of these channels is routed through the multiplexer. To get DS1, the LSD (least-significant digit), the input code to the EDB interface would be 00. A binary code of 10 would set channel 3, allowing DS3 to go through. A summary of the codes is given in table

The inputs to IC2 are offset by one channel due to the peculiar timing of the EDB. While the DS₃ line is



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physically tied to channel 0 and would appear to be addressed with a 00 input code, the edge-detector timing of the circuit is such that we are not latching the current digit's value, but the *next* digit's value, when we address the channel. However illogical it may seem, the codes that work are stated in table 1.

When we have selected which digit we want to read by setting the proper multiplexer-input code, that digit value will be latched into IC1 and available as a BCD value to the computer. IC3 buffers the CMOS (complementary metal-oxide semiconductor) voltage levels of the EDB to the TTL level required by most computers. To read a three-digit range, we simply set the three multiplexer codes in succession. To obtain the distance indication, just add the three values as follows:

Distance =
$$(MSD) \times 10 + (2nd digit) \times 1 + (LSD) \times 0.1$$

This interface design is essentially speed-independent and can be driven equally well by an assembly-language or BASIC program. Listing 1 is a BASIC program that reads and displays the three-digit range determined

Figure 7a: Bar graph of distance measurements taken by the scanning system as the ultrasonic transducer was pivoted in twenty-five steps through a 180° sweep around the Circuit Cellar (each asterisk represents approximately one-half foot). Note correspondence with floor plan in figure 7b.

by the ultrasonic ranging system.

A More Sophisticated Scanner

The original article, "I've Got You in My Scanner!," previously mentioned, has been reprinted in the book Ciarcia's Circuit Cellar, volume 1, available from BYTE Books. Photo 8 is a close-up of the updated version of the scanner, which now includes the ultrasonic ranging detector. The basic scanner consists of a North American Philips stepper motor (12 V type K82701-P2) and integrated-circuit controller (SAA1027) with an infrared-sensitive photo Darlington transistor (General Electric type L14F2)

fixed at the focus of a parabolic reflector mounted on the shaft. I used a Radio Shack solar cigarette lighter, catalog number 61-2797, as the parabolic reflector. The driver circuit for the stepper motor is outlined in figure 6. The original article explained the infrared sensing system in detail.

The new scanner has the ranging detector mounted on the steppermotor shaft, above the parabolic reflector. Both point in the same direction. The stepper motor is driven through the SAA1027 with 3 bits of a parallel output port. To drive the motor clockwise, bit 1 is set low, bit 2

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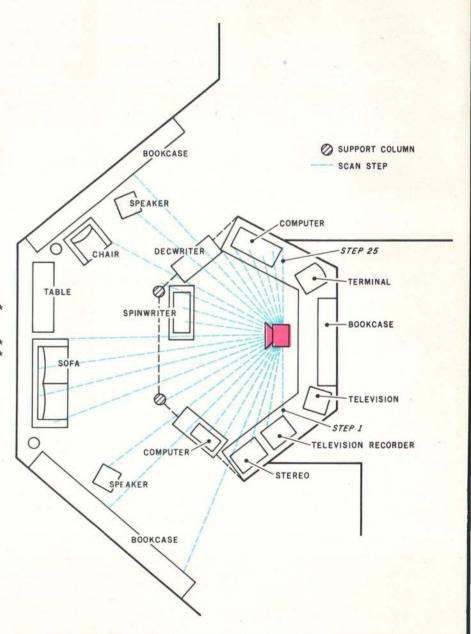


Figure 7b: Floor plan of Circuit Cellar showing location of scanner and beam paths to room objects during the twenty-five steps in the scanning sweep. Bar graph of figure 7a shows relative distance to the nearest obstruction in the beam path at each step.



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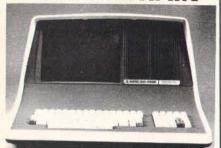
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THIS PROGRAM ALLOWS A COMPUTER TO READ AND DISPLAY

```
110 REM
          DISTANCE AS MEASURED BY THE POLAROID ULTRASONIC
120 REM
          RANGING SYSTEM DEMONSTRATOR BOARD. RANGE .9 TO 35 FT.
130 REM
140 REM
150 GOSUB 250
160 PRINT"DISTANCE TO TARGET IS ";S;" FEET"
170 GOTO 150
180 REM
190 REM
200 REM
          THIS ROUTINE SETS AND READS THE 3 DIGITS ON THE
210 REM
          RANGING BOARD.
220 REM
          IT IS A THREE STEP PROCESS: SET THE DIGIT; READ THE
230 REM
          DIGIT VALUE; AND MASK OFF EVERYTHING EXCEPT THE 4 BIT
240 REM
          CHARACTER.
250 FOR T=0 TO 2
260 OUT 16,T
270 S(T)=INP(16)
280 S(T)=S(T) AND 15
285 S=(S(2)*10)+(S(1)*1)+(S(0)*.1)
290 NEXT T
300 RETURN
```

RUN

100 REM

```
DISTANCE TO TARGET IS
                        3.3
                              FEET
DISTANCE TO TARGET IS
                        3.4
                              FEET
DISTANCE TO TARGET IS
                        3.5
                              FEET
DISTANCE TO TARGET IS
                        3.4
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                              FEET
DISTANCE TO TARGET
                   TS
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                              FEET
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Listing 2: A BASIC program that causes the scanner to make a 180° scanning sweep in twenty-five steps and prints the distance measurements in the form of a bar graph. Figure 7a shows the output from the execution of this program on the system set up in the Circuit Cellar.

```
100 REM THIS PROGRAM MAKES A 180 DEGREE SCAN AND RECORDS THE
110 REM DISTANCE TO SOLID OBJECTS EVERY 7.5 DEGREES.
120 REM
130 REM STEPPER MOTOR CONTROLLER ATTACHED TO PORT 18
140 REM ULTRA SONIC RANGING UNIT ATTACHED TO PORT 16
150 REM
160 REM
170 DIM Z (25)
180 OUT 18,1 :OUT 18,255 :REM PRESET STEPPER CONTROLLER
190 REM
200 REM CLOCKWISE SCAN
210 REM BIT 2 IS SET HIGH AND BIT 0 IS TOGGLED
220 FOR D=0 TO 24
230 OUT 18,5
240 GOSUB 470
250 OUT 18,4
260 NEXT D
270 REM
280 REM COUNTERCLOCKWISE SCAN
290 REM BITS 1 AND 2 ARE HELD HIGH AND BIT ZERO IS TOGGLED
300 FOR D=0 TO 24
310 OUT 18,7
320 GOSUB 570
330 OUT 18,6
340 NEXT D
350 REM
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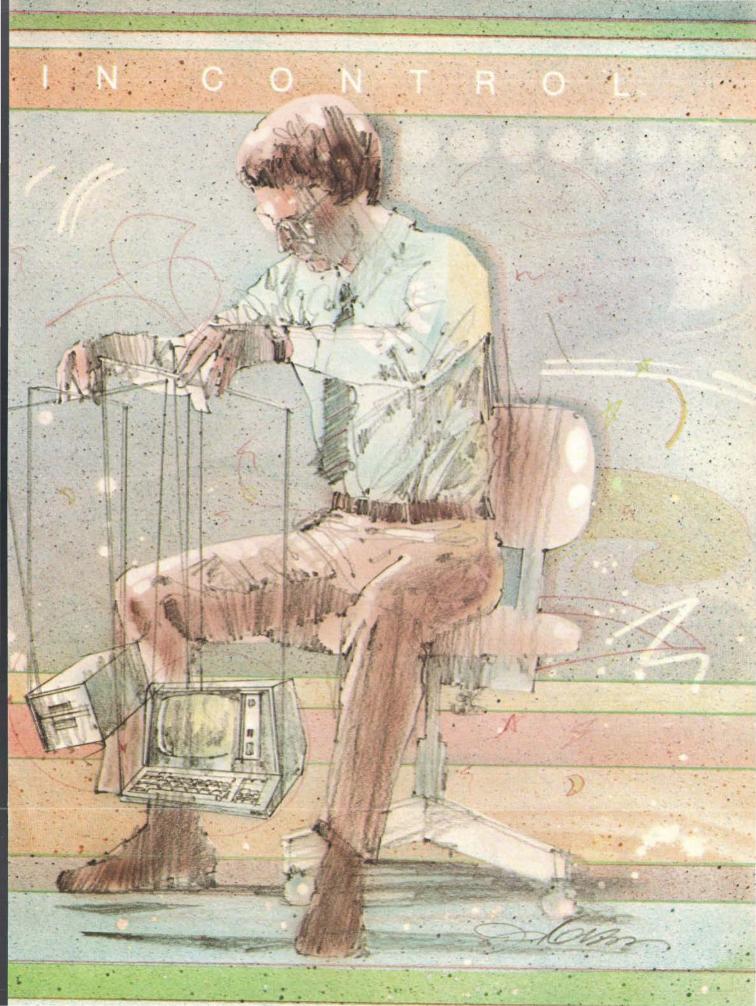
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370 REM PLOT RANGES AS BAR GRAPH
380 FOR D=0 TO 24
390 FOR W=1 TO INT(Z(D))
400 PRINT"**";
410 NEXT W
420 PRINT"
430 NEXT D
440 GOTO 220
450 REM
460 REM
470 REM STEP DELAY AND RANGE SAMPLE ROUTINE
480 FOR T=0 TO 2
490 OUT 16,T
500 S(T) = INP(16) : S(T) = S(T) AND 15
510 NEXT T
520 Z(D) = (S(2)*10) + (S(1)*1) + (S(0)*.1)
530 FOR Q=0 TO 10 :NEXT Q
540 RETURN
550 REM
560 REM
570 FOR Q1=0 TO 100 :NEXT Q1
580 RETURN
```

Listing 3: A short BASIC program that demonstrates one method for using the ultrasonic scanning device in a security system.

```
100 REM THIS PROGRAM DEMONSTRATES HOW THE ULTRASONIC RANGING
110 REM BOARD CAN BE USED AS AN INTRUSION DETECTOR.
120 REM
130 REM
140 A=1 :GOSUB 220 :REM TAKE FIRST DISTANCE READING
150 GOSUB 330
160 A=2 :GOSUB 220 :REM TAKE SECOND DISTANCE READING
170 IF ABS(X(1))-ABS(X(2))>=.3 THEN GOTO 280
180 IF ABS(X(2)) - ABS(X(1)) > = .3 THEN GOTO 280
190 GOTO 140 : REM CONTINUE SCAN
200 REM
210 REM
220 FOR T=0 TO 2
230 OUT 16,T
240 S(T)=INP(16) :S(T)=S(T) AND 15
250 NEXT T
260 X(A) = (S(2)*10) + (S(1)*1) + (S(0)*.1)
270 RETURN
280 PRINT" I GOT YOU IN MY SCANNER AT ";X(2);" FEET."
290 REM AN ALARM ROUTINE WOULD BE PLACED HERE
300 GOTO 140
310 REM
320 REM
330 REM SAMPLE RATE DELAY TIMER
340 FOR Y=0 TO 200 :NEXT Y
350 RETURN
```

RUN

I GOT YOU IN MY SCANNER AT 11.4 FEET.

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is held high, and bit 0 is toggled to produce each step. To drive the motor counterclockwise, bits 1 and 2 are held high, and bit 0 is toggled for each step. The new scanner can read the distance at each step.

Listing 2 is a program that causes the scanner to make a 180° scan and prints out the distance measurements in the form of a bar graph, demonstrated here in figure 7a.

To help you understand the mode of operation and value of the ranging device, I have also sketched the area of the Circuit Cellar where the measurements were taken. (See figure 7b.)

The scanner (the red object in figure 7b) was placed on a tripod at a



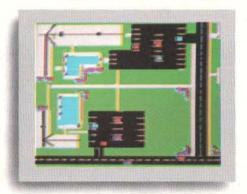
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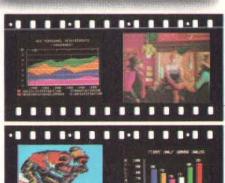
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height of 5 feet (1.5 meters), about 2 feet (0.6 meters) in front of my desk area. The parabolic reflector was pointed 90° to the left of center so that a 180° scan resulted in it ending up pointing 90° right of center. At each of the twenty-five steps it took to reach this point, it measured the distance to the nearest obstruction to its line of detection. For comparison, the blue dotted lines in figure 7b show where each step should have been and what should have been in the way of the sonar "beam."

The program of listing 2 printed the graph bar corresponding to each step,

starting with step 1. At the position reached after step 1, the system recorded a distance of about 5 feet (1.5 meters) to the VTR (videotape recorder) on the counter top. The same result was obtained for the next two steps. At the position reached after step 4 (about 30° around), the scanner was pointing between the stereo system and the TRS-80 computer on the desk to the right. This was indicated by a reading of about 15 feet (4.6 meters), measuring the distance to the bookcase on the far wall.

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In Conclusion

I have demonstrated only two uses for the Polaroid Ultrasonic Ranging System Demonstrator Kit. The majority of applications I've heard about thus far have been independent projects that utilize the ranging system without the additional capabilities of a computer. They include a walking cane (with audio feedback) for the visually handicapped, a 0 to 35 foot (0 to 11 meter) altimeter for the Gossamer Albatross aircraft (for its English Channel crossing), and as an electronic "dip stick" for measuring liquid levels in storage tanks.

I hope that once you realize how easy it is to attach this automatic ranging system to a computer, you'll have as much fun experimenting with it as I have. Unfortunately, a new problem has arisen. Until now, one of the major reasons I haven't attempted to build a robot was the amount of expense and technical effort required to make it "see," Now I'll have to find a new excuse.

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Kinetic String Art for the Apple

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The accompanying photographs were produced using high-resolution graphics on the Apple II computer. As interesting as the pictures are, they do not do justice to the real-time art that takes place on the screen. The photographs show only time slices at different stages in the development of the kinetic string art. On the screen one can see shapes forming and gradually being replaced by other shapes in a continuous display of color and motion.

Algorithm Description for Kinetic String Art Program

1. Initialize Variables: X1 = X2 = Y1 = Y2 = CNT1 = CNT2 = 0; DIM C(150), TX1(150), TX2(150), TY1(150), TY2(150); AT=1

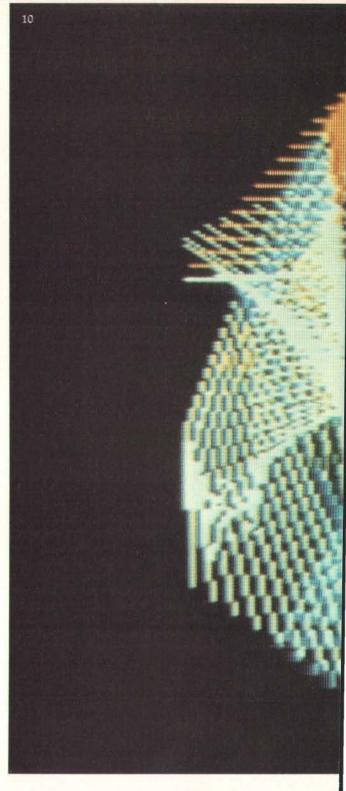
- 2. Erase the line from TX1(AT), TY1(AT) to TX2 (AT), TY2(AT) of color C(AT).
- 3. If CNT1=0 then choose a new random color and a new random CNT1. COLOR = 1 + RND(3) $CNT1=5\times(1+RND(10))$
- 4. If CNT2=0 then choose new step sizes for DX1, DY1, DX2 and DY2 and a new random CNT2: DX1 = RND(9) - 4DY1 = RND(9) - 4DX2 = RND(9) - 4DY2 = RND(9) - 4 $CNT2=5\times(1+RND(10))$
- 5. Compute new X1, Y1, X2, Y2 for next line and test for screen boundaries. For example,

470 PX1=X1+DX1 480 IF PX1> = 0 AND PX1< = MX THEN 500 490 PX1=X1: DX1=-DX1 500 X1=PX1

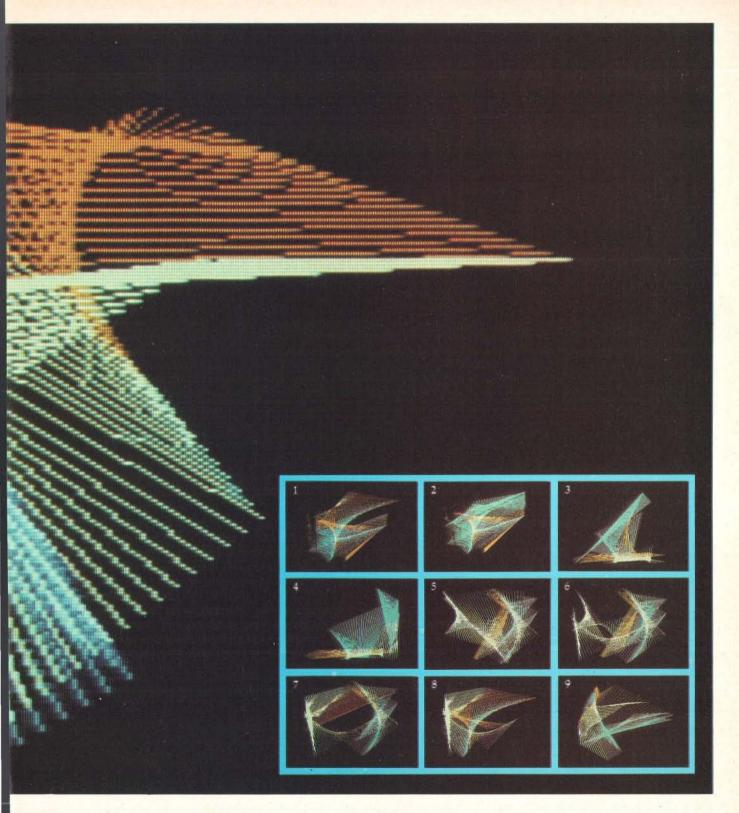
- 6. Draw the new line from X1, Y1 to X2, Y2.
- 7. Store the coordinates and color of the new line in:

C(AT), TX1(AT), TX2(AT), TY1(AT), TY2(AT)

- 8. Step AT to next position in table. AT = AT + 1IF AT > 150 THEN AT=1
- 9. Go to step 2.



The algorithm used is quite simple. (See textbox. Contractual agreements preclude publishing a listing of the program.) The pictures are drawn by a line segment making a random walk on the screen. An initial pair of endpoints is chosen at random; also chosen at random are color, number of lines to be drawn with that color, step size for each endpoint (in the x and y directions), and number of times that the step sizes are to be used. Successive lines are drawn by advancing the endpoints of the line by the chosen step size in the x and y directions.



Whenever the number of times that an action was to be executed (such as number of lines to be drawn in a given color) is exhausted, new random values for that quantity and for the number of times that the quantity should be used, are chosen. If a point attempts to walk off the screen, it is reflected back.

The designs in the accompanying photographs are formed by 150 lines. The program was coded so that when the 151st line is added, the first line is deleted, and so on. This is done by a routine that keeps track of each

line segment currently on the screen. When the table contains 150 lines, this routine erases the oldest line segment before adding a new one. (This effect can be noted in photos 1 and 2.) Interesting effects can be obtained by using different algorithms to choose the new line to be added at each iteration. For example, an interesting effect is obtained with just 10 lines on the screen and choosing random endpoints for each new line (essentially a visual image of white noise).

Micrograph

Part 1: Developing an Instruction Set for a Raster-Scan Display

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Simply stated, computer graphics is the technique of visual communication from computer to man. (See reference 14.) Interactive computer graphics is an important subset of this broad field and relates to computergenerated displays that can interact with a user in real or near-real time. Interactive graphics started with attempts to use the CRT (cathode-ray tube) as a computer output device. (See reference 12). The Whirlwind I in 1950 and Sketchpad in 1963 are examples of early attempts at interactive computer-graphics systems. Since that time, two distinct classes of CRT-based devices have been developed for use in interactive graphics: calligraphic (or vector) devices and raster-scan (as in a television receiver) devices.

The area of vector graphics "has for several years been sufficiently mature to justify efforts at standardization within it." (See reference 8.) A large body of information is available on the design of such systems. (See reference 13.) However, the same is

not necessarily true of raster-scan devices. Until recently, raster-scan technology has not been economically feasible. Decreasing hardware costs, especially for memory, have facilitated the trend toward raster-scan displays. (See reference 3.) The emergence of raster-scan displays has a side benefit, namely that "raster-scan technology is the only economical way to achieve color in full-sized displays." (See reference 4.)

For the microcomputer user, this means that he can add moderateresolution color graphics to a system at an affordable price, using rasterscan technology. The benefits of color graphics for the personal computer are obvious: not only are color displays dazzling and eye-catching, but more important, they add a new dimension for communicating with a computer. Microcomputers with color-graphics capabilities have been available for some time, such as the Apple II and the Compucolor. Within the past year, however, Motorola and AMI (American

Microsystems Incorprated) have released a LSI (large-scale integration) chip, called a video-display generator, which performs all the video functions necessary to produce a color-graphics and alphanumerics display on a standard, unmodified color television. As a result, low-cost color-graphics displays are now possible for the personal computer user.

This three-part article presents the theory, design, and construction of a low-cost, color-graphics display processor called Micrograph, which is based on the Motorola MC6847 video-display generator. (See photo 1.) Essential characteristics of Micrograph are described in the text box. In the remainder of this article, I will review the characteristics of interactive computer-graphics systems, followed by an overview of the Micrograph design. Subsequent articles will concern the hardware construction details for Micrograph and the software necessary to control the system.

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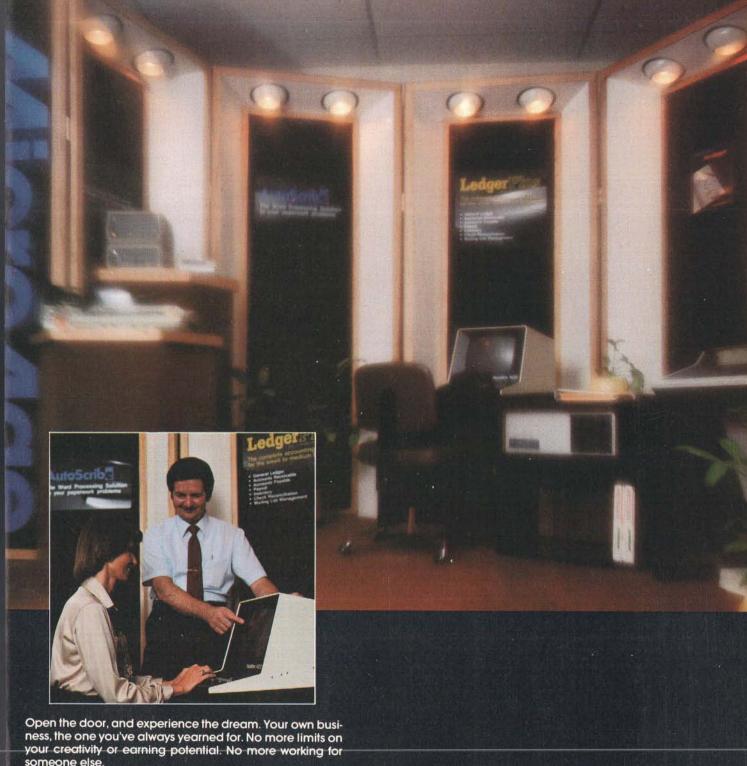
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Micrograph Features:

- 64 by 64, 128 by 128, and 256 by
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- Up to eight different colors are displayed at one time.
- It contains a single-board processor, based on Zilog Z80 processor and Motorola MC6847 Video Display Generator.
- Construction cost: about \$275 .

- High-level graphics primitives support.
- Both graphics and alphanumerics are supported.
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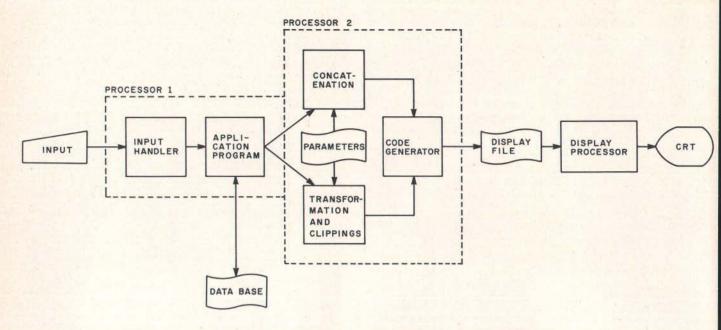


Figure 1: A general block diagram of an interactive graphics-display system. The functions of Processor 1 and Processor 2 may be performed by the same device; however, the output of Processor 1 must be a structured abstract of the image to be displayed, for the graphics package (Processor 2) to operate. (The figure is from Principles of Interactive Computer Graphics, by Newman and Sproull. Copyright 1973, used with permission of McGraw-Hill Book Company.)

Background on Interactive Computer-Graphics Systems

Newman and Sproull, in their book Principles of Interactive Computer Graphics (reference 12), present an excellent model of a generalized interactive graphics system, as reproduced in figure 1. Processor 1,

Photo 1: A view of the completed Micrograph prototype, based on the Motorola MC6847 video-display generator. Use of this integrated circuit greatly simplifies hardware design by eliminating the complex divider-chains usually found in homebrew video displays.

which is not necessarily a different physical processor than Processor 2, handles program-specific processing for a particular graphics application. The output of this processor is generally a structured, abstract representation of the set of images that will be displayed.

Processor 2 represents the processing that is to be handled by a graphics package, as it is commonly called. This processor manipulates the abstract representations, performing transformations (such as rotation, translation, and scaling) and clipping as needed. The output of this processor is generally a display file consisting of instructions that are meaningful to a physical display processor. The display processor uses these instructions to produce an image upon some type of display device. For interactive graphics, these processes must occur very rapidly.

Numerous graphics packages for commercial systems exist to handle the requirements of Processors 1 and 2. SIGGRAPH (Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics) of the ACM (Association for Computing Machinery) has proposed a standard for such systems. However, for our purposes, we must turn our attention to the display processor itself. Before examining the design for a color-

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graphics display processor, we must consider the characteristics of calligraphic and raster-scan displays.

Comparison of Display Devices

Four basic technologies exist to support interactive graphics:

- calligraphic
- raster-scan
- storage-tube
- plasma

Three of these devices (calligraphic, raster-scan, and storage-tube) are CRT-based. but only (calligraphic and raster-scan) are adaptable to interactive, rapidly

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Aliasing: As used here, a granular or stair-stepped appearance in an image caused by the display screen being divided into a finite number of elements. This effect is most noticeable on low-resolution displays and on high-resolution displays with near-horizontal or near-vertical lines.

Calligraphic Display: A display that produces an image from a collection of vectors and points, by directing the electron beam in the X and Y directions corresponding to the vector endpoints.

Display Processor: A specialpurpose peripheral processor that is dedicated to producing a visual image on some type of display (usually a CRT) based on special graphics instructions in a display list.

Instancing: The technique of defining one image, then being able to perform transformations to reproduce the same image in several different places on the display.

Pixel: A picture element.

Raster-Scan Display: A display that produces images, just as in television, by amplitude modulation of the Z-axis beam along a full screen of horizontal lines (the raster).

Scan-Line Conversion: An algorithm used to calculate each individual point along a vector, given the starting and ending points.

Transformation: Modifications of an image, such as translation (movement in the X, Y, or Z axis), rotation (also in any axis), and scaling (also in any axis).

moving displays.

Calligraphic displays produce images by drawing vectors using endpoint information. A relative or absolute position is presented to the display, and the electron beam is deflected from its current position. Analog methods of vector generation can produce high-resolution vectors. Symbols are usually generated as a collection of vectors. Special hardware may also exist to produce circles and arcs, but these features are generally not cost-effective.

Calligraphic displays can achieve resolutions of up to 4096 by 4096 pixels (ie: picture elements) which corresponds to 16,777,216 elements (which is why I don't consider 256 by 256 pixels or even 512 by 512 pixels as "high resolution"). (See reference 11.) Therefore, a 21-inch-diagonal rectangular CRT will typically have a spot size of 0.02 inches (0.5 mm). (See reference 9.) Vectors using these techniques will appear sharp rather than granular. Several thousand vectors may be displayed flicker-free.

Calligraphic displays can produce color images using beam-penetration tubes. This type of CRT has multiple layers of phosphor coating on the face of the tube. Individual colors (usually four different colors) are produced by varying the anode voltage and hence the depth of beam penetra-

Raster-scan displays produce an image much like commercial television by generating a full screen of horizontal lines. This set of lines (the raster) is modulated in the Z axis (intensity and color) to produce an image. Vectors are drawn using digital scan-line-conversion techniques which compute every point along the vector. Symbols are usually generated using a character generator which directly plots each point of the symbol.

Raster-scan displays can achieve resolutions up to 2048 by 2048 in monochrome and 1024 by 1024 in color, which corresponds to roughly one million pixels (for color). (See reference 9.) The limited resolution for color displays results from the difficulty in producing shadow masks and the granularity of the phosphordot triples used in constructing the CRT. Because of the nature of the raster-scan CRT, the individual dots have insignificant overlap and therefore vectors appear coarse and stair-stepped. However, techniques such as ordered-dithering and antialiasing algorithms exist to reduce the effect of granularity. (See references 7, 10, and 12.) Stair-stepping (or aliasing) is most noticeable in near-

CALLIGRAPHIC DISPLAY

RASTER-SCAN DISPLAY

Advantages

High resolution

Thousands of

displayed.

(4096 by 4096).

vectors can be

Disadvantages

Analog circuitry Digital circuitry Moderate often requires

adjustment.

Limited colors

- (usually four).
- Display has low
 Display is brightness.
- Limited intensities are possible.
- Shading of large areas impossible.
- Flicker occurs when too many vectors are displayed.
- Ghosting occurs on rapidly moving displays.

Advantages Disadvantages

- is quite reliable. resolution (1024 by 1024
 - color).
 - Digital scan-line conversion is slow.
- high intensity.

Many colors

than 216).

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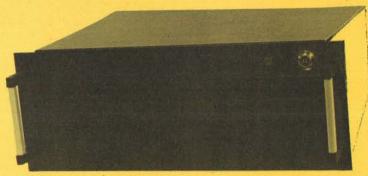
- Many (gray intensities exist.
- Shading areas is simple.
- Display does not flicker.
- Display has high contrast.

Table 1: Comparison of calligraphic (ie: vector) and raster-scan displays.

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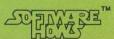
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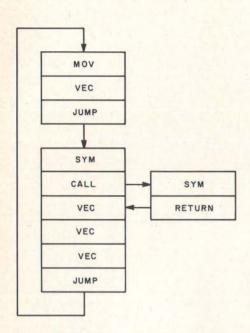


Figure 2: The display list of primitive instructions performed by the display processor of a calligraphic (ie: vector) display. The loop is performed repeatedly by the processor to guide the display electronics. A new or modified display is produced by altering the display list.

vertical and near-horizontal lines. Any number of vectors, up to and including a full CRT screen, can be displayed without flicker.

Color raster-scan displays produce their images by exciting triads of dots or rectangles at each pixel. Each triad generally consists of one red, one blue, and one green element. Different colors (in excess of 2¹⁶) can be produced by exciting each element at different levels of intensity.

Clearly, the use of each type of display is associated with certain advantages and disadvantages, as summarized in table 1.

Controlling a Calligraphic Display

As mentioned previously, a calligraphic display draws vectors based upon endpoint information. Even the most complex images can be created as a collection of vectors. Because of the short persistence of the CRT phosphors required for a fast calligraphic display, once a vector is drawn, it will disappear very quickly, typically in just a few milliseconds. Thus, the entire display must be continuously refreshed to avoid flicker and a loss of portions of the image.

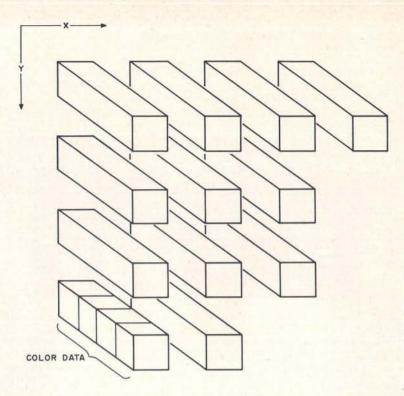


Figure 3: A color raster-scan frame buffer. Each pixel (ie: picture element) on the screen is represented by a unique set of X and Y coordinates. Every coordinate is associated with some amount of color information (in this case, 4 bits). This data may be used to specify an address in a color-look-up table such as figure 4.

Refresh rates vary with the intensity of the display, but the image must be refreshed at least 30 times per second.

These requirements give rise to a structure called a display list. As figure 2 indicates, a display list is simply a collection of primitive instructions for the display processor. The display processor repeatedly scans this list to send vector-drawing information to the display electronics. To modify a display, Processor 2 (of figure 1) simply points the display processor to a new display list, or inserts or deletes a portion of the existing list. Generally, a display list is stored external to the display processor in the host-processor memory and is addressed via DMA (direct memory access).

Numerous instruction sets have been devised for calligraphic-display processors. Since displays at this primitive level are very difficult to control, the trend is toward higher-level graphics languages. However, all primitive instruction sets must contain certain basic features, including primitives to move the beam, draw a line, draw a character, call a subroutine, and change colors or intensity.

Controlling a Raster-Scan Display

Unlike calligraphic displays, rasterscan displays generally employ what is known as a frame buffer. The frame buffer is essentially a block of memory that maintains a one-to-one correspondence with the set of pixels. In other words, there exists one memory location for every pixel. A pixel can be specified in one or more bits, as figure 3 indicates. Thus, color information for a pixel is stored at each memory location. In color raster-scan displays, this memory location does not necessarily hold physical color information, but often supplies a pointer to a color-look-up table, as figure 4 indicates. Thus, for example, a pixel may be specified by 4 bits, but the color information may be translated to any sixteen of a possible 216 colors. This technique allows the display of many different colors with a conservation of memory. The techniques of contrast stretching and pseudocoloring can be easily achieved with a color-look-up table.

A raster-scan display does require a large amount of memory to implement the frame buffer. For example, a display with a resolution of 512 by

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Using a frame buffer, an image is drawn by inserting color information into the memory location corresponding to the appropriate pixel. This architecture has the feature of producing flicker-free images; however, to draw vectors the display processor must calculate every point along the vector. Scan-lineconversion algorithms that calculate the points of a vector (given the endpoints) exist, but such algorithms are slow compared to analog techniques used in calligraphic displays. Once an image is written into the frame buffer, it will be continuously displayed. Refresh is not required by the host, but the image cannot be modified as a calligraphic display can.

Clearly, the characteristics of color raster-scan displays present control problems unlike those for calligraphic displays. We must therefore not only exploit the inherent color-display potential, but we must also deal with the problems of selectively updating a raster-scan display. As the next section indicates, we can adapt calligraphic control techniques to effectively control a color raster-scan display.

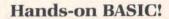
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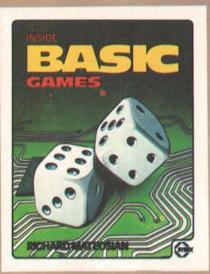
To develop an instruction set for a color-graphics display processor, we must first establish our requirements. We assume as a minimum that these primitive instructions will be executed by an intelligent display processor having both a single-frame buffer and a color-look-up table. Therefore, we require that:

- The set of graphics primitives must permit the construction of any image within the physical limitations of the raster-scan display. The set doesn't need to be minimal: efficiency is a more important characteristic.
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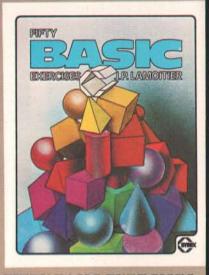
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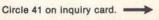
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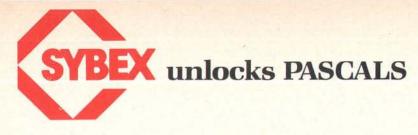
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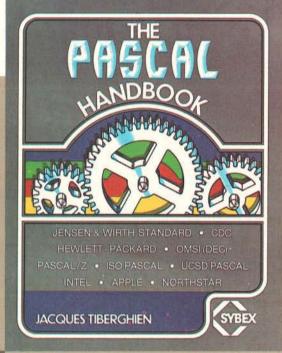
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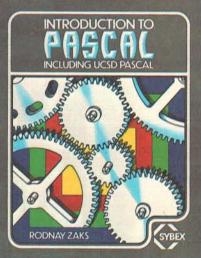
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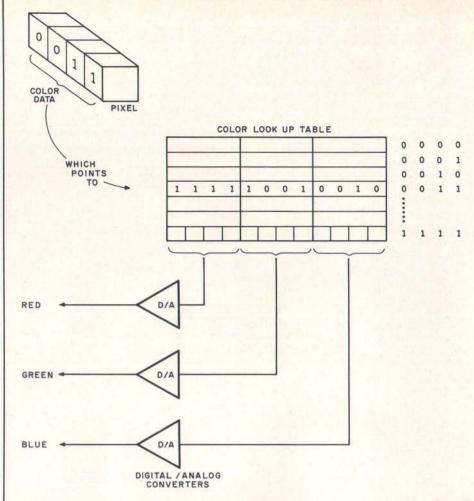


Figure 4: Color-look-up table. Using this scheme, a 4-bit value from the frame buffer (shown in figure 3) can select one of sixteen predefined colors. In this example, each color is composed of various intensities of red, green, and blue. Other systems may specify colors by indicating values for intensity, hue, and saturation.

adaptable to a display-list structure, since display lists are a wellestablished form of control for display processors and hence permit straightforward integration with generalized graphics-support software in the host processor.

Graphics Primitives

As explained previously, we know that raster-scan and calligraphic displays are architecturally different. However, our third requirement indicates that both classes of displays must at least appear identical to the user. Therefore, our graphics primitives become an abstraction for the control of a raster-scan display. We must design a set of primitives independent of the actual architecture of the display. Just as with the benefits of using a high-level programming language, the use of abstractions in controlling a graphics

display allows the user to concentrate upon producing images rather than concerning himself with the mechanics of the implementation.

Before examining the primitives for a color raster-scan display, it is important that you understand two very critical abstractions. First, it is necessary that the user visualize the display processor as manipulating a two-dimensional Cartesian surface, with the origin of the space at some predefined location (usually the center, or lower left-hand corner) on the display surface. There may or may not be a direct mapping of pixel data in the display-processor memory to this surface: the actual implementation should be invisible to the user.

From the previous section, we know that the display processor doesn't need to be concerned with identification of objects that are displayed in this space, but rather we

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The second abstaction which we must develop concerns graphicsdisplay registers. These registers are defined in the display processor and may be addressed by the user to set up global image parameters, such as current vector type, or to provide immediate processor-status information, such as the current X and Y position. Clearly, these registers may be implemented in diverse portions of the display hardware. Concerning the second requirement, it is important that the user sees these registers as an easily addressable set that may be referenced by the host processor. As we shall see, the use of graphicsdisplay registers helps reduce the scope of some of the graphics primitives that are necessary to control a color raster-scan display.

It is evident, as with any graphics display, that the minimum set of instructions we need includes only a point-positioning and a vector-drawing primitive. But clearly, this set is by no means efficient. Thus, I will present and defend the set of graphics primitives for a color raster-scan display which will be implemented in Micrograph. Next I will present the primitive instructions in their mnemonic form in order to maintain their implementation independence.

As with a calligraphic display, one of the most fundamental operations we perform is point positioning. Since a raster-scan display does not produce an image by beam movement, but rather by Z-axis modulation, we must abstract current X and Y coordinates, which may also be addressed as graphics-display registers. To increase the utility of a move primitive (ie: primitive instruction specifying a movement), we must include several options. To begin, both absolute and relative point positioning are necessary. The need for absolute positioning is obvious; relative positioning permits an entire display to be defined relative to a single point in the image, which is an essential feature if subroutines and instancing are to be supported.

Furthermore, remember that the elements of an image are often closely spaced: thus, we need options for long and short movement. With a

long movement, we may express a point position in the full-screen coordinates (for either absolute or relative positioning). With a short movement, we may express a point position with a limited maximum value (such as 0 to 7, again either absolute or relative). Therefore, it's possible to decrease display-list memory requirements with the use of short movements, which take less storage than a long instruction. Finally, it is often necessary to simply plot a single point. To do so, we must include the option to illuminate or not. If we illuminate, we obviously must include a parameter for the color of the point. Mnemonically, our move primitive can be represented as:

MOV T,M,C,I,(\pm)X,(\pm)Y

where:

T = type (Short or Long movement)

M = mode (Absolute or Relative positioning)

C = color

I = illuminate (Yes or No)

X = X position or offset (with a sign on the relative mode)

Y = Y position or offset (with a sign on the relative mode)

For example, the primitive:

MOV S.R.4.Y. +3. -4

moves the current X,Y position by an offset of (3, -4) and illuminates that point in a color whose code is 4.

The next obvious primitive we need performs vector drawing. With the same justification as for the move primitive, we must permit the options of long and short vectors. We assume that the starting point of the vector is the current X, Y position, and the endpoints are determined by either absolute or relative positioning. Just as with a move primitive, we must also be able to specify the color of the vector. Finally, we must be able to define the current vector type, such as solid, dashed, or dotted vectors. Experience indicates that such line types are rarely used. Therefore, rather than specifying this parameter in the primitive itself, we assume that we have available a graphics-display register that defines the current line type. Mnemonically, our vector primitive

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where:

T = type (Short or Long movement)

M = mode (Relative or Absolute endpoints)

C = color

X = X position or offset (with a sign in the relative mode)

Y = Y position or offset (with a sign in the relative mode)

For example, the primitive:

VEC L, A, 15, 255, 180

draws a vector (with the color coded 15) from the current X,Y position to the pixel (255,180).

We must have an instruction that allows us to call a subroutine. Such a primitive is essential to support object instancing. Furthermore, since we assume the existence of an intelligent target display processor, we must expand our primitive to permit a call to a display-processor subroutine. Such

an option allows the user to execute his own predefined routines, which can possibly decrease the image-generation time and reduce some of the processing burden from the host for often-used routines. Clearly, this option is not essential, but it does allow the user to exploit the full capabilities of the display processor. Mnemonically, our call primitive (ie: primitive instruction to call a subroutine) can be represented as:

CALL T,N

where:

T = type of subroutine (Processor or Graphics)

N = name or number of subroutine

For example, the primitive:

CALL G7

calls the grapics subroutine number 7.

Along with the call primitive, we obviously must have a primitive which allows us to return from a subroutine. Our return primitive instruction can be represented as:

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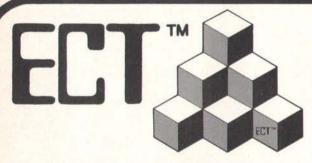
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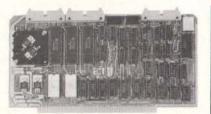
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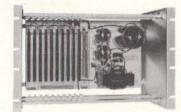
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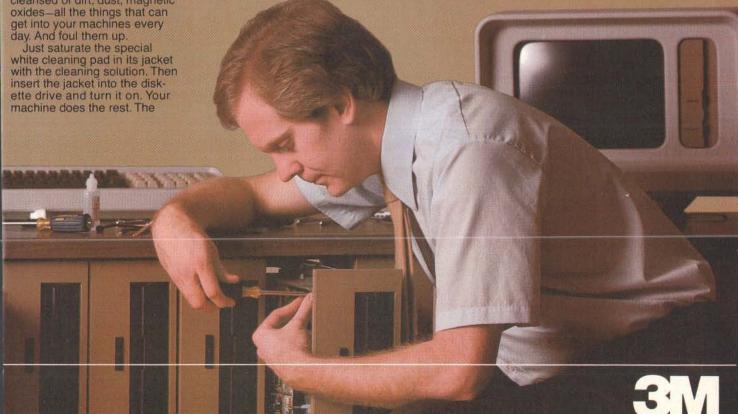
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For example, if we have defined a 128-character ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) set of symbols, the primitive:

SYM 5,68,80,77,80,83

displays the string "COLOR".

Also, as noted earlier, we may need to synchronize our display with the display frame rate, especially if we wish to perform animation with smooth movements. Therefore, we need a primitive that suspends display processing until the end of a frame or until after a certain number

of frames. Mnemonically, our wait primitive can be represented as:

WAIT N

where:

N = number of frames to wait

For example, the primitive:

WAIT 7

suspends processing for seven frames.

Since we have assumed the existence of a color-look-up table to facilitate pseudocoloring and contrast-stretching, we must provide



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some method of controlling such a structure. There are two common methods for the organization of such tables. One method allows for the definition of a color by the proportions of red, green, and blue elements (the colors which physically make up a pixel). This method is easily performed in hardware, but it is not readily adaptable to common English color descriptions (such as hot pink or sea green). A preferred method, which we shall use, defines a color by its hue, intensity, and saturation. This classification refers to, respectively, the gradation of color (red, pink, purple), the brightness of the color, and the purity, or amount of black, in the color (dark red, fireengine red).

We abstract the existence of a three-part table (which will actually be implemented in hardware) that is used as a color-look-up table. Since this table is user-alterable, we will refer to its parts as color memories. (They would usually be implemented as programmable-memory elements.) In order to generalize this primitive, we need to be able to update the entire table, one entire portion of the table (hue, intensity, or saturation), or all the parameters for a given color code. This table will allow selection of 2" colors out of a 2i+h+s color set where n is the pixel size in bits and i, h, and s are, respectively, the word size of the intensity, hue, and saturation color memory. For example, if n = i = h = s = 4, we can select one of sixteen colors out of a 212 color set. Mnemonically, our load-colormemory primitive can be represented

LCRAM R,M,(A,)C,

where:

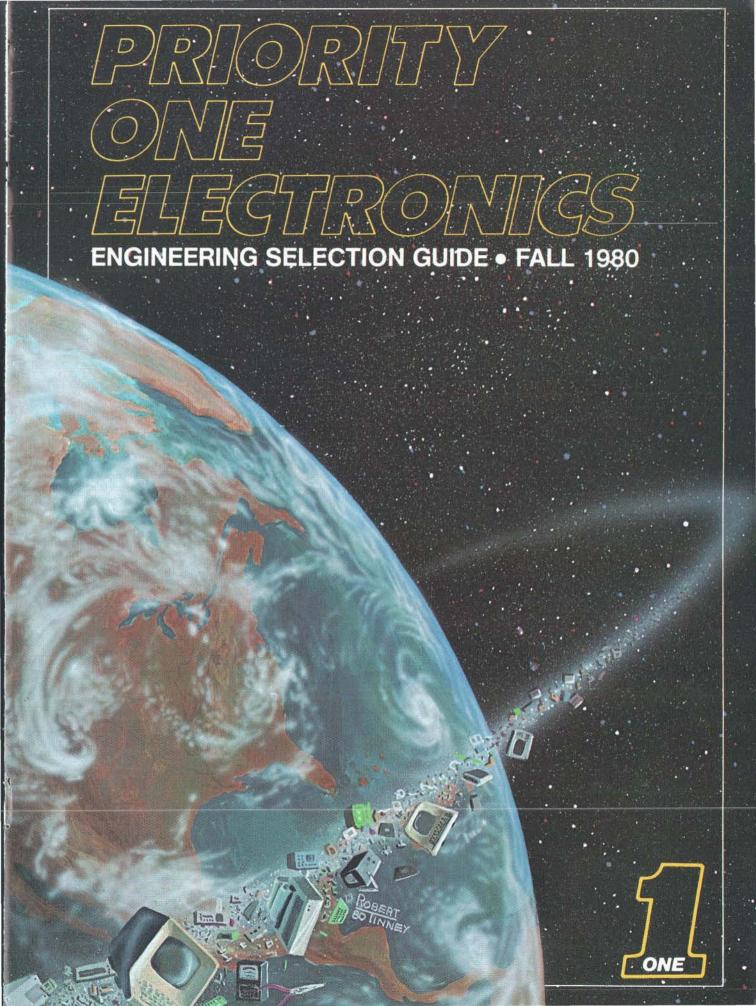
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M= mode (Single address or All addresses in table)

A = address (optional)

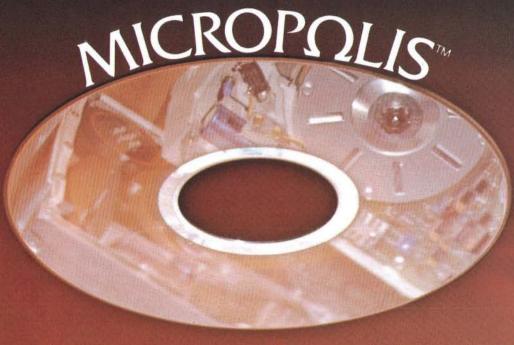
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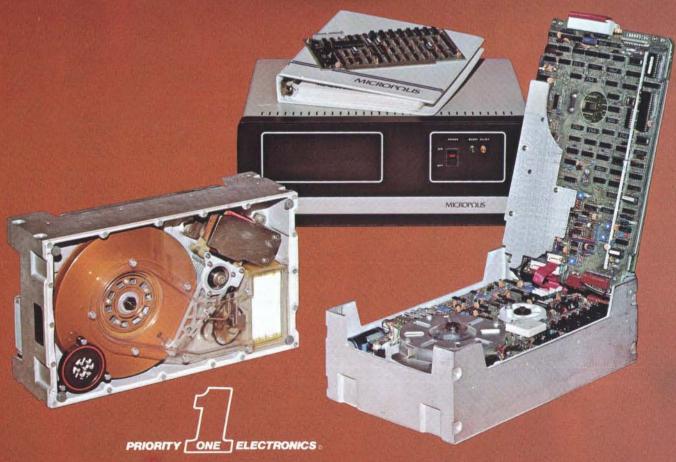
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every I/O cycle. Power-on-jump circuitry is provided that allows the CPU to begin it's execution at any 256 byte boundary (within the lower 64K). A switch is provided to disable this feature. A switch is also provided to allow the power-on-jump circuitry to be active at power-on-only, or to work at power-on and every time a RESET occurs (jump-on-reset). The 8085 can directly address 64K bytes of memory, but our built-in Memory Manager scheme allows access to the full 16 megabytes available per the IEEE 5-100 standard. The 8088 can directly address 1 megabyte, but our Memory Manager is smart enough to know which processor is in control. Thus the 8088 uses only the upper four bits of the Memory Manager so it too can access the 16 megabyte address space.

address space.

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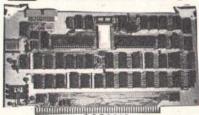
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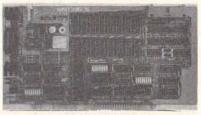


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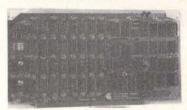
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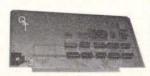
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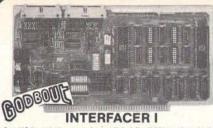
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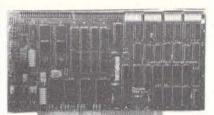
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 Allows on-board 2716 2K EPROM (user supplied)
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Most ECONORAMs come in 3 forms: UNKIT (U)—(this means that all sockets, disc capacitors are already soldered in place for easy assembly, fully assembled & tested (A), or qualified under the Certified System Component (C) high-reliability program (200 hour burn-in, guaranteed 4MHz operation over full temperature range, serial numbered, immediate replacement in event of failure with-ind very of invoice does not consider the construction of the in 1 year of invoice date)



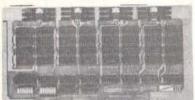
8K ECONORAM IIA

We realize that this may not look like the 8K, Econoram II board you've known and loved for so many years; however, at Godbout, good things don't come to an end—they just get better! Our NEW 8K Econoram IIA board retains all the get better! Our NEW BR ECONORAM ITA board retains all the best selling features of the old Econoram II PLUS is now 4 MHz STANDARD—still static—with ultra low power consumption. S-100 compatible. Single supply required—guaranteed maximum current under 900mA. typical boards draw 700 to 800mA. Phantom feature is included on the new Econoram IIA & is switch selectable. Organized as two 4K independently addressable blocks. Includes switched WRITE protect—block & board disable. Also, has switched WHITE protect—place a boat a base provision for memory management. Shipping Weight 2 lbs.
List Price Our Price \$159.00
GBT139U Unkit \$159.00
S179.00

GBT139C CSC

\$239.00

\$225.00



ECONORAM XIV

16K x 8 for S-100. Addressable on any 4K boundary. Direct addressing on up to 24 address lines. Fully meets IEEE S-100 buss specs. Low power, hi-speed static memory. Operates up to 5 MHz with newest 8085/8086/8088 CPUs. Can be used with 8080, Z80, 8085, 8086, 8088, Z8000, etc.

GBT143U Unkit GBT143A A&T GBT143C CSC

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Our Price \$279.00 \$299.00



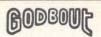
Extender/Terminator

- Active and/or dynamic termination
- All power lines fused for protection
- All S-100 lines labeled and numbered
- Can be used as an extender and/or terminator

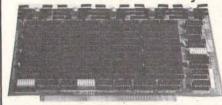
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- Solder mask both sides of board
- Silkscreened reference designations
- Gold plated fingers

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Static S-100 Memory



32K ECONORAM XX

32K Bank Select. IEEE S-100 compatible. Features one 32K block that can be addressed on 4K boundaries. Compatible with the IEEE proposed standard of 24 address lines as well as all currently used bank select configurations. Any or all of the eight 4K byte blocks may be disabled to create as many windows in memory to avoid any system memory conflicts.

	List Price	Our Price
GBT164U1616K RAM Unkit		\$319.00
GBT164A1616K RAM A&T	\$399.00	\$359.00
GBT164C1616K RAM CSC	\$479.00	\$439.00
GBT164U24 24K RAM Unkit		\$429.00
GBT164A24 24K RAM A&T	\$539.00	\$485.00
GBT164C24 24K RAM CSC	\$629.00	\$579.00
GBT164U32 32K RAM Unkit		\$559.00
GBT164A32 32K RAM A&T	\$699.00	\$599.00
GBT164C32 32K RAM CSC	\$799.00	\$720.00
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CK-023 MEMORY MANAGER

The Memory Manager board is designed to extend the addressing capabilities of S-100 microcomputers beyond 64K bytes—up to 16M bytes in Mode 1 and up to 512 bytes in Mode 2.

The first mode of operation utilizes one 8 bit out-put port (selectable to any I/O addressing) to drive the proposed IEEE S-100 extended address lines A16 thru A23 for full 24 bit addressing.

bit addressing.

The second mode of operation utilizes the same 8 bit output port, but only the 3 least significant bits are used. These feed a 3 line to 8 line decoder which drives one of eight qualifier lines high on S-100 buss pins 59 thru 66 to enable Godbout Econoram boards with on-board qualifier capability. This can be used with Econorams IIA, VII (16 & 24K), X, XII (16 & 24K), XIII & Econoram 2708. This board is not available in UNKIT form. Shipping weight 1 lb.

List Price

\$59.00

GBT151K Kit GBT151A A&T GBT151C CSC

\$85.00 \$100.00 \$59.00 \$79.00 \$89.00



ECONOROM 2708

Has provisions for wait states for 4MHz operations. Conhas provisions for wait states for 4-minz operations. Configured as four 4K blocks—each independently addressable and disabable. Power-on jump. Does NOT include 2708s. Includes all support chips, sockets, regulators, heat sinks, etc. Sold in UNKIT form only. Shipping Weight

GBT125U Unkit



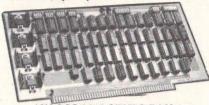
VCT-3690-12 Card Extender

Card Extender has 100 contacts — 50 per side on .125 centers. Attached connector is compatible with S-100 Bus Systems.

1-4	5 - 24	
	\$24.18	
CT-3690 6.5" 22/44 pin .156 ctrs	Extender	\$15.66
CT-3690-4 7.5" 36/72 pin .1 ctrs.	Extender	\$22.76
CT-3690-6 11" 22/44 pin 156 cts	s Extender	\$18.80



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16K CCS 2016 STATIC RAM ASSEMBLED & TESTED-100% BURN IN

All boards tested at 4 MHz for Z80

Features:

Features:
- Fully static
- Uses popular 2114 static RAMS
- +5 volt operation only
- Bank Select available by bank port and bank byte
- Phantom Line capability
- Addressable in 4K blocks
- 4K blocks can be addressed anywhere within 64K in 4k increments in 4k increments

in 4k increments
Full QA testing of all modules at 4 MHz operation
Meets IEEE proposed S-100 signal standards
LED indicators for board selection and bank selection
FR-4 EPOXY PC boards
Solder masked on both sides

Silk screen of part number and part designator

CS-2016BA 450ns 2MHz CCS-2016BB 300ns 4MHz CCS-2016BX Bare Board only

List Price \$349.95 \$389.95

Our Price \$295.00 \$329.00 \$29.95



16K CCS2116 STATIC RAM

Fully static 2114 RAMs

16K of memory divided into four 4K blocks Memory blocks separately addressable at 4K boundaries in 64K

Configurations of 4K, 8K, or 12K can be accomplished without the removal of RAMs

without the removal of HAMS
Hardware-assignment of memory blocks to any of eight
memory banks using bank-port/bank-byte scheme
compatible with Alpha Micro, Cromemco, and others
Jumper-selectable bank-independence for each
memory bank

Fully buffered address and data lines

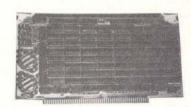
Board and bank selection indicated with LEDs Jumper-enabled Phantom memory overlay and Wait

state generation
Full QA testing of all modules at 4 MHz operation
Fully assembled & tested

CCS2116A

List Price \$349.95

Our Price \$299.00



32K CCS2032 STATIC RAM

Fully static 2114 RAMs

32K of memory divided into four 8K blocks
 Memory blocks separately addressable at any 8K boundaries within 64K

Hardware-assignment of memory blocks to any of 8 memory banks using bank-port/bank-byte scheme compatible with Alpha Micro, Cromemco, and others

Bank-dependence of each memory block jumper-selectable

· Bank-dependent memory can be enabled or disabled on reset Configurations of 8K, 16K, or 24K accomplished without

removal of components
Jumper-enabled Phantom memory overlay
Jumper-enabled Wait states

CCS2032A

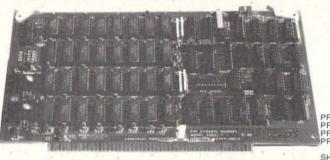
Jumper-enabled Wait states
 Easy-to-use Berg jumper plugs
 Board and Bank selection indicated with LEDs
 Compatible with IMSAI-type front panels
 Fully buffered address and data lines
 Full QA testing of all modules at 4 MHz

List Price \$710.00 Our Price \$599.00

THE UNIVERSAL IEEE-S100 DYNAMIC MEMORY CARD

PRI-EXP1-16 \$299.00 PRI-EXP1-48 \$419.00

User expandable from 16 to 64 K
 2 or 4 MHz operation



Any 16K block can be made bank-independent
 All 64K can be made bank-enabled on power-on and

reset
Configuration as a 16K, 32K, or 48K board without
the removal of RAMs
- Fully buffered address and data lines

- Fail-safe refresh circuitry for extended Wait states
- Board configuration with reliable, easy-to-configure
Berg jumpers
- Supports DMA

PRI-EXP1-32 \$359.00 PRI-EXP1-64 \$479.00

PRI-EXP1-16 PRI-EXP1-48 PRI-EXP1-32 16K Assembled & Tested \$299.00 48K Assembled Tested \$419.00 32K Assembled & Tested \$359.00 64K Assembled Tested \$479.00 PRI-EXP1-64

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- Power supply: Unregulated +8, +16, and -16 volts Maximum power draw: 400 mA at +8 volts 175 mA at +16 volts 5 mA at -16 volts
- Dissipation: less than 8 watts
 Temperature: 0 to 70 degrees Celsius
- Humidity: 0 to 90% noncondensing

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 PC Board
 FR-4 glass epoxy
 Solder mask on both sides
 Gold-plated connector fingers
 Silk screen component outlines, reference numbers, and part designations

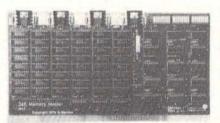
- North Star compatible
 Cromemco compatible
 Designed to IEEE proposed S-100 bus standards
 Supports IMSAI-type front panels
 Operates with either an 8080 or Z-80 based S-100 system, providing processor-transparent refreshes with both
- Bank-select system allows system memory expansion and is compatible with Cromemco products
- Bank select port's address is jumper selectable
- Jumper-selectable Phantom input
 Uses Popular 4116 RAMS Assembled & tested

THE EXPANDABLE 1™ 64K Dynamic Ram board provides your S-100 system with 64K of reliable, high-speed dynamic RAM. Compatible with most of the major S-100 systems on the market, including those with front panels, it supports DMA operations and requires no Wait states with the current microprocessors

THE EXPANDABLE 1™ is designed for memory expansion; it allows you to expand your memory up to 512K. Through the bank select system, you can hardware-assign your board to any level or combination of levels of 64K and then software-select the bank you wish to work with. When the board's bank is selected, the Bank LED is lit. The Expandable 1™s bank select system is compatible with the bank select systems used by Cromemco, North Star, and others.

In addition, THE EXPANDABLE 1™ gives you flexible memory. Any 16K memory block can be completely disabled or can be made independent of the bank select system, allowing it to be enabled any time it is addressed, regardless of which bank is selected. All 64K can also be enabled every time you turn on or reset your system, without the board's bank being softwareselected first. When an enabled 16K block is addressed, the Board LED is lit.

THE EXPANDABLE 1[™] also gives you reliable memory. Its dynamic memory refresh circuitry provides processor-transparent refreshes during normal operations with a Z-80 or 8080 CPU. It also provides for memory refresh during DMA and extended Wait states when normal refresh generation is inhibited.



MEMORY MASTER 24K STATIC S-100 MEMORY WITH BANK SELECT LOGIC

The SuperRam MEMORY MASTER 24K is ideal for building large S-100 systems with bank select logic capability. The MEMORY MASTER 24K is configured as three 8K blocks, each individually addressable and write-protectable via a DIP switch.

The MEMORY MASTER 24K offers the ability to utilize bank select logic, the preferred method of expanding memory over 64K on the S-100 bus. There is an on-board switch-addressable I/O device and a bit-select jumper block to implement the bank select logic for the memory management software from Cromemos. AlphaMicro. management software from Cromemco, AlphaMicro, North Star, etc.

Specifications:

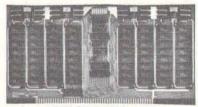
- 24K STATIC random access memory board using type 4044/5257-3L 4Kx1 memory components.
- 4044/3237-31 4X1 memory components.
 Three individual 8K memory blocks, each addressable on any 8K boundary.
 Entire board enabled or disabled through a bit selected jumper of an addressable on-board I/O port.
 Switch selection to allow memory to be enabled or
- disabled at power on/reset. Switch selection to disable board when PHANTOM is
- Cycle time 320 ns. Access time 320 ns. Power requirements 2.5 amps typical, 2.8 amps worst
- Single supply voltage 7-10 volts 5" x 10" epoxy glass circuit board with solder mask (both sides) and parts legend. S-100 compatible.

THT-MM24A A&T

List Price \$549.00

Our Price \$499.00

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32K Static Memory

The SuperRam 32K provides two 16K blocks, each addressable and write-protectable via a DIP switch. For power-up sequencing, the PHANTOM line can be enabled or disabled by means of a DIP switch. The SuperRam 32K static is built with fast, exceptionally low powered static memory parts, reducing its power requirements to just 2.7

The SuperRam 32K is available assembled tested or in kit form. It meets the Proposed IEEE Standard for S-100 bus and is compatible with 2 MHz 8080, 4 MHz Z-80 and 5 MHz 8085 systems.

Specifications:

- · 32K STATIC random access memory board using type 4044/5257-3L memory components
- Two individual write-protectable 16K memory blocks, each addressable on any 16K boundary.
- · Switch selection to disable a board when PHANTOM is
- Cycle time 320 ns.
 Access time 320 ns.
 Power requirements 2.7 amps typical, 3.2 amps worst case Single supply voltage 7-10 volts.
- 5" x 10" epoxy glass circuit board with solder mask (both sides) and parts legends. · S-100 compatible
- THT-SR32A A&T

List Price \$699.00

Our Price \$629.00





EXPANDABLE + DYNAMIC MEMORY (16K to 64K)

+ Works with the following Z-80 CPU Boards: Cromemco Systems, S.D. Systems, SSM (CB2A), Jade (Big Z), Q.T. (Z+80) and many others + Uses 3242 Refresh Chip with delay line + Four layer PC Board insures a quiet board + Supports 16K, 32K, 48K, or 64K or memory + 24 Address lines per IEEE specifications + Optional M1 Wait state allows error-free operations with faster processors + Optional PHANTOM disable + Uses Z-80 Refresh signal + Bank on/off signal selected by I/O port 40 (Hex) per industry standard + Bank in use determined by convenient DIP switch selection of data bus bits + Low power consumption—5 watts + Convenient LED indication of bank in use

Typical access time of board —(1) using (4116-200ns) (4MHz) 240ns —(2) using (4116-150ns) (6MHz) 200ns

	QTC-EXPBB
	QTC-EXP16K
	QTC-EXP16A
	QTC-EXP32K32K Kit\$360.00
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	QTC-EXP64A64K A&T\$625.00

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FLOPPY DISK CONTROLLER WITH CP/M VERSION 2.2

- Compatible with the IEEE proposed S-100 bus standards
- Controls any combination of 5¼ and 8" drives up to four Double-Sided and Side Select signals implemented for double-sided drives

CCS2422

- double-sided drives

 Reads and writes diskettes conforming to the IBM 3740
 format standard for single-density diskettes and the IBM
 System 34 format standard for double-density diskette

 2-80 compatible, ROM-resident bootstrap loader for
 loading CP/M Into system memory from diskette

 ROM-resident MOSS 2.2 Disk Monitor

 Plug-compatible with Shugart 800/850 and 400/450
 drives

- Fast Seek for voice-coil drives hardware- or softwareenabled
- enabled.

 Can be assigned to one of eight banks through bank byte/bank port system used by Cromemco and others.

 Optional Auto Wait circuitry for wait on data or board status register when data register is not ready for data.
- PINT, NMI, or VIZ-V17 can be used to interrupt the CPU when the 2422 is ready for data transfer or a new command Write Precompensation circuitry for double-density
- Digital phase locked loop for read data separation LEDS to indicate ROM, Bank, and Board Select Address Decoding ROMs handle ROM and register
- addressing Optional Wait State for ROM Assembled & Tested

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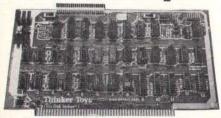
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CALIFORNIA COMPUTER SYSTEMS SOFTWARE

CCS-2601 CP/M Version 2.2 Microcomputer
Control Program
CCS-2610 MAC-CP/M Macro Assembler\$90.00
CCS-2620 SID-CP/M Symbolic Instruction
Debugger\$75.00
CCS-2630 TEX-CP/M Text Formatter\$75.00
CCS-2640 DESPOOL—CP/M Background
Print Utility
All software comes with manuals & 8" diskette

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DISK JOCKEY I FLOPPY DISK CONTROLLER

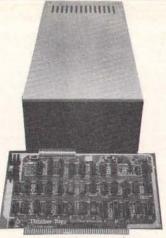
- Specifications
 S-100 compatible

- S-100 compatible
 Plug compatible with Shugart SA800/850 disk drives
 Capable of handling up to four disk drives
 Contains on-board serial I/O port and 256 byte cache buffer; on-board ROM with bootstrap, home, seek, read data, write data, serial input and serial output functions.
- All software pre-interfaced to the controller's on-board I/O port for immediate start-up Single voltage +7-10 volts @ 700 ma. List Price

\$229.00

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THT-DJ2DK THT-DJ2DA



DISCUS₁ **FULL-SIZE, SINGLE-DENSITY** DISK MEMORY SYSTEM

The DISCUS I full-size, single-density disk memory system offers the opportunity to move your S-100 system into the large storage capability and high speed access of ar

the large storage capability and high speed access of all 8" drive.
DISCUS I gives you 250,000 bytes per diskette with five times the access speed of a mini-floppy. Yet, the cost is only slightly higher.
DISCUS I full-size, single-density disk system is complete in every way—complete with all hardware, all software and completely assembled and tested.

Specifications:

- Data Specifications and Formats

 250,000 byte capacity per standard 8" floppy diskette
 Soft-sectored IBM-compatible format: 77 tracks/26
- sectors per track/128 bytes per sector
 Includes Disk/ATE™ disk operating system with integral monitor, assembler and text editor & BASIC-V advanced virtual disk BASIC capable of addressing up to 1 megabyte
- Software customized for SOL and Exidy available
 Patches for CP/M* included
 Optional CP/M* Microsoft BASIC, and FORTRAN

List Price Our Price



DISK JOCKEY 2D FLOPPY DISK CONTROLLER

- Specifications:
 Plug compatible with Shugart, Remex and Siemens single- or double-sided drives
 Double/single-density capability utilizing MFM and FM data formats
- Oda Tormats

 Western Digital 1791 LSI floppy disk controller chip

 Uses 2K of S-100 address space:

 1K PROM with built-in disk drive and I/O utility
 subroutines incorporating memory mapped I/O

 —1K 2114-3L 300 ns access time RAM for disk data
- buffering and general purpose use
 Starting address of memory space is 340:000 (E000 hex) for compatibility with other popular ROM based
- hex) for companying with other papers.

 Phase-locked data separator and crystal controlled disk data write precompensation capability to insure the highest standards of data integrity in double density
- Compatible with all 2 MHz and 4 MHz systems which conform with the proposed IEEE standards for the S-100
- 1602 UART with crystal-controlled baud-rate generator Sixteen switch selectable baud rates from 50 to 19,200 bits/second
- TY current loop and industry standard RS232C serial interface
- Power-on jump circuitry for automatic bootstrap loading from the disk drive Power supply requirements: +8v @ 1200 ma; +16v @ 150 ma; -16v @ 70 ma • ROM utility subroutines:

Bootstrap load Terminal input Seek Set sector Set DMA address Terminal output Disk read

Disk write Select drive Terminal panic detect Terminal status

Switch density List Price \$429.00

DMA status

Disk status

Disk error

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DISCUS/2D™ DOUBLE DENSITY DISK SYSTEM

Why not go all the way to the professional/industrial standard of 600K byte/side disk memory with your S-100 system? The new DISCUS/2D™ full-size, double-density floppy disk system is actually less expensive than many

mini-floppy systems.

And Thinker Toys™ hasn't just made full-size, double-density disk memory affordable...we've made it more functional

functional.

Thinker Toys™ has developed BASIC-V™ a virtual disk BASIC that lets you address all 600K bytes (expandable to 1 megabyte) as if were main memory. The data format is soft-sectored and compatible with IBMs new System 34. And DISCUS/2D™ accepts both single-density and double-density disks for complete flexibility in data storage. And DISCUS/2D™ is even more attractive because it's priced and delivered as a truly complete system. It's complete with all hardware. It's complete with all necessary software. And it's completely assembled, tested and warranted.

Specifications:

\$950.00

CP/M V2.2 standard

- Plug compatible with Shugart, Remex and Siemens
- single- or double-sided drives
 Double/single-density capability utilizing MFM and FM data formats
- data formats
 Western Digital 1791 LSI floppy disk controller chip
 Uses 2K of S-100 address space:
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 —1K 2114-3L 300 ns access time RAM for disk data
- offering and general purpose use Starting address of memory space is 340:000 (E000 hex) for compatibility with other popular ROM based systems
 Phase-locked data separator and crystal controlled
- disk data write precompensation capability to insure the highest standards of data integrity in double density mode.
- Compatible with all 2 MHz and 4 MHz systems which conform with the proposed IEEE standard for the S-100 bus
- 1602 UART with crystal-controlled baud-rate generator Sixteen switch selectable baud rates from 50 to 19,200
- bits/second TTY current loop and industry standard RS232C serial
- interface Power-on jump circuitry for automatic bootstrap loading from the disk drive
- Power supply requirements: + 8V @ 1200 ma; + 16V @ 150 ma; -16V @ 70 ma.
 ROM utility subroutines:

Bootstrap load Terminal input Set sector Set DMA address Disk read Terminal output

Disk write DMA status Select drive Disk status Terminal panic detect Terminal status Disk error Switch density

Discus 2D Double density Single sided Discus 2 + 2 Double density Double sided

List Price Our Price THT-D2DS Single Drive THT-D2DD Double Drive \$1098.00 \$1199.00 \$1994.00

List Price .\$1545.00 Our Price \$1395.00 THT-D22S Single Drive . THT-D22D Double Drive \$2740.00 \$2450.00

THINKER TOYS SOFTWARE

THT-CP/M14 For DISCUS I \$125.00 \$125.00 THT-CP/M14E For EXIDY THT-CP/M22 Dual density \$150.00 THT-MEB Microsoft ext. basic THT-MFT Microsoft Fortran THT-RFT Rational Fortran THT-CCMP "C" Complier THT-REFORM Reformatter \$299.00 \$399.00 \$85.00 \$600.00 \$195.00

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26 MEGABYTES

Suddenly, S-100 microcomputer systems can easily handle 100 million bytes. Because Morrow Designs™ now offers the first 26 megabyte hard disk memory for S-100 systems—the DISCUS M26™ Hard Disk System.

It has 26 megabytes of useable memory (29 megabytes unformatted). And it's expandable to

104 megabytes. The DISCUS M26™ system is delivered complete – a 26 megabyte hard disk drive, controller, cables and operating system – for just \$4995. Up to three additional drives can be added, \$4495 apiece

The DISCUS M26™ system features the Shugart SA4008 Winchester-type sealed media hard disk drive, in a handsome metal cabinet with fan and

power supply.

The single-board S-100 controller incorporates intelligence to supervise all data transfers, communicating with the CPU via three I/O ports (command, status, and data). The controller has the ability to generate interrupts at the completion of each command to increase system throughput. There is a 512 byte sector buffer on-board. And each sector can be individually write-protected for data base security.

The operating system furnished with DISCUS M26™ systems is the widely accepted CP/M* 2.0



\$4995.00 OUR PRICE

4495.00

GENERAL SYSTEM INFORMATION

The DISCUS M26 is supplied with the CP/M 2 Operating System prerecorded on the disk. Both low level drivers and bootstrap software are furnished in the documentation and on the disk itself. The drivers are assembled to run at F400 hex and assume that the controller has I/O addresses 50, 51, 52 and 53 hex. For recovery from a catastrophic software crash, Morrow Designs can supply a floppy diskette which reformats the disk and reinstalls copies of the oper-

The controller can run up to four hard disks for a total of 104 megabytes of on-line storage. It is implemented in forty-seven MSI and SSI TTL integrated circuits. A DIP switch is provided for setting the starting I/O address of the controller. The four addresses are:
0-Control and data status

Controller command register -Drive select and control register

3-Data In and Out

The lowest address set into the switch must be divisible by four. Through the "Drive select and control register," the controller can select any of the four drives and up to sixteen heads within a drive. Also accessible through this register are the step and direction command lines which are used to move the eight read/write heads from one track to another

Data transfers are handled through an on-board finite state machine fashioned out of standard TTL and a medium-sized PROM (64 x 8). The commands are:

write a sector header read a sector header read a sector of data

write a sector of data reset the internal data buffer pointer to the beginning of the data buffer

The CPU transfers data to the controller by first resetting the internal data buffer pointer to the beginning of either of the two data areas. Next, it fetches data from the appropriate location in memory and performs successive outputs to the data port of the controller. Each reference to the data port automatically increments the pointer to the buffer.

port automatically increments the pointer to the buffer. Transferring data from the controller is accomplished in a similar fashion. The pointer is positioned and then the CPU does successive inputs and finally stores the data in an appropriate place in memory. The data buffer is stable between operations and can be referred to again. The buffer must NOT be touched during disk data transfer operations.

Provision is made for the interconnection of controller interrupts to any of the S-100 Bus vectored or unvectored interrupts.

SPECIFICATIONS

Enclosure

Cabinet dimensions: 6%" high, 165/18" wide, 301/2" long. Cabinet is both rack mountable or useable as table top model. (Available Fall 1980: rack slides and desk height rack.) Color: beige

Power Supply (internal to cabinet) +24 v @ 3.0 amps +5 v @ 3.0 amps

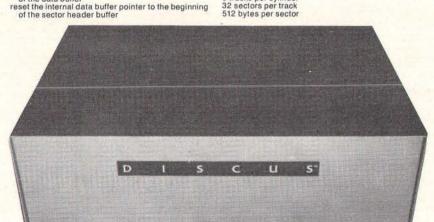
14 v @ 1.5 amps

Drive Power Requirements 115 v AC @ 3.0 amps, or 230 v AC @ 1.5 amps

Capacity (formatted): 26,476,544 bytes

Seek time (track to track): 1 ms; head settle time: 20 ms 202 cylinders 8 tracks per cylinder

32 sectors per track 512 bytes per sector



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CP/M® SOFTWARE OPTIONS

For anyone currently running CP/M 2, we will provide a program that automatically integrates the DISCUS M26 into the operating system. This program will be provided on an IBM standard diskette, and it will leave existing terminal and disk I/O unchanged. Thus the M26 can be readily added to most S-100 systems.

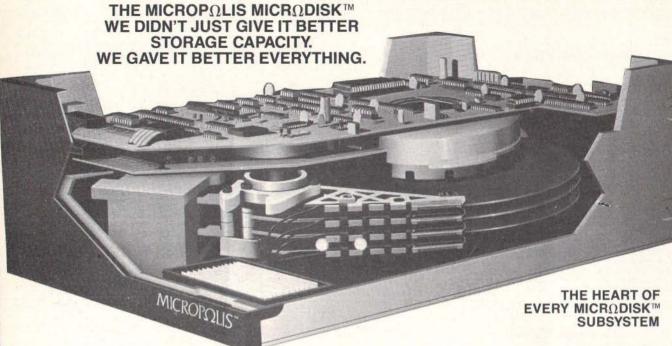
For systems without CP/M 2, we offer CP/M in several configurations. The standard release provides disk I/O for the DISCUS M26 and the Disk Jockey, and terminal I/O for the Disk Jockey or Switchboard serial ports. Optionally, we provide terminal I/O for the SOL keyboard and monitor or for the EXIDY keyboard and monitor. Terminal I/O can also be left blank (jump-to-self) to allow custom patching.

Finally, for CROMEMCO users, we plan to offer a CP/M 2 expanded to full CDOS compatibility and interfaced to the M26 and to standard CROMEMCO (boppys. This is sold and serviced by MICAH, 1250 Pine St., #102, Walnut Creek, CA 94596, (415) 933-2783. It will also be available directly from Morrow Designs.

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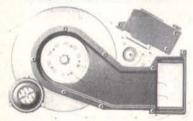
	List Price	Our Price
THT-M26S Subsystem	\$4995.00	\$4495.00
THT-M26A Add-on hard disk drive	\$4995.00	\$3995.00
THT-M26HDC Hard disk controller		\$ 695.00 -

Shipping Weight: THT-M26S&A THT-M26HDC 50 lbs.



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MicroDisk's clean area, with lifetime filters, showing direction of general airflow in the system.



The MicroDisk's drive mechanics consist of a die cast deck whose lower half is devoted to the recording heads, platters, and voice coil motor components. This lower half is the closed circuit clean area, and air is circulated through it by disk rotation induced flow. The flow is directed through a 0.3 micron absolute filter. So there's never any

is directed through a 0.3 micron absolute hiter. So there's never any reason to expose the MicroDlisk's clean area to unsterile air.

Most other manufacturers violate the rules for sealed "clean" areas in their drives. By placing active components inside the clean area—components that would require unsealing the area to replace or repair faulty parts.

But we decided it didn't make any sense to offer a clean area that wouldn't stay clean.

So there are no active electronic parts in the MicroDisk's clean area. The electrical connection between this area's components and the electronics package is made via a PCB which seals the clean area. from the rest of the casting. The single chip preamps are located in sockets accessible without violating the integrity of the clean area. So you can depend on it not only to be clean, you can depend on it

The Quartz-locked direct-drive motor. Another first from Micropolis.

In order to increase reliability and capacity of the MicroDisk's drive system, we added an element that no one else in the industry

drive system, we added an element that no one else in the industry has: Quartz crystal speed control.

Rotational drive for the MicroDisk is provided by a Quartz-locked, direct-drive, brushless D.C. Micro-Motor** only 1% "high. This innovative combination allows a very low profile, and lets three platters reside in an envelope only 4.62" high. It also makes the design of the Micropolis (or your) controller very simple, and lets us put a full 5% more data on the drive itself by holding the rotation to an accuracy of 0.5%.

And the simplicity of the Quartz-locked MicroMotor gives the drive something else: a very long life.

something else: a very long life.

The MicroBisk lets you put the brakes on.
We've included something on the MicroBisk that some other drive
manufacturers curiously omit—a braking mechanism. They claim
that a brake is unnecessary and superfluous. And no threat to your disk. They're wrong.

Some manufacturers use the head to stop the disk from rotating when power is cut. This means that the head slows the disk by friction, letting the disk rotate many times before it stops.

That's why we gave the MicroDisk a brake, It extends the life of the disk by not allowing the head to act as the braking mechanism. That's longer disk life for you, and a higher MTBF in the critical clean

Quite frankly, it makes us wonder why people do it any other way.

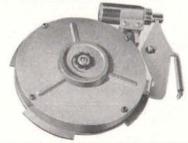
The MicroDisk rotary voice coil positioner, a balanced swing arm mechanism supported on two pre-loaded bearings.



The MicroDisk rotary voice coil positioner. A truly balanced system.

In keeping with the Micropolis policy of not skimping on quality, we gave the MicroDisk a rotary voice coil positioner. It's a balanced swing arm mechanism supported on two pre-loaded bearings. The voice coil is attached to the system on the opposite side of the bearings from the heads, and the whole mechanism is statically

The innovative Quartz-locked, direct-drive, brushless D.C. Micro-Motor, shown with braking mechanism.



Other manufacturers try and cut costs by using either a stepper motor or a linear voice coil. There's only one drawback to both of them—they can never be balanced.

This means that their drives are vulnerable to unexpected jolts,

bumps, and shocks during operation. With an unbalanced positioner, a random elbow or push to the drive unit will cause small movements of the head relative to the disk.

Imagine your stereo turntable. What happens when someone nudges it while a record is playing? The unbalanced pick-up arm skips over your record. In a disk system even very small movements

skips over your record. In a disk system even very small movements are serious during a write operation.

There's yet another disadvantage to using a stepper motor instead of a rotary voice coil. It's slower. For multi-user system applications it's unacceptably slow. And, during the "power-down" sequence, or in case of power failure, it can't move the head to a neutral area. So in case of power ratiure, it can't move the nead to a neutral area. So the head lands in your data area on the disk, and may destroy the data. Forever. The MicroDisk's rotary voice coil, however, always lands the head in a neutral area. So data is never threatened. The MicroDisk has a Dedicated Servo Surface. This is the bottom surface of the bottom disk, and is not used for data. Rather, it's used

for positioner information that allows the heads to know where they are. The positioner contains feedback that tells the heads continually when they're on track, so they won't ever write off track even in a severe vibration environment. With a stepper motor, the head never knows where it is — it's like driving in the dark.

But with the MicroDisk's rotary voice coil, you know just where you are.
Think of it as the end of flying blind.

Functional Specifications

Encoding Method Platters Data Surfaces 1. 3 or 5 Data Heads Available Tracks

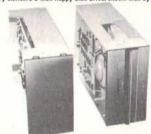
Environmental Ambient Temp. Range Relative Humidity

50-104°F (10-40°C) 10-80% non condensing

Power Requirements 110V 60Hz, 3.5A (max.) 220V 50Hz, 1.5A (max.)

Specifications subject to change without notice.

The Micropolis MicroBisk 8-inch drive (left), and Industry standard 8-inch floppy disk drive, shown side-by-side.

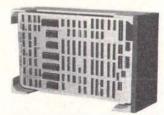


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Capacity Model Nos. Unformatted Capacity	1261-1 1251-1	1262-1 1252-1	1263-1 1253-1
M Bytes Per Drive	8.9	26.7	44.5
Formatted Capacity M Bytes Per Drive	6.1	18.2	31.1

Mechanical Dimensions (177.80 mm) Height Width 7.00* 19.00° 18.40° (482.60 mm) (467.30 mm) Depth Weight 45 lbs. (20.50 Kg)

Access Time Track to Track Average (1/3 stroke) Settling Average Latency Transfer Rate

4 milliseconds 34 milliseconds 8 milliseconds 8.33 milliseconds 7.375 M Bits Sec.



The Micropolis Intelligent Controller, whose board fits inside the drive, providing optional error correction.

THE MICROPΩLIS MICRODISK™

8" RIGID DISK SUBSYSTEM WITH OSM. MULTI-USER, MULTI-TASKING AND INCREASED CAPACITY FOR YOUR S-100 MICRO-COMPUTER.

The Micropolis Microdisk is an 8" Winchester disk storage subsystem designed for an S-100 Bus minicomputer using an 8080, 8085, or Z-80 microprocessor with a clock frequency of 2-4 MHz. The subsystem, including the OSM software package, provides you with a true multi-user, multi-tasking system.

The Microdisk subsystem consists of the OSM multi-user multi-tasking, multi-access software package, full documentation. Intelligent Disk Adapter board, interface cable, and from one to eight Microdisk storage modules, depending on your needs.

The Microdisk subsystem offers upward expansion of existing program and data files previously created for Micropolis, Macrofloppy and Metafloppy subsystems.

The Microdisk delivers high capacity, file sizes up to 65,000 records in length, fast access, and excellent data reliability.

Micropolis OSM. Another first for Microdisk.

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Micropolis OSM is a set of operating system modules which requires a Microdisk subsystem as the primary file device. It relies on the Intelligent Disk Adapter in the subsystem to perform the File Management for the Microdisk. I/O interface cards with appropriate interrupt capability are necessary to support multiple terminals. Bank switchable memory may be used in the host computer to expand memory capacity, although it is not required.

OSM uses techniques of processor control, I/O handling, memory, task and resource management to create a frue multi-user environment. Using the OSM Executive, users at several terminals can invoke and interact with different application programs written in assembly language or BASIC. The system provides an assembler, a source text editor, and a Disk Extended BASIC Interpreter to support the development, execution, and maintenance of application programs. General system management is provided by Filecopy, Disk Archiving, and other utilities.

The main OSM module is loaded into the host computer memory by the Microdisk bootstrap process, and is permanently resident during system operation. The bootstrap process also loads the Microdisk

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Nonresident 0SM Modules.

Some of the 0SM modules are separate programs which are loaded from the disk when required, and run under the controls and management of the main 0SM resident module. These include an 8080/8085 assembler, a source text editor, a FILECOPY utility, a Disk Archiving utility, and the Micropolis Disk Extended BASIC Interpreter

OSM Disk Archiving Utility.

The Disk Archiving program is an optimized utility that can be user to back-up copy the contents of a Microdisk unit onto multiple floppy

OSM Memory Management.

The Microdisk Memory Manager controls the allocation of memory blocks to tasks, provides dynamic program demand allocation for assembly language programs, and specifiable partition sizes for user BASIC programs. Programs can also be allocated portions of memory from different bank switchable memory boards, if the address ranges do not overlap. For assembly language programs, the address ranges may be noncontiguous. (A BASIC program uses an address continuous magnet area.) an address-contiguous memory area.)

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OSM Executive

The OSM Executive lets you control the normal operation of your computer system with dialogue through interactive terminals, and offers command dialogue access to the Supervisor facilities. Included in the OSM Executive are controls and commands to initiate a task, name and set the execution priority for a task, load a program as a task, suspend a program, resume a program, place a program in background execution mode, cancel a program, terminate a task, transfer a terminal to another task, view the system status, and view

the logical device status.

Access is also provided to the Microdisk and the floppy disk File Managers by commands to re-name a disk file, change the filetype, filemode or password of a disk file, change the Microdisk master password, view the directory of a disk drive unit, and view the amount of free space on a disk drive unit.

OSM Disk File Management.
Important elements of the Microdisk File Management design include the following: named file access with password protection, dynamically expandable files, sequential record access, direct record access, alphanumeric keyed sequential access, alphanumeric keyed random access, separate key files, multiple key files, user definable file types, multiple open files with four level access mode locks, automatic read-after-write verification, and re-try logic for maximum data integrity.

There is also a common interface scheme between the floppy disk

and the Microdisk File Managers. All the preceding features (except passwords and keyed access modes) apply to the floppy as well. Floppy disk formatting is compatible with the Micropolis PDS 4.0 format.

OSM BASIC File Management.

Micropolis OSM BASIC's file management capabilities are performed through the Microdisk and floppy disk File Managers in OSM. Each file stored on a disk is identified by a file name which may be up to ten characters long, and the files may have an optional password. Files can be BASIC program files, assembly language object files, or data files, and the Microdisk will support index files. Also, permanent and write protect attributes may be assigned on a per file basis. There are statements to RENAME files, modify the end-of-file MARKER (EOF), and change file attributes (ATTR). Functions are also available to find the name, size, and attributes of a file, as well as to find out how much space is free on a given disk unit.

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The File Managers automatically maintain placement of files on The Fire Manager's automatically maintain practice of the system at the time of creation. Existing files are automatically extended as necessary without any required preallocation. When a file is SCRATCHed, its space returns automatically to available status.

When BASIC is loaded, you have a powerful set of tools for devel-oping, testing, executing, and maintaining BASIC programs. OSM BASIC program lines can be as long as 250 characters, and

may include multiple statements, the maximum line number being 65.529.

65,529. Micropolis OSM BASIC has 11 immediate mode commands, which are as follows: SAVE a file, LOAD a file, SCRATCH a file, LIST a program, DELETE lines from a program, RIUA a program, CNTL/C to interrupt a running program, CONT to continue an interrupted program, CNTL/X to cancel an input line, and FLOW and NOFLOW to enable and disable the flow trace debugging aid.

OSM BASIC File Programming.

Micropolis OSM BASIC data file programming is easy to use. You can open files simultaneously for sequential and random (direct) access in both read and write modes — with only one OPEN statement. Up to ten files may be open at one time — with no special

buffering provisions necessary.

The CLEAR option lets you open a file for rewrite instead of append, while END option provides you with an on-endfile-goto-capability. And the ERROR option gives you an on-error-goto-

You can also open Microdisk files for keyed sequential and keyed You can also open Microbisk files for keydo sequential and keyed direct access. One or more index key files may be associated with a given data file. Index files may be handled separately or they may be automatically coupled to an open data file. Data is written to, and read from, files using PUT and GET statements with variable lists. This allows a mixture of numeric and string variables. Files must be CLOSEd after use

This file I/O structure also extends to your printer and terminal output files, to afford you a high degree of device independence. And additional options on the OPEN statement (PAGESIZE and ENDPAGE) facilitate the pagination of output reports. In fact, print files may be easily diverted to terminal or disk simply by changing a file name in the OPEN statement.

The Microdisk subsystem. A timely arrival from Micropolis.

The Microdisk's hardware is available in one, two or three platter configurations, with delivery of formatted storage capacities of 6.2, 18.7, and 31.2 megabytes.

Winchester technology is incorporated in the Microdisk design, which is packaged in two sections. The lower half, which contains the platters, disk heads, and positioner, is completely sealed. The upper half, which is accessible for maintenance, contains four circuit boards, including the Micropolis intelligent controller. When you get right down to it, the Microdisk subsystem is a

much-needed, timely solution for capacity-starved microcomputer

Maybe that's one reason why, in just four years, Micropolis is already the second-largest producer of 5%-inch floppy disk drives -for both OEMs and end-users.

And we won't be number two forever

MICRODISK SUBSYSTEMS

PART NO.	NO. OF PLATTERS	MEMORY SPACE (M BYTE)	LIST	OUR
MCP12611	1	6.1	\$4923.00	\$4190.00
MCP12621	2	18.2	\$5148.00	\$4435.00
MCP12631	3	31.1	\$5673.00	\$4935.00

For S-100 bus Systems, you must order controller and OSM have access to a Metafloppy (M2, or M4) subsystem. Software Package to the right

S-100 BUS CONTROLLER AND OSM SOFTWARE PACKAGE ON 1/4" METAFLOPPY SINGLE (M2), OR DOUBLE (M4) DISKETTES

PART NO.	MEDIA TYPE	LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
MCPOSM1002	51/4" M2 Diskette	\$660.00	\$560.00
MCPOSM1004	5¼" M4 Diskette	\$660.00	\$560.00
PREREQUISITE: T	o install your Micro	disk subsyste	m, you must

MICRODISK ADD-ON DRIVES MEMORY SPACE (M LIST OUR PART NO. PLATTERS PRICE BYTE PRICE MCP12511 \$4458.00 \$3995.00 MCP12521 \$4683.00 \$5208.00 \$4250.00

MICROPOLIS" DISK DRIVE SUBSYSTEMS

At Micropolis, complete means complete.

Some suppliers offer only hardware and call that complete. At Micropolis complete means everything: hardware and software and documentation.

The hardware set is complete with S-100/8080/Z-80 compatible controller, drive(s), cable-even a built-in Autoload bootstrap ROM to eliminate tiresome button pushing.

Our full Disk Extended BASIC and DOS, assembler and editor software comes complete, too. On its own diskette, ready to go. Software from Micropolis includes a DOS and Disk Extended Basic designed for 8080/Z80-based microcomputers.

DOS is a complete package, including an assembler, editor, file management functions and utilities, which provides total support for 8080 programming. BASIC is a self-

contained package which provides a powerful set of tools for developing, testing, executing, and maintaining BASIC programs.

BASIC is designed for microcomputers with at least 24K bytes of RAM and a Micropolis MetaFloppy disk system. DOS can be used alone in a 16K bytes memory system.

Activating the built-in Auto load ROM brings up the system under control of the DOS executive. BASIC can be accessed by issuing a simple DOS command.

Both packages are designed for flexible, efficient programming. Both packages use the same file structure and file management scheme for total compatibility. 8080 programs created under DOS can be loaded and accessed from BASIC. Data files created under BASIC can be processed by user written application programs running under the DOS.

At Micropolis, complete means COMPLETE.

Imagine getting all the capacity of an 8-inch floppy in a 51/4-inch format.

MetaFloppy can give you this higher capacity because it packs more data into every disk. You get the capacity of larger 8-inch drives with the lower price and smaller packaging of 5%-inch drives

An ordinary 514-inch floppy provides just 35 tracks/drive and stores only 70K bytes. Not nearly enough for anything useful. So instead, we use 77 tracks—each with 16 sectors of 256 bytes/sector—to yield a capacity of 315K bytes per side. That's more than four times an ordinary 514-inch floppy! And why we call this one "quad density."

Combine two of these drives in a compact dual module and you can copy diskettes from one drive to the other, or rearrange data files, or whatever. The dual unit stores 630K bytes. Enough for almost anything. But just in case that isn't enough, our controller can handle two duals (or four singles). That means your micro can have more than a million bytes of formatted disk storage.

If that still isn't enough, on special order you can add a second controller with up to four more drives. That will give you a grand total of over 2,500,000 bytes of storage on-line. This means, if your application keeps growing, we've got you covered in easy steps. And you get all these bytes at surprisingly low cost.



METAFLOPPY DISK SUBSYSTEMS

DESCRIPTION

. Subsystems complete with BASIC, DOS, Assembler/Editor, Users Manual, 8-100 Con-troller, complete Calling, Cabinet, and Power Supply.

DOUBLE SIDED DESCRIPTION LIST PRICE OUR PRICE MCP-1054-4 Four-disk system with 2,520,000 \$4.622.00 \$3,995.00 atted) on-line storage capacity, 50 lbs. Two-disk system with 1,260,000 MCP-1053-4 \$2,295.00 bytes (formatted) of on-line storage capacity, 25 lbs. One disk system with 630,000 MCP-1043-4 \$1.501.00 \$1,298.00 natted) of on-line storage capacity 16 lbs SINGLE SIDED DESCRIPTION LIST PRICE OUR PRICE Four-disk system with 1,260,000 bytes (formatted) on-line storage MCP-1054-2 \$2.895.00 capacity, 50 lbs. MCP-1053-2 Two-disk system with 630,000 \$1,895.00 \$1,650.00 bytes (formatted) of on-line storage capacity, 25 lbs.
One disk system with 315,000 \$1,145.00 bytes (formatted) of on-line storage capacity, 16 lbs. MCP-1043-2 \$1,145.00

Subsystems complete with BASIC, DOS, Assembler/Editor, Users Manual, S-100 Cor Troller: Cabinet and Data Cable.

Requires DC Regulator Kit (Part # MCP-109101), to convert raw S-100 Buss DC supplie to voltages necessary for the Drive Module. DOUBLE SIDED

One-disk system with 630,000 bytes (formatted) of on-line storage MCP-1041-4 capacity SINGLE SIDED PART # DESCRIPTION LIST PRICE DUR PRICE One-disk system with 315,000 \$1,045,00 2940.00 bytes (formatted) of on-line storage capacity

Faster than a speeding bullet.

At Micropolis, we don't skimp on performance to deliver maximum capacity. So you can expect professional operating speed and efficiency. Like checks and balances, such as automatic read verification after writing, that you would expect in a sophisticated data processing system.

NOW DOUBLE SIDED

Like fast track-to-track positioning time of only 30 milliseconds. And a data transfer rate of 250,000 bits per sec-

Up, Up, and away!

Metafloppy gets along well with almost

So choose the microcomputer you want. MetaFloppy's controller is completely compatible with the S-100/8080/Z-80 buss. It just plugs into your MITS 8800, IMSAI 8080, COMPAL-80, SOL-20, Polymorphic 88, CROMEMCO, TDL, or similar micro and it's ready to go. The memory mapped controller/bootstrap may be origined at any 1K byte boundary in the 48K to 64K byte region of memory.

For small businesses, for engineers who want to develop their own software, or for the advanced hobbyist, MetaFloppy

ADD-ON STORAGE MODULES

The MetaFloppy Add-On Storage Modules provide additional storage by adding more drives to the controller supplied with the subsystems. A maximum of four drives can be attached to each controller by use of the daisy chain cables.

Add-On modules do not include Controller, User's Manual or diskettes.

PART #	DOUBLE SIDED	LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
MCP-1033-4	Two-disk 1,260,000 byte add-on with enclosure and power supply. Re- guires daisy chain cable, 25 lbs.	\$2,022.00	\$1,860.00
MCP-1023-4	One-disk 630,000 byte add-on with enclosure and power supply. Re- gures daisy chain cable. 16 lbs.	\$930.00	\$855.00
MCP-1021-4	Oures daisy chain cable, to los. One-disk 630,000 byte add-on with enclosure. Requires daisy chain cable and regulator kit. 8 lbs.	\$834,00	\$765.00
PART #	DESCRIPTION SINGLE SIDED	LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
MCP-1033-2	Two-disk 630,000 byte add-on with enclosure and power supply. Re- quires daisy chain cable. 25 lbs.	\$1,395.00	\$1,279.00
MCP-1023-2	One-disk 315,000 byte add-on with enclosure and power supply. Re- quires daisy chain cable. 16 lbs.	\$645.00	\$595.00
MCP-1021-2	One-disk 315,000 byte add-on with enclosure. Requires daisy chain cable and requiator kit. 8 lbs	\$545.00	\$498.00

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MICROPΩLIS" DISC DRIVE SUB SYSTEMS



At Micropolis, we pack 100% more capacity into a 51/4-inch floppy.

Meet the Micropolis MacroFloppy. From the Greek "macro," meaning "large, great."

The MacroFloppy: 1041 and :1042 disk drive subsystems give you up to two times greater storage capacity than ordinary 5%-inch floppy disks. 143K bytes, to be exact. For less money than you'd think possible. Both subststems, in fact, are the lowest cost approaches to adding the capabilities of a floppy to your S-100 system.

The 70K (or thereabouts) bytes provided by most 5¼-inch floppies have never been enough. Expecially today, when you need more high-speed random access storage than ever. To help you work with larger data files. And use programs bigger than your computer's memory.

MacroFloppy provides you with that needed extra storage. And so economically.

Two complete subsystems. Ready to go.

Both the MacroFloppy: 1041 and :1042 are fully assembled, tested, burned-in, and tested again. For zero start-up pain and long term reliability. They're also backed up by our famous Micropolis factory warranty.

They both come complete with the powerful, field-proven Micropolis extended disk BASIC. And both subsystems allow upward capability of BASIC programs with the high-capacity MetaFloppy quad density floppy subsystems.

So you can use the low-cost MacroFloppy for program development, and upgrade later to the high capacity MetaFloppy.

In other words, if your application keeps growing, we've got you covered.

At Micropolis, you get it all. From a single source.

Some suppliers offer only hardware and call that everything. At Micropolis, everything means everything: hardware, software, and documentation.

The MacroFloppy: 1041 comes packaged inside a protective enclosure (without power supply). And includes an S-100 controller. Interconnect cable. And 2 diskettes, one of them the Micropolis BASIC, a compatible DOS, assembler and editor. The:1041 is even designed to be used either on your desk top, or to be integrated right into your S-100 chassis. A d.c. voltage regulator kit, 1091-01, is available to convert your S-100 chassis raw supplies to levels suitable for the :1041, at small additional cost.

The MacroFloppy: 1042 comes with everything the :1041 has, and more. Such as d.c. regulators, its own line voltage power supply, and to top it off, a striking cover. Making it look right at home just about anywhere.

To complete the package, we even include a comprehensive User's Manual including software descriptions, that tells you just what to do, and how to do it.

Because we know that you need it all.

CABLES (1 lb.)

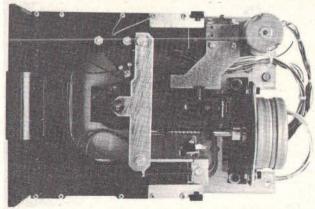
controller

MCP-1083-04

MACROFLOPPY DISC SUBSYSTEMS

PART#	DESCRIPTION	LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
MCP-1042-I	One-disk system with 143,000 bytes capacity, 16 lbs.	\$795.00	\$698.00
MCP-1041-I	One-disk system with 143,000 bytes capacity. Requires d.c. regulator kit, part number 1091-01, to convert raw S-100 bus d.c. supplies to voltages necessary for the drive module. 10 lbs.	\$695.00	\$610.00
	MACROFLOPPY ADD-ON STORAGE N	MODULES	
The two version	s of the MacroFloppy add-on storage mo	dules are:	OUR PRICE
MCP-1021-I	One-disk 143,000 byte add-on with enclosure. Requires daisy chain cable and regulator kit. 8 lbs.	\$445.00	\$410.00
MCP-1022-I	One-disk 143,000 byte add-on with enclosure and power supply. Requires daisy chain cable. 15 lbs.	\$545.00	\$499.00

NOTE: Add-on modules do not include Controller, User's Manual or Diskettes.



MCP-1083-01 Standard interface cable A, with 2 connectors for use with 1 storage module attached to controller. MCP-1083-02 Daisy chain interface cable B, with 3 connectors for use with 2 storage modules attached to

MCP-1083-03 Daisy chain interface cable C, with 4 connectors \$50.00 for use with 3 storage modules attached to controller.

controller.

MCP-1092-06 Power cable A, to be used in conjunction with \$8.00 1015/1016 series drives.

for use with 4 storage modules attached to

Daisy chain interface cable D. with 5 connectors

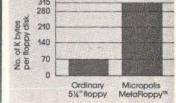
MCP-1092-07 Power cable B, to be used in conjunction with \$8.00

ACCESSORIES

MCP-1091-01	Regulator kit for 1041, 1021, 1015 and 1016.	\$20.00
MCP-1092-01	Relocatable bootstrap kit.	\$25.00

MCP-1093-03 Poly 88 kit (relocated BASIC MDOS) \$25.00





Each one of our floppy disks has a remarkable storage capacity, eliminating the need to keep bothersome stacks of paper.

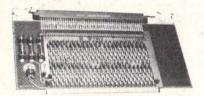
\$65.00



CK-017 ACTIVE TERMINATOR

Active termination promotes reliable and accurate data transfer by minimizing the ringing, cross-talk, overshoot noise and other gremlins that can occur with unterminated lines. Also saves considerable energy compared to passive termination systems, thereby putting less strain on your power supply and keeping heat out of the enclosure. All lines (except power & ground) terminated to 2.7 V through 270

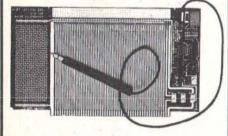
GBT-106U Kit 1 lb. \$34.95



Extender/Terminator

- Active and/or dynamic termination
- All power lines fused for protection
- All S-100 lines labeled and numbered
- Can be used as an extender and/or terminator
- Solder mask both sides of board
- Silkscreened reference designations
- Gold plated fingers

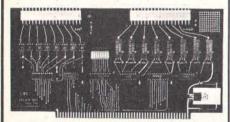
CCS-2520AK Kit 1 lb.....\$39.95



S-100 Extender Board

Includes built-in logic probe, great instructions. Allows you to troubleshoot and work on boards outside of the system. Ideal for taking measurements; makes probing the board easy. Includes non-slip type probe. Logic probe indicates H, L, & pulse train w/3 different colored LEDs. Kit form,

MUL-CK004 \$59.00

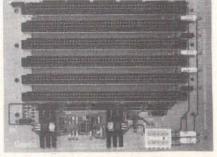


MUL-CK011 S-100 Relay/Opto-isolator Kit

S-100 compatible, 8 fast reed relays respond to an 8 bit word. Also, 8 opto-isolators accept an 8 bit word from outside and send it to your computer for handshaking or further control purposes. Good for model railroad, burglar alarm, audio switching, automated display, ham radio and other uses.

MUL-CK011K Kit	\$129.00
MUL-CK011 A&T	\$179.00

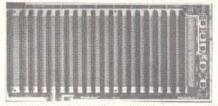
MOTHERBOARDS



S-100 MOTHERBOARDS WITH ACTIVE TERMINATION & SHIELDING

- 6. 12. or 20 slot
- Active termination for buffering to 2.7 volts at 280 ohms
- Standby current, a low 15-20 MA
- Shielding further reduces noise factor
- All power is brought out to a block connector for convenience
- S-100 connectors are .125" pin to pin on 3/4" centers.
- · Assembled and tested.

		LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
GBT-153U	UNKIT 6 SLOT		\$ 89.00
GBT-153A	A&T 6 SLOT	\$129.00	\$119.00
GBT-154U	UNKIT 12 SLOT		\$129.00
GBT-154A	A&T 12 SLOT	\$169.00	\$149.00
GBT-155U	UNKIT 20 SLOT		\$174.00
GBT-155A	A&T 20 SLOT	\$214.00	\$189.00



THE WUNDERBUSS with Noiseguard® High-performance S-100 bussboards

Shown: WÜNDERBUSS™/20

Capacity: 20 positions Dimensions: 17 1/4" x 81/2"

Specifications:

- · Edge Connectors: S-100 type, .125" spacing on 3/4"
- Shielding: Every signal fully shielded by both interconnected ground lines, 2nd cross-coupled ground planes.
- Termination: Active termination of each line. Termination network includes LM 201 op amp and 2 PNP/NPN pairs for buffering to 2.4 volts at 180 ohms.
- Mounting: Holes at each edge connector position, plus auxiliary holes to fit IMSAI cabinet.
- Power Connectors: "Fast on" connectors at all 10 positions
- Power Required: 7 to 10 volts; 14 to 20 volts; -14 to -20
- Peripheral Power Outputs: 5 volts at 1 amp, 12 volts at 500ma; - 12 volts at 500ma.
- Circuit Board: Double-sided glass epoxy with plated through holes. Solder mask on both sides and part legend.

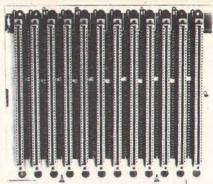
KITS (less S-100 connectors)

THT-WB8K	\$54.00
THT-WB12K	\$65.00
THT-WB20K	\$76.00

A&T (with connectors)

	LIST PRICE	OUR PRI
THT-WB8A	\$144.00	\$136.
THT-WB12A	\$175.00	\$165.
THT-WB20A	\$226.00	\$209.

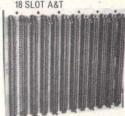
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OTC-MB18BB	18 SLOT BARE BOARD	\$ 50.00
OTC-MB18K	18 SLOT KIT	\$100.00
OTC-MB18A	18 SLOT A&T	\$140.00
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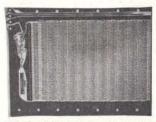


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- Twelve-slot capability using standard S-100 connectors · Low-reactance pin connectors to eliminate ringing and
- data error
- 'Double path" trace pattern which halves the line inductance
- On-board voltage regulator
- Active termination to regulate signal line voltages Wide spacing of bus lines
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- Capability of supporting CPUs at 4 MHz and above
- · Solder mask on both sides of board
- · Simple, strong mounting

CCS-2501A

\$119.95

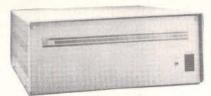


VCT-8803 Motherboard for S-100 Bus Microcomputer

Mounts 11 receptacles with 100 contacts or 10 receptacles plus interconnectors to smaller boards for expansion. Connectors mount with tabs protruding through .038 inch (1 mm) diameter holes in rows spaced .250 inch (6.4 mm) on each connector position and 0.75 inch (19 mm) between connector positions. Includes etched circuit and instructions for active or passive terminations plus 12 tantalum capacitors for +5, +12, -12 volt buses, and spacers for mounting in Vector VP1 or VP2 cases. G-10 epoxy glass board with 2 ounce copper, solder plated circuitry plus solder mask to avoid accidental short circuits. Large buses: +5 V and GND (10 amps), +12 V or 16 V (7 amps). Current ratings are per MIL-STD-275 with 10° rise.

Shipping weight 2 pounds (.9 kg) \$29.50

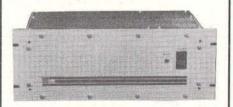




MAINFRAMES

THE BMW OF S-100 MAINFRAMES

From the power supply through the sturdy chassis, TEI constructs and assembles each mainframe with great care. Every TEI mainframe utilizes a constant voltage transformer (CVT) which delivers clean, regulated power at the proper level, reducing the heat in the computer cards. The output voltage on the transformer remains nearly even with the input voltage varying from approximately 85V to 140V. This means the mainframe will never notice voltage variations or even a brownout. It also provides 100 dB noise rejection to protect the computer from voltage spikes and line noise. voltage spikes and line noise



TEI 22 slot and 12 slot mainframes offer a S-100 mother-board which is grounded, shielded and actively terminated for high speed operation now or for later upgrading. Each mainframe is shipped completely assembled, tested and burned in, with fan, washable filter, all connectors and card guides. Rackmount models are available in both 22 and 12 slot mainframes. The combination of the lowest noise bus, a regulated CVT power system and a rugged chassis produces a mainframe without equal.

		LIST	OUR
	AINFRAMES	PRICE	PRICE
TEI-MCS 112	12 Slot Desk	\$685.00	\$615.00
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TEI-RM 12	12 Slot Rackmount	\$800.00	\$720.00
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Shipping Weight:	On 12 Slot Mainframes	35 Lbs.	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
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WITH 3 CUTOUTS FOR 51/4" FLOPPY DISK DRIVES
INTERNAL CABLING IS PROVIDED

12 Slot 12 Slot \$625.00 \$715.00 Shipping Weight: 40 Lbs.



S-100 compatible · Industrial/commercial quality construction

Industrar/control Filp-top cover
Excellent cooling capability
-12 slot capability (uses model 2501A)
-Input 105, 115, or 125 VAC
-Output +8 VDC20A, + - 16 VDC 4A
-Active termination of all bus lines
-Fan and circuit breaker included

Rugged construction CCS-2200A Assembled & Tested 35 lbs ... \$399.00 \$369.95 \$349.95



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Data signals are terminated at the back of the cabinet with a socket/header connector
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Vented chassis for cool, reliable operation

Color Beige

THT-S801R1P

Shipping weight: 20 lbs. (single drive cabinet)
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DUAL CABINET
WITH TWO DRIVES
25.00 THT-D801R2P \$125 WITH ONE DRIVE THT-D801R1P \$825.00 TH1
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EXTERNAL DATA CABLES

PRI-50 SK SK PRI-50 CE SK Socket to Socket Cardedge to Socket Cardedge to Cardedge 19.95 PRI-50 CE CE 19.95

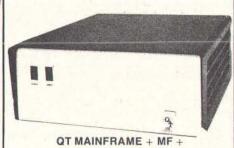


(Accepts 2 each 51/4" Disk Drives)

MF + MD

Includes cabinet, 18 amp power supply, IEEE S-100 Motherboard (6-12 slot) and dual-mini-disk provision with disk drive power supply. The QT + MF + MD is fan-cooled, has AC line filter to eliminate EMI, and is fully assembled and factory tested. Power and reset switches are located on the front panel

QTC-MF+MD12 \$500.00 QTC-MF+MD6 \$450.00 QTC-MF+MD Without Mother Board \$400.



Includes cabinet, 30 amp power supply, and the IEEE S-100 motherboard (12 or 18-slot). The QT MF+ is fancooled, has AC line filter to eliminate EMI, and is fully assembled and factory tested. Power and reset switches are located on front panel.

QTC-MF+12 \$450.00 QTC-MF+18 QTC-MF+ Without Mother Board



SHUGART SA801R

\$HU-801R \$499.00 2 OR MORE \$470.00 Capacity Single Density **Double Density** Unformatted Per Disk Per Track 3.2 megabits 41.7 kilobits 6.4 megabits 83.4 kilobits IBM Format Per Disk Per Track 2.0 megabits n/a 26.6 kilobits 250 kilobits/sec n/a 500 kilobits/sec. Transfer Rate Latency (average) Access Time Track to Track 83 ms 83 ms 8 ms Average Setting Time Head Load Time 260 ms 8 ms 35 ms 260 ms 8 ms 35 ms

Shugart's SA801 standard floppy disk drive is the estab-lished industry leader with over 85,000 units installed around the world. This floppy disk drive application leader-ship is backed by 17 patents and a technical st

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SHUGART SA400

ACTIVITY LIGHT WRITE PROTECT CIRCUITRY CAPACITY HEADS HEADS BIT TRANSFER RATE RECORDING DENSITY AVERAGE ACCESS TIME DRIVE DIMENSIONS SHIPPING WEIGHT 25K bits/sec. 2600BPI max. 550 msec. 3.25"H x 5.75"W x 8"L 4 LBS

SHUGART SA400 51/4" 110 KB, 35 tracks SHU-SA400\$295.00



GODBOUT S-100 MAINFRAMES

 Rugged metal frame Line cord

connectors

· Line filter fan

Fuse holder

2 Convenience outlets
Cardguides
Base is drilled to accept all vector

& Godbout motherboards Desk and rack mount Back panel has cutouts for 12-DB25, 3-DA15, & 2-DD50

GBT-BOX DESK\$289.00 GBT-BOX RACK\$329.00

SHIPPING WEIGHT: 23 LBS

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Shipping Weight 48 lbs.

STANDARD FEATURES:

- Separate integral 12-key Numeric Pad
- All 128 ASCII Codes
- 64 Displayable Characters
- 24 x 80 Screen Configuration
- High Resolution using a 5 x 7 Dot Matrix
- TTY-Style Keyboard Layout
- Cursor Addressing and Sensing
- EIA Interface
- Eight Selectable Transmission Rates up to 9600 Baud
- Microprocessor Based
- Remote Commands
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ALL THE FEATURES OF THE "1410" PLUS

- . 94 Displayable Characters including lower case
- 15 key Numeric Pad including (+).(-) and Enter
- User-Defined Video Presentation Intensity Blink, or Non-Display
- Cursor Control Keys
- Typematic
- Typewriter-Style Keyboard
- Field Tab
- Column Tab
- Twelve Operator Function Keys
- Non-Glare Screen
- Audible Alarm
- Remotely-Controlled Auxiliary EIA Input/Output Interface (Option)

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HAZ1421

Shipping Weight 48 lbs.

- All 128 ASCII Codes
- 95 Displayable Characters including Lower Case
- High Resolution using a 5 x 9 Dot Matrix including two Lower Case Descenders
- Typewriter-Style Keyboard Layout
- User-defined Video Presentation
- Cursor Addressing and Sensing
- EIA Interface
- Eight Transmission Rates up to 9600 Baud Non-Glare Screen
- Self Test
- 12-Key Numeric Pad
- Switch-Selectable Emulation: ADM 3A/Consul 580/HAZELTINE 1400 Series

LIST PRICE: \$895.00 **OUR PRICE: \$859.00**



HAZ1500

Shipping Weight 48 lbs.

STANDARD FEATURES:

- All 128 ASCII Codes
- · 94 Displayable Characters Including Lower Case
- 24 x 80 Screen Configuration
- High-Resolution Characters Using a 7 x 10 Dot Matrix
- ANSI standard Keyboard Layout including Numeric Pad
- · Cursor Addressing and Sensing
- **Dual Intensity**
- EIA and 20MA Interface
- Nine Selectable Transmission Rates Up to 19.2 KB Auxiliary EIA Output
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- Microprocessor Based

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HAZ1510

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ALL THE FEATURES OF THE "1500" PLUS

- Cursor Control Keys
- · Protected/Unprotected Data
- Transmit Page, Line or batches of information
- Function Keys - up to 127
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- · Format Mode with Insert and Delete Line Keys
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- Interfacing of both serial and parallel printers
- Printer speed independent of communications baud
- Printer control codes to be sent by the CPU and received by the printer without restriction or alteration of the terminal (especially useful for wide carriage applications)
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LIST PRICE: \$1450.00 OUR PRICE: \$1395.00



MONITOR, 13 INCH DIAGONAL

LIST PRICE: \$495.00 OUR PRICE: \$475.00 High performance color data display monitor for use with color capable computer systems. Features an vitin color capable computer systems. Features an in-line gun, slotted black matrix CRT with 90 sq. inch viewing area; up front controls and easy care steel cabinet. Standard EIA timing provides a 16 line x 64 character display format. Requires 1.0 volt p-p composite video input. Shipping Weight 37 lbs.

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DATA DISPLAY MONITOR, 9 INCH DIAGONAL

Shipping Weight 15 lbs.

LIST PRICE: \$220.00 **OUR PRICE: \$198.00**

Compact, affordably priced data display monitor is ideal for personal use or where space is limited. Features a 44 sq. inch viewing screen; white data display; up-front controls and easy care steel cabinet. Standard EIA timing provides a 16 line x 64 character display format. Requires 1.0 volt p-p composite video input.



SYODM5012 HIGH PERFORMANCE DATA DISPLAY MONITOR, 12 INCH DIAGONAL

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LIST PRICE: \$315.00 OUR PRICE: \$298.00 Designed for use with advanced level computer systems. Features an anti-reflective, 75 sq. inch viewing screen; white, high resolution data display; up-front controls and easy care steel cabinet. Computer compatible timing provides a 24 line x 80 character display format. Requires 1.0 volt p-p composite video input.



PROFESSIONAL DATA DISPLAY MONITOR, 12 INCH DIAGONAL

Shipping Weight 24 lbs.

LIST PRICE: \$325.00 OUR PRICE: \$310.00 This professional data display monitor features an anti-reflective, 75 sq. inch viewing screen and green, high resolution data display for maximum viewing comfort. Also featured are up-front controls and easy care steel cabinet. Computer compatible timing provides a 24 line x 80 character display format. Requires 1.0 volt p-p composite video input.

VISIT



3 way paper handling system 96 character ASCII

microprocessor electronics

microprocessor electronics
expanded print
right margin justification
print underlining
9-wire free flight print head
bidirectional stepper motor paper drive
full one line buffer
21 Ipm with 80 columns printed

58 Ipm with 20 columns printed 6 lines per inch vertical spacing paper tear bar

parallel or serial interface

50 to 9600 baud switch selectable

List Price Our Price \$895.00 995.00 \$1045.00



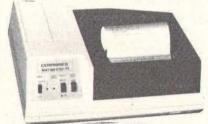
CENTRONICS 730 DOT MATRIX PRINTER

Standard Features:

- 100 characters/second
- 80 characters/line 10 characters/inch
- 3-way paper handling system
- 7x7 dot matrix 96 character ASCII

- microprocessor electronics unidirectional print at 5.0 ips high speed return approximately 10 ips
- 21 lpm with 80 columns printed 58 lpm with 30 columns printed
- 80 character buffer
- 6 lpi vertical Parallel or serial interface

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CENTRONICS® MICROPRINTER **Nonimpact Desk-Top Printers**

The paper requires no toners or ribbons. Instead, it carries a conductive aluminized coating which is vaporized by a low voltage discharge from the print head to produce highly readable characters.

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- Frequency Stability: ±0.3 percent. Crystal controlled

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specifications
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Indicators: Transmit Data, Receive Data, Carrier

Indicators: Transmit Data, Receive Data, Carrier Ready, Test
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CABLES Part No. Description CND-RS2328F RS232 8 Cond 8 ft.... LIV-I2I IEEE to IEEE 2 Meter Price \$59.95 LIV-I2PET IEEE to Pet 2 Meter



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0-300 Baud Bell 103

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TRS-80* MEMORY EXPANSION KITS

You're busy writing programs. Suddenly, in the middle of a line you run out of memory space! In the words of a famous San Francisco detective, "What will you do? What will YOU do?"

Now that you have discovered some of the things your TRS-80° can do for you games, business, education—you want to do more. You want to go beyond the simple program, but when you type in the PRINT MEM command, there is no memory space left. What will you do? If you're smart, you will do what thousands of other TRS-80° owners have done. You will dash off an order to Priority 1 Electronics for our 16K Memory Expansion Kits. Don't pay a penny more or settle for anything less. Our Memory Expansion Kits come complete with eight factory prime 16K dynamic RAM chips, easy to follow step-bystep instructions, and a 100% guarantee. What more could you ask for?

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The Mini-8100S is an S-100 size card providing a compact S-100 adapter for the TRS-80th computer. Designed for those who possess or will possess an S-100 mainframe. It has the same adapter circuitry as the Mini-8100, but plugs exactly into an S-100 motherboard.

Features:

- **S-100 Bus Interface
 **Fully Socketed
 **Solder Mask and Silk Screened Component Legend
 **Not Recommended for Use With Expansion Interface

Ordering Information: CCS-T2400AA Mini-8100S List Our Price .\$125.00 \$112.61

MODEL T5400AA

The Mini-8100 opens up the vast world of S-100 products for your TRS-80™ Computer, providing an S-100 Bus adapter/motherboard for memory expansion and extended I/O capabilities. This combination four-slot motherboard and S-100 interface connects to the TRS-80 or expansion interface.

- Features:
 S-100 Bus Interface
 4-Slot Motherboard

- Fully Socketed Solder Mask and Silk Screened Component Legend

Ordering Information: CCS-T5400AA Mini-8100

List Our Price

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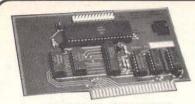
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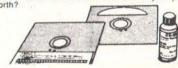
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	6502 SERIES		8T26N	QUAD BUS DRV/RCVR EXT			\$2.75
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6502	8 BIT CPU	\$12.95	8T97N 8T98N	HEX BUFFER TRI-STATE HEX INVERTER TRI-STATE			\$1.95 \$1.95
6502A 6520	8 BIT CPU PIA	\$18.95 \$8.95	8131N MC1488P	QUAD TRI-STATE LINE RECEIVER RS232 QUAD LINE DRIVER			\$3.00 \$1.18
6522 6530-002	PIA RAM/ROM I/O TIMER	\$10.95 \$21.95	MC1489P	RS232 QUAD LINE RECEIVER			\$1.18
6530-003 6530-004	RAM/ROM I/O TIMER TIM, RAM/ROM	\$21.95 \$21.95		UARTS			
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PART NO. MC6800P	DESCRIPTION 8 BIT CPU	\$11.95		MEK6800 MICROCOMPUTE	R MODU	ILES	
MC6802P MC6808P	MPU, CLK, RAM MPU, CLK	\$17.95 \$9.95	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	C MONITOR /	MOKED	PRICE
MC6809P MC6821P	MICROPROCESSOR PIA	\$34.95 \$5.95	MEK6809D4A MEK6809D4B	6809 MPU BOARD, CASS INT, 1K RAM, DEBU SAME AS ABOVE, WITH ADDR & DATA BUFF		WIOKEP)	\$490.00
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MC6840P MC6845P	PTM CRT CONTROLLER	\$14.95 \$31.00	MEK680205	6802 SBC, 25 KEY KEYPAD, 2K MONITOR WITH DEBUG, PWR SUPPLY			\$305.00
MC6847P MC6850P	COLOR VIDEO DISPLAY GEN. ASYNCH. COMM. INT. ADAPT.	\$14.95 \$5.41	MEK68IOE MEK68RRE	I/O MODULE, CASS INT., RS-232C INT, DIA PO RAM/ROM MODULE, 1K RAM EXPAN. TO 8K,	ORT (MOKEP)		\$325.00
MC6852P MC6854P	SYNCH, SER, DATA ADAPT, ADVANCED DATA LINK CONT.	\$5.79 \$24.95	MEK6800ABC	EDITOR/ASSEMBLER ON ROM (MOKEP) ADAPTER/MOTHERBOARD FOR MEK6800			\$469.00
MC6860P MC6862P	0-600 BPS MODEM 0-2400 BPS MODEM	\$10.89 \$12.00	MEK6809EAC	D2 AND MOKEP PRODUCTS EDITOR/ASSEMBLER FOR THE MEK6809EAC	(CV 66 300 E	RALID)	\$215.00 \$110.00
MC6875L MC66710P	MPU CLOCK GEN. CHAR. GEN ASCII SHFTD W/GRK	\$7.40 \$12.50	MEK6800D2A	6800 EVALUATION KIT II, PIA I/O, CASS INT,		ומטאמ	\$409.00
MC66750P	CHAR. GEN ALPHA, NUM, CTRL CHAR.	\$12.50	MEK6802D3	6802 SBC HEX KEYPAD, PARALLEL I/O, MONITOR, 16 BIT TIMER COUNTER		01/55	\$305.00
	MOTOROLA, Semiconductors		MEK6802D3C MEK68IO	SAME AS ABOVE WITHOUT KEYPAD & LED I SAME AS MEK6810 LESS RS-232 DRIVER RO	M	PENSONANI N	\$269.00 \$305.00
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MOT-BO412	TITLE	PRICE \$5.95	MEK68R2 MEK68R2M	PROGRAMMABLE CRT INTERFACE FOR THE PROGRAMMABLE CRT INTERFACE FOR THE		(MOKEP)	\$359.00 \$359.00
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MOT-B0437	BASIC MICRO AND THE M6800	\$8.95 \$15.95	MEK68CMB	10 SLOT MOTHERBOARD AND CARD CAGE FOR THE MOKEP FAMILY			\$209.00
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MOT-B0440 MOT-B0441	BASIC I/C ENGR. AND THE 6800 LINEAR INTERFACE LINEAR CIRCUIT MASTER SEL. GUIDE OPTO-ISOLATORS	\$6.50	DIP-SW4	NO. OF POSITIONS	1-9 \$1.50	10-24 \$1.40	\$1.28
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	QUAD 2-IN NAND GATE	\$.40	74LS78	DUAL J-F F/F W/PRESET, COMM				
	QUAD 2-IN NAND GATE (OC) QUAD 2-IN NOR GATE (OC)	.40	74LS83	CLK + CLR 4-BIT FULL ADD	\$.63 1.37	PART #	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
	QUAD 2-IN NAND GATE (OC)	.40	74LS85	4-BIT MAG COMP	1.58	74LS173	QUAD "D" REG (TS)	\$1.89
-	HEX INV	.42	74LS86	QUAD EX-OR GATE	.58	74LS174	HEX "D" F/F	2.05
	HEX INV	.42	74LS90	BINARY COUNTER	.95	74LS175 74LS190	QUAD "D" F/F U/D DECADE CTR	1.95
	QUAD 2-IN AND GATE QUAD 2-IN NAND GATE (OC)	.40	74LS93 74LS107	BINARY COUNTER DUAL J-K F/F W/CORNER PWR PINS	.95 .62	74LS191	U/D BINARY CTR	1.43
LS10	TRIP 3-IN NAND	.40	74LS109	DUAL J-K F/F POS EDGE	.60	74LS192	U/D DECADE BINARY	3.05
	TRIP 3-IN AND	.42	74LS112	DUAL J-K F/F NEG EDGE	.62	74LS193	U/D BINARY CTR	3.05
	TRIP 3-IN NAND GATE (OC)	.42	74LS113	DUAL J-K F/F NEG EDGE	.62	74LS196 74LS197	PRESET DECADE CTR PRESET BINARY CTR	1.98
	DUAL SCHMITT TRIG HEX SCHMITT TRIG	.78 2.20	74LS114 74LS122	DUAL J-K F/F NEG EDGE RETRIGGERABLE MON MULTIVIBRATOR	.62 1.55	74LS221	DUAL MONO. MULTIVIBRATOR (SCH TRG)	1.70
LS15	TRIP 3-IN NAND	.42	74LS123	DUAL RETRIG. MONO. MULTIVIBRATOR	1.70	74LS240	OCTAL INV BUS/LINE DRVR	2.81
	DUAL 4-IN NAND GATE	.40	74LS125	QUAD BUFF (TS)	.74	74LS241	OCTAL BUS/LINE DRVR	2.81
	DUAL 4-IN NAND GATE	.40	74LS126	QUAD BUFF (TS)	.74	74LS242 74LS243	QUAD BUS TRSCVR/INV QUAD BUS TRSCVR	2.81
	DUAL 4-IN NAND GATE (OC) QUAD 2-IN NAND GATE (HV)	.40 .42	74LS132 74LS136	QUAD SCHMITT TRIG QUAD EX-OR GATE	1.20	74LS244	OCTAL 3 STAT DRVR	2.81
LS27	TRIP 3-IN NOR GATE	.42	74LS138	EXP. SNGL 3/8 DECODER	.95	74LS245	OCTAL BUS TRSCVR	2.53
	SNGL 8-IN NAND GATE	.40	74LS139	EXP. DUAL 2/4 DECODER	.95	74LS247 74LS253	BCD-7 SEGMT DECODER/DRIVER	1.68
	QUAD 2-IN OR GATE	.46	74LS151	SNGL 8-1 MUX	.84	74LS253	DUAL 4-IN MUX (TS) QUAD 2-IN MUX	1.95
	QUAD 2-IN NAND BUFF QUAD 2-IN NAND BUFF (OC)	.46	74LS153 74LS154	DUAL 4-1 MUX SNGL 4-16 DECODER	2.10	74LS258	QUAD 2/1 MUX	1.95
LS40	DUAL 4-IN NAND BUFF	.42	74LS155	DUAL 2-4 DEMUX	1.55	74LS266	QUAD EX-NOR GATE	.66
	BCD-DECIMAL DECODER/DRIVER	.92	74LS156	DUAL 2-4 DEMUX (OC)	1.55	74LS279	QUAD SET/RESET LATCH	.88
	BCD-7 SEGMT DECODER/DRIVER	1.78	74LS157	QUAD 2-1 MUX	.84	74LS283 74LS299	4-BIT FULL ADD FOUR BIT BINARY COUNTER	1.76
	BCD-7 SEGMT DECODER/DRIVER BCD-7 SEGMT DECODER/DRIVER	1.78 1.78	74LS158 74LS160	QUAD 2-1 MUX (INV OUT) PRESET DECADE CTR	.95 2.20	74LS365	HEX BUFF (TS)	.88
LS51	QUAD 2-IN AND-OR-INV GATE	.40	74LS161	PRESET BINARY CTR	1.20	74LS366	HEX INV (TS)	.88.
.854	QUAD 2-IN AND-OR-INV GATE	.40	74LS162	PRESET DECADE CTR (SYN CLR)	2.20	74LS367	HEX BUFF (4-2) (TS)	.81
	DUAL 4-IN AND-OR-INV GATE	.40	74LS163	PRESET DECADE CTR (SYN CLR)	1.20	74LS368 74LS373	HEX INV (4-2) TS TRI-STATE OCTAL D-FLIP-FLOP	2.0
	DUAL J-F F/F W/PRESET + CLR DUAL "D" F/F	.60	74LS164 74LS168	8-BIT S/R SVN DECADE II/D CTR	2.20	74LS374	TRI-STATE OCTAL D-FLIP-FLOP	2.00
LS75	QUAD LATCH	.82	74LS168 74LS169	SYN DECADE U/D CTR SYN BINARY U/D CTR	3.75 3.75	74LS386	QUAD EX-OR GATE	.6
	DUAL J-K F/F W/PRESET + CLR	.62	74LS170	4x4 REG FILE	3.15	74LS670	4x4 REG FILE (TS)	3.5
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	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	PART #	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	74157	QUAD 2-INPUT MULTIPLEXER (9322)	1.10
	QUAD TWO-INPUT GATE	\$.32	7454	AND-OR-INVERT GATE	\$.32	74160	PRESETTABLE DECADE COUNTER (9310)	1.32
	QUAD TWO-INPUT GATE (OPEN COLL.) QUAD TWO-INPUT NOR GATE	.32	7460 7470	DUAL FOUR-INPUT EXPANDER EDGE-TRIGGERED J-K FLIP-FLOP	.32	74161 74162	PRESET, DECADE BINARY COUNTER (9316) PRESET, DECADE CTR (SYNCH CLEAR)	1.32
	QUAD TWO-INPUT NOR GATE QUAD TWO-INPUT GATE (OPEN COLL.)	.32	7470	J-K MASTER SLAVE FLIP-FLOP	.45	74162	PRESET. DECADE CTR (SYNCH CLEAR) PRESET. BINARY CTR (SYNCH CLEAR)	1.32
	HEX INVERTER	.36	7473	DUAL J-K FLIP-FLOP	.45	74164	SERIAL-IN, PARA-OUT 8-BIT SHIFT REG.	1.43
	HEX INVERTER (OPEN COLLECTOR)	.36	7474	DUAL D FLIP-FLOP	.45	74165	PARA-IN, SERIAL-OUT 8-BIT SHIFT REG	1.43
	30V-40MA HEX INVERTER	.45	7475	QUAD LATCH	.73	74166	8-BIT SHIFT REGISTER	1.43
	30V-40MA HEX BUFFER QUAD 2-INPUT POSITIVE AND GATE	.45 .32	7476 7483	DUAL J-K FLIP-FLOP 4-BIT BINARY FULL ADDER	.45 .99	74170 74173	4 x 4 REGISTER FILE TRI ST. QUAD K FFLOP (DM8551N)	1.80
	QUAD 2-INPUT AND GATE (OC)	.32	7485	FOUR-BIT MAGNITUDE COMPARATOR	1.30	74174	HEX D FLIP-FLOP	1.2
	TRIPLE THREE -INPUT GATE	.32	7486	QUAD EXCLUSIVE-OR GATE	.40	74175	QUAD D FLIP-FLOP	1.21
111	TRIPLE THREE-INPUT AND GATE	.32	7489	64 BIT RAM O.C.	2.98	74176	PRESET. DECADE COUNTER (DM8280)	1.37
	DUAL SCHMITT TRIGGER HEX SCHMITT TRIGGER	.54 1.25	7490 7491	DECADE COUNTER SERIAL-IN, SERIAL-OUT 8-BIT SHIFT REG	.73 .99	74177 74180	PRESET. BINARY COUNTER (DM8281) PARITY GENERATOR/CHECKER	1.32
	15V-40MA HEX INVERTER	.45	7491	DIVIDE-BY-TWELVE COUNTER	.73	74180	ARITHMETIC LOGIC UNIT	2.75
	15V-40MA HEX BUFFER	.45	7493	FOUR-BIT BINARY COUNTER	.73	74182	CARRY LOOK AHEAD	1.10
20	DUAL FOUR-INPUT GATE	.32	7495	4-BIT RIGHT-SHIFT, LEFT-SHIFT REGIST	.88	74184	BCD-TO-BINARY COUNTER	2.10
	EXPAND DUAL FOUR-INPUT NOR GATE DUAL FOUR-INPUT NOR GATE	.36 .36	7496 74107	5-BIT SHIFT REG. (PARA-IN, PARA-OUT) DUAL J-K FLIP-FLOP	.99	74185 74189	BINARY-TO-BCD CONVERTER	3.6
	QUAD 2-INPUT INTERFACE NAND GATE	.36	74107	DUAL J-K FLIP-FLOP DUAL J-K FLIP-FLOP (FSC 9024)	.50	74189	64-BIT RAM (TRI-STATE) SYNCH, DECADE UP/DOWN COUNTER	1.4
	TRIPLE THREE-INPUT NOR GATE	.36	74121	ONE SHOT	.50	74190	SYNCH, BECADE OP/DOWN COUNTER SYNCH, BINARY UP/DOWN COUNTER	1.4
30	EIGHT-INPUT GATE	.32	74123	DUAL ONE SHOT	.77	74192	DECADE UP/DOWN COUNTER (DM8560N)	1.4
	QUAD 2-INPUT OR GATE QUAD TWO-INPUT NAND BUFFER	.36	74125 74126	TRI STATE QUAD BUFFER (DM8093) TRI STATE QUAD BUFFER (DM8094)	.59 .59	74193	BINARY UP/DOWN COUNTER (DM8563N)	1.4
	QUAD TWO-INPUT NAND BUFFER QUAD 2-INPUT NAND BUFFER (OC)	.42 .42	74126	QUAD SCHMITT TRIGGER	.99	74194 74195	4-BIT, BI-DIREC. UNIV. SHIFT REG 4-BIT PARALLEL SHIFT REG	1.10
	DUAL FOUR-INPUT BUFFER	.32	74141	NIXIE DRIVER	1.35	74195 74194	PRESET, DECADE COUNT, (DM8290N0	1.1
41	BCD-DECIMAL DECODER/DRIVER (NIXIE)	1.30	74145	BCD TO DECIMAL DECODER DRIVER	1.21	74198	PARA-IN, PARA-OUT 8-BIT SHIFT REG	2.2
	BCD-TO-DECIMAL DECODER	.77	74147	10/4 PRIORITY ENCODER	1.98	74199	PARA-IN, PARA-OUT, 8-BIT SHIFT REG	2.2
	BCD-TO-DECIMAL DECODER/DRIVER BCD-7 SEG DECODER/DRIVER (30 VOLT)	1.43	74148 74150	8/3 PRIORITY ENCODER (9318) SIXTEEN LINE MULTIPLEXER	1.98 1.50	74251	TRI STATE DM74151 (DM8121)	1.1
	BCD-7 SEG DECODER/DRIVER (35 VOLT)	1.32	74151	EIGHT LINE MULTIPLEXER	1.10	74284 74285	4 x 4 MULT. (MOST SIG BIT) T.S. 4 x 4 MULT. (LEAST SIG BIT) T.S.	4.9
48	BCD-7 SEG DECODER/DRIVER (ACTIVEHI)	1.32	74153	DUAL FOUR-INPUT MULTIPLEXER	1.10	74365	TRI STATE HEX BUFFER (DM8095)	.9
	EXPAN, DUAL AND-OR-INVERT GATE	.32	74154	4 TO 16 LINE DECODE/DEMUX	1.65	74366	TRI STATE HEX INVERT. (DM8096)	.9
	DUAL AND-OR-INVERT GATE EXPANDABLE AND-OR-INVERT GATE	.32	74155 74156	DUAL 2 TO 4 DEMULTIPLEXER DUAL 2 TO 4 DEMUX (OC)	1.21	74367 74368	TRI STATE HEX BUFFER (4-2) TRI STATE HEX INVERT. (4-2)	.9 .9
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		1		G.P. OP AMP (10 PAK) (MC1741CPI)	3.99			
	LINEAD		LM741CH	G.P. OP AMP (MC1741CG)	.79		LINEAR	
	LINEAR		LM747CN LM747CH	DUAL 741 (MC1747CP2) DUAL 741 (MC1747CG)	1.00 1.25	MC3403P	QUAD DIFF. OP AMP	1.2
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301AN	IMPROVED 709 OP AMP	\$.49	LM748CH	NON-COMP OP AMP (MC1748CG)	.90	LM3900	QUAD OP AMP	.9
307N	IMPROVED 741 OP AMP	.69	MC1330AP	LOW LEVEL VIDEO DET.	1.83	RC4136	QUAD 741	1.7
308N 311N	PRECISION OP AMP LOW POWER VOLTAGE COMPARATOR (DIP)	.79	MC1349P MC1350P	HI GAIN VIDEO IF AMP VIDEO IF AMP	1.49	MC4741CP	QUAD 741	1.4
311H	VOLTAGE COMPARATOR (TO-5)	1.42	MC1352P	VIDEO IF AMP WITH AGC	1.69	IC8038	FUNCTION GENERATOR	4.5
324N	LOW POWER QUAD OP AMP	1.19	MC1358P	SOUND IF AMP	1.90	MC75450P MC75451P	DUAL PERIPH. DRIVER (AND) DUAL PERIPH. DRIVER (AND)	1.8
339N	LOW POWER & OFFSET VOLTAGE OP AMP	.80	MC1408LS	8-BIT D/A CONVERTER	4.69	MC75451P	DUAL PERIPH. DRIVER (NAND)	1.2
348N 358N	LOW POWER QUAD 741 OP AMP SINGLE ENDED LOW POWER DUAL OP AMP	1.31	MC1436CG MC1439P1	HI VOLT OP AMP HI SLEW RATE OP AMP	4.41 2.84	MC75453P	DUAL PERIPH, DRIVER (OR)	1.2
380N	2.5 WATT POWER AUDIO AMP	1.49	MC1445L	HI FREQ OP AMP	2.97	MC75454P	DUAL PERIPH. DRIVER (NOR)	1.2
55V	TIMER I.C.	.55	MC1456CP1	LINEAR OP AMP	1.20	MC75491P MC75492P	QUAD LED SEGMENT DRIVER HEX LED DIGIT DRIVER	1.5
55V/10	TIMER I.C. 10 PAK	4.50	MC1458CG	DUAL 741	.98	m6/34921	TIEA LED DIGIT DRIVER	1.2
556A	DUAL 555 TIMER	1.00	MC1458CP1	DUAL 741	.69			
565A 710CN	PHASE LOCKED LOOP HI SPEED VOLT COMP. (MC1710CP)	1.49	MC1488P MC1489	RS-232 DRIVER RS-232 RECEIVER	1.18 1.18		EET LINEAD	
710CH	HI SPEED VOLT COMP. (MC1710CG)	1.20	MC1496P	BAL. MOD-DEMOD	1.31		FET LINEAR	11.5520
711CN	DUAL V/COMP W/COMM OUTPUT (MC1711CP)	.64	MC3302P	L/PWR L/OFST QUAD COMP.	.80	PART #	DESCRIPTION	PRIC
711CH	DUAL V/COMP W/COMM OUTPUT (MC1711CG)		MC3310P MC3340P	WIDE BAND AMP ELECTRONIC ATTENUATOR	.98 1.50	LF355N LF356N	JFET OP AMP L/CURRENT JFET OP AMP WIDEBAND	\$1.4
1733CN	DIFF VIDEO AMP (MC1733CP)	1.00						

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4000 4001	DUAL 3-INPUT NOR GATE + INV. QUAD 2-INPUT NOR GATE	\$.40 .40	3.3
1002	DUAL 4-INPUT NOR GATE	.40	.3
1006	18-BIT STATIC SHIFT REGISTER	1.42	1.1
4007	DUAL COMPLEMENTARY PAIR PLUS INV.	.40	.3
800	4-BIT FULL ADDER WITH PAR. CARRY	1.75	1.0
1011	QUAD 2-INPUT NAND GATE	.40	.3
1012	DUAL 4-INPUT NAND GATE	.40	.3
1013	DUAL D FLIP/FLOP	.72 1.25	.6 1.0
1014	8-BIT STATIC SHIFT REGISTER		-
1015	DUAL 4-BIT STATIC SHIFT REGISTER	1.47	1.2
1016 1017	QUAD BILATERAL SWITCH DECADE COUNTER/DIVIDER	1.25	1.0
1018	PRESETTABLE DIVIDE BY "N" COUNTER	1.14	.9
1020	14-STAGE RIPCARRY BINARY COUNTER	1.47	1.2
1021	8-BIT STATIC SHIFT REGISTER	1.25	1.0
4022	DIVIDE BY 8 COUNTER/DIVIDER	1.25	1.0
1023	TRIPLE 3-INPUT NAND GATE	.40	.3
4024	7-BIT BINARY COUNTER	1.06	.8
1025	TRIPLE 3-INPUT NOR	.40	.3
1027 1028	DUAL J-K FLIP/FLOP	.72 1.02	.6
1028 1029	BCD-TO-DECIMAL DECODER PRESETTABLE UP/DOWN COUNTER	1.42	1.1
1032	TRIPLE SER ADDER	2.19	1.8
1034	8-BIT SHIFT REGISTER	3.50	2.9
1035	4-BIT SHIFT REGISTER	1.86	1.5
1040	12-BIT BINARY RIPPLE COUNTER	1.47	1.2
1042	QUAD D. LATCH	1.06	.8
4043	QUAD TRI-STATE NOR R/S LATCH	.99	.8
1044	QUAD TRI-STATE NAND R/S LATCH	.99	.8
1046 1049	PHASE LOCKED LOOP HEX INVERTING BUFFER	1.57 .72	1.3
1050	HEX BUFFER	.72	.6
4051	SINGLE 8-CHANNEL MULTIPLEXER	1.30	1.0
4052	DIFFERENTIAL 4-CHANNEL MULTIPLEXER	1.30	1.0
1053	TRIPLE 2-CHANNEL MULTIPLEXER	1.30	1.0
1066	QUAD BILATERAL SWITCH	.80	.6
1068	8-INPUT NAND GATE	.40	.3
1069	HEX INVERTER	.40	.3
1070	QUAD EXCLUSIVE OR GATE	.40	.3
1071	BUFFERED QUAD 2-INPUT OR GATE	.40 .40	.3
1072 1073	DUAL 4-INPUT OR GATE TRIPLE 3-INPUT AND GATE	.40	.3
1075	TRIPLE 3-INPUT OR GATE	.40	.3
1076	TRI-STATE QUAD LATCH	1.57	1.3
1077	QUAD ECLSV NOR GATE	.40	.3
1078	8-INPUT NOR GATE	.40	.3
1081	BUFFERED QUAD 2-INPUT AND GATE	.40	.3
1082	DUAL 4-INPUT GATE	.40	.3
1093	QUAD 2-INPUT NAND SCHMITT TRIGGER	.78	.6
4094 4099	8-BIT BUS-COMP SHFT STR LATCH 8-BIT ADDRESSABLE LATCH	3.01 1.73	2.5
4160	DEC CNTR ASYNC CLR	1.28	1.0
4161	BIN CNTR ASYNC CLR	1.28	1.0
4162	DEC CNTR SYNC CLR	1.28	1.0
4163	BIN CNTR SYNC CLR	1.28	1.0
1174	HEX D FLIP FLOP	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.0
1175	QUAD D FLIP FLOP	1.28	1.0
1194	4-BIT UNIV. SHIFT REG.	1.42	1.1
1404	PULSE CODE MOD/DEMOD (CODEC) PULSE CODE MOD/DEMOD (CODEC)	34.40	32.4

PART #	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	1-24	25-99
4414	PCM FILTER	23.76	19.80
4408	BIN TO PHONE PLS CONV.	10.04	8.37
4409	BIN TO PHONE PLS CONV.	10.04	8.37
4410	2 OF 8 TONE ENCOR	9.28	7.73
4411	BIT RATE FEQ. GEN.	11.68	9.73
4412	UNIV. LW-SPEED MODEM	14.11	11.76
4415 4419	QUAD PREC. TIMER/DRIVER 2 OF 8 KYPD TO BIN ENCOR	5.65 3.30	4.71 2.75
4443	uP A/D CONVERTER	2.85	2.75
4457	R/C TRANSMITTER	4.50	3.75
4458	R/C TRANSMITTER	9.36	7.80
4469	ADDRESS ASYN RECEIVER/TRANSMITTER	13.37	11.14
4490	HEX CONTACT DE-BOUNCER	2.89	2.40
4495	HEX TO 7 SEG DECODER/DRIVEB	2.70	2.25
4500	T-BIT CPU IND. CONT. UNIT	5.46	4.55
4501	TRIPLE GATE	.40	.33
4502	STROBE HEX INV-BUFFER	1.73	1.44
4503 4506	TRI-STATE HEX BUFFER DUAL EXP AOI GATE	1.00	.70 .83
4508	DUAL 4-BIT LATCH	4.53	.83
4510	BCD UP/DOWN COUNTER	1.47	1.22
4510 4511	BCD-TO-SEVEN SEGMENT DECODER DRIVER	1.44	1.20
4512	8-CHANNEL DATA SELECTOR	1.42	1.18
4513	BCD-7 SEG LTCH/DEC/DRVR RIP-BL	1.91	1.59
4514	4-BIT LATCH 4 TO 16 LINE DECODER HI	2.91	2.43
4515	4-BIT LATCH 4 TO 16 LINE DECODER	2.91	2.43
4516	BINARY UP/DOWN COUNTER	1.59	1.32
4517	DUAL 64-BIT STATIC SHIFT REG	7.03	5.86
4518	DUAL BCO UP COUNTER	1.47	1.22
4519	4-BIT AND/OR SELECTOR	.80	.66
4520	DUAL BINARY UP COUNTER	1.47	1.22
4521 4522	24 STG FREQ DIVIDER DIVIDE-BY-N COUNTER (BCD)	3.56 1.81	2.97 1.51
4526	DIVIDE-BY-COUNTER (BINARY)	1.81	1.51
4527	BCD RATE MULTIPLIER	1.59	1.33
4528	DUAL MONOSTABLE MULTIVIBRATOR	1.81	1.51
4529	DUAL 4-CHANNEL ANALOG DATA SELECTOR	1.96	1.63
4530	DUAL 5 IN. MAJORITY LOG-GATE	1.22	1.02
4532	8-BIT PRIOR ENCODER	3.01	2.51
4534	REAL TIME 5 DEC CNTR	9.16	7.63
4536	PROG. TIMER	4.86	4.05
4538 4539	DUAL PREC. MONO-MLTVB DUAL 4-CHANNEL DATA SEL/MUX	1.81 1.44	1.51
4541	PROG OSC-TIMER	1.80	1.50
4543	BCD TO SEVEN SEGMENT DECODER (LCD)	2.63	2.19
4547	HI-CURRENT BCD/7 SEG DEC/DRVR	1.65	1,38
4551	QUAD 2 IN. ANALOG MUX	1.44	1.20
4553	3 DIGIT BCD CNTR	3.95	3.29
4558	DUAL BIN TO 1 OF 4 DEC (INV.)	1.15	.96
4557	1 TO 64-BIT VARIABLE SHIFT REG	3.95	3.29
4558	BCD TO 7 SEG DCDR	1.77	1.47
4560 4566	NBCD ADDER	3.80	3.17
4568	IND TIME BASE GEN. PHASE COMPARATOR/PROG. TIMER	6.49	5.41
4569	HIGH SPEED DUAL PROG. CTR	2.48	2.07
4582	LOOK AHEAD CARRY BLOCK	1.37	1.14
4583	DUAL SCHMITT TRIG	1.69	1.41
4584	EX RPL MM74C14N	.85	.71
4585	4-BIT MAG COMP	1.80	1.50
4597	8-BIT BUS COMPAT CNTR-LATCH	3.72	3.10
4598	8-BIT BUS COMPAT ADDRS-LATCH	4.33	3.61
4599	8-BIT ADDRESSABLE LATCH	3.72	3.10
45100	4 x 4 CROSS POINT SW W/CONT MEM	4.44	3.70

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CAL-ST23	(MOM ON-OFF-MOM ON)	3.80	3.50	3.25
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7805CR	5V	1.5A	\$2.50
7806ck	6V	1.5A	\$2.50
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7815CK	157	1.5A	\$2.50
7818CK	18V	1.5A	\$2.50
317T	1.2-37V	1.5A	\$2.95
7805CT	5V	1.5A	\$1.25
7806CT	6V	1.5A	\$1.25
7808CT	8V	1.5A	\$1.25
7812CT	12V	1.5A	\$1.25
7815CT	15V	1.5A	\$1.25
7818CT	18V	1.5A	\$1.25
7824CT	24V	1.4A	\$1.25
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78L08CP	8V	.1A	\$.49
78L12CP	12V	.1A	\$.49
78L15CP	15V	.1A	\$.49
78L18CP	18V	.1A	5 .49
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CASE	7905CK	5V	1.5A	\$2.50
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V	7915CK	15V	1.5A	\$2.50
K _7	7918CK	18V	1.5A	\$3.69
TO-3	7924CK	24V	1.5A	\$3.69
	7905CT	5V	1.5A	\$1.7
	7906CT	6V	1.5A	\$1.7
CT 9	7908CT	8V	1.5A	\$1.7
CI ~	7912CT	12V	1.5A	\$1.7
TO-220	7915CT	15V	1.5A	\$1.7
10 220	7918CT	18V	1.5A	\$1.7
	7924CT	24V	1.5A	\$1.7
	79L05CP	5V	.1A	\$1.1
	79L12CP	12V	.1A	\$1.1
CP	79L15CP	15V	.1A	\$1.1
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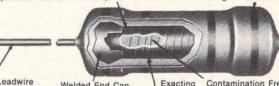
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RCQ-100	10 ohm	RCQ-101	100 ohm	RCQ-102	1.0 K	RCQ-103	10 K	RCQ-104	100 K	RCQ-105	1.0 M
RCQ-110	11 ohm	RCQ-111	110 ohm	RCQ-112	1.1 K	RCQ-113	11 K	RCQ-114	110 K	RCQ-115	1.1 M
RCQ-120	12 ohm	RCQ-121	120 ohm	RCQ-122	1.2 K	RCQ-123	12 K	RCQ-124	120 K	RCQ-125	1.2 M
RCQ-130	13 ohm	RCQ-131	130 ohm	RCQ-132	1.3 K	RCQ-133	13 K	RCQ-134	130 K	RCQ-135	1.3 M
RCQ-150	15 ohm	RCQ-151	150 ohm	RCQ-152	1.5 K	RCQ-153	15 K	RCQ-154	150 K	RCQ-155	1.5 M
RCQ-160	16 ohm	RCQ-161	160 ohm	RCQ-162	1.6 K	RCQ-163	16 K	RCQ-164	160 K	RCQ-165	1.6 M
RCQ-180	18 ohm	RCQ-181	180 ohm	RCQ-182	1.8 K	RCQ-183	18 K	RCQ-184	180 K	RCQ-185	1.8 M
RCQ-200	20 ohm	RCQ-201	200 ohm	RCQ-202	2.0 K	RCQ-203	20 K	RCQ-204	200 K	RCQ-205	2.0 M
RCQ-220	22 ohm	RCQ-221	220 ohm	RCQ-222	2.2 K	RCQ-223	22 K	RCQ-224	220 K	RCQ-225	2.2 M
RCQ-240	24 ohm	RCQ-241	240 ohm	RCQ-242	2.4 K	RCQ-243	24 K	RCQ-244	240 K	RCQ-245	2.4 M
RCQ-270	27 ohm	RCQ-271	270 ohm	RCQ-272	2.7 K	RCQ-273	27 K	RCQ-274	270 K	RCQ-275	2.7 M
RCQ-300	30 ohm	RCQ-301	300 ohm	RCQ-302	3.0 K	RCQ-303	30 K	RCQ-304	300 K	RCQ-305	3.0 M
RCQ-330	33 ohm	RCQ-331	330 ohm	RCQ-332	3.3 K	RCQ-333	33 K	RCQ-334	330 K	RCQ-335	3.3 M
RCQ-360	36 ohm	RCQ-361	360 ohm	RCQ-362	3.6 K	RCQ-363	36 K	RCQ-364	360 K	RCQ-365	3.6 M
RCQ-390 -	39 ohm	RCQ-391	390 ohm	RCQ-392	3.9 K	RCQ-393	39 K	RCQ-394	390 K	RCQ-395	3.9 M
RCQ-430	43 ohm	RCQ-431	430 ohm	RCQ-432	4.3 K	RCQ-433	43 K	RCQ-434	430 K	RCQ-435	4.3 M
RCQ-470	47 ohm	RCQ-471	470 ohm	RCQ-472	4.7 K	RCQ-473	47 K	RCQ-474	470 K	RCQ-475	4.7 M
RCQ-510	51 ohm	RCQ-511	510 ohm	RCQ-512	5.1 K	RCQ-513	51 K	RCQ-514	510 K	RCQ-515	5.1 M
RCQ-560	56 ohm	RCQ-561	560 ohm	RCQ-562	5.6 K	RCQ-563	56 K	RCQ-564	560 K	RCQ-565	5.6 M
RCQ-620	62 ohm	RCQ-621	620 ohm	RCQ-622	6.2 K	RCQ-673	67 K	RCQ-624	620 K	RCQ-625	6.2 M
RCQ-680	68 ohm	RCQ-681	680 ohm	RCQ-682	6.8 K	RCQ-683	68 K	RCQ-684	680 K	RCQ-685	6.8 M
RCQ-750	75 ohm	RCQ-751	750 ohm	RCQ-752	7.5 K	RCQ-753	75 K	RCQ-754	750 K	RCQ-755	7.5 M
RCQ-820	82 ohm	RCQ-821	820 ohm	RCQ-822	8.2 K	RCQ-823	82 K	RCQ-824	820 K	RCQ-825	8.2 M
RCQ-910	91 ohm	RCQ-911	910 ohm	RCQ-912	9.1 K	RCQ-913	91 K	RCQ-914	910 K	RCQ-915	9.1 M
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IF YOU WISH:	QTY. ORDERED	PART NUMBER	UNIT	AMOUNT
8 PCS. OF A 47 K RESISTOR	. 2	RCQ-473	.29	.58
150 PCS. OF A 2.2 M RESISTOR	. 3	RCQ-225L	1.00	3.00
2,000 PCS. OF A 390 ohm RESISTOR	. 2	RCQ-391M	14.00	28.00

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2N697	NPN	40V	150	120	30	2/\$1.18	\$.50
2N2219A	NPN	40V	800	200	300	2/\$1.00	\$.40
2N2221A	NPN	30V	800	120	250	2/\$1.00	\$.35
2N2222A	NPN	40V	800	300	300	3/\$1.00	\$.27
2N2904A	PNP	60V	600	40	3WT	2/\$1.00	\$.41
2N2906A	PNP	60V	600	40	1.8WT	2/\$1.00	\$.40
2N2907A	PNP	60V	600	100	200	3/\$1.00	\$.27
2N3053	NPN	40V	700	250	5WT	2/\$1.40	\$.50
2N3054	NPN	55V	4A	100	75WT	\$1.42	\$1.23
2N3055	NPN	60V	15A	70	115WT	\$.98	\$.75
2N3904	NPN	40V	200	300	300	5/\$1.00	\$.14
2N3906	PNP	40V	200	300	250	5/\$1.00	\$.14
2N4400	NPN	40V	600	150	200	4/\$1.00	\$.15
2N4401	NPN	40V	600	300	250	4/\$1.00	\$.15
2N4402	PNP	40V	600	150	150	4/\$1.00	\$.15
2N4403	PNP	40V	600	300	200	4/\$1.00	\$.15
2N5400	PNP	120V	600	180	310MW	2/\$1.00	\$.40
2N5401	PNP	150V	600	240	310MW	2/\$1.00	\$.40
2N6028	PUT	40V	375MW	PROG	UJT	2/\$1.00	\$.45
2N6282	NDL	60V	10A	1.8K	160W	\$4.12	\$3.55
2N6285	PDL	60V	10A	1.8K	160W	\$4.95	\$4.25
MPF102	NJFT	25V	10	VHF	AMP	2/\$1.00	\$.45
MPF161	PJFT	40V	10	GEN	PRPS	2/1.60	\$.60
MPS2222A	PNP	40V	800	300	300	4/\$1.00	\$.16
MPS2907	PNP	60V	600	100	200	4/\$1.00	\$.16
MPSA13	NDL	30V	300	5K	200	2/\$1.00	\$.30
MPSA63	PDL	30V	300	5K	200	2/\$1.00	\$.30
MJE2955	PNP	60V	10A	90W	2	\$2.98	\$2.36
MJE2955T	PNP	60V	10A	75W	2	\$1.19	\$.95
MJE3055	NPN	60V	10A	90W	2	\$1.98	\$1.60
MJE3055T	NPN	60V	10A	75W	2	\$.98	\$.90
TIP29A	NPN	60V	3A	75	30W	2/\$1.40	\$.55
TIP30A	PNP	60V	3A	75	30W	2/\$1.60	\$.60
TIP31A	NPN	60V	5A	50	40W	2/\$1.60	\$.65
TIP32A	PNP	60V	5A	50	40W	2/\$1.60	\$.65
TIP41A	NPN	60V	10A	75	65W	\$.98	\$.85
TIP42C	PNP	60V	10A	75	65W	\$1.49	\$1.10
TIP48	NPN	300V	1A	150	40W	\$1.10	\$.90
TIP49	NPN	350V	1A	150	40W	\$1.20	\$.95

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IN4001	50V	1A	RECT.	5/\$1.00	\$10.00
IN4002	100V	1A	RECT.	5/\$1.00	\$10.00
IN4003	200V	1A	RECT.	5/\$1.00	\$10.00
IN4004	400V	1A	RECT.	5/\$1.00	\$12.00
IN4005	600V	1A	RECT.	4/\$1.00	\$14.50
IN4006	800V	1A	RECT.	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4007	1000V	1A	RECT.	4/\$1.00	\$18.50
IN4148	75V	10MA	SIG.	5/\$1.00	\$10.00
IN5400	50V	3A	RECT.	3/\$1.19	\$30.00
IN5402	200/V	3A	RECT.	3/\$1.49	\$40.00
IN5404	400V	3A	RECT.	3/\$1.79	\$50.00

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IN4730A	3.9V	1W	64MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4731A	4.3V	1W	58MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4732A	4.7V	1W	53MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4733A	5.1V	1W	49MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4734A	5.6V	1W	45MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4735A	6.2V	1W	41MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4736A	6.8V	1W	37MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4737A	7.5V	1W	34MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4738A	8.2V	1W	31MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4739A	9.1V	1W	28MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4740A	10V	1W	25MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4741A	11V	1W	23MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4742A	12V	1W	21MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4743A	13V	1W	19MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4744A	15V	1W	17MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4746A	18V	1W	14MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4747A	20V	1W	12.5MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4751A	30V	1W	8.5MA	4/\$1.00	\$16.00
IN4754A	39V	1W	6.5MA	3/\$1.00	\$20.00
IN4757A	51V	1W	5MA	3/\$1.00	\$20.00
IN4759A	62V	1W	4MA	2/\$1.00	\$38.00
IN4761A	75V	1W	3.3MA	2/\$1.00	\$42.00
IN4763A	91V	1W	2.8MA	2/\$1.00	\$42.00
IN4764A	100V	- 1W	2.5MA	2/\$1.00	\$42.00

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CA-1/50	.19 x .49	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-2.2/50	.19 x .49	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-3.3/50	.24 x .49	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-4.7/50	.24 x .49	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-10/50	.24 x .63	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-22/16	.24 x .49	6/1.00	11.00	90.00
CA-22/50	.32 x .63	4/1.00	15.00	120.00
CA-33/16	.24 x .49	5/1.00	14.00	110.00
CA-33/35	.32 x .63	4/1.00	17.00	130.00
CA-47/16	.24 x .63	4/1.00	15.00	115.00
CA-47/35	.32 x .79	3/1.00	20.00	140.00
CA-100/16	.32 x .63	4/1.00	18.00	140.00
CA-100/35	.40 x .79	3/1.20	27.00	220.00
CA-220/16	.40 x .79	3/1.00	22.00	170.00
CA-220/35	.40 x 1.24	2/1.00	30.00	230.00
CA-330/16	.40 x .99	3/1.20	25.00	200.00
CA-330/35	.51 x 1.24	3/1.20	36.00	300.00
CA-470/10	.40 x .99	3/1.20	25.00	200.00
CA-470/16	.40 x 1.24	2/1.00	32.00	240.00
CA-470/35	.63 x 1.24	2/1.40	42.00	340.00
CA-1000/10	.51 x .99	2/1.00	34.00	270.00
CA-1000/16	.51 x 1.24	2/1.20	38.00	295.00
CA-1000/35	.63 x 1.58	.98	60.00	520.00
CA-2200/10	.63 x 1.24	2/1.50	49.00	390.00
CA-2200/25	.87 x 1.98	1.10	74.00	605.00
CA-3300/10	.63 x 1.58	1.00	65.00	500.00
CA-3300/25	.87 x 1.98	1.50	100.00	750.00
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RADIAL LEAD

PART NO. VALVE/VOLTAGE	SIZE (INCHES)	PRICE PER PKG. OF:	100 PAC ADD "C" TO END OF PART #	1000 PAC ADD "M" TO END OF PART #
CR-1/50	.20 x .45	6/1.00	8.00	65.00
CR-2.2/50	.20 x .45	6/1.00	8.00	65.00
CR-3.3/50	.20 x .45	6/1.00	8.00	65.00
CR-4.7/50	.20 x .45	6/1.00	8.00	65.00
CR-10/50	.24 x .45	6/1.00	9.00	70.00
CR-22/16	.24 x .45	6/1.00	9.00	70.00
CR-22/35	.32 x .49	6/1.00	12.00	95.00
CR-33/16	.24 x .45	6/1.00	9.00	70.00
CR-33/35	.39 x .49	6/1.00	13.00	103.00
CR-47/16	.32 x .49	6/1.00	12.00	95.00
CR-47/35	.39 x .49	5/1.00	14.00	110.00
CR-100/16	.39 x .49	5/1.00	13.00	103.00
CR-100/35	.39 x .63	4/1.00	15.00	115.00
CR-220/16	.39 x .63	4/1.00	15.00	115.00
CR-220/35	.51 x .79	3/1.00	24.00	180.00
CR-330/16	.51 x .79	3/1.00	22.00	150.00
CR-330/35	.63 x .99	2/1.00	32.00	250.00
CR-470/16	.51 x .79	3/1.00	24.00	180.00
CR-470/35	.63 x .99	2/1.20	40.00	310.00
CR-1000/10	.51 x .79	3/1.20	25.00	200.00
CR-1000/16	.63 x .99	3/1.40	31.00	230.00
CR-1000/35	.71 x 1.40	2/1.50	57.00	450.00
CR-2200/10	.63 x 1.24	2/1.20	44.00	310.00
CR-2200/25	.87 x 1.58	1.00	70.00	550.00
CR-3300/10	.63 x 1.40	2/1.60	60.00	400.00
CR-4700/10	.71 x 1.58	1.00	70.00	550.00

Volume Discount: C-packages, 1-9 None, 10-24 less 10%, 25 - less 15%. M-packages, 1-4 None, 5-9 less 10%, 10-up Call for price. Axial and Radial Capacitors may be combined in standard packages for best price. Other values/voltages available in 1000 (M) packages - Call for price.

"BLANK" = Package of ()
"M" = Package of 1,000

"C" = Package of 100

Exact size may vary. The dimensions above are for reference only.

CRYSTALS

PART #/FREU.	APPLICATION	1.9	10-24
XTL1.000MH	6800CPU, STD. CLOCK	\$4.95	\$4.45
XTL1.843MH	4411 BAUD RATE GEN	\$4.95	\$4.45
XTL2.000MH	Z80 CPU, STD. CLOCK	\$4.95	\$4.45
XTL3.000MH	STANDARD CLOCK FREQ.	\$4.95	\$4.45
XTL3.276MH	ICM7025,STOPWATCH	\$4.95	\$4.45
XTL3.579MH	TV COLOR BURST SM CASE	\$3.95	\$3.50
XTL4.000MH	Z80A CPU, STD CLOCK	\$3.95	\$3.50
XTL6.000MH	STANDARD CLOCK FREQ.	\$3.95	\$3.50
XTL10.00MH	STANDARD CLOCK FREQ.	\$3.95	\$3.50
XTL18.00MH	8080, 8008, 8224	\$3.95	\$3.50
YTI 20 00MH	STANDARD CLOCK ERED	\$3.05	\$3.50

Arco DISC Ceramic

LETTER	AGE	Dia.	Spacing Spacing	Thk.	Dia.
			Inch	es	100
A	1000V	.290	.250	.156	.025
В	1000V	.385	.250	.156	.025
B	1000V	.590	.375	.156	.025
D	50V	.276	.156	.250	.025
E	50V	.315	.156	.250	.025
F	50V	.355	.156	.375	.025
G	50V	.473	.156	.375	.025
Н	25V	.394	.157	.250	.025
1	25V	.484	.157	.250	.025
J	25V	.532	.157	.375	.025

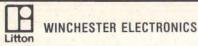
ARCO DISC CERAMIC

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CCD-0800 6 pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-0800 6 pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-0800 8 pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-100 10pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-120 12pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-120 12pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-180 18pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 20pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 20pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 22pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 22pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 23pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 23pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-200 30pri A 4/29t \$4.60 CCD-201 30pri A 4/29t \$						\$37.0 \$37.0
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CDD-080	CD-6H8	0.001	~			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-7H5	r.spr	A			\$37.0
CCD-132		Bpt	A			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-100	10pt	A		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132		12pf	A			\$37.0
CCD-132		15pf	A	4/29¢		\$37.0 \$37.0 \$37.0 \$37.0 \$37.0 \$37.0
CCD-132	CD-180	18pf	A			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-200	20pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-220	22pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-240	24pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-250	25nf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-270	27nf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 200	30nf	Δ.	A/20e	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-300	3001	2		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-330	3301	2	4/254		\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-390	39pt	A		\$4.00	207.0
CCD-132	CD-470	47pt	A	4/29¢	\$4.00	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-500	50pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
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CCD-132	CD-560	56pf	A			\$37.0
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CCD-132		82nf	Δ		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 010	Otof	A	A/29e		\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 101	100ef	7		\$4.60	\$37.0
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CCD-132	CD-121	12001	A		\$4.00	837.0
CCD-132	CD-131	130pf	A	4/29¢		\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-151	150pf	A			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-181	180pf	A		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-201	200pf	A			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-221	220pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-241	240pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-251	250pf	A		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-271	270pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-301		Δ		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 331	330pt	A	4/29e		\$37.0
CCD-132		350pt	A			\$37.0
CCD-132	200 361	350p1	~			\$37.0
CCD-132	JCD-361	360pt	~	4/296		\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-391	390pt	7			\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-401	400pt	A	4/294	34.00	807.0
CCD-132	CCD-471	470pt	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-501	500pt	A	4/29¢	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-511	510pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-561	560pf	A	4/29¢		\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-601	600pf	A		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-681	680pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CCD-751	750pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-821	820pf	A	4/29€	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD-911	910nf	A	4/29e	\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 102G	0014	A		\$4.60	\$37.0
CCD-132	CD 1020		B	3/20e	\$5.40	\$43.0
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	TCD-253Z	.025uf	G	4/29€	\$4.90	\$40.
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TCA-503Z .05ut I 3/29¢ \$6.00	TCA-5037				\$6.00	\$48.0
	TCA 6837				\$9.20	\$74.
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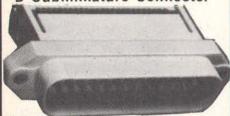
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A QUANTITY CODE TO THE PART

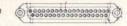
IF YOU WISH:	QTY. ORDERED	PART NUMBER	UNIT	AMOUNT
18 PCS. of 2.2 uf/50V Capacitor (Axial)	3	CA-2.2/50	1.00	3.00
200 PCS. of 100 ut/16V Capacitor (Radial) .	. 2	CR-100/16C	13.00	26.00
1000 PCS. of 2,200 uf/25V Capacitor (Axial)	_ 1	CA-2200/25M	605.00	605.00



D-Subminiature Connector



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PART NO.	NO. OF PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-DE9P IDC-DE9S IDC-DE9C	9 9	4.20 4.50 1.25	4.00 4.20 1.10	3.60 3.80 1.00	3.20 3.40
IDC-DA15P IDC-DA15S IDC-DA15C	15 15 15	4.35 5.00 1.40	4.20 4.85 1.25	3.75 4.35 1.10	3.40 3.90 .95
IDC-D8 25P IDC-D8 25S IDC-D8 25C	25 25 25	6.25 6.60 1.60	6.00 6.35 1.50	5.20 5.60 1.35	4.70 5.00 1.20
IDC-DC37P IDC-DC37S IDC-DC37C Right Angle D	37 37 37 37	8.80 11.00 2.25	8.00 10.25 2.00	7.20 9.20 1.80	6.40 8.20 1.60



RIGHT ANGLE D-SUBMINATURE CONNECTOR

PART NO.	NO. OF PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDCRADE9P	9	4.50	4.10	3.70	3.30
IDCRADE9S	9	4.70	4.30	3.90	3.50
IDCRADA15P	15	4.80	4.50	4.20	3.90
IDCRADA15S	15	5.10	4.90	4.70	4.40
IDCRADB25P	25	6.30	6.00	5.25	4.75
IDCRADB25S	25	6.75	6.40	5.50	5.00
IDCRADC37P	37	9.00	8.10	7.30	6.50
IDCRADC37S	37	11.50	10.60	9.50	8.50

subminiature toggle switches

7 Amps	30 VDC		PRICE	
SPDT STANDARD TOGGLE		1-9	10-24	25-99
CAL-ST11	(ON-NONE-ON)	\$2.60	\$2.40	\$2.20
CAL-ST12	(ON-OFF-ON)	2.80	2.50	2.30
CAL-ST13	(MOM ON-OFF-MOM ON)	2.80	2.50	2.30
CAL-ST14	(ON-OFF-MOM ON)	2.80	2.50	2.30
CAL-ST15	(ON-NONE-MOM ON)	2.80	2.50	2 30

RS232 and "D" SUB-MINIATURE CONNECTORS

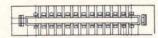




ı	P = Plug, M	ale Type - 5 = Socket, Fema		C = COV	er, Hood
ı	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION		PRICE	
ı	Consideration		1.0	10-24	25-99
ı	CND-DE9P		\$ 2.10	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.70
ı	CND-DE9S	9 PIN FEMALE	\$ 2.70	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.10
ı	CND-DE9C CND-DA15P	9 PIN COVER 15 PIN MALE	\$ 1.50 \$ 2.75	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.10
ı	CND-DA15S		\$ 3.95	\$ 3.60	\$ 3.20
ı	CND-DA15C	15 PIN COVER	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.10
ı	CND-DB25P	25 PIN MALE	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.25	\$ 3.00
١	CND-DB25S	25 PIN FEMALE	\$ 4.60	\$ 4.35	\$ 4.20
ı	CND-DB51212		\$ 1.60	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.30
ı	CND-P25H	2 PC. GREY HOOD	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.25	
ı	CND-DB51226	2 PC. BLACK HOOD	\$ 1.90	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.45
ı	CND-DC37P	37 PIN MALE	\$ 5.80	\$ 5.10	\$ 4.45
ı	CND-DC37S	37 PIN FEMALE	\$ 8.70	\$ 7.70	\$ 6.70
١	CND-DC37C	37 PIN COVER	\$ 1.80	\$ 1.55	\$ 1.30
ı	CND-DD50P CND-DD50S	50 PIN MALE 50 PIN FEMALE	\$ 8.75	\$ 7.75 \$10.25	\$ 6.70
ı	CND-DD50C	50 PIN COVER	\$ 2.00	\$ 1.80	\$ 1.60
١	CND-D20418	HARDWARE SET 2 PR.	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.80	\$ 0.70
ı	Towns of the second	DC222 DD26D EIA	- 100 W		
١	CNO-RS2328F	CLASS 1 CABLE 8 CON. 8 FT.	\$19.95	\$17.95	\$15.95
	CND-5730360	CENT. 700 SERIES	\$ 9.00	\$ 7.50	9 8 00
	Cun-0120200	PRINTER CONNECTOR	9 9.00	0 7.00	a 0.00

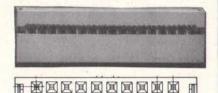
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Edgecard Connector



	NO. OF		PRI		
PART NO.	PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-20CE	10/20	4.35	4.15	3.75	3.30
IDC-26CE	13/26	5.00	4.75	4.30	3.80
IDC-34CE	17/34	6.00	5.70	5.10	4.50
IDC-40CE	20/40	6.90	6.50	5.80	5.25
IDC-50CE	25/50	7.25	7.00	6.30	5.40

Socket Connector



	NO. OF		PRI	-	
PART NO.	PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-20SKT	10/20	2.75	2.50	2.25	2.00
IDC-26SKT	13/26	3.50	3.20	2.85	2.30
IDC-34SKT	17/34	4.50	4.20	3.75	3.30
IDC-40SKT	20/40	5.40	5.00	4.50	3.90
IDC-50SKT	25/50	6.50	6.00	5.40	4.75

Header Connector



Right Angle Soldertail GOLD Header

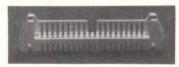
PART NO.	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-RAH 20ST	1.90	1.60	1.45	1.30
IDC-RAH 26ST	2.25	2.00	1.80	1.60
IDC-RAH 34ST	2.95	2.60	2.35	2.10
IDC-RAH 40ST	3.60	3.00	2.70	2.40
IDC-RAH 50ST	4.30	3.60	3.25	2.90

RIGHT ANGLE WIRE WRAP **GOLD HEADER**

PART NO.	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-RAH 20WW	4.15	3.60	3.25	2.90
IDC-RAH 26WW	5.30	4.30	3.90	3.50
IDC-RAH 34WW	5.95	5.00	4.75	4.50
IDC-RAH 40WW	7.00	6.00	5.40	4.80
IDC-RAH 50WW	7.95	6.80	6.20	5.50

STRAIGHT SOLDERTAIL GOLD HEADER

PART NO.	NO. PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDCSTH20ST	10/20	1.85	1.55	1.40	1.30
IDCSTH26ST	13/26	2.20	1.95	1.75	1.55
IDCSTH34ST	17/34	2.90	2.55	2.30	2.05
IDCSTH40ST	20/40	3.55	2.95	2.65	2.40
IDCSTH50ST	25/50	4.25	3.55	3.20	2.85



STRAIGHT WIRE WRAP GOLD HEADER

PART NO.	NO. PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDCSTH20WW	10/20	4.20	3.55	3.20	2.85
IDCSTH26WW	13/26	5.25	4.25	3.85	3.45
IDCSTH34WW	17/34	5.90	4.95	4.70	4.45
IDCSTH40WW	20/40	6.95	5.95	5.35	4.75
IDCSTH50WW	25/50	7.90	6.75	6.15	5.45

HEADER CONNECTOR EJECTOR

The IDCEJ provides an ejector and positive lock for socket connectors when used with any of the header connectors listed. Easy installation and low cost provide easy extraction, when desired, for your IDC socket interconnects. Order 2 for each connector.

QTY.	PRICE
pkg 5	\$1.00 \$10.00

IDC System

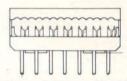


Displacement 28 Guage, 7 Strand

	NO. OF	NO. OF PRICE PER	
PART NO.	CONDUCTORS	10 Ft.	100 Ft.
IDC-09CC	9	3.80	30.00
IDC-14CC	14	4.75	40.00
IDC-16CC	16	5.50	45.00
IDC-20CC	20	7.00	60.00
IDC-25CC	25	8.50	72.00
IDC-26CC	26	8.50	72.00
IDC-34CC	34	11.00	100.00
IDC-40CC	40	13.00	115.00
IDC-50CC	50	16.00	145.00

GRAY LAMINATED CABLE FOR INSULATION DISPLACEMENT 28 Gauge 7 Strand

	NO. OF	PRICE PER SPOOL		
PART NO.	CONDUCTORS	10 Ft.	100 Ft.	
IDC-09GY	9	2.50	18.05	
IDC-14GY	14	3.50	28.00	
IDC-16GY	16	4.00	32.00	
IDC-20GY	20	4.80	40.00	
IDC-25GY	25	6.00	50.00	
IDC-26GY	26	6.00	50.00	
IDC-34GY	34	8.30	66.00	
IDC-40GY	40	10.00	77.00	
IDC-50GY	50	12.00	95.00	



Dip Plugs

PART NO.	NO. OF	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
IDC-14DP	14	1.50	1.40	1.25	1.10
IDC-16DP	16	1.70	1.60	1.45	1.30
IDC-24DP	24	2.50	2.20	2.00	1.80



TRANSITION CONNECTOR

PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
10	2.00	1.60	1.10	1.00
16	2.20	1.80	1.30	1.10
20	2.50	2.00	1.40	1.25
26	3.00	2.40	1.80	1.50
34	4.00	3.10		2.00
40	4.50	3.50	2.50	2.25
50	5.50	4.40		2.50
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\$180.00

INSTALLATION/ASSEMBLY TOOLS

IDC-1080	Arbor Press with Ram for all	
	connectors except D-Subminiature order platens below. 12 LBS.	
IDC-013031	Platen & Ram for D-Subminiature	
	Connectors	
IDC-1083	Platen for Edgecard Connector	
IDC-10811	Platen for Socket Connector	
IDC-1096	Platen for 24 Pin Dip Plug only	
IDC-10871	Platen for 14 & 16 Pin Dip Plug only	
IDC-1084	Platen for Transition Connector	
100-1004	Flaten for mansition connector	

\$ 50.00 \$ 35.00 \$ 35.00 \$ 35.00 \$ 35.00 Platen for 24 Pin Dip Plug only Platen for 14 & 16 Pin Dip Plug only Platen for Transition Connector SH. WT. 1 LB \$ 35.00



Texas Instruments

FACE GRIP LOW PROFILE SOLDER TAIL DIP SOCKETS **C85 SERIES**



- ·Face grip design provides maximum retention force
- Anti-wicking feature
 Redundant contact points
- SPECIFICATIONS
- Body-94V-0 polyester
- Contact—copper nickel alloy Finish—200 microinches tin alloy (min.)stripe NOTES
- Operating temperature-40 °C to + 100 °C
- Operating temperature—40°C to + 100°C Contacts have redundant spring elements Accommodates standard IC leads up to .014 thick and .025 wide
- D. Contact is designed and oriented to the insulator to grasp the broad "face" of the IC lead, allowing for low insertion and high retention forces

E. Socket is designed	to achieve	maximum	density
on boards			

- F. Sockets may be mounted end to end on .100" centers continuous line or on .400" centers row to row
- Socket is designed to prevent IC leads from con-tacting PC board
- H. Closed entry feature along with chamfered side walls provided to facilitate automatic IC insertion and protect the IC leads against damage.
- Strengthened socket legs allow for automatic socket insertion into PC board
- Anti-wicking feature built into contact leg
 Design to achieve outstanding insertion/withdrawal characteristics

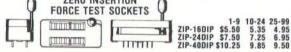
PART	1.00000000		PRICE				
NO.	PINS	1-9	10-49	50-99	100-499	500-999	1.000 +
TIS-08LP	08	N/A	.15	.10	.08	.07	.06
TIS-14LP	14	N/A	.18	.15	.14	.12	.11
TIS-16LP	16	N/A	.20	.18	.16	.13	.12
TIS-18LP	18	.30	.25	.22	.18	.15	.13
TIS-20LP	20	.30	.25	.23	.20	.17	.145
TIS-22LP	22	.35	.30	.25	.22	.19	-17
TIS-24LP	24	.40	.35	.30	.24	.20	.18
TIS-28LP	28	.45	.40	.35	.28	.24	.21
TIS-40LP	40	.50	.45	.42	.40	.35	.31

*MINIMUM ORDER \$1.00 Per Line item

DIP PLUGS				PRI	CE	
DIP PLUGS	PART NO.	PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
MR DR DOOD OF OD OD OD	KNX-08DP	8	.50	.45	.43	.40
Lead ford ford ford ford feet feet	KNX-14DP	14	.65	.60	.58	.55
	KNX-16DP	16	.70	.65	.62	.58
	KNX-24DP	24	1.15	1.05	.90	.95
00000000	KNX-40DP	40	1.90	1.70	1.60	1.50

ZERO INSERTION

Socket and Dip Plug priced based on gold not exceeding \$700 per oz.



· Zero insertion pressure (ZIP) insertion and extraction. · Wide entry holes to accommodate maximum number of device types. . Contact exit on even .100 spacing for convenience in board mounting. . Built in "stop" for cam handle prevents "overthrow" causing plastic damage. . Top mount assy. Screws for ease of replacement of worn or damaged internal components. . General redesign of original ZIP DIP incorporating improvements designed to extend life and reliability

PRECUT WIRE WRAP WIRE PRECUT WIRE SAVES TIME AND COSTS LESS THAN **WIRE ON SPOOLS**

Kynar precut wire. All lengths are overall, including 1" strip on each end. Colors and lengths cannot be mixed for quantity pricing. Choose from colors Red(R), Blue(U), Black(B), and Yellow(Y).

PRECUT WIRE 100 PACK

PART NO.	LENGTH	100/Bag	PART NO.	Length	100/Bag
PGP025C*	2.5"	\$1.25	PGP055C*	5.5"	1.58
PGP030C*	3.0"	1.30	PGP060C*	6.0"	1.65
PGP035C*	3.5"	1.37	PGP070C*	7.0"	1.99
PGP040C*	4.0"	1.42	PGP080C*	8.0"	2.14
PGP045C*	4.5"	1.48	PGP090C+	9.0"	2.24
PGP050C*	5.0"	1.54	PGP100C*	10.00	2 30

PRECUT WIRE 500 PACK

PART NO.	LENGTH	500/Bag	PART NO.	LENGTH	500/Bag
PGP025D*	2.5"	\$3.58	PGP055D*	5.5"	5.38
PGP030D*	3.0"	3.86	PGP060D*	6.0"	5.66
PGP035D*	3.5"	4.15	PGP070D*	7.0"	6.76
PGP040D*	4.0"	4.44	PGP080D*	8.0"	7.38
PGP045D*	4.5"	4.74	PGP090D*	9.0"	8.11
DCDGEOD*	E 017	E 04	PCP100D*	10 0"	0 71

*Specify color when ordering. Red (R), Blue (U), Black (B), & Yellow (Y)

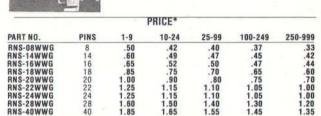
Example: If you wish to order (2) pkg. 500, 4", Red.

PGP040DR 4.44 8.88

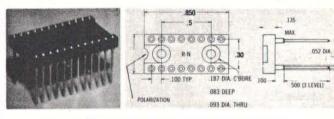
IYN SERIES GOLD 3 LEVEL WIRE WRAP SOCKETS



- Deep Chamfered Closed **Entry Contacts**
- •RN Side Wipe Contact Design
- Terminal Barbs Allow Self-lock into PC Board
- Rugged Socket Body Design



Socket prices based on gold not exceeding \$700 per oz



RN ICA HIGH RELIABILITY WIRE WRAP SOCKET

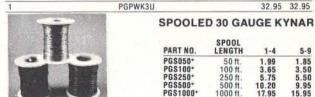
* 30 μ inch gold contact * Pin socket contacts for high reliability and high retention mounting holes * End and side stackable * 3-Level wrap * Low profile body with.

PART NO.	PINS	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249	250-999
RNH-08HRW	8	1.10	1.00	.90	.86	.77
RNH-14HRW	14	1.65	1.55	1.45	1.30	1.15
RNH-16HRW	16	1.85	1.65	1.55	1.40	1.25
RNH-18HRW	18	2.10	1.90	1.85	1.65	1.60
RNH-20HRW	20	2.45	2.10	2.00	1.80	1.70
RNH-22HRW	22	2.55	2.30	2.10	2.00	1.90
RNH-24HRW	24	2.75	2.50	2.20	2.10	2.00
RNH-28HRW	28	3.25	3.00	2.60	2.50	2.40
RNH-40HRW	40	4.50	4.25	4.00	3.60	3.40

PRECUT WIRE KIT ASSORTMENTS

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Wire kit assortments are available in the 4 colors mentioned along with a rainbow assortment. Use color code (A) for the rainbow assortment Example: If you wish to order one wire kit 3 in blue



Example: If you wish to order 400 ft. of yellow:

rainbow assortment (A)

4	PGS100Y	3.65	14.60
*Specify color when orde	ring, Red (R), Blue (U), Black (B),	Yellow (Y), & for wire I	cits only



exas Instruments Gold Plated Edgeboard Connectors

Standard But Not Ordinary

The H4 Series standard edgeboard con-nectors offer the best value in the edgeboard

narket today.

To assure reliable electrical connections, our To assure reliable electrical connections, our cantilever contacts are pre-loaded for optimum normal force and bifurcated for redundancy; each contact point features from 50 (Wire Wrap*) to 75 (solder tail) microinches (minimum) of wrought gold inlay over a nickel difusion barrier. The inlay is metallurgically bonded to a copper-nickel-tin alloy (CA 725)

that is suited to both soldered and wire wrapped terminations. The dielectric contact-housing is made of glass-filled thermoplastic polyester, meeting U.L. Flammability Classification 94V-0.

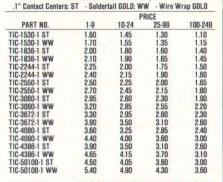
- FEATURES
 RELIABLE, COST-EFFICIENT CONTACT DESIGN
 50 (Wire Wrap) to 75 (solder tail) microinches
 gold inlay over a nickel diffusion barrier
 (minimum thickness).
- Copper-nickel-tin CA 725 Alloy.
 Bifurcated contact points.
 Preloaded, cantilever spring design.
- · Contacts are user removable

RUGGED BODY

- Glass-filled thermoplastic polyester Meets U.L. Flammability Classification 94V-0.
- Resists common cleaning solvents.
 Solder standoff Facilitates cleaning Reduces solder wicking

- Heduces solder wicking
 Between contact polarization key (snaplock
 for .100" 8 .125" centers).
 Generous chamfered card slot.
 Molded contact identification Alphanumeric (.156" centers) Numeric (.100" & 125" centers)
- Location ridges (bottom) and raised dots (top) mark every fifth contact position.
 Entire connector design is U.L. Approved.



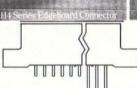


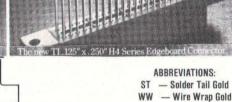
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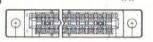
.125" Contact Centers: STG - Soldertail GOLD; WWG - Wire Wrap GOLD

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PART NO.	1-9	10-24	25-99	100-249
TIC-2244-2 ST	2.30	2.10	1.85	1.50
TIC-2244-2 WW	2.60	2.35	2.10	1.75
TIC-2856-2 ST	2.80	2.55	2.25	1.85
TIC-2856-2 WW	3.20	2.90	2.55	2.15
TIC-3060-2 ST	2.90	2.60	2.30	1.95
TIC-3060-2 WW	3.40	3.05	2.70	2.25
TIC-3162-2 ST	3.05	2.75	2.45	2.05
TIC-3162-2 WW	3.50	3.15	2.80	2.35
TIC-3672-2 ST	3.45	3.10	2.75	2.30
TIC-3672-2 WW	4.00	3.60	3.20	2.68
TIC-4080-2 ST	3.80	3.45	3.05	2.55
TIC-4080-2 WW	4.45	4.00	3.55	2.95
TIC-4488-2 ST	4.20	3.80	3.35	2.80
TIC-4488-2 WW	4.85	4.35	3.90	3.20
TI-S100 ST	3.20	2.90	2.50	2.20
TI-S100 WW	4.00	3.75	3.50	3.25









Sullins Gold Plated

- Eyelet Gold S - Solder Tail Gold Edgeboard Connectors W - Wire Wrap Gold

Sullins Electonics was the first manufacturer to pioneer the use of Valox, a polyester, as an insulator material. The quality and performance of this material has been a prime reason for the outstanding success of this connector line. Sullins connectors are unique in being recognized by Underwiters Laboratories. This is especially important to customers fabricating UL approved devices

.156" CONTACT CENTER CONNECTORS

CAT. PART NO.	APPLICATION	1-9	10-24	25-99
SUL-612S5	PET, MA1003	1.95	1.80	1.55
SUL-612E5	PET, MA1003	2.30	2.00	1.75
SUL-1020E5		2.00	1.77	1.53
SUL-1224E5	COMMODORE PET	3.60	3.20	2.80
SUL-1224S5	COMMODORE PET	3.30	2.90	2.50
SUL-1530E5	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS, GRI KEYBOARDS	3.30	2.90	2.50
SUL-1530S5	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS, GRI KEYBOARDS	3.50	3.05	2.65
SUL-1530W5	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS, GRI KEYBOARDS	2.40	2.10	1.85
SUL-1836E5		3.70	3.25	2.80
SUL-1836S5		3.40	3.00	2.60
SUL-2244E5	VCT-3662, VCT-3682, AIM-65	3.90	3.45	3.00
SUL-2244S5	SYM, VCT-3677, KIM	4.10	3.60	3.15
SUL-2244W5	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS, SYM, KIM, AIM-65	4.20	3.70	3.20
SUL-2550E5		5.30	4.65	4.05
SUL-3672E5		8.30	7.30	6.35
SUL-3672S5		7.25	6.40	5.55
SUL-3672W5		7.40	6.55	5.65
SUL-4386E5	MOT6800, INTEL MULTIBUSS	8.25	7.30	6.30
SUL-4386S5	NSC PACER, VCT-4608(1)	8.25	7.30	6.30
SUL-4386W5	VCT-4611(1)(2), INTEL MULTIBUSS	8.80	7.75	6.75

	.125" CONTACT CENTER CONN	ECTO	RS	
CAT. PART NO.	APPLICATION	1-9	10-24	25-99
SUL-2856W2	PROLOG STO BUSS, VCT-4610[1][2]	6.60	5.80	5.05
SUL-2856S2	PROLOG STD BUSS, VCT-4610(1)(2)	5.50	4.85	4.20
SUL-3672W2	ZWOLDAY OF SECTIONS	6.30	5.55	4.80
SUL-4080W2	VCT-4380 PLUGBOARD	7.00	6.20	5.35
SUL-S100ALT	.140" SPACED ROWS FOR ALTAIR	7.80	6.90	6.00
SUL-S100SEG	S-100 SOLDER EYELET	7.95	7.60	6.60
SUL-S100STG	.250" SPACED ROWS, IMSAI, VCT-8803, CROMEMCO	5.95	5.40	4.70
SUL-S100WWG	S-100 WIRE WRAP	6.50	5.75	4.95
SUL-CG1	IMSAI STYLE CARD GUIDE		.00 Pkg of 5	-
SUL-CG1/C	IMSAI STYLE CARD GUIDE		00 Pkg at 10	0

Materials & Characteristics

Insulator: Glass filled thermoplastic polyester, color: Blue.
Insulation Resistance: 5000 megoms.
Solvent Resistance: Perchloroethylene, Freon 113, Freon 11, Trichloroethylene. | Solvent Resistance: Persistence | Persiste

(At sea level) 600 VDC 800 VDC 1500 Current Rating: 5 amperes. Voltage Drop: 30 MV at rated current. Contact Resistance: 10 milliohms maximum Operating Temperature: -65°C to +125°C

Board Thickness Accommodated: 062 inch (1.57mm)

Board Insertion: 2 to 16 ozs per contact pair using .062 (1.57mm) steel test blade.

.1" CONTACT CENTER CONNECTORS

CAT. PART NO.	APPLICATION	1-9	10-24	25-99
SUL-1020E1		2.90	2.55	2.20
SUL-1020W1		2.80	2.45	2.15
SUL-1326E1	VCT-4608, SDSSBC-100, IMSAI M10, S10	3.00	2.65	2.30
SUL-1530E1		3.75	3.30	2.90
SUL-1530S1		3.60	3.20	2.80
SUL-1530W1		3.75	3.30	2.90
SUL-2040E1	TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD	4.20	3.70	3.20
SUL-2040S1	TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD	3.90	3.45	3.00
SUL-2040W1	TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD	4.10	3.60	3.15
SUL-2244E1	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS	5.55	4.90	4.25
SUL-2244S1	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS	4.50	3.95	3.45
SUL-2244W1	VECTOR PLUGBOARDS	5.55	4.90	4.25
SUL-2550E1	SDS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS	6.10	5.40	4.70
SUL-2550S1	TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD VECTOR PLUGBOARDS VECTOR PLUGBOARDS VECTOR PLUGBOARDS SUCHSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SDS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SDS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SDS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SDS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SUS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SUS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SUS VET-4608 [1] INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 [1] INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 [1] INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 [1] VCT-44941[1, VCT-4493[1] VCT-4493[1], VCT-4494[1] COMMODORE PET	5.95	5.20	4.55
SUL-2550W1	VECTOR 4609, IMSAI P10	6.00	5.30	4.60
SUL-3060E1	INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 [1]	6.60	5.85	5.10
SUL-3060S1	INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 (1)	6.35	5.60	4.90
SUL-3060W1	INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 (1)	6.20	5.50	4.75
SUL-3672E1	VCT-3719(1)(4), VCT-4493(1)	8.00	7.10	6.10
SUL-3672S1	VCT-4494(1), VCT-3719(1)(4)	7.40	6.55	5.65
SUL-3672W1	VCT-4493(1), VCT-4494(1)	7.95	7.00	6.10
SUL-4080E1	COMMODORE PET	7.40	6.55	5.70
SUL-4080S1	COMMODORE PET	7.40	6.55	5.70
SUL-4080W1	COMMODORE PET	8.35	7.40	6.40
SUL-4386E1 SUL-4386S1	COSMAC ELF	7.80	6.90	6.00
SUL-4386S1	COSMAC ELF	9.30	8.25	7.15
SUL-4386W1	COSMAC ELF	9.60	8.50	7.35
SUL-50100E1	ELF PRODUCTS	9.40	8.30	7.20
SUL-50100S1	ELF PRODUCTS	9.45	8.35	7.25
SUL-50100W1	TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD TRS-80, VCT-4609 PLUGBOARD VECTOR PLUGBOARDS VECTOR PLUGBOARDS VECTOR PLUGBOARDS VECTOR PLUGBOARDS SUS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SUS VERSAFLOPPY, INTEL MULTIBUSS SUS VERSAFLOPPY, APPLE II VECTOR 4509, IMSAI P10 INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 (1) INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 (1) INTEL MULTIBUSS, VCT-4608 (1) VCT-4791(1), VCT-4494(1), VCT-4494(1	8.50	7.50	6.50





Part No.

TI-S100 STG

GOLD S-100 CONNECTORS

PRIORITY Jone distributes the TI S-100 Card Edge Connectors at tremendous volume for prices others only wish they could duplicate.

SOLDER TAIL PRICE

3.20 2.90 2.50

1-9 10-24 25-99 100-249 Part No.

2.20 TI-S100 WWG 4.00 3.75 3.50

1-9 10-24 25-99 100-249

Connector pricing based on gold not exceeding \$700.00 per oz.

WIRE WRAPPING TOOLS AND WIRE



HORRY" WIRE WROPPING TOOL BATTERY POWERED

.025" (0.63mm) sq. post 'MODIFIED" wrap, positive anti-overwrapping device. ve indexing

OKM-BW2630 TOOL \$19.95 OKM-BC1 BATTERIES AND CHARGER \$11.00 BIT FOR AWG 30

OKMBT-2628 BIT FOR AWG 26-28 \$7.95 USE COSIZE NI CAD BATTERIES NOT INCLI



TOOLS



\$3.95

OKM-WSU-30M

MODIFIED WRAP



TRI-COLOR DISPENSER



. 3 Rolls of Wire in one dispen-

- 3 Colors Blue, White, Red. 50 ft. of each color. AWG 30 (0,25mm) KYNAR* Insulated Wire. Built-in Plunger cuts wire to desired length, Built-in Stripper strips 1° of insulation.
- Refillable (for refills, see below)

OKM-WD-30-TRI

TRI-COLOR DISPENSER \$7.95



TRI-COLOR DISPENSER REPLACEMENT ROLLS

- AWG 30 (0.25mm) KYNAR* Insulated Wire.

OKM-R-30-TRI REPLACEMENT ROLLS \$5.95

3 Colors Blue, White, Red, 50 ft, each color. Silver plated, solid conductor, easy stripping.

DIP IC INSERTION TOOLS WITH PIN STRAIGHTNER



DKM-INS-1416

14-16 PIN DIP/IC INSERTER

round strap may be easily attached for highly sensitive MOS & CMOS IC's. Durable home planed ABS construction features precision parts for long life and easy one-

OKM-MOS-1416 OKM-MOS-2428

14-16 PIN, MOS CMOS SAFE INSERTER \$7.95 24-28 PIN MOS CMOS SAFE INSERTER



36-40 PIN CMOS-SAFE IC INSERTION TOOL

Unique new insertion tool. Also aligns bent-out pins. A twist of the handle compresses the pins to proper 600 inch spacing and locks the IC into the tool. Then simply place locks the IC into the tool. Then simply place the tool on the aocket and depress the plunger for instant and accurate insertion. Features heavy chrome plating throughout for reliable static dissipation. Includes termi-nal tug for attachment of ground strap. GROUND STRAP NOT INCLUDED

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OKM-WK-7

DKM-EX-1

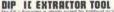
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DKM-MOS-1416

OKM-MOS-2428 OKM-MOS-40

36-40 PIN CMOS SAFE INSERTION TOOL

DIP IC EXTRACTOR TOOL



OKM-EX-1

EXTRACTOR TOOL \$1.49



WK-7 IC

INSERTION

COMPLETE IC INSERTER/EXTRACTOR KIT INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS
14-16 PIN MOS CMOS SAFE INSERTER
24-28 PIN MOS CMOS SAFE INSERTER
36-40 PIN MOS CMOS SAFE INSERTER 14-16 PIN EXTRACTOR TOOL

24-40 PIN CMOS SAFE EXTRACTOR TOOL

\$29.95

\$7.95

Part No. OKM-BW928 \$7.95 \$7.95 \$1 OKM-BW928BF \$1.49 OKM-BC1

 Back-Force available (Recommended for #30) Description Tool Tool (with Backforce) #30 Bit & Sleeve Batteries & Charger

WIRE DISPENSER

- . With 50 ft. Roll of AWG 30 KYNAR* wire-
- wrapping wire.
 Built-in Plunger cuts wire to desired length.
 Built-in Stripper strips 1" of insulation.
 Refillable (For refills, see below)

OKM-WD-30-B	BLUE WIRE	\$4.95
OKM-WD-30-Y	YELLOW WIRE	\$4.95
DKM-WD-30-W	WHITE WIRE	\$4.95
OKM-WD-30-R	RED WIRE	\$4 95

DISPENSER REPLACEMENT ROLLS

Wire for wire-wrapping AWG-30 (0,25mm, KYNAR wire, 50 ft. roll, silver plated, solid con-

l	OKM-R-30B-0050	30-AWG BLUE 50 FT. ROLL	\$2.98
l	OKM-R-30Y-0050	30-AWG YELLOW50 FT. ROLL	\$2.98
I	OKM-R-30Y-0050	30-AWG WHITE 50 FT. ROLL	\$2.98
l	OKM-R-30R-0050	30-AWG RED 50 FT. ROLL	\$2.98

CLIP AND STRIP" TOOL

A unique new design for stripping 1" insulation from 3DAWG wire. Insert wire, squeeze tool closed to cut off excess wire, pull wire through stripping slot to remove insulation. Handy pocket size, only 1%" x 1" x %". Shipping Weight 4 oz.

CLIP AND STRIP OKM-CAS-130 \$1.98 F TOR MY

TERMINALS

- . .025"(0,63mm) Square Post. el Wire-Wrapping
- · Gold Plated.

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OKM-WWT-1	SLOTTED TERMINAL	\$4.98
OKM-WWT-2	SINGLE SIDED TERMINAL	\$2.98
OVAL BUILDING	10 COOKET TERMINAL	** **

OJM-WWT-4 DOUBLE SIDED \$1.98

TERMINAL INSERTING TOOL

For inserting WWT-1, WWT-2, WWT-3, and WWT-4 Terminals into .040* (1,0 mm) Dia. Holes.

OKM-INS-1 INSERTING TOOL \$2.49 P.C. B. TERMINAL STRIPS



\$1.691 DKM-TS-

\$2.59 OKM-TS-12 T\$3.49

MODULAR TERMINAL STRIPS

For versatile, economical connections especially in bread-boarding and short runs. Two circuit modules are dovetailed together in various combinations to form printed circuit board terminals with the desired number of circuits. Making stable, low-resistance connections with only a screwdriver, the space-saving terminals take conductors from 26 through 16 AWG conforming to .20 inch (5.08mm) hole spacing on boards up to .126 inch (3,20mm) thick.

OKM-TS-6MD 2-POLE \$1.79 (a per Package)



TR-1 consists of 2 guides precision molded with unique spring finger action that dampens shock and vibration, yet permits smooth insertion or ex-traction. Guides accommodate any card thick-ness from .040-.100 inches.

QUANTITY -- ONE PAIR (2 PCS.)

OKM-TR-1 CARD GUIDES \$1.89



PC CARD GUIDES & BRACKETS

TRS-2 kit includes 2 TR-1 guides plus 2 mount-ing brackets. Support brackets feature unique stabilizing post that permits secure mounting with only 1 screw.

QUANTITY - ONE SET 14 PCS.1

OKM-TRS-2 GUIDES & BRACKETS \$3.79

BW928 INDUSTRIAL WRAPPING TOOL



\$49.95 52.95 11.00

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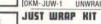


JUST WRAP REPLACEMENT ROLLS

OKMR-JW-R RUIF WIRE 50 ft. Roll \$2.98 OKMR-IW-W WHITE WIRE 50 ft. Roll \$2.98 OKMR-IW-V YELLOW WIRE 50 ft. Roll \$2.98

OKMR-IW-R BED WIRE 50 ft. Roll \$2.98 UNWRAP TOOL FOR JUST WRAP

OKM-JUW-1 UNWRAPPING TOOL \$3.49





Shipping Weight 4 oz.

JUST WRAP Tool
 Roll of Blue Wire,
 Roll of Wall

Roll of Blue Wire, 50 ft.
Roll of White Wire, 50 ft.
Roll of Yellow Wire, 50 ft.
Roll of Roll wire, 50 ft.
Unwrapping Tool

OKM-JWK-6 JUST WRAP KIT

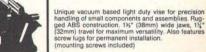
PRB-I DIGITAL LOGIC PROBE Compatible with DTL, TTL, CMOS. MOS and Micro-processors using a 4 to 15V power supply. Threeholds automatically programmed. Automatic resetting mem-ory. No adjustment required. Visual indication of logic levels, using LED's to show high, low, bad level or posi-circuit logic and pulses. Highly sophisticated, shirt pocket portable (protective tip cap and removable coll cord).

DC to > 50 MHZ

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OKM-PRB-1 DIGITAL LOGIC PROBE \$36.95

VACUUM VISE



OKM-VV1 VACUUM VISE

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OKM-H-PCB-1

WIRE WRAPPING KIT WK-4

Contains: Hobby Wrap Tool WSU-30M, Wire Dispenser WD-30-B, (2) 14 DIP's, (2) 16 DIP's, Hobby Board H-PCB-1, DIP IC Insertion Tool INS-1416, DIP IC Extractor Tool EX-1 and PC Edue Connector CON-1

OKM-WK-4B(BLUE) WIRE-WRAPPING KIT \$25.99

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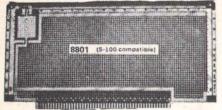
COMPATIBLE PLUGBOARDS FOR INTERFACE, MEMORY EXPANSION, EXPERIMENTATION



VCT- 8800V

Universal Microcomputer/processor plugboard, use with S-100 bus. Complete with heat sink & Hardware. 5.3" x 10" x 1/16" \$20.37 \$18.26

\$22.48



VCT- 8801

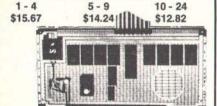
Individual tinned square pads surround most holes. Ideal for mounting components by 'tack" soldering. Top of board pod free for mounting I/O connectors.

5 - 9 \$23.12 \$20.95 \$18,78

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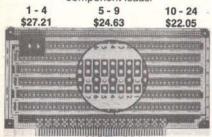
VCT- 8801-1

Plain no etched circuitry except contacts. Produces maximum flexibility.



VCT-8802-1

Pad per 2 holes. Two-hole pads allow tack soldering of socket, plus second hole for component leads.



VCT- 8804

10 - 24

\$20.02

'ANY DIP" has full power and ground planes back to back. Boards accommodates .3, .4, .6, .9" Dips.

5 - 9 \$24.67 \$22.34



VCT-8800R2

- Make your own custom S-100-Bus circuit
- Just expose, develop and etch in lab or home.
- No camera or dark room needed.
- Coated both sides with copper and + Positive Photoresist.
- S-100-Bus card size: 5.3" x 10" x .062"
- Gold plated 50/100 contacts on .125" centers, continuous into copper fields both sides.
- Complete step-by-step instructions.
- Expose with bright sun or G.E. RS 275 watt suntan lamp.
- Two layout papers: 1 clear, 1 with 0.1" grid.

VCT-8800R2

10 - 49 50 - 99 1 - 9 \$20.32 \$22.42 \$18.22

VCT-0088-21-45 developer for + Positive Photoresist, 6 oz. concentrate makes 30 fluid ounces, develops 2400 square inches. \$2.46



S-100 Bus Microcomputer

Mounts 11 receptacles with 100 contacts or 10 receptacles plus interconnections to smaller boards for expansion. Connectors mount with tabs protruding through .038 inch (1 mm) diameter holes in rows spaced .250 inch (6.4 mm) on each connector position and 0.75 inch (19 mm) between connector positions. Includes etched circuit and instructions for active or passive terminations plus 12 tantalum capacitors for +5, +12, -12 volt buses, and spacers for mounting in Vector VP1 or VP2 case. G-10 epoxy glass board with 2 ounce copper, solder plated circuitry plus solder mask to avoid accidental short circuits. Large buses: +5V and GND (10 amps), +12V or 16V (7 amps). Current ratings are per MIL-STD-275 with 10° rise.

Shipping weight 2 pounds (.9kg)\$29.50



VCT-3690-12 Card Extender

Card Extender has 100 contacts - 50 per side on .125 centers. Attached connector is compatible with S-100 Bus Systems.

5 - 24 1-4 \$26.64 \$24.18 VCT-3690 6.5" 22/44 pin .156 ctrs. Extender . . \$15,66 VCT-3690-4 7.5" 36/72 pin .1 ctrs. Extender \$22.76 VCT-3690-6 11" 22/44 pin .156 ctrs. Extender



RACH MOUNTABLE CAGE

Especially designed to accommodate S100 size Plugboards, Motorola Exorcisor,™ and Micromodule™ Plugboards. Cage has .081" thick anodized aluminum side walls. Will accommodate Plugboards 4.0" to 8.5" long and 10.0" to 11.5" wide by 1/16" thick. Cages assemble quickly.

*™Registered Motorola trademark



Adjustable packaging system for S-100 bus microcomputers, compatible with Altair 8800 and IMSAI 8080 size cards.

- Smart looking, deluxe cases unmarred by unsightly screws or fasteners.
- Finished in dark blue textured vinvl.
- Instantly accessible interiors with slip out covers
- Removable recessed rear and front panels.
- Fully adjustable interior mounting systems for any card or card spacing within size limitations. No cutting or drilling
- Perforated bottom cover for cooler operation.

DESCRIPTION

Assembled case with perforated bottom cover. Installed mounting struts for card guides and receptacles or motherboard. Cards top loaded, spanning front to back. Card guide (12 pair) and chassis plate supplied uninstalled. Shipping Weight 25 lbs



\$1095 VCT-BPI7/9

INPUT/OUTPUT CONNECTOR REAR PANEL

- Ten connector cutouts for ITT Cannon DB25S Type 25 pin connector (connectors furnished by
- Panel may be installed with cutouts on either right or left side.
- Interchangeable with standard rear panel.
- Connectors may be slipped through the panel for ease of assembly or disassembly.

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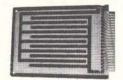


VCT-3662 VCT-3662-2 6.5" x 4.5" 9.6" x 4.5" \$ 8.69 \$10.85 9.0 × 4.5 10.85

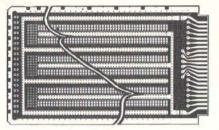
P pattern plugboards for IC's Epoxy Glasss 1/16" 44 pin. con. spaced .156

VCT-3719-1 \$9.28 \$9.28

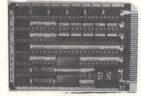
Same as 3662 except 36/72 con. on .1 centers \$11.73 Same as 3662-2 except 36/72 con. on .1 centers



VCT-3682 9.6" x 4.5" \$13.63 VCT-3682-2 6.5" x 4.5" \$11.04 Hi-Density Dual In-Line Plugboard for Wire Wrap with Power and Grd. Bus Epoxy Glass 1/16" 44 pin con. spaced



VCT-3677 VCT-3677-2 9.6" x 4.5" 6.5" x 4.5" \$10.68 Gen. Purpose DIP Boards with Bus Pattern for Solder or Wire Wrap Epoxy Glass 1/16" 44 pin con. spaced .156



VCT-4493-1 4.5" x 9.6" Universal pattern for any .3" .4" .6" .9" spaced DIPS. Holds 63 Dips. Accommodates additional I/O connectors 36/72 con. on .1 centers.

1-4 5-9 10-24

\$21.55 \$23.83

VCT-4494-1 Same as 4493 except 22/44 con. on .156 centers 1-4 5-9 10-1 10-24 \$20.68 \$18.67

VCT-4493 4.5" x 6.5" Universal pattern for any .3;" .4;" .6;" .9;" spaced DIPS. Accommodates additional I/O connectors 36/72 con. on .1 centers.

\$19.37 \$17.59 \$15.80 VCT-4494

Same as 4493 except 22/44 con. on .156 centers.
1-4 5-9 10-2
\$16.33 \$14.79 \$13. 10-24 \$13.25

VCT-HA9 Pkg. of 4 \$1.20 Ejector Card with Roll Pin \$1.26 VCT-HA9C \$26.25 Pkg. of 100



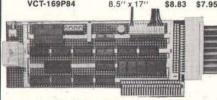
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WIRE WRAP POSTS (see next page)

Vector catalog is available to qualified industrial and institutional customers.



PRICE 1-9 10 \$1.56 \$1 \$3.69 \$3 Phenolic PART NO. VCT-64P44-X SIZE 10-19 \$1.40 \$3.32 4.5" x 6.5" 4.7" x 17" Epoxy Glass VCT-64P44 VCT-84P44 \$1.61 \$1.99 \$4.07 \$7.95 4.5" x 6.5" 4.5" x 8.5" 4.5" x 17" 8.5" x 17" \$2.21 \$4.52 VCT-169P44 VCT-169P84



APPLE PLUGBOARD

Vector 4609 Peripheral Interface Plugboard for construction of custom circuits. Plug compatible with Apple II, Commodore PET and Super Kim microcomputers.

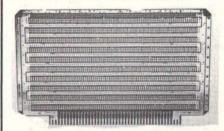
VCT-4609

1-4 5-9 10-24
\$20.74 \$18.79 \$16.84

VCT-4607 DEC, LSI-11, PDP8, PDP11, Heath H-11, P Pattern Epoxy Glass, Plug Board 8.43" x 5.187" Dual 36 pin DEC/ HEATH Connectors. 1-4 5-9 10-24

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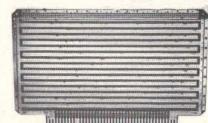
VCT-4611

3 hole pads interspersed with power busses (shown above). 10-24

5-9 \$26.96 \$29.95 \$23.96

VCT-4611-1

Bare board except with edge connector. No power bussing. 10-24 \$19.95 \$17.96



VCT-4611-2

Has only interspersed power busses 1-4 5-9 \$29.95 \$26.96

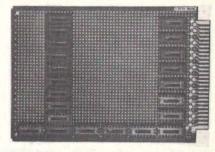
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UNIVERSAL MICROCOMPUTER PLUGBOARDS
For STD Bus, Pro-Log Microprocessors and General Use.
Size: 4.5" x 6.5" x .052" 28/56 contacts on .125" centers.

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VCT-4610 for soldering or wire wrapping. Mounts 20 16 pin DIP ICs.

10-24 \$18.95



VCT-4610-1 for soldering or wire wrapping. Mounts 59 16 pin DIP ICs. 1-4 5-9 10-24

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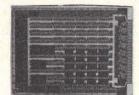
VCT-4610-2 wire wrapping board. Mounts 35 16 pin DIP

10-24 5-9 \$17.06 \$18.95 \$15.16

VCT-4608
Form and size compatible with INTEL SBL80 Series and NATIONAL BLC 80 Series microcomputer boards. Power and Ground buses on both sides.

\$59.23 \$53.67 \$48.11

VCT-4608-1 Same as 4608 except plain, less power buses. \$40.02 \$36.52 \$32.92



VCT-4350

Large Microprocessor development plugboard with Zig-Zag Buses 7" x 9.6." Holds 77 DIPs, 80 pin con, spaced .125.

5-9 \$20.69 10-24

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nanual wrapping because there is no wire measuring or pre stripping required. Slit-N-Wrap tools have a patented action which slits wire insulation while the tools is wrapping wire on .025" square posts. Connections are just as reliable as with conventional wrapping tools. Tests show Slit-N-Wrapped connections exceed Mil Spec requirements for pull-off, are low resistance, and are gas tight. All tools and bits are guaranteed to provide at least 10,000 reliable wraps before bit replacement is required

Slit-N-Wrap tools with Tefzel insulated wire

Manual wrapping kit with knurled aluminum shaft, replaceable

Motorized Slit-N-Wrap kit, complete with rechargeable NiCad

VCT-P184-4T 3/bs. \$105.00

AC powered Slit-N-Wrap with pistol grip and trigger for industrial

Tefzel insulate silver plated copper 28 gauge wire for P184 series

P180 Series Tools Using Polyurethane Nylon Coated Wire. Poly-

urethane nylon coated copper wire is used in all P180 series tools. The small diameter of this insulated 28 gage wire permits two 7-turn wraps on a 0.025 inch (.64 mm) square post occupying only .21 inch (5.3 mm) of post length. Soldering is not required on rectangular posts, but if wrapped on round or irregular posts it may be soldered using a 750°F (399°C) iron which melts the insulation as solder flow

Motorized Slit-N-Wrap kit, complete with rechargeable NiCad

AC powered Slit-N-Wrap with pistol grip and trigger for industrial

Hardened steel replacement bit for P180 and P160 series. VCT-P180A 1 /b

Polyurethane nylon insulated copper 28 guage wire for P180 and P160 series Slit-N-Wrap tools (3 rolls per package).

UNWRAP TOOL

P160-1A

Manual wrapping kit with 2 rolls of Polyurethane wire.

Hardened steel replacement bit for P184 series.

Slit-N-Wrap tools (2 rolls per package).

Yellow, 0.5 lbs.

hardened steel bit, and 2 rolls of Tefzel wire.

P184-4T1

batteries and charger.

and production use VCT-P184-4T1 3/bs

VCT-W28-6B

VCT-W28-6E

VCT-W28-6F

VCT-P180 1 /b.

batteries and charger.

and production use.

VCT-W28-2B

VCT-W28-2C

VCT-W28-2D

80 - 30

VCT-P184 1/h

P184

\$30.00

\$5,39

\$5.39

\$25.00

\$14.25

\$2.89



For .042" dia, holes, (all boards on this page)

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\$ 1.54 \$ 11.28 Pkg. of 1000

WRAP POST

VCT-T42-1/C

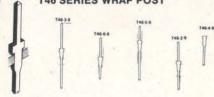
VCT-T42-1/M VCT-P149 Hand installing tool

For .042" dia. holes, (all boards on this page). Bifurcated contacts for soldering components above board and .025" sq. wrap post below board.

T44 will accept a .021" max, dia, lead i VCT-T44/C	Pkg. of 100	\$ 2.34
VCT-T44/M	Pkg. of 1000	\$14.35
A13 Hand installing tool	100 A 100 CO 100 CO	\$ 4.19
T68 will accept a .032" max. dia. lead i	n bifurcated end, 3 level v	vrap post.
T68 will accept a .032" max. dia. lead i VCT-T68/C	n bifurcated end, 3 level v Pkg. of 100	vrap post. \$ 2.67

ept a .032" max. dia. lead in bifurcated end, 2 level wrap pos VCT-T68A/C \$ 2.57 Pkg. of 100 VCT-T68A/M Pkg. of 1000 VCT-A13-1 Hand installing tool \$ 4.15

T46 SERIES WRAP POST



Feed-thru wrap post fits plated-thru or plain holes. Sharp Corners or hese .025" sq. wrap post bite into wrapped wires for perfect connections

VCT-T46-2-9/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 2.72
VCT-T46-2-9/M	Pkg. 1000	\$20.46
VCT-T46-3-9/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 2.74
VCT-T46-3-9/M	Pkg. 1000	\$20.90
VCT-T46-4-9/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 2.64
VCT-T46-4-9/M	Pkg. 1000	\$16.91
VCT-T46-5-9/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 3.58
VCT-T46-5-9/M	Pkg. 1000	\$28.93
VCT-T46-6-9/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 4.99
VCT-T46-6-9/M	Pkg. 1000	\$42.96
/CT-P133B Hand installing tool		\$ 3.03







T107 Bus Strip T112-1 Bus Link T112-2 Bus Link

T107 Bus Strip

VCT-T107	Pkg. 10	\$ 4.00
VCT-T107/C	Pkg. 100	\$38.06

T112-1 Bus Link

Fits over WW pin and connects pin to bus .2" long.

VCT-T112-1/C	Pkg. 100	\$ 1.93
VCT-T112-1/M	Pkg. 1000	\$ 8.14
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T112-2 Bus Link

Same as T112-1 except 3" long

Pkg. 1000	\$10.95
Pkg. 100	\$ 2.15



SOCKET PINS

batteries and charger.

Gold plated, machined socket pin for .042" dia. holes. (All boards on this VCT-P160-4T 3 lbs. \$99.50 page.) With 3 level wrap post.

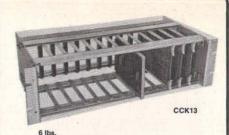
VCT-R32/C VCT-R32/M VCT-P158 Impact insertion tool	Pkg. 100 Pkg. 1000	\$ 21.63 \$202.95 \$ 20.95 \$ 4.05
VCT-D9 Die point for P158		



TRIFURCATED KLIP WRAP POST

For .010" to .040" diameter leads above board and .025" sq. 3 level wrap ost below board for .042" dia. holes. (All boards on this page.)

VCT-T49/C	Pkg. 100
VCT-T49/M	Pkg. 100
/CT-P156 Hand installing too	1



VECTOR-PAK CARD CAGES

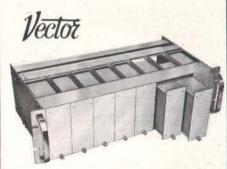
19" rack mounting cages are supplied completely assembled, ready for connectors. Models listed accommodate 1/16" thick cards 4.5" maximum to 3" minimum width x 6.5" long. Heavy extruded aluminum cross members (T-Struts) provide strength and easy, infinitely variable connector spacing. 21 pairs of 4-40 connector mounting nuts are furnished installed.

Vector VCT-CCK-3 Card Cage — Has 108 grooves 0.075" wide for 1/16" circuit cards in extruded aluminum plates mounted top and bottom. Vertically and horizontally adjustable rear cross members have 21 pairs of 4-40 nuts in captive grooves for easy connector mounting. Net Each \$47.94
Vector VCT-CCK-13 Card Cage — 19" wide x 5%" high x 8.9" deep.

Has 21 pairs of riveted anodized aluminum card guides. Net Each.....

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The Vector Pak system is a coordinated packaging system which provides modular cases and cages for nearly all Vector Plugbords and many industry-standard plug-in boards. Adjustable rear struts mount almost any PC connector without hole drilling or special brackets. Other sizes and cage parts are available separately - write or catalog.

Vector VCT-CMA3A-20 Cage - 5\%" h, x 8.9" deep fits 19" racks



EFP MODULES

All-aluminum modules are anodized finished and have 54" high front panels with thumb screw, solid rear panels for connector mounting or circuit board slotting, rear sliding side covers, plus inner multiple-grooved top and bottom rails to hold 1/16" thick circuit boards without special bracketing.

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Vector VCT-EFP204A97 Case — Same as No. EFP164A66, except holds circuit boards 4.5" wide x 9.6" maximum length inside. Ne \$ 3,52



Unwrapping bit is recessed far enough into the sleeve (spring loaded) to permit unwrapping more than the maximum amount of turns on a 3 wrap ost for 26-30 gage wire.

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by Bishop Graphics, Inc. RI ACK PRECISION SLIT PC ARTWORK TAPE 18 Yds./Roll PRICE PER PACKAGE ...\$1.15

Cat No.	Tape Size	
Cat No.	mm	in
BEZ010151	0.38	.015
BEZ010201	0.51	.020
BEZ010261	0,66	.026
BEZ010311	0,79	.031
BEZ010401	1,02	040
BEZ010501	1,27	.050
BEZ010621	1,57	062
BEZ010801	2,03	.080
BEZ010931	2.36	093
BEZ011001	2.54	100
BEZ011251	3,18	125
BEZ012001	5,08	200
BEZ012501	6.35	250

Price per

Package

\$1.25

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0	D	1	D	Cat.	Qty./
In.	mm	In.	mm	No.	Pkg.
.080	2,03	.031	0,79	BEZD216	80
.100	2,54	.031	0,79	BEZD101	64
.120	3,05	.031	0,79	BEZD239	64
.125	3,18	.031	0,79	BEZD102	128
.150	3,81	.031	0,79	BEZD144	112
.160	4,06	.040	1,02	BEZD247	112
.187	4,75	.031	0,79	BEZD138	120
.200	5,08	.031	0,79	BEZD139	120
.250	6,35	.062	1,57	BEZD109	120
.300	7,62	.062	1,57	BEZD111	120

Donut

Pads

Combination Pack

Tees 900 Elbows 0

Universal Corners

PRIC	E PE	R PA	ACK	AG	E.		\$1.95
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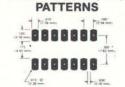
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062	1.57	BEZK103	40	42	20
100	2.54	BEZK104	40	40	12
039	7.0	BEZK105	40	42	21
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ARTWORK **TARGETS**



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PRESSURE SENSITIVE DUAL IN-LINE (DIP)

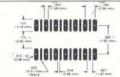


Cut Pad

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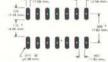
- · Basic large terminal area
- Most commonly used pattern

1 Scal 1X 2X 1X 2X	BEZ6014 BEZ6038 BEZ6004 BEZ6109
2X 1X 2X	BEZ6038 BEZ6004
2X	
1X 2X	BEZ6900 BEZ6901
1X 2X	BEZ6535 BEZ6536
1X 2X	BEZ6903 BEZ6904
1X 2X	BEZ6906 BEZ6907
	1X 2X 1X



Cut Pad With Conductors

Use where conductor traces must be routed between pads . \$1.95 Catalog No. of Qty/ Leads Pkg. Scale Numbe BEZ6760 32 28 1X 2X 14 BEZ6761 32 **RE78763** 2X BEZ6764 BEZ6984 BEZ6985 88 1X 2X



Narrow Cut Pad

Use where a longer terminal area is desired. Can be used with conductors between terminals.

PRICE PER PACKAGE . . . \$1.95

No. of	Qty/	Scale	Catalog
Leads	Pkg.		Number
14	32	1X	BEZ6013
	28	2X	BEZ6071
16	32	1X	BEZ6453
	28	2X	BEZ6244
40	8	1X 2X	BEZ6987 BEZ6988

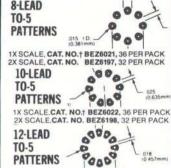
INSERTION-TYPE CONNECTOR PATTERNS

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\$1.95

PRINTED CIRCUIT "TO" STYLE PATTERNS Price per package . . . \$1.95





1X SCALE, CAT. NO. † BEZ6023, 36 PER PACK 2X SCALE, CAT. NO. BEZ6203, 32 PER PACK

BASIC PRINTED CIRCUIT SEQUENTIAL REFERENCE **DESIGNATION KIT**

Set Sequence .125" :yn (3,17 mm)	No. of Sets Per Kit
C1Thru C 20	1
CR1ThruCR10	1
Ul Thru U20	1
R1 Thru R40	.1
Q1 Thru Q20	1
Catalog Number	BEZ80051 \$1

ALPHABET KIT No. of Letter Characters Each Cat No.

125 High (3,17 mm)	Per Set	Per Kit	No.
A,E,I,O,R,T	4	11	
C,L,N,S,U	3	2	8045
D,G,H,M,P,Y	2		\$1.95
B,F,J,K,Q,V,W,X,	Z 1	1	

SEQUENTIAL NUMBERS KIT

Set Numbers .125" High (3,17 mm)	No. of Sets Per Kit
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56789	12
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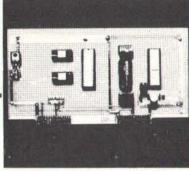
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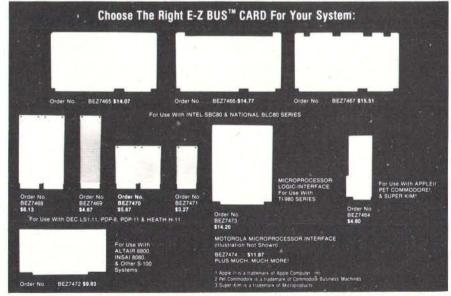
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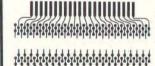
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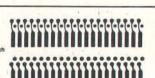
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The combination of a component side pattern and a matching circuit side pattern allows 44 separate connections.

Includes One Connector Pattern Each For Circuit & Component Si 22 positions, ⊕ .156* (3,98 mm) Centers

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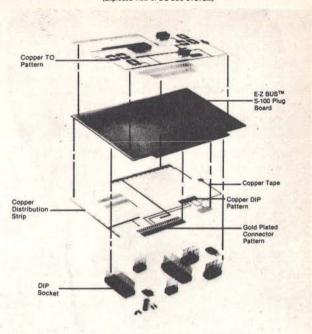
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Decimal Metric .040" 1,02 mm .040" 1,02 mm .040" 1,02 mm 1,02 mm BEZ7202 BEZ7201

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The XM Micro Hook is designed for difficult IC test connections. Light weight (less than 1 gram) and Finger-eze Hypo Action permit direct hook up to delicate wires where weight and leverage may damage component

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MICRO-HOOK TO STANDARD BANANA PLUG

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Deep Slots hold Test Cables for Easy Selection. Half slot on each end end permits-mounting of two or more units side by side with no loss of space between racks.



PART SURSTITUTION CLIP

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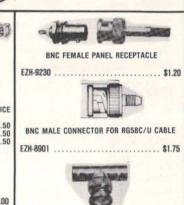
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WITH STRAIN RELIEF BOOTS

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TC-16LSI	.5/.6 IN.	\$ 8.95	\$ 8.40	\$ 8.05	\$ 7.70
TC-18	,3 IN.	\$10.00	\$ 9.40	\$ 9.00	\$ 8.60
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TC-24	.5/.6 IN.	\$13.85	\$12.47	\$11.77	\$11.36
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TC-36	.5/.6 IN.	\$19.95	\$18.75	\$17.95	\$17.15
TC-40	.5/.6 IN.	\$21.00	\$19.75	\$18.90	\$18.05
	TC-8 TC-14 TC-16 TC-16LSI TC-16LSI TC-18 TC-20 TC-22 TC-22 TC-24 TC-28 TC-36	TC-8 .3 IN. TC-14 .3 IN. TC-16 .3 IN. TC-16 .3 IN. TC-16LSI .5/.6 IN. TC-18 .3 IN. TC-20 .3 IN. TC-22 .4 IN. TC-24 .5/.6 IN. TC-28 .5/.6 IN. TC-28 .5/.6 IN. TC-36 .5/.6 IN.	MODEL NUMBER SPACING 1-49 TC-8	ROW TO ROW	ROW TO ROW MODEL NUMBER SPACING 1-49 50-99 100-249 TC-8 .3 IN. \$ 7.35 \$ 6.90 \$ 6.60 TC-14 .3 IN. \$ 4.50 \$ 4.07 \$ 3.82 TC-16 .3 IN. \$ 4.75 \$ 4.28 \$ 4.04 TC-16LSI .5/.5 IN. \$ 8.95 \$ 8.40 \$ 8.05 TC-18 .3 IN. \$ 10.00 \$ 9.40 \$ 9.00 TC-20 .3 IN. \$ 11.55 \$ 10.85 \$ 10.40 TC-22 .4 IN. \$ 12.95 \$ 12.17 \$ 11.67 TC-24 .5/.6 IN. \$ 13.85 \$ 12.47 \$ 11.77 TC-28 .5/.6 IN. \$ 19.95 \$ 18.75 \$ 13.75 TC-35 .5/.6 IN. \$ 19.95 \$ 18.75 \$ 17.95

HEADLESS TEST CLIP

		ROW TO ROW		FRIGING		
PART NUMBER	MODEL NUMBER	SPACING	1-49	50-99	100-249	250-499
APP-923690-8	LTC-8	.3 IN.	\$ 7.35	\$ 6.90	\$ 6.60	\$ 6.30
APP-923690-14	LTC-14	.3 IN.	\$ 4.50	\$ 4.07	\$ 3.82	\$ 3.69
APP-923690-16	LTC-16	.3 IN.	\$ 4.75	\$ 4.28	\$ 4.04	\$ 3.90
APP-923690-16L	LTC-16LSI	.5/.6 IN.	\$ 8.95	\$ 8.40	\$ 8.05	\$ 7.70
APP-923690-18	LTC-18	.3 IN.	\$10.00	\$ 9.40	\$ 9.00	\$ 8.60
APP-923690-20	LTC-20	.3 IN.	\$11.55	\$10.85	\$10.40	\$ 9.95
APP-923690-22	LTC-22	.4 IN.	\$12.95	\$12.17	\$11.67	\$11.17
APP-923690-24	LTC-24	.5/.6 IN.	\$13.95	\$12.47	\$11.77	\$11.36
APP-923690-28	LTC-28	.5/.6 IN.	\$15.25	\$14.35	\$13.75	\$13.10
APP-923690-36	LTC-36	.5/.6 IN.	\$19.95	\$18.75	\$17.95	\$17.15
APP-923690-40	LTC-40	.5/.6 IN.	\$21.00	\$19.75	\$18.90	\$18.05

CHECK THESE UNIQUE FEATURES: New "nail-head" pins keep probe hooks from sliding off ends. grade springs for firm contact pressure. They'll keep their hinge design. Made to last! New "duck-bill" contacts are flat — won't roll off new narrow DIP leads.

"Contact comb" fits between DIP leads — eliminating any possibilities of shorts.

TC 24

New "open-nose" design now permits probe tip access at DIP leads.

Offset pin rows allow probes to han free on longer pins in the top row an not interfere with shorter pins in the hottom row.

another "Faster & Easier" innovation from A P PRODUCTS INCORPORATED

INTRA-CONNECTOR



PROVIDES FULL ACCESS TO LINES ... SAVES VALUABLE TIME TESTING FLAT RIBBON CABLE SYSTEMS

- Permits quick testing of previously unprobe able circuits.
- Provides both straightin and right-angle func-
- Mates with standard .10"x.10" dual-row connectors.

The A P Intra-Connector al-Price lows immediate access to pre-viously inaccessible lines. In Fach \$6.00 use, the connector is inter-6.90 jected between mating system connectors to provide external pin contacts that can be 8.10 9:00 probed individually or con-nected to another cable as-10.50 sembly: pins also can be used to facilitate daisy chaining from a single connector cable

> Two Intra-Connectors used in conjunction with the A P Intra-Switch form a complete test assembly for probing sig-nals under no load and full load conditions.

> Contacts are non-corrosive alloy 770. Body is glass-filled



No. of Contacts	Dim.	Part Number	Model No.	Price
20	1.160	APP-922578-20	IS-20	\$12.00
26	1.460	APP-922578-26	IS-26	13.80
34	1.860	APP-922578-34	IS-34	16.20
40	2.160	APP-922578-40	IS-40	18.00
50	2.660	APP-922578-50	IS-50	21.00
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PRODUCTS

ALLOWS ANY LINE TO BE OPENED OR CLOSED ... ANOTHER TIME SAVER IN TESTING **FLAT RIBBON** CABLE SYSTEMS

DDIGING SCHEDING

- Permits instant line-by-line switching for diagnostic or QA testing.
- Switches actuated with pencil or probe tip.
- Mates with standard .10"x.10" dual-row con-

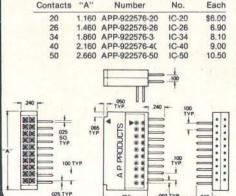
The A P Intra-Switch allows The A P Intra-Switch allows opening and closing any number of lines, individually, at system interconnection points. Applications include switching command signals to control boards as well as switching I/O signals to or from test equipment and for programming optional preset logic functions. logic functions.

Design features include: low profile for use in confined areas, switch buttons reces-sed in face of covers to eliminate accidental switching, and position "1" identification.

Wiping action and spherical detents maximize contact in-

tegrity.
An Intra-switch used conjunction with two A P In-tra-Connectors form a com-plete test assembly for probing signals under no load and full load conditions.

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Part

Model

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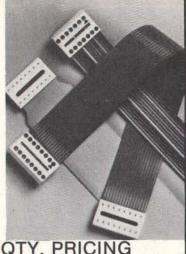
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JUMPERS

ASSEMBLIES WITH **DIP CONNECTORS**

- Available with 14, 16, 24 and 40 contacts.
- Mate with standard IC sockets.
- Fully assembled and tested. Integral molded-on strain
- Discrete test points for lineby-line probeability.



CALL FOR QTY, PRICING

SINGLE-ENDED **DIP JUMPERS**

A P DIP Jumpers are the low-cost, high-quality solution for jumpering within a PC board; interconnecting between PC boards, backplanes and motherboards; interfacing Input/ Output signals;

All assemblies use rainbow cable. Standard lengths are 6, 12, 18, 24

36"	A
APP-924102-36 \$3.49	d
APP-924112-36 \$3.69	P
APP-924122-36 \$5.89	
APP-924132-36 \$10.09	
	APP-924102-36 \$3.49 APP-924112-36 \$3.69 APP-924122-36 \$5.89 APP-924132-36



DOUBLE-ENDED DIP JUMPERS

No.	Length	Length	Length	Length	Length
Contacts	6"	12"	18"	24"	36*
14	APP-924106-6	APP-924106-12	APP-924106-18	APP-924105-24	APP-924106-36
	\$3.59	\$3.89	\$4.19	\$4.49	\$5.09
16	APP-924116-6	APP-924116-12	APP-924116-18	APP-924116-24	APP-924116-36
	\$3.99	\$4.29	\$4.59	\$4.89	\$5.49
24	APP-924126-6	APP-924126-12	APP-924126-18	APP-924125-24	APP-924126-36
	\$6.19	\$6.69	\$7.19	\$7.69	\$8.69
40	APP-924136-6	APP-924136-12	APP-924136-18	APP-924138-24	APP-924138-36
	\$10.29	\$11.19	\$12.09	\$12.99	\$14.79



A P PRODUCTS INCORPORATED **FLAT RIBBON** CABLE ASSEMBLIES

- Choice of 3 types of end connectors molded on and factory tested.
- Daisy chain and single-end also available.
- 5 popular sizes to choose from: 20, 26, 34, 40 and 50 contacts, each with line-by-line probe access holes.
- Choice of 2 cable types and 5 lengths.

FLAT RIBBON CARLE

Stranded, 28 AWG with laminated PVC insulation.
"Electric Pink" cable has red stripe on one edge for orientation. Used only on double-end and daisy chain assemblies.

"Rainbow" cable is coded in standard 10-color sequence on front. Serpentine striping on back aids in identifying wire number and wire group during tear down separation for discrete wire terminations. Used only on single-end jumpers.

CARD-EDGE JUMPERS

CARD-EDGE JUMPERS

Mates with double-sided 1/16" PC board up to 2.050" wide with contact fingers on .100" centers. Probe access holes back



DOUBLE END SINGLE END Rainbow DAISY CHAIN (3 connectors) Electric Pink APP-924052-06-R APP-924062-36-R \$8.89 \$6.49 APP-924092-06-R \$13.29 APP-024053-06-R APP-024063-38-R APP-024093-06-R \$14.89 924094 \$18.49 \$7.59 APP-924055-06-R APP-924065-36-R APP-924095-06-R

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SOCKET JUMPERS

No. Contact:

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AD

Mates with .025" square or dia. posts spaced on patterns of .100" centers. Probe access holes in back.

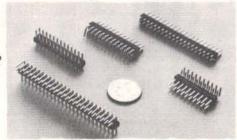
No.	DOUBLE	END JUMPER ASSI Electric Pink Cable	SINGLE END Rainbow	(3 connectors) Electric Pink	
Contacts	6"	18"	36"	36"	. 6"
20	APP-924002-06-R	APP-924002-18-R	APP-924002-36-R	APP-924012-36-R	APP-924072-06-R
	\$4.99	\$5.69	\$6.59	\$4.89	\$7.39
26	APP-924003-06-R	APP-924003-18-R	APP-924003-36-R	APP-924013-36-R	APP-924073-06-R
	\$6.49	\$7.29	\$8.59	\$6.29	\$9.69
34	APP-924004-05-R	APP-924004-18-R	APP-924004-36-R	APP-924014-36-R	APP-924074-06-R
	\$8.49	\$9.59	\$11.19	\$8.29	\$12.69
40	APP-924005-06-R	APP-924005-18-R	APP-924005-35-R	APP-924015-36-R	APP-924075-06-R
	\$9.99	\$11.59	\$12.99	\$9.69	\$14.89
50	APP-924006-06-R	APP-924006-18-R	APP-924006-36-R	APP-924016-36-R	APP-924076-06-R



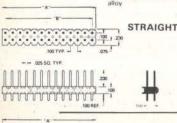
double-row JUMPER HEADERS

Ideal mates for "GREAT JUMPERS"

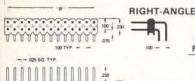
- Solder to PC boards for instant plug-in access via socketconnector jumpers
- .025" square posts are molded into plastic header strip on a .10" x .10" matrix
- Choice of straight or right angle configurations



MATERIALS: Dielectric is thermoplastic polyester, unaffected by wave soldering or board cleaning solvents. Posts are fabricated from coppe allov



No. Posts	Dim.	Dim. "B"	Part Number	Price 2 sets
20	1.0	0.9	APP-923862-R	\$1.59
26	1.3	1.2	APP-923863-R	\$1.89
34	1.7	1.6	APP-923864-R	\$2.39
40	2.0	1.9	APP-923865-R	\$2.79
50	2.5	2.4	APP-923866-R	\$3.39



I		No. Posts	Dim. "A"	Dim. "B"	Part Number	Price 2 sets
		20	1.0	0.9	APP-923872-R	\$1.89
		26	1.3	1.2	APP-923873-R	\$2.39
		34	1.7	1.6	APP-923874-R	\$2.99
		40	2.0	1.9	APP-923875-R	\$3.49
		50	2.5	2.4	APP-923876-R	\$4.29

MALE and FEMALE P





Typical application: board-to-board interconnection

MALE HEADERS-STRAIGHT & RIGHT ANGLE

- For economical attachment of complete matrices of .025' square posts to PC boards to serve as male contacts for interconnection systems
- Ideal for mating with single and dual-row female con-nectors; also use as patch-board for discrete, single-position connections
- 36 posts per row molded into nylon header strip "Break-to-length" feature allows making short rows

Male A P Headers are stackable to maintain .100-inch row-to-row spacing. All may be wire-wrapped on reverse side of PC board. Built-in stand-offs facilitate wave soldering and board cleaning. Dual-row headers are ultrasonically welded at the factory.

MATERIALS DIELECTRIC: Thermoplastic 3.500 polyester. POSTS: Full-hard copper - 100 TYP

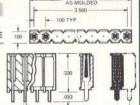
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HEADERS

FEMALE HEADERS

- Mate with matrices of .025" square or round posts on .100" centers
- Ideal as single and dual-row cable connectors for back panels and patchboard matrices
- 36 "tuning fork" contacts per row in rugged nylon header strip
- May be "cut-to-length" for shorter rows of contacts
- Single and dual-row strips available

Female A P Headers are stackable — to maintain .100-inch row-to-row spacing. Solder tails are sized for PC board mount-ing or cable attachment. Built-in stand-offs facilitate wave soldering and board cleaning. Dual-row headers are ultra-sonically welded at the factory.



Female	Rows	Part No.	Price Ea.
	1 2	APP-929974 APP-929975	\$1.49
MI	ODEL S 6	er wire wrannin	40100

Male (.600) Rows Part No. Price Ea. APP-929834-05 \$2.29 APP-929836-05 \$4.59 APP-929835-03 \$2.09 APP-929838-03 \$4.59 Straight Straight Rt. angle RL angle Tail length shown as (.600) in drawings. Male (.100) Rows Part No. Price Ea. APP-929834-01 \$1.09 APP-929836-01 \$2.29 APP-929835-01 \$1.29 Straight Straight

APP-929838-01

Rt. angle Rt. angle



Introducing **POWERACE**

Use a POWERACE for faster and easier prototyping of all types of electronic circuits

- 1680 solderless, plug-in tie points...will hold up to 18 14-pin DIP's.
- Breadboard elements accept all DIP sizes...including RTL, DTL, TTL and CMOS devices, TO-5's and discretes with leads up to .032" dia.
- All connections to/from switches, indicators, power supplies and meters are made via solderless, plug-in, tie-point blocks on control panels.
- Interconnect with any solid 20 to 30 AWG wire.
- Breadboard elements are mounted on ground planes...ideal for high-frequency and high-speed/low-noise circuits.
- Short-circuit-proof fused power supplies.
- Operate on 110 to 130 VAC at 60 Hz.
- Space-age compact styling and high-grade components permit convenient, organized and quick prototyping. SHIPPING WEIGHT 4 LBS. and quick prototyping.



POWERACE 103 APP-923103

\$124.95

Triple-output power supply for prototyping both linear and digital circuits.

POWERACE 101 APP-923101

\$79.95

The general purpose

model for prototyp-

ing all types of

APP-923102 \$124.95

POWERACE 102

The complete digital prototyping lab with FREE logic probe built in!

circuits. All three of these brand new POWERACE mouels ffer a new dimension in convenience for fast, solder

less, circuit building and testing.
In addition to built in power supplies, each model incorporates two of the famous AP Products Super Strip universal plug-in breadboards. [See Super Strip page for complete details.] Combined, they provide 16 distribution buses of 25 tie points per

POWERACE 101

POWER SUPPLY is required and adjustable from +5 to +15 VDC at 600 mA. Ripple/noise is <10 mV at full load. Line and load regula-

METER is built in 0-15 VDC. Inputs are accessible at tie-point blocks on control panel which allows monitoring of power supply or circuits. Meter accuracy is 5% of full scale.

POWERACE 103

TRIPLE-DUTPUT POWER SUPPLY has outputs of LE-OUTPUT POWER SUPPLY has outputs of +5 VDC at 750 mA; +15 VDC at 250 mA; and -15 VDC at 250 mA. Ripple/noise is ≤10 mV at full load for all outputs. Line and load regulation is ≤1% for all outputs. ±15-volt touts track

METER is built in 15-0-15 VDC. Input is accessible at tie-point blocks on control panel which allows monitoring of power supply or cir-cuits. Meter accuracy is 5% of full scale.

TWO LOGIC INDICATORS (LEO's) have buffered inputs that require 1 microamp max.

TWO LOGIC SWITCHES, momentary, with debounce circuitry. Both Q and Q outputs can sink 15 mA, and source 5 mA.

TWO DATA SWITCHES with logic 1 and logic 0 outputs have unlimited sinking capabilities and can source 10 mA.

bus. These may be jumpered in groups as desired and used for voltage and ground distribution, reset lines, clock lines, shift command, etc. The remaining 1280 tie points are for plugging in circuit com-

ponents and jumper wires.

As a bonus, a free logic probe is incorporated into model 102.

POWERACE 102

POWER SUPPLY is regulated +5 VDC at 1 amp. Ripple/noise is \leqslant 10 mV at full load. Line and load regulation is \leqslant 1%.

PULSE DETECTION WITH MEMORY is built-in. Will detect positive or negative going pulses as short as 10 nanoseconds. Memory is reset by momentary switch on control panel. THREE LOGIC INDICATORS (LED's) have buffered

inputs that require 1 microamp max. FREE LOGIC PROBE: the above pulse

detection with memory plus logic indicator features constitute a free, built-in logic probe!

TWO LOGIC SWITCHES, momentary, with debounce circuitry. Both Q and Q outputs can sink 15 mA, and source 5 mA.

FOUR DATA SWITCHES with logic 1 or logic 0 outputs have unlimited sinking capabilities and can source 10 mA.

CLOCK GENERATOR has the following frequ available: 1 Hz, 10 Hz, 100 Hz, 1 KHz, 10 KHz and 100 KHz with a 50% duty cycle. C output will sink 15 mA and source 5 mA. C output will sink or source 50 mA.

ONE-SHOT PULSE GENERATOR has output of 7 ms pulse, positive or negative going. Both Q and Q outputs can sink 15 mA and source 400 microamps.

SUPER-STRIPS

UNIVERSAL BREADBOARDING ELEMENTS WITH SOLDERLESS PLUG-IN TIE POINTS



- Combine distribution system with universal .1" x .1" matrix
- # 840 solderless, plug-in tie-points
- Accommodates up to 9 14-pin DIPs
- Compatible with all DIP's and discretes with lead diameters to .032"
- Require no special patch cords

The A P Super-Strips combine a power/sig-nal distribution system with a matrix of 128 ter-minals, each with 5 tie points. The distribution system consists of eight buses, each individual bus consisting of a line of 25 tie points. All tie points are the solderless, plug-in type of the same design used on A P Terminal Strips and A' P Distribution Strips.

The Super Strip will accept all DIP's TO-5's and discrete components with lead diameters up to .032 inches. As many as nine 14-pin DIP's can be accommodated. Any solid wire up to No. 20 A.W.G. can be used for interconnec-

tions.

Super-Strips may be permanently mounted with the integral non-shorting instant-mounting backing, or for quick removal, they may be mounted with screws (supplied) on panels up to 1/8" thick. Hardware and mounting templates are provided with every strip. Body material is acetal copolymer.

SS-2 (Alloy 770 terminals) APA-923252 \$17.00 SS-1 (Gold-plated terminals) APA-923748 \$29.95



TERMINAL and DISTRIBUTION STRIPS



Model 248L Terminal Strip 96 five-tie-point terminals APP-923265 \$10.00 BREADBOARDING BUILDING BLOCKS WIT UNIVERSAL MATRICES OF SOLDERLESS PLUG-IN TIE-POINTS

APP-923281 \$2.25

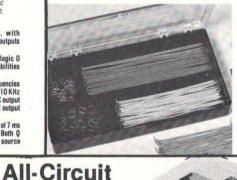


Model 264R Terminal Strip, 128 four-tie-point terminals, APP-923289 \$10.00

Model 154R Terminal Strip 54 four-tie-point terminals APP-923291 \$6.00

Model 606R Distribution Strip. 36 four-tie-point terminals APP-923293 \$3.50





JUMPER WIRE KIT

Each kit contains 350 wires cut to

14 different lengths from 0.1" to 5.0." Each wire is stripped and the leads are bent 90° for easy insertion. Wire length is classified by color coding

All wire is solid tinned 22 gauge with PVC insulation.

The wires come packed in a convenient plastic box

APP-92335I JK-1...\$10.95



for fast, solderless, plug-in circuit

building and testing

Just plug in any components with leads to .032" dia. Inter connect with solid wire up to 20 ga. Assembled models too!

Part No.	ACE Model No.	Tie Points	OIP Capacity	No. Buses	No. Posts	Board Size (Inches)	Price Each	
APP-923333	200-K (kit)	728	8 (16's)	2	2	4-9/16 x 5-9/16	\$18.95	
APP-923332	208 (assem.)	872	8 (16's)	8	2	4-9/16 x 5-9/16	28.95	
APP-923334	201-K (kit)	1032	12 (14's)	2	2	16 x 7	24.95	
APP-923331	212 (assem.)	1224	12 (14's)	8	2	4-9/16 x 7	34.95	
APP-923326	218 (assem.)	1760	18 (14's)	10	2	6-1/2 x 7-1/8	46.95	
APP-923325	227 (assem.)	2712	27 (14's)	28	4	8 x 9-1/4	59.95	
APP-923324	236 (assem.)	3648	36 (14's)	36	4	10-1/4 x 9-1/4	79.95	
	Gold-anodized alum	inum base/g	round: non-corr	rosive nickel	-silver term	ninals: 4 rubber feet.	SHIPPING WEIG	HT - 2 LBS

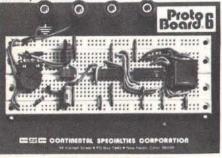
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Model 236

Evaluator

PROTO-BOARD® UNITS

All the speed and convenience of QT sockets and Bus Strips plus backplanes and binding posts in both kits and preassembled units. Assemble, test and modify circuits as fast as you can think



PROTO-BOARD PB-6 KIT-HOLDS 10, 14 PIN IC'S

Contains one preassembled QT-47S socket, two preassembled QT-47B bus strips, four binding posts, metal ground/base plate, non-marring feet and all hardware. Ten minute assembly time. Size: 6" I. x 4" w. x 1.4" h. Weight

PROTO-BOARD PB-100 KIT-HOLDS 10, 14 PIN IC'S

Contains two preassembled QT-35S sockets, one pre-assembled QT-35B bus strip, two binding posts, non-me-tallic base plate, non-marring feet and all hardware. Ten minute assembly time. Size: 4.5" w. x 6" l. x 1.4" h. Weight: 7.5 ozs. GSCPB100 — Complete

PROTO-BOARD PB-101-

HOLDS 10, 14 PIN IC'S Fully assembled breadboard contains two QT-35S sockets and four QT-35B bus strips mounted on metal ground/base plate with non-marring feet. Excellent for audio and small digital projects. **Size**: 6.0" I. x 4.5" w. x 1.4" h. **Weight**: 9

GSCPB101

PROTO-BOARD PB-102-HOLDS 12, 14 PIN IC'S

Fully assembled breadboard contains two QT-47S sockets, three QT-47B bus strips and one QT-35B bus strip on a metal ground/base plate with non-marring feet. Excellent for intermediate digital needs Size: 7.4" l. x 4.5" w. x 1.4" h. Weight: 10 ozs. GSCPB102

PROTO-BOARD PB-103-HOLDS 24, 14 PIN IC'S

Fully assembled breadboard contains three QT-59S sockets. four QT-59B and one QT-47B bus strip, four binding posts on a metal ground/base plate with non-marring feet. Build calculators, interfaces, networks, etc. Size: 9"1, x 6" x 1.4" h. Weight: 21 ozs. GSCPB103

PROTO-BOARD PB-104-

HOLDS 32, 14 PIN IC'S
Fully assembled breadboard contains four QT-59S sockets, seven QT-59B bus strips and four binding posts on a metal ground/base plate with non-marring feet. Build a CPU, encoder, complex display, etc. Size: 9.8" l. x 8" w. x 1.4" h. Weight: 29 ozs.

Proto-Board no 203A Proto-Board no. 203A



GSCPB104



PROTO-BOARD PB-203-HOLDS 24, 14 PIN IC'S

Fully assembled breadboard contains built-in, short-proof, fused, 5 VDC at 1 amp, regulated power supply, in addition to three QT-59S sockets, four QT-59B bus strips, one QT-47B bus strip and four binding posts. Capacity for most digital and many analog projects. Size: 9.75" l. x 6.6" w. x 3.25" h. Weight: 5 lbs. h. Weight: 5 lbs. GSCPB203

PROTO-BOARD PB-203A Provides all the features of Proto-Board PB-203 with additional +15 and -15 VDC at 0.5 Amp power supplies with internally adjustable output voltages. Size: Same as PB-203. Weight: 5.5 lbs.

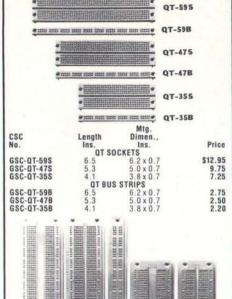
GSCPB203A \$160.00

PROTO-BOARD KIT PB-203AK

Kit version of Model PB-203A. Kit contains all components of model PB-203A plus solder, hook-up wire and easy-to-follow instructions. **Weight**: 5.5 lbs. GSCPB203AK ...

QUICK TEST SOCKETS AND BUS STRIPS

Universal breadboarding system eliminates the soldering iron. QT sockets provide terminals, each consisting of five pre-connected tie-points, running across the width of the socket. QT bus strips consist of two rows of connected tie-points (in groups of five) which run the length of the bus strip. All QT sockets and bus strips are molded of highstrip. All OT sockets and bus strips are molded of high-temperature plastic so that leads and wires can be soldered while plugged in. Specially engineered, large-aperture holes guide leads into contacts easily and effortlessly. Contacts are pre-stressed, spring-loaded, non-corrosive, nickel silver alloy. Average contact resistance is 0.5 milliohm initially; 0.4 milliohm after use. Any diameter lead from .015" to .032" may be used. All OT units are .33" thick; all sockets are 1.32" wide; all bus strips are .36" wide. Units mount with 4-40 flat-head screws from the front or 6-32 self-tapping screws from the rear. QT units feature unique snap/lock mechanism which mates units together in seconds to expand or contract a mates units together in seconds to expand or contract a breadboard system at will.



EXPERIMENTOR BREADBOARDING SOCKETS

Solderless breadboarding sockets accept DIP's, transis-Solderiess breadobarding sockets accept UIP's, transis-tors, LED's, resistors, capacitors, and most all types of discrete components, as well as #22-30 solid hookup wire. An interlocking system permits boards to be snapped together for optimum configuration for any circuit. Sockets are molded of durable, abrasion resistant material and leature prestressed, nickel-silver contacts. A vinyl plastic feature prestressed, nickel-silver contacts. A vinyl plastic backing prevents shorts when sockets are mounted on metallic surfaces. Tie-points are alphanumerically identified for faster wiring and circuit tracing. Sockets can be used loose or fastened to a mounting surface.

EXPERIMENTOR EXP-300—With 0.3" center channel spacing to fit the smaller DIP's. Size, ¾" d. x.2.1" w. x.6" [g. GSCEXP300

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SCRATCHBOARD™ WORKPADS

Start breadboarding even before parts are assembled. Or, sketch a working breadboard and save it for later. Preprinted pads of paper with a light blue breadboard hole pattern give you a head start.

EXPERIMENTOR MATCHBOARD

Go from breadboard to finished PC board non-stop. Pre-drilled, pre-etched, copper-clad PC boards speed the work. The component side is silk-screened with alphanumeric index

EXP-300P—One Matchboard. Net Each
EXP-302—Three 50-sheet Scratchboard workpads. \$3.30 EXP-303 -Two Matchboards and one EXP-300 Brea \$16.00 board. Net Each EXP-304—Two Matchboards, one EXP-300 Breadboard and one Scratchboard. Net Each 17.00



LOGIC PROBES

CSC logic probes are the ultimate tools for digital design and testing. These hand-held units provide an instant overview of circuit conditions. Simple to use; just clip power leads to circuit's power supply, set logic family switch to TTL/DTL or CMOS/HTL. Touch probe to test switch to TTL/DTL or CMOS/HTL. Touch probe to test node. Trace logic events and pulses through digital circuits. Even stretch and latch for easy pulse detection. Instant recognition of high, low or invalid levels, open circuits and nodes. Simple, dual-level detector LED's tell it quickly, correctly. HI (Logic "1"); LO (Logic "0"). Also incorporates blinking pulse detector, e.g., HI and LO LEDs blink on or off, tracking "1" or "0" states at square wave frequencies up to 1.5 MHz. Pulse LED blinks during pulse transition. Choice of three models to meet individual requirements; budget, project and speed of logic circuits.

LP-1 LOGIC PROBE—Hand-held logic probe provides instant reading of logic levels for TTL, DTL, HTL or CMOS. Input Impedance: 100,000 Ohms. Min. Detectable Pulse: 50 ns. Max. Input Signal (Frequency): 10 MHz. Pulse Detector (LED): High speed train or single event. Pulse Memory: Pulse or level transition detected and stored. GSCLP1\$50.00



The ultimate in speed and ease of operation. Simply conect clip leads to positive and negative power, then touch PP-1's probe to a circuit node; automatic polarity sensor detects circuit's high or low condition. Depress the push-button and trigger an opposite polarity pulse into the cir-cuit. Fast, troubleshooting includes injecting signals at key points in TTL, DTL, CMOS or other popular circuits. Test with single pulse or 100 pulses per second via built-in dual with single pulse or 100 pulses per second via built-in dual control pushbutton button selects single shot or continuous modes. LED indicator monitors operating modes by flashing once for single pulse or continuously for a pulse train. Completely automatic, probe-size lab/field pulse generator for any family of digital circuits. Output: Tristate. Polarity: Pulse-sensing auto-polarity. Sync and Source: 100 mA. Pulse Train: 100 pps. LED Indicator: Flashes for single pulse; stays lit for pulse train. \$83.00 GSCDPI



LOGIC MONITOR

Trace signals through all types of digital circuits. Unit clips over any DIP IC up to 16 pins. Each of its 16 contacts connects to a single-bit level detector that drives a highintensity, numbered LED readout activated when the applied voltage exceeds a fixed 2 V threshold. Logic "1" turns LED on; logic "0" keeps LED off. A power-seeking gate networks automatically locates supply leads and feeds them to the LM-1's internal circuitry. Saves minutes, even hours in design troubleshooting, debugging of equipment. Voltage Threshold: 2 V ± 0.2 V. Input Impedance: 100,000 Ohms. Input Voltage Range: 4-15 V max. across any two or more inputs. Current Drain: 200 mA at 10 V. Size: 4" I, x 2" w. x 1.75".d. when open. Weight: 3 ozs. GSCLMI . \$60.00 intensity, numbered LED readout activated when the ap-



LOGICAL ANALYSIS KITS

The increasing use and complexity of digital logic has created the need for portable and compact test equipment. The Logical Analysis Kits contain design/test/troubleshooting instruments that detect and locate logic problems, as well as component or mechanical failures, down to a specific IC pin. The Logic Pulser (the source) and the Logic Probe or Logic Monitor (detectors) instantly provide static and dynamic logic state analyses. These portable compact units save time in all phases of digital

GSC Model LTC-1 Logical Analysis Kit—Complete with LP-1 logic Probe, DP-1 Logic Pulser, LM-1 Logic Monitor, wiring accessories, manuals and molded case. . \$220.00 GSC Model LTC-2 Logical Analysis Kit—For high-speed and memory analysis. Same as Model LTC-1, except substitutes LP-3 High-Speed Logic Probe \$250.00



MAX100 100MHZ FREQUENCY COUNTER

Specifications.
Frequency Range: 20 Hz to 100 MHz guaranteed; 110 MHz typical. Gate Time: 1 sec. Resolution: 1 Hz. Accuracy: ±1 count ± time base error. Input Impedance: 1 Magohm shunted by 56pF. Coupling: AC. Sine Wave Sensitivity: 30 mV RMS at 50 MHz. Internal Time Base Frequency: 3.579545 MHz crystal oscillator. Stability: ±3 ppm at 25°C. Temperature Stability: Better than 0.2 ppm/°C, 0-50°C Max. Aging: 10 ppm/year. Display: Eight 0.6" LED digits. Lead-Zero Blanking: Decimal point appears between 6th and 7th digit when input exceeds 1 MHz. Overflow: With signals over 99,999,999 Hz, most significant (left hand) digit flashes, allowing readings in excess of 100 MHz. Display Update: 1/6 sec. plus 1 sec. gate time. Low Battery Indicator: When battery supply falls below 6.6 VDC, all digits flash at 1 Hz. Power Required: Internal, 6 "AA" cells; external, 110 or 220 VAC charger/eliminator, aut'o cigarette lighter adapter or 7.2-10 Specifications. VDC external supply. Battery Charging: 12-14 hrs. Size: 1.75"h. x 5.63" w. x 7.75" d. Weight: Less than 1.5 lbs.

CSC Model MAX-100 Frequency Counter -\$149.00







MAX-50 FREQUENCY COUNTER

A mini-sized, hand-held frequency counter featuring the latest LSI circuitry and advanced engineering provides accurate frequency measurement and operating simplicity. Can be used to check AM, CB. Business Radio, audio, ultrasonics and many others. Frequency Range: 100 Hz to 50 MHz. Input Impedance: More than 1 100 Hz to 50 MHz. Input Impedance: More than 1 Megohm, diode protected. Input Connector: Miniature phone jack. Input Coupling: AC. Sensitivity: 30 mV from 100 Hz to 30 MHz; 100 mV from 30 MHz to 50 MHz. Maximum Input: 200 V p-p to 14Hz; 75 V p-p from 14Hz to 10 MHz; 50 V p-p to 50 MHz. Time Base Accuracy: ± 3 ppm at 25°C. Temperature Stability: Better than 0.2 ppm/°C from 0°C to 50°C. Display: Six 0.1" magnified LEDs with anti-glare window. Zero Blanking: All zeros to the left of the first significant digit are blanked; decimal points light automatically. Display Update: 6 per-second. Power Requirements: One 9 V alkaline battery or battery eliminator. Size: 3" h. 5" w. x. 1.5" d. Weight: 8 ozs. eliminator. Size: 3" h. x 6" w. x 1.5" d. Weight: 8 ozs.

GSC MAX-50—Frequency Counter	77.00
GSC MMAC2 AC Adapter - For 110 VAC	12.45
GSC MMA4 Mini Antenna	.4.95
GSC MM-IPC Input Cable Clip Leads	.4.95
GSC MMC5 Carrying Case	.7.45

MAX-550 FREQUENCY COUNTER 550 MHz VERSION OF ABOVE GSC MAX-550-\$165.00



6001 FREQUENCY COUNTER

Model 6001 bench-top frequency counter is designed for applications from audio to UHF, in communications, data processing, process control. RF and digital design, multiplex, etc. Exceptional flexibility in general-purpose lab and plox, etc. Exceptional flexibility in general-purpose lab and test-bench applications. Extremely accurate measurements from 50 Hz to 650 MHz. Inputs (Front Panel): Two inputs provided through front-panel BNC connectors. "A" input is for signal frequencies from 5 Hz to 100 MHz; 1 Megohm +25 pF input impedance; a low-pass filter provides 3 dB/octave rolloff at 50 KHz. "B" input is for signal frequencies from 40 to 650 MHz; 50 Ohms input impedance; fuse protected. Gate Times: Three pushbutton-selectable gate times (0.1,1.0 and 10 sec.) provide resolutions of 10, 1 and 0.1 Hz respectively; a front-panel LED indicates gate-open condition. Timebase: A precision 10 MHz crystal oven oscillator (0.5 ppm, 0-50" C) provides internal reference, or an external reference may be selected by a rear-panel switch. The oven oscillator output is buffered and made available at a rear-panel BNC connector for the analysis of the input connection for an external timebase reference signal. Use tor. A second rear-panel BNC connector provides the input connection for an external timebase reference signal. Use of an external timebase other than 10 MHz permits the 6001 to operate in a scaling (also called rescaling) mode, in which the output is presented in units othen than Hz. This permits the 6001 to be used as a directly-duplicating digital display in a number of applications, including transducer translation, flow monitoring, tachometry, etc. Display: 8-digit, 7-segments, 0.43" LED display features zero blank-includence in the first proposed point indicates frequency in MHz. A contrast digit, 7-segments, 0.43" LED display features zero blanking. Decimal point indicates frequency in MHz. A contrast enhancement filter assures legibility, even in high ambient light conditions. Discrete front-panel LEDs provide Oven Ready, Overflow and Gate Open indications. In addition, the leftmost digit (of the 8-digit display) flashes to indicate counter overflow. Controls: Power, Gate Time Select, A/B Input Select, Low Pass Filter In/Out, Internal/External Time Base (rear-panel). Power Required: 105-135 VAC, 57-63 Hz, 10 VA max: 215-250 VAC, 50-60 Hz version available. Operating Temperature: 0-50° C. Size: 3" h. x 10" w. x 7" d. Weight; 3 lbs.



5001 UNIVERSAL COUNTER-TIMER

Designed for electronic measurements and display of fre quency, period, interval and counted events. Unique full input signal conditioning on both channels, including attenuators, slope selection and variable trigger level. Varia-ble delay between measurements. Frequency: Up to 10 MHz in four ranges. Selectable Gate Times: .01, .0.1, 1.0 or 10 seconds. Display indicates frequency (in KHz) at A input. Period: Measures period of signal at A input, 400 input. **Period:** Measures period of signal at A input, 400 nsec. to 10 sec.; measures signal cycle or averages over 10, 100 or 1,000 cycles. Display indicates time period. **Frequency Ratio:** Counts number of cycles occurring at A input (to 10 MHz) during one cycle at B input (to 2 MHz), or averages over 10, 100 or 1,000 cycles at B input. Useful for scaling measurements. Display indicates ratio FA/FB. **Time Interval:** Measures time between given signal edge occurring at A input (starts measurement) and given edge occurring at B input (ends measurement), from 200 nsec. to 10 sec. May average over 10, 100 or 1,000 intervals, or measure single interval. **Event Count:** Counts up to 99,999.99 events at up to 10 MHz. "Run" pushbutch enables counting with running count continuous displayed: when "hold" button is pushed displayed count is frozen while counting continues; returns to continuous prayed: when hold button is pushed displayed could is frozen while counting continues; returns to continuous display when the "Run" button is pushed again. Third ("Reset") button resets count. Delay: Variable control causes 75 msec. to 7.5 sec. delay between measurement causes 75 msec. to 7.5 sec. delay between measurement cycles to facilitate viewing or recording of displayed readings. Detent position freezes display indefinitely following next measurement cycle. Full Signal Conditioning On Both Inputs: Both inputs incorporate x1/x10/x100 selectable attenuator. +/— slope selector and variable trigger level control. Both inputs are 1 Megohm at 25 pf, DC coupled. Display: Bright, 8-digit, 7-segment, 0.43" LED display, drive for high visibility. Decimal point position gives frequency measurements in KHz, time measurements in micro-seconds. Discrete LED indicators show overflow (when count exceeds 99,999,999) and gate-open conditions. Operating Temperature: 0.50° C. Power Required: 105-135 VAC, 57-63 Hz, 10 VA max.; 215-250 VAC, 50-60 Hz version available. Size: 3' h. x 10" w. x 7" d. Weight: 3 lbs. Weight: 3 lbs.

GSC5001 Universal Counter-Timer-Net Each .\$360.00



2001 FUNCTION GENERATOR

Signal generator with advanced IC circuitry produces stable, low-distortion sine waves (less than 2% THD), fast, rise-and-fall-time square waves (less than 100 nsec.), high-linearity triangle waves (better than 1%) and TTL square waves with rise and fall time less than 25 nsec. Frequency is accurate, calibrated ±5% and sweepable up to 100:1. A voltage-controlled oscillator allows generator's frequency to be remotely shifted or swept by an AC or a DC voltage fed into the "Sweep In" jacks. A DC voltage provides a directly proportional shift in frequency, while an AC voltage provides a frequency-modulated sweep. Two shortproof, 600-0hm outputs are adjustable from 1 mV to 100 mV p-p, open circuit and 100 mV to 10 V p-p, open circuit, with better than ±.5 dB flatness. Variable DC Offset control (push-button selectable) provides controlled, variable described in the control (push-button selectable) provides controlled, variable described in the control (push-button selectable) provides controlled, variable DC Offset 100 mV p-p, open circuit and 100 mV to 10 V p-p, open circuit, with better than ± 5 dB flatness. Variable DC Offset control (push-button selectable) provides controlled, variable shifting of output waveform's center line above or below zero. Frequency Range: 1 Hz to 100 KHz in 5 overlapping decade ranges, pushbutton selectable, with a 10:1, 50-increment vernier dial; 1-10 Hz. 10-100 Hz. 100-1000 Hz. 1-10 KHz, 10-100 KHz. Dial Accuracy: ±5% of dial setting; calibrated at 10 Hz, 100 Hz, 1 KHz and 10KHz. Sine Wave Distortion: Less than 2% THD over frequency range. Triangle Wave Linearity: Better than 1% over frequency range. Square Wave Rise and Fall Times: Less than 100 nanosec. with 600 Ohms, 20 pF termination. Time Symmetry: Less than ±2%; TTL square wave output with rise and fall times less than 25 nanosec. Sweep Range: Maximum 100:1; maximum linear range, 10:1 at any dial setting. Sweep Input: 0 to ±10 Volts. Input Impedance: 30K Ohms. Main Output: Sine, square and triangle waveforms, pushbutton selectable; Hi Level, 01-10 V p-p open ckt, 05-5 V p-p into 600 Ohms; Lo Level (-40 dB), 1-100 mV, open ckt. 5-50 mV into 600 Ohms. Amplitude Flatness: Less than ±0.5 dB. DC Offset Control: Variable ±5 V into open ckt.; pushbutton in/out switch. Max. DC Offset: (AC + DC) components before clipping): Hi output, ± 10 V max.; Lo output, ±1 V max. TTL Square Wave Output: 10 TTL loads; rise and fall time; less than 25 nsec. Power Required: 105-125 VAC, 50/60 Hz; 6 Watts; 220-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz optional. Operating Temperature: 0° to 50° C (calibrated at 25° C ±5%). Size: 10" w. x 3" h. x 7" d. Weight: 2.2 lbs.

GSC2001 Function Generator—Net Each \$186.00



4001 DIGITAL PULSE GENERATOR

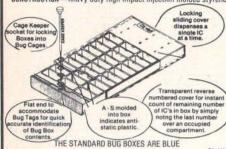
A precision digital pulse generator that combines compact size with outstanding performance. Symmetrical and asymmetrical pulses over a wide range of frequencies, duty cycles and amplitudes. Fast rise and fall times; less than 30 nsec. Independent pulse width and spacing controls. Continuous/manual one-shot operation. External triggering; DC to 10 MHz. Synchronous output gating. triggering: DC to 10 MHz. Synchronous output gating. Square wave and complementary output, in the Gate mode, output is synchronized with leading edge of input gate signal; last output pulse is always completed, even in absence of gate signal. Frequency Range: 0.5 Hz to 5 MHz. Pulse Width and Spacing Controls: 100 nsec. to 1 sec. in 7 overlapping decade ranges. Variable Width and Spacing Controls: Concentric, single-turn verniers provide continuous adjustment between ranges; pulse spacing controls not active during Tigory Gate and One-Shot. Spacing Controls: Concentric, single-turn verniers provide continuous adjustment between ranges; pulse spacing controls not active during Trigger. Gate and One-Shot modes. Duty Cycle: 10' to 1 range, continuously adjustable, 0.5 Hz to 5 MHz. Accuracy: ±5% of control settlings; calibrated at min. and max. of vernier settlings. Pulse Jitter: Less than .1% ±50 ps. Run Mode: 0.5 Hz to 5 MHz frequency selectable through pulse width and spacing controls. Trigger Mode: DC to approx. 10 MHz, from external source. Gate Mode: Generator starts synchronously with leading edge of gate signal. One-Shot Mode: Momentary pushbutton for single-pulse operation; pulse occurs each time button is depressed. Square Wave: Pushbutton provides square wave at output. Complement: COMPL pushbutton inverts output signal without losing sync time reference. TRIG/GATE Input Requirements: TTL compatible; sine waves, 4 V p- pulses, 2 V peak, greater than 40 nsec. wide; input impedance, approx. 400 Ohms, DC coupled; max. input level, ±10 V. VAR DUT: Amplitude, 0.1-10 V into open circuit, adjustable by single-turn vernier; rise/fall time, less than 30 nsec.; impedance, constant 50 Ohms. TTL OUT: Fan out, 40 TTL loads; sink, 64 mA at 0.8 V max.; rise/fall time, less than 20 nsec.; pulse width, greater than 20 nsec.; sync pulse lead time, greater than 20 nsec. Operating Temperature: 0° to 50° C (calibrated at 25° C ±5° C). Power Required: 05-125 VAC, 50/60 Hz obtional. Size: 10" w. x 3" h. x 7" d. Weight: 2.2 lbs.

GSC4001 Digital Pulse Generator - Net Each .. \$235.00



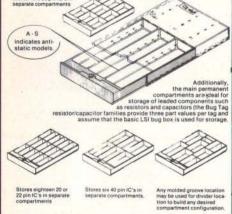
The heart of the system is the patented III Bug Box which has 30 compartments measuring 1" x. 375" x.5" dep. Each Bug Box will store 60 eight-pin DIPs, 30 fourteen-pin DIPs, 30 sixteen-pin DIPs or 30 other small components such as transistors, diodes, resistor networks, etc. The transparent cover has a stairstep design that allows the user to empty one compartment at a time. A numbering system on the cover gives an instant count of remaining ICs.

CONSTRUCTION - heavy duty high impact injection molded styrene

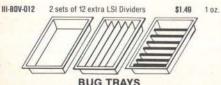


A" Indicates Anti-Static Plastic Construction LSI BUG BOX (Big Bug Box)

The LSI Bug Box is designed to store large IC's and provides separate compartment storage for 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 28 and /or 40 pin IC's. The basic box is permanently divided into three permanent compartments measuring 1 x 4, 15 x. Sinches deep, Divider guides are molded into the bottom of the box in strategic locations to allow the use of user inserted dividers (two types supplied) to further divide the box into storage for all of the standard LSI IC types as shown below.

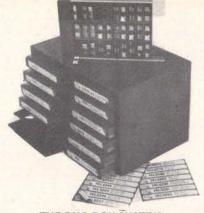


"A" Indicates Anti-Static Plastic Construction



Bug Trays offer storage for larger components or tools. Available in three styles, Bug Tray Open has a single open compartment measuring 3.05" wide x 4.6" long x .6" deep. Bug Tray Vertical has five storage areas measuring .5" wide x 4.6" long. Bug Tray Horizontal has eight areas measuring .4" wide x 3.95" long.

			Sh.Wt.
III-BTV-001	Bug Tray Vertical, Single	\$ 1.49	1 oz.
III-BTV-010	Bug Tray Vertical, 10 Pack	\$12.98	10 oz.
III-BTH-001	Bug Tray Horizontal, Single	\$ 1.49	1 oz.
III-BTH-010	Bug Tray Horizontal, 10 Pack	\$12.98	10 oz.
III-BTO-001	Bug Tray Open, Single	\$ 1.49	1 oz.
III-BTO-010	Bug Tray Open, 10 Pack	\$12.98	10 oz.
III-BTX-003	Bug Tray Mixer 3 Pack	\$ 3.98	3.07



THE BUG BOX SYSTEM

The Bug Box System provides a complete storage/protection/identification and retrieval capability for integrated circuits or other small components or tools. The system is totally modular and can be as small as a single Bug Box in a field engineer's tool kit or as large as the complete storage/indexing and retrieval for the thousands of different ICs and semiconductors used in a major research and development laboratory.



The Bug Cage will store either a Bug Box or a Bug Tray in any of its 12 storage locations, and its modular design allows it to be attached to other Bug Cages, either vertically or horizontally, to build storage libraries of any size. The ends of the Bug Boxes or Bug Trays are exposed so that Bug Tag identification labels, on the ends, are visible.

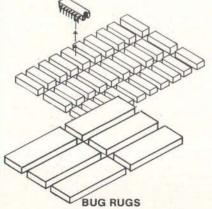
			Sh.Wt.
III-BGC-001	Bug Cage, Single	\$ 10.95	2 lbs.
III-BGC-012	Bug Cage, 12 Pack	\$114.95	15 lbs.

CAGE KEEPERS

Cage Keepers pin a column or Bug Boxes into the storage compartment of a Bug Cage for protection against casual use or theft and for transportation. Keepers are available in a 5" model for a single cage and a 10" model for cages stacked two high.

			Sh.Wt.
III-CKP-005	5" Cage Keepers, Pkg. of 2	\$3.98	3 oz.
III-CKP-010	10" Cage Keepers, Pkg. of 2	\$4.98	15 oz.
Colors: The s	tandard Run Roxes and Canes are	blue vellow	red and

Colors: The standard Bug Boxes and Cages are blue; yellow, red and white are available at extra cost.



Bug Rugs provide the necessary static discharge for CMOS MOSFET devices. Bug Rugs are made of high carbon content foam which will effectively short all of the pins together when they are inserted into the foam. Die cut to the exact dimensions of the Bug Box compartments. Each package contains 30 Bug Rugs to line the 30 compartments of a Bug Box.

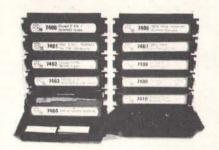
			Sh.Wt.
III-BGR-030	Bug Rug, Pkg. of 30	\$ 1.98	1 oz.
III-BGR-300	Bug Rug, Pkg. of 300	\$14.98	4 oz.
III-BBR-036	LSI Bug Rug, Pkg. of 6	\$ 1.98	1 oz.
III-BBR-060	LSI Bug Rug, Pkg. of 60	\$14.98	4 oz.



BACK PACKS

Each Back Pack label is imprinted with the exact internal logic of a specific IC as well as the pinout of this logic to the pins of the IC. When Back Packs are affixed to the IC and the IC is in the circuit, the user can trace logic connections without needing data sheets or counting pins. Each Back Pack family packet contains 532 labels and each is imprinted with the logic and pinout of the most popular ICs within that logic family. Labels are die-cut and are self-adhesive to stick to the IC. Several blank labels are included in each family packet for special labels.

I-BPT-012 I-BPC-012 I-BPM-012 I-BPU-012	TTL Family Back Packs CM0S Family Back Packs Combination of TTL/CM0S Packs Over 700 Back Pack Labels covering most popular CPU's, RAMS, UARTS, Clarks JA PACAS.	3	5.98 6.98 10.98 e	2 oz. 2 oz. 4 oz.	
	Clocks, PIA, PROMS, Drives, and much more	\$	9.95	3 oz.	



BUG TAGS

Bug Tags are self-adhesive labels, die-cut to the exact dimensions of the front edge of a Bug Box. They are pre-printed with the numbers and descriptions of the ICs in the most popular logic families. They are packaged by logic families and each Bug Tag package contains 200 or more labels.

			Sh.Wt.
III-BTT-200	TTL Bug Tag Family	\$ 3.98	2 02.
III-BTC-200	CMOS Bug Tag Family	\$ 3.98	2 oz.
III-BTK-200	LS Shottky Family	\$ 3.98	2 oz.
III-BTS-200	LINEAR Bug Tag Family	\$ 3.98	2 oz.
III-BTM-800	Contains ALL 800 labels above	\$13.95	8 oz.
III-BTU-300	MICROPROCESSOR Bug Tags	\$ 5.98	3 oz.
III-BTR-300	RESISTOR 300 labels (900 valves)	\$ 5.98	3 oz.
III-BTP-300	CAPACITOR 300 labels (900 valves)	\$ 5.98	3 oz.
III-BTZ-200	DIODES & ZENERS, Bug Tag Family	\$ 3.98	2 02.
III-BTD-200	DIP RESISTOR, Bug Tag Family	\$ 3.98	2 oz.



III-BTF-012 \$ 2.98 1 oz. Field Engineering Kit Bug Tags (rear compartment labels) are used whenever more than one type of IC (or other component) is to be stored in a single box. The Bug Tag FE Kit contains 12 labels designed to mount on the rear cover of a Bug Box for user written or typed identification of different contents for each of the 30 compartments in the box.

PROTO-PAK

Proto-Pak's provide the basic IC set for general CMOS and/or TTL prototyping or troubleshooting. Proto-Pak includes 30 different IC's, Back Pack labels for each, a Bug Box to house them in, and Bug Tags to locate them easily.

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III-PPT-030 TTL PROTO-PAK \$39.9 III-PPC-030 CMOS PROTO-PAK \$49.9

MICRO PROCESSOR BASED DIGITAL CAPACITANCE METER.

THE STANDARD AGAINST WHICH ALL OTHERS WILL BE MEASURED



Microprocessor based

Programmed for field upgrades & future expansion

- Limits comparator (up to 16 simultaneous
- sets of limits)
 DA (dielectric absorption) Measurement
- Leakage measurement
 Four level 16 keypad for user interface &
- control
- Battery (auto or marine) or AC operation 6502 Microprocessor based

- ROM (2K or more depending upon options)
 RAM (1K or more depending upon options)
 BCD output for printer or other interface
 Single cycle or continuous operating modes
 Programmed pitch and duration audio for
- eyes off limits comparison testing & keyboard Limits independent of range—any limit can
- be from .1 pF to 1 F. 25 turn trimmers (internal) for range calibra-
- tion and temp. setting Binary search auto ranging

- Avg. auto search/measure and display time = 0.1 sec. for values to 100 utd, max. =0.279 sec.
 Direct measurements of cap values to 1 F.
- Dual input C_X terminals for computer derived measurements of caps to 100 F.

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- Arithmetic average
- Statistical mean Standard deviation
- Statistical sampling function to determine probability of incoming batch within limits by measuring only a random sample of the batch Running mean calculation Ignore first x readings function
- Display average of x readings function

The u C-PROBE — offers advanced capacitance testing functions and statistical capabilities that are not available on any other capacitance meter at any price. The u C-Probe uses the powerful 6502 microprocessor for control and stored program functions which are simply not feasible with conventional instruments. Full auto ranging from . J pf to 1 Farad is standard as is full auto TaZFRO. This automatically zeroes the effects of stray or lead capacitance — Rather than the cumbersome and time consuming zero control tweaking of stray or lead capacitance — Bather than the cumbersome and time consuming zero control tweaking required with every other meter presently sold, the u.C-Probe samples the offset stray or lead capacitance for each of its internal ranges and stores the result in random access memory. It then subtracts these zero offset values from each reading before display or use in other calculations. Zero mapping automatically occurs at turn-on, after the reset button is pressed or it may be initiated at any time by pressing key 1D. An exclusive audio output allows "eyes off" sorting of capacitors and gives audio feedback for other C-Meter functions and key entry. The u.C-Probe's .1% accuracy and .1 pF resolution place it in the post doctorate class of capacitance meters.

Size 8% of 3 3 inches (exclusion tilt stand/handle). Weight: 3% lbs. Made in U.S.A. III.CP3001. \$299.95

Size: 81/2 x 9 x 3 inches (excluding tilt stand/handle). Weight: 31/2 lbs. Made in U.S.A. III-CP3001 \$299.95

OC-NOTCH—Adds Limits comparator capability to basic unit—allows user setting of up to 16 simultaneous sets of independent limits—i.e., lower limit could be .1 pF and upper limit 1 Farad if required. Limits indication by LCO displayed "up arrow" and "high" for over upper limit, "down arrow" and "low" for or under lower limit and bar with "OK" for "in range." Also displays L-O'I through L-16 to show which multiple limit the capacitor fell into in multiple limits testing. Provides audio signals to denote High, Low or coded signal for the exact Limits range for multiple limits testing.

Size: Internal to main unit. Weight: 1 oz. additional weight. Installed when ordered with basic unit. Plug-in 2000 years installable.

ROM-user installable.

STATISTICS option -- Provides extensive statistical monitoring in QC and other applications. Provides statistical mean, running average, standard deviation and ignore first readings capabilities as well as random sample testing rather than total batch testing for incoming acceptance/rejection of large shipments of capacitors

Size: Internal to main unit. Weight: 1 oz. additional weight. Installed when ordered with basic unit. Plug-in ROM-user installable. III-STT001 \$149.95

TEMP OVEN option — Houses XTAL time base and critical C-measurement components in a closely controlled (1°C) temperature oven

Size: Internal to main unit. Weight: 4 oz. additional. Installed when ordered with basic unit. Factory ONLY III-XVN001 \$79.95 EXTENDED MSM RANGE - Extends the basic measurement functions to DA and Leakage + extends upper

RATERUEU mom manue.—Lacutous range to several hundred Farad. Size: Internal to main unit. Weight: 1 oz. additional. Installed when ordered with basic unit. Factory ONLY III-EMRO01 \$99.95

BCD OUTPUT - Provides an output port from the 6502 microprocessor with BCD information and handshak-

ing signal lines to interface with printers/recorders or other equipment.

Size: Internal to main unit but including rear panel connector. Weight: 2 oz. additional. Installed when ordered with basic unit. Factory ONLY installation.

III-BCD001 \$99.95

AC ADAPTOR - Allows AC operation of a C-Probe. UL listed unit operated on 115 VAC and plugs into AC Adaptor jack on rear panel. Size: 2 x 2 x 2 inches. Weight: 1 lb.

For your convenience, we recommend that you order factory options with order for basic unit.

III-MAC800 \$19.95

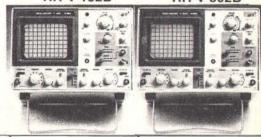


Single and dual trace, 15 and 30 MHz. All four high sensitivity Hitachi oscilloscopes are built to demanding Hitachi quality standards and are backed by a 2-year warranty. They're able to measure signals as low as 1mV/division (with X5 vertical magnifier). It's a specification you won't find on any other 15 or 30 MHz scopes. Plus: Z-axis modulation, trace rotation, front panel X-Y operation for all four scope models, and X10 sweep magnification. And, 30 MHz oscilloscopes offer internal signal delay lines. For ease of operation, functionally-related controls are grouped into three blocks on the color coded front panel. Now here's the clincher: For what you'd expect to pay more, you actually pay less. Check our scopes before you decide. All scopes come complete with probes.

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\$650.00 HIT-V-152B

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CRT
Display area
Acceleration potential
Intensity modulation

130BUB31 (5-inch, round shape) 8x10div (1div=9.5mm) Approx. 2kV Over 5Vp-p

nV/div~5V/div ±5%, DC~15MHz.

130BTB31 (5-inch, round shape) 8x10div (1div=9.5mm) Approx. 4kV Over 5Vp-p

 Vertical deflection Sensitivity and handwidth

Non-distorted Max. amplitude Signal delay line

-3dB (Using x5 amplifier) More than 4 div at 15MHz

Input R and C Maximum input volta Display mode X-Y operation

-3dB

-3dB ImV/div~1V/div ±6%, DC~5MHzTvp 1mV/div~1V/div ±6%, DC~5MHz 3dB (Using x5 amplifier) Typ 12ns More than 4 div at 30MHz Permits viewing leading edge of

5mV/div~5V/div ±5%, DC~30MHz.

Direct 1M ohm, approx. 30pF 600Vp-p or 300V(DC+AC peak) CH1. CH2. DUAL. ADD. DIFF DC~500kHz, 5mV/div~5V/div Phase difference DC~10kHz 3°

Direct 1M ohm, approx. 30pF 600Vp-p or 300V(DC+AC peak) CH1 CH2 DUAL ADD DIFF DC~500kHz, 5mV/div~5V/div Phase difference DC-10kHz 3°

displayed waveform

 Horizontal deflection veep mode AUTO, NORM, TV (+), TV (-) TV synchronization TV sync-separator circuit Over 1div (V sync-signal) Internal External Over 1Vp-p (V sync-signal) Tripper sensitivity Frequency

AUTO, NORM, TV (+), TV (-) TV sync-separator circuit Over 1div (V sync-signal) Over 1Vp-p (V sync-signal)

20Hz~2MHz 0.5div 2~15MHz 1.5div 800mV Sweep time 0.2µs/div~0.2s/div ±5%, 19 calibrated teps

20Hz~5MHz 0.5div 200mV 5~30MHz 1.5div 800mV

External

Sweep-time magnifier 10 times (±7%) Max, sweep rate 100ns/div

0.2µs/div~0.2s/div ±5%, 19 calibrated steps 10 times (±7%) 100ns/div

Waveform 1kHz ±10% Typ, Square wave Voltage 0.5V ±3% 100V (120/220/240V) ±10%

1kHz ±10% Typ, Square wave 0.5V ±3%

100V (120/220/240V) ±10%

Power requirements 50/60Hz. 40W Dimensions Approx. 275(W)x190(H)x400(D)mm

Approx. 8.5kg

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50/60Hz 40W

0~+40°C

 Ambient operation 0~+40°C temperature

Amplitude calibrato

• Weight

· Probe

Internal External

HIT-V151B (Single trace version of HIT-V152B)

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Our Price \$525.00

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- Dynamic range 8 div.
- TV sync-separator circuit
- Built-in signal delay line (V-352)
- X-Y operation
- Sweep-time magnifier (10 times)
- Trace rotation system
- Fine-adjusting, click-positioning function
- Economically priced 20MHz dual trace oscilloscope
- Square CRT with internal graticule (illuminated scale)
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- High-sensitivity 1mV/div.
- Low drift

• CRT

2 Year Warranty



HIT-V202 20MHz DUAL TRACE

LIST PRICE: \$850.00

OUR PRICE: \$798.00

HIT-V352

35MHz DUAL TRACE WITH DELAY

140DFB31 (5.5-inch square with internal graticule,

LIST PRICE: \$1150.00 **OUR PRICE: \$998.00**

SPECIFICATIONS:

Display area Acceleration potential Intensity modulation

 Vertical deflection Sensitivity

Bandwidth

Rise time Signal delay line Max, input voltage Input connection Input impedance Operating modes X-Y operation Sensitivity

Phase difference X bandwidth Dynamic range Horizontal deflection

Sweep mode Sync signals Sync connection TV synchronization Internal Externa Trigger sensitivity

AUTO low bandwidth Trigger polarity External sync input

Sweep time

Waveform

Sweep time magnifier Max, sweep rate

Voltage Power requirements e Weight

Amplitude calibrator

 Temperature Ambient operation temperature Ambient temperature for guaranteeing specifications

• MTBF

Accessories

140BMB31R (5.5-inch square with internal graticule, illuminated scale) 8x10div (1 div=9.4 mm) Approx. 2kV

Voltage: 5Vp-p or more Effective band-width: DC to 2MHz Input impedance: 47 kΩ (type) Max. input voltage 300V (DC + AC peak)

5mV/div to 5V/div ±3%, 9-step changeover (When using x5 amplifier) 1mV/div to 1V/div ±5% Continuously variable when using x2.5 amplifier with (provided with click-positioning function) DC to 20MHz, -3dB (at 8div)

(When using x5 amplifier) DC to 7MHz, -3dB (at 8div) 17.5ns, (for x5) 50ns

500Vp-p or 300V (DC + AC peak, at 1 kHz) AG, GND, DC Direct 1M ohm, approx. 30pF

CH1, CH2, DUAL, ADD, DIFF
CH1: X axis, CH2: Y axis
5mV/div to 5V/div (when using x5 amplifier: 1mV/div) DC to 50 kHz within 3° DC to 500 kHz, -3dB

8div or more

CH1, CH2, LINE, EXT AC TV sync-separator circuit 1 div or more (V sync-signal) 1Vp-p or more (V sync-signal)

AUTO, NORM, TV (+), TV (-)

External 20Hz to 2MHz 0.5div 200 mV 2 to 20MHz 1.5div

Input impedance: approx. 1M ohm, 30 pF or less Max. input voltage: 300V (DC + AC peak, at 1kHz) 0.2 µs/div to 0.2 s/div ± 3%, 19 calibrated steps Continuously variable when using x 2.5 amplifier with fine adjustment (provided with click-positioning function)

100 ns/div (20 ns/div or 50 ns/div, not calibrated) Linearity: within 3% or ±5% when using x 10

Approx. 1 kHz ±10% (typ), square wave 0.5V ±3% 100/120/220/240V ±10%

Approx. 8.5 kg 0 to +40°C

50 to 60Hz, approx. 45W

+10 to +35°C 20,000 hours (target value)

Probe AT-10AF1.5 (10:1/1:1) Operation manual.

illuminated scale) 8x10div (1div=9.4mm) Approx. 5.2kV Voltage: 5Vp-p or more Effective band-width: DC to 2MHz Input impedance: $47\,\mathrm{k}\Omega$ (typ) Max, input voltage: $300\mathrm{V}$ (DC + AC peak)

5mV/div to 5V/div ±3%, 9-step changeover (When using x5 amplifier) 1mV/div to 1V/div ±5% Continuously variable when using x 2.5 amplifier with fine adjustment (provided with click-positioning function)

DC to 35MHz, -3dB (at 8div) (When using x5 amplifier) DC to 7MHz, -3dB (at 8div) 10ns, (for x5) 50ns

Permits viewing leading edge of displayed waveform 500Vp-p or 300V (DC + AC peak, at 1 kHz)

AG, GND, DC

Direct 1M ohm, approx. 30pF CH1, CH2, DUAL, ADD, DIFF CH1: X axis, CH2: Y axis

5mV/div to 5V/div (when using x5 amplifier: 1mV/div) DC to 50 kHz within 3

DC to 500 kHz, -3dB

AUTO, NORM, TV (+), TV (-) CH1, CH2, LINE, EXT AC

TV sync-separator circuit 1 div or more (V sync-signal) 1 Vp-p or more (V sync-signal)

External Frequency Internal 20Hz to 5MHz 0.5div 200 mV 5 to 35MHz 800 mV

Input impedance: approx. 1M ohm, 30 pF or less Max, input voltage: 300V (DC + AC peak, at 1 kHz) 0.2µs/div to 0.2s/div ±3%, 19 calibrated steps Continuously variable when using x 2.5 amplifier with fine adjustment

(provided with click-positioning function) 10 times (±5%)

20 ns/div Linearity: within 3% or ±5% when using x10

Approx. 1 kHz ±10% (typ), square wave 0.5V ±3%

100/120/220/240V ±10% 50 to 60Hz, approx. 45W Approx. 8.5kg

0 to +40°C

+10 to +35°C

20,000 hours (target value)

Probe AT-10AF1.5 (10:1/1:1) Power cable Operation manual



V-550B 50 MHz Dual Trace Delayed Sweep Oscilloscope

Until now, if you wanted a 50 MHz dual trace oscilloscope of uncompromising quality, there was only one choice. Now there's a second ... an outstanding new delayed sweep scope with an established name-the Hitachi V-550B

The V-550B offers all the capabilities you expect from a lab grade oscilloscope-trigger view, a bright 6" square CRT, and a maximum sweep rate of 5 ns/div.-plus a few features you might not expect, such as 1 mV/div. sensitivity (10 MHz), automatic focus correction,

and a built-in TV sync separator circuit. The cost? Remarkably reasonable, especially when you compare it to the other leading 50 MHz scope. It's a price breakthrough made possible by using up-to-date production techniques and a design backed by over 20 years of oscilloscope experience.

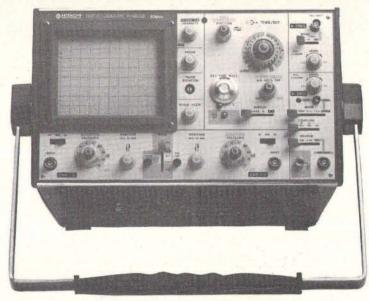
A New C.R.T. Development
The large square C.R.T. of V-550B is most advantageous not only for dual trace operations, but also for third channel display of triggering signals. The diameter of the screen is 6" and the tube has an internal graticule. Care has been given to such details as graticule divisions in red which provide greater contrast in photography of

In the vertical axis, supplementary graticule markings of 0, 10, 90, and 100% are provided, which facilitates reading of rise time of pulse waves. Since these supplementary markings are in dots they do not interfere with ordinary measurements.

The use of an improved phosphor makes the new V-550B 10 kV tube as bright as old type 15 kV C.R.T.'s.

High Sensitivity: 1 mV/div. (10 MHz)
Sensitivity of 1 mV/div is useful for research and development in such applications as medical and biological experiments where signals are weak

The Hitachi Alternative



A REMARKABLE VALUE THE HIT-V550B AT \$1745.00 (Probes Included)

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Automatic Focus Feature Eliminates Lag.
Loss of focus tends to occur when brightness or sweep range is altered. Automatic focus solves this problem, eliminating the necessity for adjustment each time

Trace rotation system for easily adjusting bright-line inclination caused by

When bright lines are inclined by the influence of terrestrial mag-netism, this rotation system promptly compensates and corrects lines to the proper locations, rendering accurate observation constantly feasible

Third Channel Display (Trigger View)
In addition to CH1 and CH2, CH3 can be observed. Internal triggered signals and external triggered signals can be displayed as a third trace. This feature allows time comparisons to be made between external trigger signals and displayed waveforms.

X-Y Operation Convenient for Observation of Two Types of Waves.

Oelayed sweep permits 1,000 X Magnification
One of the qualifications for high performance oscilloscopes is that they be equipped with delayed sweep. Needless to say, the V-550B possesses delayed sweep, which permits magnification of any desired portion of the wave up to a thousand times.

Variable Hold-off Circuitry Facilitates Pulse Measurement
The trigger hold-off circuitry is a variable hold-off circuitry specially developed for the V-550B, permitting stable triggering on complex waveforms.

The single sweep mechanism is indispensable for studying signals produced in research involving vibration, impact, explosion, and

10 X Sweep Magnification Facilitates Precision Measurement

Delayed Sweep Jitter Held at Below 1/20,000

SPECIFICATIONS CRI

Type

Hitachi 150BCB31 rectangular mesh type tube with 10kV acceleration potential and metal backed phosphor

P31 (GH) phosphor standard.

Useful Screen Area 8 x 10 div (1 div = 1 cm)

Graticule

Internal graticule with centimeter divisions and 2mm subdivi-sions along the central axis 10% and 90% lines are indicated. Illumination continuously variable.

Z-axis Input

DC-coupled positive-going signal decreases intensity: 5 Vp-p signal causes noticeable modulation at normal intensity: DC to 3.5 MHz.

VERTICAL DEFLECTION (2 Identical Channels)

HICAL DEFLECTION (2 Identical Channels) individith and Rise Time

DC to at least 50 MHz and rise time 7.0 ns or less. DC to at least 10 MHz and rise time 36 ns or less as magnifier extends. Lower—3dB point, AC coupling 10 HZ or less. 10x probe: 1 Hz or less.

Deflection Factor 5mV/div to 5V/div in 10 calibrated steps, 1-2-5 sequence. Uncalibrated continuous control between steps 1:<2.5. x5 magnifier extends min. deflection rate to 1mV/div.

Accuracy $\pm 3\% \ (+10 \ to \ +35^{\circ}\text{C}) \pm 5\% \ (0 \ to \ +50^{\circ}\text{C})$ Additional error for magnifier $\pm 2\%$

Display Modes CH1, CH2 (normal or invert) Alternate, chopped (250kHz rate), Added

Input Impedance
1M ohm ±2% in parallel with 30pF approx.

Maximum Input Voltage 250V (DC + peak AC) or 500Vp-p AC at 1Khz or less.

Delay Line

ueray Line
Permits viewing leading edge of displayed waveform.

3rd Channel Display (A Trigger View)
Display simultaneously channel 1, channel 2, and external
trigger signal. The deflection factor is approx. 200mV/div.

TRIGGERING A AND B

A Trigger Modes
Automatic, Normal, Single sweep, TV-V, TV-H.

A Trigger Hold-off
Adjustable control permits a stable presentation of repetitive complex waveforn

A Trigger Source Internal (Ch1, Ch2), Line, External

A Trigger Slope

A Trigger Sensitivity

	DC to 10MHz	DC to 50MHz
Internal	0.5div	1.5div
External	150mV	500mV

A Trigger Coupling
AC: 30Hz to full bandwidth
HF Rej: 30Hz to 4kHz
LF Rej: 4kHz to 50MHz
DC; 0 to full bandwidth

A External Trigger Input Impedance

1M ohm ±20% in parallel with 30pF approx.

Maximum Input Voltage

250V (DC + peak AC) 500Vp-p AC at 1kHz or less B Trigger Modes and Source

Automatic, Normal (Internal, External)

B Trigger Slope

Trigger Coupling
AC only; 30Hz to full bandwidth

HORIZONTAL DEFLECTION

Time Base A 50ns/div to 0.5s/div in 22 calibrated steps, 1-2-5 sequence. Uncalibrated continuous control between steps 1:<2.5 10x mag extends fastest sweep rate to 5ns/div.

50ns/div to 50ms/div in 19 calibrated steps 1-2-5 sequence. 10x mag extends fastest sweep rate to 5ns/div.

±3% (+10 to +35°C) ±5% (0 to +50°C) Additional error for magnifier ±2%.

Horizontal Display Modes
A only, A intensified, B delayed.
Calibrated Sweep Delay
Continuous calibrated control between 0.5 and 10x time base A

X-Y OPERATION [CH1; Horiz, Ch2; Vert]

Same as vertical deflection

Same as vertices (10 to +35°C), ±5% (0 to +50°C) Y: ±3% (+10 to +35°C), ±7% (0 to +50°C) Additional error for CH1 and CH2 magnifier ±2%

DC to at least 500kHz

Phase Error 3° or less from DC to 50kHz

CALIBRATOR

0.5v ±1% Frequency 1kHz ±5% square wave

Line Voltage and Frequencies 108V AC to 132V AC, 49Hz to 61Hz, 114V AC to 120V AC, 49Hz to 400Hz

POWER CONSUMPTION

45W or less at normal line voltage

DIMENSION AND WEIGHT

310(W) x 180(H) x 410(D) mm (12.2 x 7.1 x 16.1 in.) 9.3kg (20.5 Lb.)

AMBIENT TEMPERATURES

Rated range of use: +10 to +35°C Limits of operation: 0 to +50°C Storage and transport: -20 to +70°C

20,000 hours for target value

ACCESSORIES SUPPLIED

Two AT-10AD1.5 probes, 2-A fuse, protective cover, operation

ALSO AVAILABLE: HIT-V100 100 MHz DUAL TRACE OSCILLOSCOPE. **CALL FOR PRICING**

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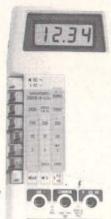
- Six functions dc voltage ac voltage dc current ac current resistance diode test
- · 31/2-digit resolution · 0.25% basic dc accuracy
- · LCD display
- Overload protection
- Safety-designed test leads

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- Seven functions dc voltage ac voltage dc current ac current resistance diode test conductance (1/R)
- 3½-digit resolution
- · 0.1% basic dc accuracy
- Overload protection · Safety-designed
- test leads
- Two year parts & labor warranty

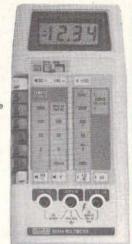


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- Selectable audible indicator for continuity or level detection
- · 31/2-digit resolution
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- · LCD display
- Overload protection
- Safety designed test leads

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FLU-D800A

FLU-D802A \$115.00

\$179.00

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AC Current	D804A	D802A	D800A		
Ranges	2 mA, 20 n	nA, 200 mA, 20	00 mA		
Resolution	0.05% of ran	ge (1 µA on 2 m	A range)		
Accuracy 2 mA range (45Hz-450Hz) 20-2000 mA ranges (45Hz-450Hz) (450Hz-1kHz)	+ 2 digits	2% of rdg + 2 digits 1.5% of rdg + 2 digits 1.5% of rdg + 2 digits	2% of rdg + 3 digits 2% of rdg + 3 digits Not Specified		
Conductance*	D804A		D802A		
Ranges	200 nS	2	mS, 200 nS		
Equivalent Resistance Range	5 MΩ to 10,000 MΩ		to 1 MΩ (2 mS), 2 to 10,000 MΩ (200 ns)		
Resolution	0.05% of range	(10-10S on 200	nS range)		
Accuracy	200 nS: 2% of rdg + 10 digits	1,440,000	nS: 2% of rdg + 10 digits S: 0.2% of rdg + 1 digit		
Overload Protection	500V dc	or rms on all ra	nges		
Range	-20°C to +1265°C				
Range	-20°C to +1265°C				
Resolution	1°C				
Accuracy	$\pm 3^{\circ}$ C ± 1 digit, -20° to $+300^{\circ}$ C; 3% of rdg. $+300^{\circ}$ C to $+1265^{\circ}$ C ($\pm 2^{\circ}$ ± 1 digit, 0° to $+80^{\circ}$ C typical) Accuracy includes NBS conformity, calibration stability, zero and reference junction but not thermocouple errors.		typical) Accuracy stability, zero and		
Connection	Dual banana isothermal termination provided with Fluk thermocouple accessories. Use Y8104 termination accessory for any K-type thermocouple.		04 termination		
Overload Protection	2A fused up to 250V				
Continuity (804A Only) Us	e for Passive Current Testin	g			
Ranges	All Resistance and Co		ges		
Indication	Open Circuit: " " Di Continuity: " " Dis	splay play + 2 kHz au	dio tone (selectable		
Response Time	50 µs (Minimum duration of continuity or open to toggle display or audio tone. Pulse stretcher holds display and tone for approx. 100 ms.)				
	tone for approx. 100	Parameter III	500V dc or rms all ranges		
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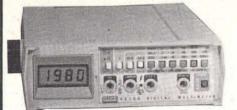
Pulse Response (200 kΩ range)	toggle display. Pul	50 µs (Minimum width of 0 to +3V pulse required to toggle display. Pulse stretcher holds display for approx. 100 ms when short pulses are detected.)		
Input Impedance	$> 100 \text{ k}\Omega$, $< 100 \text{ p}$	F		
Overload Protection	500V dc or rms			
Accuracies are ± (% of readi	ing + no. of digits) 1 ye	ar, 18°C to 28°C e	xcept as noted	
Ranges	10.4.4.4.1	nV. 2V. 20V. 200V		
Resolution		10 µV on 200 mV i		
Accuracy (all ranges)	0.1% rdg + 1 digit	0.1% rdg + 1 digit	0.25% rdg + 1 digit	
Input Impedance		10 MΩ on all rand		
Normal Mode Rejection	>	60 dB at 50 and 6	0 Hz	
Common Mode Rejection	>100 dB at	dc, 50, 60 Hz; 1	kΩ unbalance	
AC Voltage	D804A	D802A	D800A	
Ranges	200	mV, 2V, 20V, 200	750V	
Resolution	10	0 μV on 200 mV i	range	
Accuracy	(1% of rdg + 2 of 1 kHz to 2 kHz: 1.5 digits on all rang 750V (not speci 2 kHz to 5 kHz: 5% on all ranges ext 750V (not speci	ges except 750V figits) % of rdg + 3 ges except fied) of rdg + 5 digits cept 200V and fied)		
Input Impedance	10 M	Ω_{\star} < 100 pF on all	ranges	
Resistance	D804A	D802A	D800A	
Ranges	200Ω,	$2 \text{ k}\Omega$, $20 \text{ k}\Omega$, 2 M	Ω, 20ΜΩ	
Resolution	0.05% of	range $(0.1\Omega \text{ on } 2$	00Ω range)	
Accuracy 200 Ω range	0.2% of rdg + 3 digits	0.2% of rdg + 3 digits	0.3% of rdg + 3 digits	
$2 k\Omega$ thru $200 k\Omega$ ranges $2000 k\Omega$ range	0.1% of rdg + 1 digit 0.15% of rdg + 1 digit	0.1% of rdg + 1 digit 0.1% of rdg + 1 digit	0.2% of rdg + 1 digit 0.2% of rdg + 1 digit	
20 MΩ range	2% of rdg + 1 digit	2% of rdg + 1 digit	2% of rdg + 1 digit	
Open Circuit Voltage	<1.5V on all	ranges except 2 k	Ω range <3.5V	
Diode Test (Hi-Lo Ohms)	$2~k\Omega,~200~k\Omega,~and~20~M\Omega$ ranges supply enough voltage to turn on junctions allowing a "Diode Test" 200Ω, 20 $k\Omega,~and~2000~k\Omega$ ranges can be made in-circuit measurements without turning on silicon junctions			
DC Current	D804A	D802A	D800A	
Ranges	2 mA, 20 mA, 200 mA, 2000 mA			

0.05% of range (1 µA on 2 mA range) 0.75% of rdg + 1 digit all ranges

Resolution

Accuracy

LOW COST DMM'S FOR BENCH



LCD DISPLAY

Large, high contrast, 2000 count, liquid crystal display digits can be seen from a distance and in practically any light. An overrange condition is indicated when only the most significant digit is displayed.

TRUE RMS, 50 kHz AND HIGHER

True RMS assures accurate measurements of nonsinusoidal waveforms. You can notice the difference on even the average power line. Any measurement of ac voltage and current may apply to waveforms having a crest factor of 1:1 (squarewaves) to 1.4:1 (sinewaves) to 3:1 (peaked wave-forms). A typical 3dB bandwidth to 200 kHz includes the most significant harmonics of fundamental frequencies to 50 kHz. A Fluke-manufactured hybrid rms converter pro-vides wideband, low noise, accurate measurements at low

CONDUCTANCE MEASUREMENTS

This unique and highly useful function makes possible resistance measurements far beyond the capacity of ordinary multimeters. Conductance is the inverse of ohms (1Ω) and is expressed in Siemens, formerly mhos. Simple conand is expressed in slemens, formerly minos. Simple conversion of direct-reading conductance to ohms yields resistance values to 10,000 M Ω without special shelding to minimize noise. It is a must for verifying resistance values in high voltage dividers, checking leakage of capacitors, pcbs, cables, and insulators, and for general use above 20 M Ω . MΩ. You may measure transistor beta and leakage directly using a simple test adapter—more useful and informative than simple junction tests. Ask for application bulletin AB-44 for more details.

ONE YEAR ACCURACY SPECIFICATIONS

A very stable semiconductor Band-Gap reference element lets us guarantee accuracy specifications for one year. That means you can depend on accuracy for long periods of time. But it also means a great savings in calibration expense over the life of the DMM. There are only five calibration adjustments. Some will probably never need to be changed.

SPECIFICATIONS

DC VOLTAGE

Ranges: ±200mV, ±2V, ±20V, ±200V, ±1000V.

Resolution: 100 μV on lowest range, 1V on 1000V range.

Accuracy: +(0.1% of reading + 1 digit) on all ranges.

Overload Protection: To 1000V dc or peak ac on any range, continuous Imput Impedance: 10MΩ on all ranges.

AC VOLTAGE (TRUE RMS) Ranges: 200 mV, 2V, 200V, 750V. Resolution: $100~\mu V$ on lowest range, 1V on 750V range. Accuracy: $\pm (\%$ of reading + no. of digits).

Range 45 Hz 1 kHz 10 kHz 20 Khz 50kHz 200 kHz (0.5%+2) (1.0%+2) (5%+3) 20V

200V 750V Not specified

*Diode test ranges.

*Extended Frequency Response is typically ±3dB at 200 kHz. Above accuracy applies for 5% to 100% of voltage

Overload Protection: To 750V rms, 1000V peak, not to exceed 107 volt-Hertz product, continuous (except 10 seconds maximum on 200mV and 2V ranges). Input Impedance: $10M\Omega$ in parallel with < 100 pF.

Resistan	Reso- lution	Accuracy	Full Scale Voltage	Max Test Current
200Ω	$"+\Omega$		< 0.25V	1.30 mA
2kΩ* 20kΩ	1Ω 10Ω	±(0.2% of rdg+1	∞1.00V	1.30 mA
		digit)	< 0.25V	10.0 µA
200kΩ*	100Ω		>1.00V	35.0 μΑ
2000kΩ 20MΩ*	1kΩ 10kΩ	±(0.5% of rdg+1	<0.25V	0.10 μΑ
Lomite	digit)	>1.5V	0.35 µA	

• 31/2 LCD display

. Auto zero, auto polarity

AC or battery operated models
 One year warranty

 Many other features not found in other DMM'S!

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LOW POWER OHMS AND DIODE TEST

Three resistance ranges are identified as diode test ranges (-++). They supply enough voltage to turn on a silicon junction so diode and transistor junctions can be tested. The remaining ranges (low power ohms) supply only enough voltage to measure the resistance of incircuit components other than diodes and transistors.

BATTERY OPTION (-01)

Rechargeable size "C" Ni Cad batteries are installed inside the 8010A or 8012A with this option. They are continually kept charged when the power cord is plugged in and completely recharged in approximately 14 hours. The batteries typically provide up to 40 hours of continuous operation without recharging when measuring do voltage, up to 15 hours for other measurement functions. The letters "BT" appear in the upper left hand corner of the display about a half hour before the batteries require recharging.

SAFETY AND PROTECTION

Recessed banana jacks reduce shock hazard to an operator. When measuring resistance or conductance, up to 300 volts may be applied with no instrument damage. Transients to 6kV cause no damage when measuring voltage. The standard current input is protected against shorts with a 2A, 250V fuse in series with a 600V fuse. That is double protection—first, for ordinary overloads protected with an ordinary fuse, and, second, for accidental connection to a source of up to 600V ac.

8081A-10 AMPERES AND TRUE RMS

The 8010A will measure 10 amperes of ac or dc current. That is higher than most multimeters, and, because the true value of ac current is measured, even complex current waveforms can be measured with accuracy and confidence.

DC Current

Ranges: 200 μ A, 2 mA, 20 mA, 200 mA, 2A (and 10A on 8010A).

Resolution: $0.1~\mu\text{A}$ on lowest range. Accuracy: $\pm(0.3\%$ of reading + 1 digit) on all ranges except 10A range on 8010A where accuracy is $\pm(0.5\%$ of reading + 1 digit).

AC Current (True RMS)
Accuracy: ±(% of reading + no. of digits)

45 Hz Range 2 kHz 10 kHz 20kHz 200 μA 2 mA

20 mA

(1% + 2)

(2%+2)Not specified

2000 mA

(1% + 2)

FLUKE DMM ACCESSORIES

FLU-4820S Carrying case (FLU-D810, D811)\$35.00
FLU-C90 Carrying case (FLU-D800, D802, D804) .\$10.00
FLU-A81 AC adaptor (FLU-D800, D802, D804)\$15.00
FLU-80J10 10 Amp current shunt\$30.00
FLU-Y8133 Deluxe test lead set\$15.00
FLU-Y8134 Deluxe test lead set with safety
connectors\$15.00
FLU-Y8140 Slim test lead set
FLU-80T150C Temp. probe (°C) \$110.00
FLU-80T150F Temp. probe (°F)\$110.00
FLU-Y8102 Sheath thermocouple (D804) \$50.00
FLU-Y8103 Bead thermocouple (D804)\$20.00
FLU-Y8104 Thermocouple termination (D804)\$10.00
FLU-Y8008 Touch and hold probe (D810, D811)\$40.00
FLU-80K40 40KV high voltage probe\$75.00
FLU-81RF 100 MHz rf probe\$45.00
FLU-82RF 500 MHz rf probe\$85.00
FLU-801600 Clamp-on AC current probe 600A\$90.00
FLU-Y8100 200A AC/DC current probe\$195.00
FLU-Y8101 150A AC current xformer

LX 304 • 31/2 Digits 19.80 • 1/2" LCD Display Floating Decimal Point . Diade Test Function · Auto Zero. Auto Polarity • 100 µV Resolu

SPECIFICATIONS

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DC VOLTS	200mV, 2V, 20V, 200V, 1000V
Input Impedance	10MΩ, all ranges
Overload Protection	1000V dc/peak ac, except 500V on 200mV range
RESISTANCE	200Ω, 2kΩ, 20kΩ, 200kΩ, 2MΩ, 20MΩ
Resolution	0.1Ω on 200Ω range
Accuracy	±0.9% + 1 digit except ±1.4% + 1 digit on 20MΩ range
Overload Protection	120V dc or rms ac, all ranges, indefinitely 240V dc or rms ac, all ranges, 30 seconds
AC VOLTS	200V, 600V, Avg. sensing—rms calibrated sine wave
Accuracy	±1.0% + 4 digits, 40 Hz to 120 Hz -0.2 dB @ 1 kHz, -2.0 dB @ 5kHz
Input Impedance	4.3MΩ, all ranges
Overload Protection	600V dc or ac rms, all ranges
DC CURRENT	200mA, 1A
Resolution	0.1mA
Accuracy	±1.5% + 1 digit, all ranges except ±2.5% + 1 digit on 200mA range of LX 303
Overload Protection	1.7A all ranges
GENERAL	
Power	Single 9V battery; NEDA 1604 (not incl.) or Hickok AC Adapter
Battery Indicator	"Lo Bat" on display
Dimensions	5%" x 3%" x 1%" (14.7 cm x 8.5 cm x 4.3 cm)
Weight	12 oz. (0.33 kg) including battery

HIC-LX304\$89.95 ACCESSORIES (See LX 303)



HICKOK

\$79.95 LX303 • 31/2 Digits

. 1/2" LCD Display 200 Hour Battery Life · Auto Zero, Polarity and Overage . 100mv DC F.C. Sensitivity

• 19 Ranges and Functions · Weighs on 12 ounces

Specifications: DC Volts (5 Ranges): 0.1mV to 1000V; Accuracy + 0.5% rdg + 0.5% f.s.; Input imped: 10M ohms; Max. input 1kV except 500V on 200mV range. AC VOLTS (40Hz to 5kHz): 0.1 to 600 V; Accuracy: +1.0% rdg +0.5% f.s. (-2dB max. at 5kHz); Max input:600V.RESISTANCE (6 LOW POWER RANGES): 0.1 ohms to 20M ohms; Accuracy: +0.5% rdg +0.5% f.s. (+1.5% rdg on 20M ohms range); input protected to 120 VAC all ranges. DC CURRENT (6 RANGES): .01nA to 100mA; Accuracy: +1.0% rdg +0.5% f.s. DIMEN-SIONS AND WEIGHT: 5-7/8" x 3-3/8 x 1 14", 12 oz.; Power: 9V Batt. (not included) or Hickok AC adapter; READ RATE: 3/sec. OPERATING TEMPERATURE:

0°-50° C.	
PART NO.	DESCRIPTION PRICE
HIC-LX303	DIGITAL MULTIMETER\$79.95
HIC-RC-3	115V AC ADAPTER\$ 8.00
HIC-CC-3	PADDED CARRY CASE\$ 8.00
HIC-VP-10	X10 DC PROBE ADAPTER
STREET, STREET	(Up to 10KV) \$16.50
HIC-VP40	40kV DC PROBE\$38.50
HIC-CS-1	10 Amp DC Current Shunt \$16.50
HIC-TP-20F	Temp Probe (-67 to + 302F)\$49.95
HIC-TP-20C	Temp Probe (-55 to + 150C) \$49.95



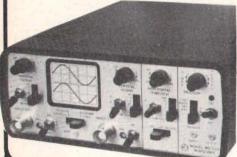
Non-Linear Systems oscilloscopes

NEW MS-230 Dual Trace Miniscope with 30 MHz Bandwidth!

From the originators of the Digital Voltmeter, the people who have broken sales and performance records for Oscillo-scopes, Non-Linear Systems, comes the MS-230 miniscope.

Non-Linear Systems took their engineering and modular construction skills and made a dream a reality, a Dual-Trace 30 MHz miniscope, small enough to fit in most briefcases with room to spare at an affordable price.

FEATURES: • Dual-Trace — 2-channel; separate, chopped or alternate modes. • Warranty — one year parts and labor. • 30-megahertz bandwidth. • External and internal trigger. • Time Base — 0.05 microseconds to 0.2 Sec./di — 21 settings. • Battery or line operation. • Line synchronization mode. • Power consumption less than 500%. • Vertical Gain — 0.01 to 50 volts/div — 12 settings. • Size: 2.9" H. A.6." W x 8.5" D. • Weighs only 3.5 lbs. with batteries. • TEST MOST DIGITAL LOGIC CIRCUITS INCLUDING MICROSPORGES 1988. ING MICROPROCESSORS



VERTICLE: Mode: CH1, CH2, CH1 & CH2 (Chopped) & CH2 (Alt.) (The following specifications apply to each channel.) Bandwidth: DC to 30 MHz, ±3 db @ 3 division deflection. Typical 4 division DC to 30 MHz, ±3 ab @ 3 division deflection. I spice 4 division deflection is obtainable up to 20 MHz. Coupling: AC, DC or ground, switch selectable. Low frequency 3 db point on AC is 3 Hz. Rise Time: Approximately 10 nSec @ 3 division deflection. Vertical Input: 10 mV/div to 50 V/div in 12 calibrated ranges. Accuracy is 3%. Input Impedance: 1 megohm in parallel with 50

HORIZONTAL: Mode: Internal time base or external, in XY mode, vertical input is thru CH1 and horizontal thru CH2. Time Base: 0.1 µsec/div to 0.5 sec/div in 21 calibrated ranges; 3% accuracy, Bandwidth: DC to 1 MHz (±3 db). Deflection factor: 10 mV/div to Bandwidth: DC to 1 MHz (±3 db). Deflection factor: 10 mV/div to 50 V/div in 12 calibrated ranges. Max. Input Vollage: 250 V (DC and peak AC). Trigger Modes: Automatic, internal, external, and line (line not functional when operating on battery power). Slope Switch: + or -. Coupling: AC. Sensitivity: Less than 1 div for internal trigger and less than 1 volt for external trigger. CRT Viewing Area (Screen Size): 1.1" Hx 1.35" W.Graffucie: 0.25 in./div (4 div Hx 5 div W). Power: 3 rechargable batteries or 115 VAC with transformer. Batter Life. Accept. 45 might less Power Crew with transformer. Battery Life: Approx. 45 minutes. Power Consumption: Less than 50 watts. Input Connector: BNC; two shielded cables included. Size: 2.9" H x 6.4" W x 8.5" D. Weight: 3.5 lbs. with

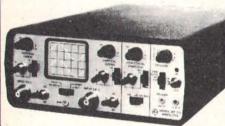
NLS MS-230 Miniscope List Price \$598.15

Our Price \$525.00

MS-215 MINISCOPE OSCILLOSCOPE

An extremely small dual-trace oscilloscope with big performance at a low price. Portable, battery powered or AC line operation. Rechargeable batteries and charger included.

FEATURES: • Dual trace — 2 channel; separate, chopped, or alternate modes. • 15 MHz bandwidth. • External and internal trigger. • Battery or line operation. • Automatic or line sync. modes. • Power consumption less than 15 watts. • Time Base: 0.1 µsec to 0.5 sec/div in 21 settings. • Vertical Gain: 0.01 to 50 volts/div in 12 settings. • Weighs only 3 lbs. with batteries.



SPECIFICATIONS: Vertical (Both channels identical). Mode: CH1, CH2, CH1 and CH2 (chopped), and CH1 and CH2 (alternate). Bandwidth: DC to 15 MHz, ±6 db at 1 div deflection. Risetime: Approx. 23 nsec at 1 div deflection. Deflection Factor: 10 mV/div to 50 V/div in 12 calibrated ranges; 3% accuracy. Max. Input Voltage: 350 V (DC and peak AC) provided DC component does not exceed 250 V. Horizontal Mode: Internal time base or external. In XY mode, vertical input is thru CH1 and horizontal thru CH2. Time Base: 0.1 usec/div to 0.5 sec/div in 21 calibrated CH2. Time Base: 0.1 µsec/div to 0.5 sec/div in 21 calibrated ranges; 3% accuracy. Bandwidth: DC to 200 kH2 (±3 db). Deflection Factor: 10 mV/div to 50 V/div in 12 calibrated ranges. Max. Input Voltage: 250 V (DC and peak AC). Trigger: Modes: Automatic, internal, external, and line (line not functional when operating on battery power). Slope Switch: + or -. Coupling: AC. Sensitivity: Less than 1 div for internal trigger and less than 1 volt for external trigger. CRT Viewing Area (Screen Size): 1.1" H x 1.35". W. Gratikue: 0.5 in //div. 4 in H x 5 div. W. Boxer Consumption. W. Graticiue: 0.25 in./div (4 div H x 5 div W). Power Consumption: Less than 15 watts, Power Required: AC line or rechargeable batteries. Battery Life: 3 hours typical. Input Connector: BNC; two shielded cables included. Size: 2.9" H x 6.4" W x 8.0" D. Weight: 3

..... List Price \$465.45 Our Price \$410.00

* Typical 3 dB point is 8 MHz at 2-division deflection. Typical maximum frequency for full scale (4-div) deflection is 2 MHz.

MS-15 MINISCOPE OSCILLOSCOPE

An extremely small oscilloscope with big performance at a low price. Portable, battery operated, or AC line operation. Rechargeable batteries and charger unit included. 1,1" x 1.35" viewing area.

FEATURES: • 15 MHz bandwidth. • External or internal

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ACCESSORIES: PROBES

Deluxe 10 to 1 probe with 10 megohm input. 100 HHz probe with 4 interchangeable tips: Spring-loaded retractable cover tip, insulating tip, BNC tip, IC tip, also included cap adjustment tool and zippered vinyl case. NLS-41-141\$27.00

DELUXE COMBINATION PROBE

Same as above except the probe has a switch to select; 10 to 1, 1 to 1 or a ground reference position.

SPECIFICATIONS: Vertical Bandwidth: 15 MHz ± 6 dB at 1 div. deflection*. Risetime: Approx. 23nsec. at 1 div. deflection. Deflection Factor: 10 mV/div. to 50 V/div. in 12 calibrated ranges; 3% accuracy. Max. Input Voltage; 350 V (DC + peak AC) provided DC component does not exceed 250 V. Horizontal Mode: Internal time base or external. Time Base: 0.1 psec to 0.5 sec/div. in 21 calibrated ranges; 3% accuracy. Horizontal Bandwidth: DC to 200 kHz (±3 dB). Deflection Factor: Approx. 1V/div. Max. Input Voltage: 100 V (DC + peak AC). Trigger Modes: Automatic, internal, external and line (line does not function when operating on battery power). ger Modes: Automatic, internal, external and line (line does not function when operating on battery power). Slope Switch: + or -. Coupling: DC. Sensitivity: Less than 1 div. for internal trigger; less than 1 volt for external trigger. CRT Viewing Area (Screen Size): 1.1" h. x. 1.35" w. Graticule: 0.25 in./div. (4 div. h. x 5 div. w.). Power Consumption: Less than 15 watts. Power Required: AC line or rechargeable batteries. Battery Life: 3 hours typical. Input Connector: BNC; two cables included. Size: 2.9" h. x 6.4" w. x 8.0" d. Weight: 3 lbs. with batteries

.... List Price \$349.80 Our Price \$310.00

* Typical 3 dB point is 8 MHz at 2-division deflection. Typica maximum frequency for full scale (4-div) deflection is 2 MHz.

LEATHER CARRYING CASE

The leather case has 2 separate compartments. One to hold the scope, the other to hold the charger, probe, shoulder strap, etc. The case can be worn on the belt, or over the neck. The snaps used on the case are "one way", thus accidental striking of the case against an object will not undo the snaps or let it be pulled off your

NL5-41-100 - Leatner Case (MS-230)	\$45.00
NLS-41-140 - Leather Case (MS-15 & MS-215).	\$45.00
NLS-41-134-2 - Charger Unit, 230 VAC	
(MS-15 & MS-215)	\$7.70
NLS-41-184-2 - Charger Unit, 230 VAC	
(MC-230)	620 00/

15 MHz dual-traceModel 1420 AC/DC/battery mini-scope



15 MHz response: usable beyond 20 MHz

15 MHz response, usable beyond 20 MHz
10 mV/div vertical sensitivity
Conveniently fits into ordinary attache case — only 11 x 22 x 30 cm
(4.5 x 8.5 x 12") with handle
Operates on AC, external 10-16 VDC or optional internal battery pack
8 x 10 division high-brightness rectangular CRT

TIME/DIV control selects line/frame rate triggering 18 calibrated sweep positions

Video sync separator standard
X-Y operation — X axis, through CH.B
PRECISION
Front-panel probe calibration source Weighs only 3.6 kg. (8 lbs.)

SPECIFICATIONS

VERTICAL AMPLIFIER: Deflection Factor: 10 mV/div to 20 V/div, ±5% in 11 VERTICAL AMPLIFIER: Deflection Factor: 10 mV div to 20 V/div, ±5% in 11 ranges, each with vernier adjustment. Frequency Response: DC: -15 MHz (-3 dB); AC: -10 Hz-15 MHz (-3 dB); Rise Time: 24 nsec or less. Overshoot: 3% or less. Input Impedance: 1 MΩ shunted by 22 pF. Maximum Input 300 V (0C + AC) peak or 600 V p-0. Departing Modes: Channel A only. Channel B only; A & B (dual). Dual-Trace: Trace automatically chopped at all sweep rates less than or equal to 1 mSEC/div and alternate mode for all sweep rates greater than 1 mSEC/div. Chop Frequency: 100 kHz ±200. Channel Separation, Batter those Child at 14 MEC. ±20%. Channel Separation: Better than 60 dB at 1 kHz.

SWEEP SYSTEM: (Common to Channel A and Channel B), Type: Auto-SWELF 351EM; Common to channel A and channel B). Tybe: Automatic and triggered (NORM); auto provides sweep with no input signal. Sweep Time: 1.0 "S/div 1.0.5 S/div ±5% in 18 ranges in a 1.2-5 sequence. Linearity: 3%; 10X ±5%. Sweep Magnification: x10. ±10%, variable between ranges. Extends maximum sweep rate to 100 nS/div.

TRIGGERING: Source: CH A CH B (CH A in dual) external Automatic: Sweep obtained without input signal. Normal: Sweep is obtained with a displayed signal of one division or more. Slope: Sweep can be set to displayed signal of one division of more. Signs: Sweep can be set to trigger on the positive- or negative-going slope of the trigger wave-form. Coupling:AC, 20 Hz -20 MHz. Level: Continuously variable. Trigger Sensitivity: (NT: 20 Hz to 15 MHz — 1 Div deflection. EXT: 20 Hz to 15 MHz — 1.0 V p-p. External Trigger Input: Max. Input Voltage: 50 V p-p or 24 V. DC + AC peak. Input Impedance: 100 KΩ (nominal). Input Capac-

Halloca. 35 pr. (nolimat). Hollocation through Channel B vertical input. Bellection Factor: 10 mV/div, to 20 V/div, \pm 5% in 11 ranges, each with fine adjustment. Response Bic. Dic 1o 1 MHz (\pm 3dB); AC: 10 Hz to 1 MHz. Input Impedance: 1 M Ω (\pm 5%), 22 pF (\pm 3pF). Input Protection: 300 V (DC + AC peak) or 600 V p-p. XY Operation: With SWEEP TIME/DIV switch in X-Y position, the CH B input becomes the XI input (horizontal) and the CHB position control becomes horizontal position control.

OTHER SPECIFICATIONS:

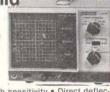
Operating Environment — Temp.: 0 to +45°C. Calibration: Internal 1 V p-p ±3% (square wave at 1 kHz ±5%). CRT: Rectangular, 8 x 10 div (0.5 cm/div) with P31 phosphor; mumetal shield. Power Requirements: 120 cm/div) with P31 phosphor mumetal shield. Power Requirements: 120 VAC-60 Hz, 240 VAC-50 Hz, 10-16 VDC or internal battery. Power consumption: 16 watts (AC). Supplied with 120 VAC adapter. 240 VAC adapter available on special order. Size: (HWD) 11 x 22 x 30 cm (4.5 x 8.5 x 12") with handle. 8 x 20 x 25 cm (3.2 5 x 7.75 x 10") without handle. Weight: 3.6 kg (8 lbs.) with optional battery. Probes: Two 10:1/direct probes and accessory lips provided. Options: BP-14 battery pack, LC-20 deluxe carrying case with shoulder strap and pocket, LC-21 pouch for probes and operating manual.

LIST PRICE \$750.00 BKP-1420 Miniscope \$ 55.00 RKP-RP14 Battery Pack CALL BKP-1 C20 Leathercase CALL BKP-LC21 Pouch for Probes

3" 5 MHz Solid State Oscilloscope

\$289.00 B&K-PRECISION

Model



FEATURES: 5MHz with high sensitivity • Direct deflection input for waveforms to 450MHz • Sharp bright trace • DC amplifiers on both axes • 10mV/div vertical sensitivity • Weighs only 8.5 lbs.
The 1403A is an outstanding value. Bandwidth extends to 5MHz with a sensitivity of 10mV/div or better. With high brightness CRT and smoked-glass filter, waveforms are clear and easy to observe. The graticule features 4th and division indexions.

waveforms are clear and easy to observe. The graticule features db and division indexing.

SPECIFICATIONS: Vertical Amplifier—Sensitivity: 10mV/div or better. Response: DC, DC-5MHz (- 3dB); AC, 2Hz-5MHz (- 3dB); Max Input: 600V peak to peak. Input impedance: 1 meg shunted by 35pF. Attenuattor: 1, 1/10, 1/100 multiplier, ±5%. Gain Control Range: greater than 22dB. Horizontal Amplifier—Sensitivity: 300mV/division or better. Response: DC-250kHz. Max Input: 100 Vp-p. Sweep System—Type: Recurrent. Time Base Ranges: 10-100Hz, 100-1000Hz, 1-10kHz, 10-100kHz; continuously variable between ranges. Sweep Linearity: ±5%. Sync: Internal, negative; external. Direct Deflection Terminals: 10V/division sensitivity or better. General—Intensity: Modulation: 25Vp-Power: 117/234VAC, 50-60Hz, 10W; three-wire grounded line cord. Acc.incl.: Leads, spare fuse, instructions. Size: (HWD) 13.1 x 18 x 29 cm (5.25 x 7.25 x 11.5"). Weight: 3.8 kg. (8.5 lbs.). Optional Accessories: PR-21 probe. LC-14 case.



Non-Linear Systems

DIGITAL DIGITAL PANEL METERS MULTIMETERS Counters



The PC-4 is an all-solid-state event counter or totalizer designed for panel mounting and high reliability, It will totalize electronic pulses up to 200,000 per second or mechanical switch closures up to 3000 per second. The .3" high LED display is easily readable up to eight feet. Has multiplexed BCD output and a displayhold feature. Input Signal Amplitude: + 3 to +15 volts or switch open to ground for count. Decimal Location: external jumper locates decimal to any of four positions. Outputs: 1-2-4-8 BCD parallel, Power Source: +5 VDC, ±5%, external. Size: 0.9375" h. x 2.5" w. x 3.25 d. Weight: 4 oz.



A DIN size panel-mounted universal counter which can be internally programmed to function as a unit counter, frequency counter. The RC-5TB also permits internal selection of four time bases of 0.01 sec., 0.1 sec., 1.0 sec., or 10 sec. for the frequency counter mode and 1 cycle, 10 cycles, or 1000 cycles for the period frequency ratio and time interval modes. The RC-5TB utilizes terminal block connections and has hold and reset capabilities. Power Requirements: + 5 VDC, ±5%. Operating Temperature Range: 0" C to +50" C. Accuracy: Unit counter frequency counter, ±1 count; frequency ratio/period/time interval, ±1 count + time base accuracy. Number of Digits: 5. Display: 0.5" high LED. Count Rate: Greater than 1 MHz. Input signal Amplitude: +3 to +15 volts. Time Base Crystal Frequency: 10 MHz. Frequency: DC to 1 MHz. Size: Behind bezel, 3.58" w. x. 1.645" h. x. 3.80" d.

NLS RC-5TB "niversal Counter: Net each \$144.00 A DIN size panel-mounted universal counter which can

MODELS PR-5 AND PR-5B DIGITAL PRESET COUNTERS



PR.5

Low-cost electronic digital preset counters to replace mechanical counters. Solid-state LSI design. Up to 500 kHz pulse count rate or 300 contact closures per second. Accepts subtractive pulses for rejection subtraction or for counting downward. Multiplexed BCD output. Guarded preset; can not be accidently changed. Unlimited number of preset count. Applicable to totalizing batch counting, digitizing, timing rate/frequency measurement, press control, coil winding and many other applications. 5-digit, 0.3" high LED display indicates total number of counts less any subtractive counts. Compatible with wide range of sensors. Count Speed: Electronic, up to 500 kHz (+3 V to +15 V); contact closure, up to 300/sec. Number of Resets: One, built-in; unlimited number with external switches; preset number set by front-panel screwdriver adjustments. Input Impedance: 40K ohms. Reset Capability: Front-panel pushbutton switch or external contact closure. Power Requirements: +12 VDC (±5%), 270 mA max; Model PR-5B contains internal rechargeable battery pack which provides +12 V stand-by power (without loss of count) for approximately 1 hr. in case of primary power failure. An optional 115 VAC line power supply for operation of Model PR-5 or recharging batteries of PR-5B is available as an accessory. Operating Temperature: 0" C1 to 50" C. Coincidence Output: Output signal is provided when displayed count is equal to preset number (TTL logic level) or when zero is reached when counting downward. Size: 2.25" h. x 3.25" w. x 4" d. Weight: 4.75 oz.

NLS PR-5 Digital Preset Counter—Net Each..... \$168.55 NLS PR-5 Digital Preset Counter—Net Each...... \$198.55

RANGE INFORMATION

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Great performance at a thrifty price. 3% digits; 3 digits plus 100% overrange. 0.05% accuracy.
FEATURES: • MOS/LSI construction. • Less than 1" high. • Programmable decimal. • No zero adjustment necessary. • Overload Indication. • Large, bright, 0.3" LED or LCD display. • Low Power requirement. • Display blanking. • Automatic polarity. • Input voltage protection.

blanking. * Automatic polarity. * Input voltage protection.

SPECIFICATIONS: Voltage Ranges: 0 - ± 0.1999, 0 - ± 1,999, 0 - ± 1999, and 0 - 1000 VDC. Accuracy (at +23° C ± 2° C): ± 0.05% of reading +0.05% of full scale. Input Impedance: 0.1999 volt range, 1000 megohms; 1.999 volt range, 1000 megohms; 199.99 and 1000 volt ranges, 10 megohms. Display Height: 0.3" Display Type: PM-349 and PM-350, LED: PM-351, LCD. Update Rate: 3 rdg/sec. nominal Power Requirements; 5 VDC (± 5%), 200 mA, nominal for PM-349 and PM-350; 6mA for PM-351. Common Mode Rejection: 80 dB, minimum. Common Mode Compliance: ± 100 mV. Operating Temperature: 10° to 50° C. Zero Adjustment: None required. Decimal Positioning Capability: Standard. Control Signals: Polarity Inhibit: Standard. Scale Factor Adjustment: ± 5%. Input Voltage Protection: Standard. Overload Indication: Standard. Special Scal-Standard. Automatic Polarity: Standard. Special Scaling: Optional Offset Capability: Optional Current Meter Operation: Optional. Overall Size: 2-7/8" w. x 15/16" h. x

NLS-PM349-RANGE	\$55.65
Range change resistors, Display and III NLS-PM350-RANGE	C's are plug in
NLS-PM351-RANGE	\$78.10

RANGE: .2V (PM350, PM351 Only), 2V, 20V, 200V, 1000V. Specify when ordering.

DIGIT PM SERIES DIGITAL PANEL METER SPECIFICATIONS: Voltage Ranges: $0-\pm 1.999$, 0-19.999, $0-\pm 199.99$, $0-\pm 1000$ VDC. Accuracy (at

41/2 DIGIT RM SERIES DIGITAL PANEL METERS



SPECIFICATIONS: Voltage Ranges: $0-\pm 1.9999$, 0-19.999, $0-\pm 199.99$, $0-\pm 1000$ volts. Accuracy (at 23° C $\pm 2^{\circ}$): 0.02% of full scale. Imput Impedance: 1.999 volt range, 1000 megohms: 19.999 volt range, 1000 volt ranges, 10 megohms: 19.999 and 1000 volt ranges, 10 megohms. Display Height: RM-450, 0.5° ; RM-451, 0.4° . Display Type: RM-450, LED: RM-451, LCD.

NLS-RMS450-RANGE	(LED DISPLAY)	\$133.00
NLS-RM450TB-RANGE	(LED DISPLAY)	\$133.00
NLS-RM451-RANGE	(LCD DISPLAY)	\$146.60
NLS-RM450TB-RANGE	(LCD DISPLAY)	\$146.60

RANGE: 2V, 20V, 200V, 1000V. Specify when ordering

31/2 DIGIT RM SERIES DIGITAL METERS

SPECIFICATIONS: Voltage Ranges: $0-\pm$. 1999, $0-\pm$ 1.999, $0-\pm$ 1.999, orallow of the voltage o

NLS-RM350-RANGE	(LED DISPLAY)	\$69.55
NLS-RM350TB-RANGE	(LED DISPLAY)	\$69.55
NLS-RM351-RANGE	(LCD DISPLAY)	\$81.30
NLS-RM350TB-RANGE	(LCD DISPLAY)	\$81.30

RANGE: .2V, 2V, 20V, 200V, 1000V.



THE NEW TECHNOLOGY

Voltage Measurements. AC volts & AC millivolts — each function has three ranges; measurements from 10 microvolts to 750 VRMS. DC volts & DC millivolts — each function has three ranges; measurements from 10 microvolts to 1000 VDC

Temperature Measurements. Degrees Celsius & Fahrenheit — two ranges; measurements from -40° to +150°C or from -40° to +302°F.

Conductance Measurements, Measurements from 0.01 nanosiemens to .999 nanosiemens which is equivalent to: from 5 megohms to 100,000

Capacitance Measurements. Microfarads, nanofarads & picofarads—six ranges combined; measurements from 1.0 picofarad to 200 microfarads.

Current Measurements. AC amperes & AC milliamperes — four ranges; measurements from 10 microamperes to 10 amperes. DC amperes. DC milliamperes & DC microamperes — seven ranges combined; measurements from 0.01 microamperes to 10 amperes.

Resistance Measurements. Megohms, kilohms & ohms — seven ranges combined; measurements from 10 milliohms to 20 megohms.

Other Tests. Diode Test — A single quantitative means of checking diode and transistor junctions in both conducting and non-conducting directions. Continuity Test — Provides capability for audibly checking conductors and solder joints for shorts and open circuits, plus a go-no-go measurement of the amount of resistance from 10 milliohms to 2000 ohms.

ACCURACY SPECIFICATIONS

DC Voltage — DC volts & DC Millivolts ±(0.2% of Reading + 1 digit)

AC Voltage - AC volts & AC millivolts $\pm (0.5\%$ of Reading + 2 digits) — 50 Hz to 10 kHz

DC Current — DC amps, DC milliamps & DC microamps ±(1% of Reading + 1 digit)

AC Current — AC amps & AC milliamps ±(1.5% of Reading + 2 digits) — 50 Hz to 10 kHz

Temperature — °C & °F ±(3°C from -40°C to +150°C)

Resistance - ohms, kilohms & megohms Test Current — 100 nA, 10 µA & 1 mA Test Voltage — 0.2V max. @ F.S. up to 2 megohms

Conductance — nanosiemens ±(0.2% of Reading + 2 digits)

Capacitance — microfarad, nanofarad & picofarad ±(1% of full scale)

Diode Test ±(0.2% of Reading + 1 digit) Test Current — 1 mA ±2%

TOUCH/TEST 20 comes complete with Test Leads. Temperature Probe, and

CAT. PART #	LIST PRICE	OUR PRICE
NLS-TT20	\$399.50	\$360.00
NLS-TT20B	\$425.00	\$385.00
(With Batteries and	Charger Unit)	
NLS-41-140 Le	eather Carrying Case	\$45.00



FM-300TB/115 and FM-300TB/230 LCD Display — 45.0 to 99.9 Hz.

3DIGIT FM SERIES
DIGITAL LINE FREQUENCY MONITORS

FEATURES: • Crystal controlled time base. • Fits DIN or NEMA cutout. • Large 0.6" LCD or 0.5" LED. • Calibration not required. • Line voltage protection. • Display updated every two seconds. • Terminal block connec-

tions.
SPECIFICATIONS: Frequency Range: FM-3TB and FM-300TB. 45.0 to 99.9 Hz; FM-340TB, 045 to 450 Hz. Time Base: 1 second, crystal controlled. Resolution: FM-3TB and FM-300TB, 0.1 Hz; FM-340TB, 1 Hz. Accuracy: FM-3TB and FM300TB, ± 0.1 Hz; FM-340TB, ± 1 Hz. Display: FM-3TB, 0.5" LED: FM-300TB, 0.6" LCD: FM-340TB, 0.6" LCD. Update Rate: Once every two seconds Operating Temperature: 0 ° C to +50 ° C. Size: 1.89" h. x 400" x 3.80" d.

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NLS-FM3TB-115VAC	\$103.55
NLS-FM3TB-230VAC	\$105.55
NLS-FM300TB-115VAC	\$109.15
NLS-FM300TB-230VAC	\$112.35
NLS-FM340TB-115VAC	\$112.00
NLS-FM340TB-230VAC	\$115.00

PRECISION CORPORATION

Test Equipment

New Sweep/Function Generator.....



LIST PRICE OUR PRICE \$35000 \$30900 BKP-3020 ...Four Instruments in

decoders...Generate double side-band supressed carrier signals for communications system tests...Evaluate attack-time of audio compressors...Sweeptest any passive or active device up to 2MHz.

FEATURES: Four instruments in one package - sweep generator, function generator, pulse generator, toneburst generator • Covers .02Hz-2MHz • 1000: 1 tuning range • Low-distortion high-accuracy outputs • Three-step attenuator plus vernier control • Internal linear and log sweeps . Tone-burst output is front-panel or externally programmable . Variable symmetry for almost any wave shape • Independent control of modulation and carrier level • Most complete low frequency signal source in its price range.

APPLICATIONS: Frequency response tests ... Amplifier square-wave and sweep evaluation Tone-burst speaker response tests ... Bias signal source substitute signal source for digital and analog circuits Pulse signal source ... Check threshold levels for TTL and CMOS logic ... Receiver alignment ... IF response tests... Observe distortion including Transient Inter-modulation (TIM) distortion ... Measure linearity of instruments and transducers ... Check for ringing inductors ... Align subaudible and tone-burst.

SPECIFICATIONS: Frequency—Range: .02Hz-2MHz in 7 ranges. (each range provides 1000: 1 frequency control.) Ext. Control: VCG range >1000: 1 (linear) on any range with 0-10V input. Accuracy: ±5% of f.s. Stability: .05% (after 15 min.) SQUARE WAVE: Variable amplitude and fixed TTL output. Symmetry: 99% to 100kHz. Rise/Fall Time: <100ns. TTL Square Wave: <25ns. rise/fall time (logic 0<0.4V; logic 1>2.4V). SINE WAVE-Distortion: .02Hz to 100kHz, <0.5% typical. Amplitude Flatness: Better than ±0.3dB to 2MHz at max. output TRIANGLE WAVE—Linearity: 99% at 100kHz. Variable Symmetry: 40:1 range, .02Hz-2MHz. AM Modulation: 0-1.5Vp-p ext. signal required to provide 100% modula-Capable of suppressed carrier operation. SWEEP—Internal: Linear or log. Sweep Rate: 0.5Hz to 50Hz. Sweep Width: Var. 10:1 to 1000:1. Sweep V. Output: Proportional to sweep. Ext. Sweep: Rear panel VCG input provided. TONE-BURST—Burst Width: Adj. from 5-90% of period of internal gating frequency. Ext. gating, burst width determined by TTL gating pulse. Rep. Rate: 0.5Hz to 50Hz, set by SWEEP RATE control. OUTPUT—Amplitude: 20Vp-p open circuit; 10Vp-p at 509. Control: Cont. variable, >20dB. Fixed attenuation, 0-40dB in 3 steps; total 60dB attenuation. Output Z: 50Q ±5%. DC Offset: Cont. variable. 0 to ± 10V or ± 5V into 500

GENERAL-Rear panel jacks: VCG (sweep) input, GCV voltage out (prop. to freq.), AM input, TTL output, ext. burst gate input. Operating Temp.: 0-50 °C. Power: 105-130VAC, 60Hz, 22W. Three-wire cord. Size (HWD): 8.1 x 29 x 20cm. (3.2 x 11.3 x 7.8") incl. handle. Weight: 1.35kg (3.1 lbs.) CSA listed.

New Low Distortion Function Generator



\$20000 BKP-3010

OUR PRICE \$17500

APPLICATIONS: Frequency response tests . Amplifier performance evaluation • Bias signal source • Analog/Digital signal substitution • Receiver alignment · Check linearity of test instruments · Check resonant circuits for ringing inductors

FEATURES: Generates sine, square and triangle waveforms • Variable amplitude and fixed TTL squarewave outputs • 0.1 Hz to 1 MHz in six ranges • Typical sine wave distortion under 0.5% from 0.1 Hz to 100 kHz Variable DC offset for engineering applications • VCO external input for sweep-frequency tests.

SPECIFICATIONS: Frequency-Range: 0.1Hz to 1MHz in six ranges. (Each range provides >100:1 freq. control.) Ext. Control: >100:1 on any range with 0-5.5V input. Accuracy: 5% of f.s. Stability: .05% (after 15 min.) SQUARE WAVE—Symmetry: 99% to 100kHz. Rise/Fall <100ns. TTL Square Wave: <25ns rise/fall time TRIANGLE WAVE-Linearity: 99% to 100kHz. SINE WAVE-Distortion: <1% 0.1Hz to 100kHz; <0.5% typical. Amplitude Flatness: <0.3dB to 1MHz at max. output. OUTPUT-Amplitude: 20Vp-p open circuit. 10Vp-p into 600Ω. Continuously variable, >30dB range. Output Z: 6000 ±5%. DC Offset: Var. to max. of ±10V open circuit or \pm 5V at 6009. GENERAL—Operating Temp.: 0-50 °C. Power: 105-130VAC, 60Hz, 8W. Size (HWD): 8.1 x 29 x 20cm (3.2 x 11.3 x 7.8") incl. handle. Weight: 1.3kg (2.9 lbs.). CSA listed.

80 MHz Counter with Period Mode and Timer



BKP-1820

LIST PRICE OUR PRICE \$30000 \$26500

FEATURES: • 5Hz to 80MHz reading guaranteed—100MHz typical • Period measurements from 5Hz to 1MHz. . Period average, auto and manual positions . One PPM resolution . Totalizes to 999999 plus overflow Elapsed time measurements from .01 to 9999.99 seconds plus overflow . One-megohm input resistance Bright, 43" high LED readouts.

SPECIFICATIONS: FREQUENCY-Range: 5Hz to 80MHz Gate Time Auto: 10ms (MHz) and 100ms and 1, sec. (kHz). Gate Time Man.: 1 sec. (1Hz reso.). Accuracy: ±1.b. accur. ±1 count. Resolution: ±0.0001% (i.e. 1PPM of a 6 digit scale). PERIOD—Range: 5Hz to 1MHz; μs (100 period aver.) or AUTO reading. Period Aver. Auto: 1 period aver. (ms), 10 and 100 period aver. (µs). Period Aver. Man.: 100 and 100 period aver. (µs reading with 1ns reso.). TOTALIZE CHAR.—Range: 5Hz to 80MHz; 0 to 999999 plus overflow. Control: Man. reset to 0; convertible to remote reset. ELAPSED TIME-Range: .01 to 9999.99 sec. plus overrange. Trigger: TTL or contact closure. Reset: Manual, on front panel. IN-PUT—Impedance: 1 MQ; 25pF. Coupling: AC. Sensitivi-ty: 30mV rms, 5Hz to 40MHz; 50mV max. at 80MHz. Derate linearly to 100 V (peak AC + DC) at 1kHz, Max. Input: 200V (peak AC + DC) DC to 500 Hz, derate linearly to 30V (peak ac + dc) @ 80MHz. Attenuator: X10 switch sel. INT. TIME BASE—(25°C;½ hour warm-up) 10MHz Crystal Oscillator. Setability: \pm 0.1 PPM (\pm 1Hz). Stability: \pm 10° Line Voltage Variation;< ±0.001% (i.e. ± 10 PPM) from 0° to 50°C ambient. Max. Aging: \pm 1 PPM/YR. Ext. Input: TTL Level, switch sel., General—Power: 105V to 130V and 212 to 258V, 50/60 Hz. Size (HWD): $8.1\times29\times19$ cm. (3.25 x 11.6 x 7.50") incl. handle. Weight: 1.4 kg (3 lbs.).

Portable Autoranging Digital Capacitance Meter



BKP-830

LIST PRICE OUR PRICE \$19900 \$17400

- Automatically measures capacitance from 0.1pF to 200 mF
- 0.1pF resolution
- No range switching
- 10 internal ranges for accuracy and resolution
- · 0.2% basic accuracy
- Range hold switch
- Zero control for test lead compensation
- 31/4 digit LCD display
- Banana jacks and special lead insertion jacks
- Battery or AC operation
- Fuse-protected

Range: 10 automatically selected ranges with full scale value from 199.9pF to 199.9mF (reads from 0.1pF to 0.2F, with resolution of 0.1pF). Accuracy: Auto .2% of reading, ±0.5pF, ±1 digit to 19.99uF, 1% of reading, ±1 digit from 20uF to 199.9mF; Hold all specs between 180 & 1999 counts same as Auto; for all readings between an automatic to 199.9mF full scale, 0.5% of full scale from 19.99uF full scale to 19.99mF full scale. Resolution: 0.1pF on lowest range and 0.05% of full scale on all other ranges. Reading Time: 0.4-1.0 SEC to 0.20mF; increasing to 6 SEC at 200mF. Zero Control: Can compensate up to 25pF of test lead capacitance. Minus sign (-) indicates overcompensation.

Overrange Indicator: (All Ranges) plus sign (+) with blank display

GENERAL

Display: 3½ digit LCD display. Front Panel Controls: Range HOLD switch, ZERO adjust, ON-OFF switch. Power Source: 4 standard "C" size cells operating from 4.2-6 volts, nicad, alkaline, or zinc carbon, with provision for AC adapter/charger. (Note: batteries and charger are not supplied.) Battery Life: 20 hours minior trons. continuous use. Operating Temperature: +15°C to +35°C (59°F to 95°F) at stated accuracy. Usable range at reduced accuracy: 0°C to 50°C (32°F to 122°F). Dimension: 16 x 11 x 6cm (6.4 x 4.4 x 2.4"). Weight: 725g. (1.6 lbs.) with batteries. Optional Accessories: BC-28 AC adapter/charger, BP-28 battery pack, LC-28 carrying

New Portable Digital Capacitance Meter



LIST PRICE \$15500

BKP-820

OUR PRICE \$14000

FEATURES: Measures capacitance to 1 Farad in 10 ranges • Resolves to 0.1pF on lowest range • 4 digit easy-to-ready LED display • 0.5% accuracy • Special lead insertion jacks and banana jacks . Fuse protected Uses either rechargeable or disposable batteries Overrange indication.

APPLICATIONS: Measure: unmarked capacitors • cable capacitance • trimmer capacitors • capacitance in switches and other components . capacitor tolerance for incoming inspection, QA; Design use.

SPECIFICATIONS: Capacitance—Range: 0.1pF to 1000 millifarads (1 Farad) in 10 ranges. Accuracy: 05% of F.S., ± 1 digit to 100µF; 1% of F.S., ± 1 digit from 1000µF to 1000mF. Resolution: 0.1pF on lowest range. Reading Time: 0.6 sec to 10mF, increasing to 35 sec max. at 1000mF. Overrange: Bottom segments of digits are "ON" for overrange. GENERAL: Display: 4 digit LED. Power: (4-6 volts) 4 standard "C" size cells, nicad, alkaline or zinc carbon, with provision for charger (bat-teries and charger not supplied). Battery Life: 8 hours min. Operating Temp.: 0 °C to 50 °C (32 ° to 100 °F). Size (HWD): 16 x 11 x 6cm (6.4 x 4.4 x 2.375"). Weight: 675g. 1.15 lbs.) with batteries. Optional: BC-28 charger, BP-28 battery pack, LC-28 carrying case.







PNV-315 \$19.95 SH. WT. 1 lb.

SH.WT. 2 lbs.

PNV-311

300 SH.WT. 2 lbs. PNV-300 \$13.95 \$16.95

WIDE OPENING VISE HEAD 415.95 PNV-366 SH.WT.

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SEMI-FLUSH CUTTING Regular head design for #20 (.032") soft copper or smaller. A popular cut-ter on the assembly line. Exclusive duradium process (see tech sheet). Makes this cutter tough for electronic production applications.

A=4% HNT-20197(c) \$12.25

FULL FLUSH CUTTING Our most popular cutter. Slim taper nose de-sign plus full flush cut at extreme tip combine to make the ideal production cutter. Recommended for #20 (.032") soft copper wire or smaller. Exclusive duradium process (see tech sheet) gives un-matched life to the cutting edge. Perfect for P.C. board and related high density applications where clearance is a factor. $A=4\frac{1}{4}$

HNT-20195(c) \$12,46

HNI-20195(c) \$12.46 SEMI FLUSH CUTTING Taper nose and tip cutting. This cutter is larger than the *20195 for durabil-ity and longer life. Recommended for *18 (.0403") and smaller cop-per wire. Ideal for P.C. board and related type applications where density allows a larger head pro-file. A=44" HNT-20186(c) \$12.79

For getting in those tight spots with maximum visibility. Cuts at the extreme tip and has alignment pin to keep the cutter blades

HNT-20190 \$20.09



HNT-20186(c) \$12.72 TIP DYKE - SEMI-FLUSH CUTTING

pin to keep the cutter blades aligned. Recommended for nickel ribbon size .010" x .030" and smaller. Also #22 (.0253") and smaller copper wire. Perfect for work on D.I.P.'s and other I.C. packages where clearance and visibility are factors. A = 4\%"

ULTRA FINE "DELICATE" CUTTING AND BENDING APPLI-CATIONS. DELICATE YET DURABLE



HNT-20177 \$10.04

HNT-20144 \$12.46

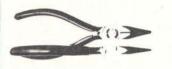
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FULL FLUSH CUTTING Tiny delicate cutter. Thin taper jaw plus overall small size. Gets into those tight spots. Ideal for super high density P.C. board work and rework, and other delicate jobs. Recommended for #24 (.020") and smaller copper wire. A = 313/14

MINIATURE CHAIN NOSE MINIAture for extra fine work. Designed for bending, forming or holding delicate parts and assemblies found in the electronics industry. Also widely used wherever preci-sion pliers are required such as instrumentation work, hobbyists, technicians, etc. Radius edges and smooth gripping surface for protection of delicate assemblies.

CURVED MINIATURE CHAIN NOSE Similar to #20144 but with curved nose. Gets into those tight spots. Particularly suited to P.C. board rework and instrumentation HNT-21029 \$14.73: applications. A = 41/2"

FINE CUTTING AND BENDING APPLICATIONS. DELICATE YET DURABLE FLUSH AND SEMI-FLUSH CUTTERS. RECOM-MENDED FOR USE ON *18 (.040") AND SMALLER SOFT COP-PER WIRE. ALL HUNTER PRECISION ELECTRONIC CUTTERS COME COMPLETE WITH SPRING, COLOR CODED CUSHION GRIP HANDLES, AND FULL POLISH HEAD.



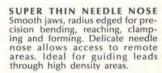
NARROW CHAIN NOSE Serrated jaw, radius edged for precision looping, twisting, and bending. Serrated jaw for extra grip with minimum pressure. A delicate yet durable tool for production use.

A = 4 3/4" HNT-20150(c) \$10.04



EXTRA LONG NEEDLE NOSE Ser-TRA LONG NEEDLE NOSE Ser-rated jaw radius edged. For preci-sion pulling, clamping and hold-ing. Strong taper point insures long working life, serrated jaws for firm grip using less pressure. Reduces fatigue. Perfect for production line use. A = 5%." use. A = 5%

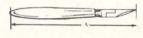
HNT-20105(c) \$11.38



 $A = 4\frac{3}{4}$ " HNT-20114(c) \$11.12

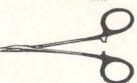
SUPER THIN - EXTRA LONG - NEEDLE NOSE Smooth Jaws, radius edged. Similar to *20114 but longer. Extra long "delicate" needle nose allows access to remote areas. A=6

HNT-20115(c) \$11.79





Stripper and Cutter with spring HNT-25508 \$3.08



STRAIGHT NOSE FORCEP CLAMP 5" Model HNT-54035 \$6.43 FORCEP CLAMP (Hemostat, Forcep) Popular in the electronics field with applications throughout industry. Clamps, holds and positions small parts, wires,

KNIFE SETS



HEAVY DUTY KNIFE SET includes three knives, regular #50130, heavy duty #50160 and extra heavy duty #50170, plus 10 assorted blades. Packed in compact clear plastic carrying case

HNT-50182 \$6.43



PRECISION KNIFE SET Popular set both in industry and with the hobbyist. Com-plete with two most popular handles #50130 and #50160 plus 10 assorted blades. Packed in compact clear plastic

HNT-50183 \$4.55



A = 41/4"



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The modular "Standard Line" provides the professional with a durable yet economical iron for all types of soldering. Handles are perfectly balanced for comfort and fatigue-free soldering. Heaters provide fast recovery and maximum heat transfer. All irons are 120 VAC.

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Ungar Model 750 Grounded Handle — UNG-750



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COMPLETE 3-WIRE IRON

PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	SUGGESTED USER PRICE
IUNG-127	Handle, 650°-750° F., 27W.	\$14.88
UNG-135	Handle, 750°-850° F., 35W.	\$14.88
UNG-145	Handle 900°-1000° F 45W	\$14.88

1/4" THREAD-ON TIPS AND ADAPTERS



PL-111 PL-113 PL-114 PL-133 PL-138 PL-151 PL-153 PL-155

TIPS

	Tip Material Shape		Size, Ins.		
Ungar No.			Ovrl. Lgth.	Tip Diam.	Net Each
		1/4" THREAD-ON TI	PS		
UNG-PL111	Plated*	Pencil	1-1/4	1/8	\$1.85
UNG-PL113	Plated*	Chisel	1-1/4	1/8	\$1.85
UNG-PL114	Plated*	Micro spade	1	.05	\$1.85
UNG-PL133	Plated*	Taper chisel	1-1/16	1/8	\$1.92
UNG-PL138	Plated*	Needle	1-1/4	3/64	\$1.85
UNG-PL151	Plated*	Screwdriver	1-1/4	1/8	\$1.85
UNG-PL153	Plated*	Chisel	1-1/16	3/16	\$1.85
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	ADAPTERS	
UNG-100 UNG-101	1/4" thread-on heaters to 1/8" thread-in tips 1/4" thread-on heaters to 3/16" thread-in tips	\$.63 \$.63
Iron clad and silver pl	ated.	

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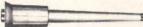
Princess Kit UNG-6975 \$21.59

Complete Princess iron with 3 interchangeable copper nibs. Includes #6902 2-wire handle, #6910 10W heat capsule and #6950, #6951 and #6952 soldering nibs.

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Complete 10W soldering station. Fully assembled iron with 3 copper nibs plus Princess iron holder and cleaning sponge. Includes #6902 2-wire handle, #6910 10W heat capsule and #6950, #6951 and #6952 nibs, #6990 iron holder and sponge.





Designed expressly for the special needs of micro-electronic assembly. This popular precision tool design enables pinpoint hand control, comfort and accuracy assuring hi-yield soldering of delicate circuitry and components in the tightest spaces. HANDLES

PART	HANDLES		
NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	
UNG-6902	Nylon Pastel Turquoise, Plastic cool-grip, 2-wire plug & cord.	\$ 8.72	
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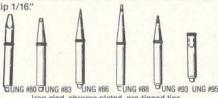
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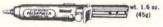
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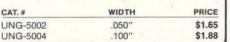
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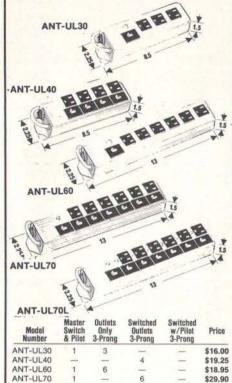
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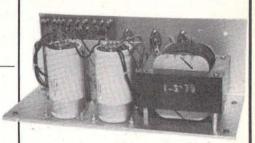
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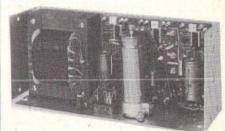
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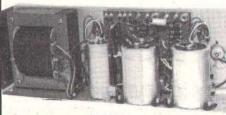


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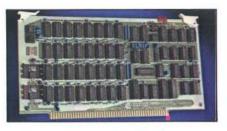




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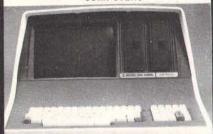
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Through the graphics-display registers, we can define a rectangular area on the display by a pair of X,Y coordinates (the left and right X boundary and the top and bottom Y boundary). Thus, rather than loading the full screen, we can reference the area bounded by a viewport. This feature permits us to load areas of the display or even to mask portions of the display. To further increase the generality of this primitive, we must also permit loading a single pixel. This feature allows us to change the color of the point we are currently at. We could do the same with the MOV primitive, but this instruction would be shorter. Finally, we can define our load-pixel primitive as:

LPIX R, Co...C.

where:

R = reference (Full frame, Viewport, or X, Y $C_i = color data$

Along with this primitive, we must add that a predefined order of filling the pixels must be maintained, such as left to right, bottom to top. For example, the primitive:

LPIX F,0,0,0,0...

loads the entire display with a single color 0.

The next primitives we need do not actually produce an image, but support the previous primitives. First, since we have assumed the existence of graphics-display registers, we must allow the host to load the registers with a value. In this work, we do not specify the types or numbers of graphics-display registers, since they may vary from system to system. However, certain registers will be consistent, such as vector type and current X and Y position. Mnemonically, our load-register primitive can be represented as:

LREG, N,V

where:

N = register name or number V = value to be loaded

For example, the primitive:

LREG X,4096

loads the X register with the value

Since some of these registers contain status information, it is important that the host be able to read back the value in the register. For example, if the display processor supports a light pen, it may be necessary for the host to read back the X and Y position coordinates. Mnemonically, our read-register-primitive can be represented as:

RREG N

where:

N = register name or number

For example, the primitive:

RREG Y

reads the contents of the Y register and returns the value to the host.

Since we have assumed the existence of subroutines, there must be some way of loading subroutines in the display-processor memory: thus we need a load-subroutine primitive. We obviously need the parameters of

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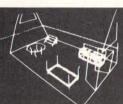
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A Line-Failure Indicator

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Have you ever come back from work looking forward to an evening of home computing, only to find that nothing works? The program that was almost debugged

during previous evenings is gone?

While nothing short of nonvolatile memory will completely solve this problem, the simple line-failure indicator described here will alert you to problems that occurred while you were away. A simple glance at the three-color display of LEDs (light-emitting diodes) will at least let you know what you are in for. The indicators light as follows:

green: power is on, no recent failuresyellow: power has failed and returned

red: power has been off for a short time
 none: power has been off for a long time

Having different colored LEDs seems best from a humaninterface point of view, even though their voltage requirements differ somewhat.

The circuit of the line-status indicator is shown in figure 1. The basic power supply uses a common 6.3 V filament transformer and a bridge rectifier of four 1N4001 diodes. The primary is controlled by SW1, a double-pole switch which prevents the battery from discharging when the unit is off. This supply must provide the current to light one LED plus energize a small relay coil. This represents about 150 ohms, so the RC (resistor/capacitor) time constant of the power-supply filter is about 0.15 seconds. Therefore, if you return to find the yellow indicator on, you will know that there has been a line-voltage dropout of 0.3 seconds or longer.

Looking at figure 1, we see that the green LED is held on by SCR1. The SCR gate can only be triggered into conduction manually by means of SW2. Once this pushbutton switch (SW2) is (momentarily) closed, a pulse of current enters the gate of the SCR from the 0.1 μ F capacitor; and the SCR goes into conduction. Since this SCR operates on DC, it will stay in conduction until the DC supply fails (meaning that there is an AC line dropout).

When the DC supply fails, the relay K1 is de-energized, closing the "normally closed" contacts and lighting the

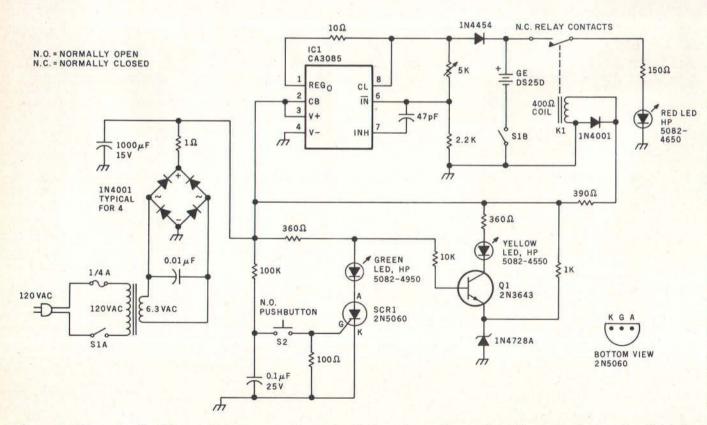


Figure 1: This power-line-failure indicator uses a silicon-controlled rectifier to detect voltage dropouts. If power should fail for more than 0.3 seconds, the SCR ceases to conduct and the green LED is extinguished, while the red LED lights. The red LED remains on as long as power is out; its power is drawn from a set of rechargeable batteries. Should power return, the red LED goes out and the yellow one is illuminated to indicate this sequence of events.



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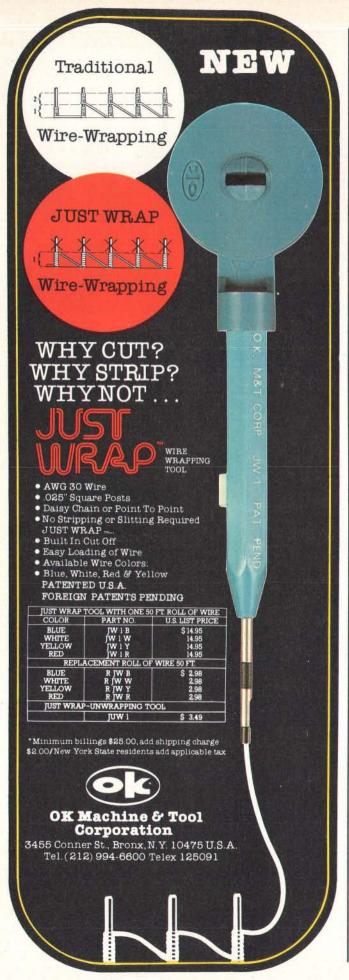
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red LED. The 1N4454 serves to disconnect the two-cell nickel-cadmium (nicad) battery from U1 during power outages, so that the *only* load on the battery is the LED. Use of a relay to actuate the battery-to-LED circuit is the best method, because it closes the circuit with nearly zero resistance, while consuming *no* power in the process. The two-cell nicad, a General Electric DS25D, is a rather small unit made for printed-circuit board mounting and thus fits in easily. This tiny battery will light the red LED for several hours when fully charged.

When AC power returns, DC is quickly restored to energize K1 and to charge the battery via IC1, the regulator. IC1 is a voltage regulator, but it also has current-limit capability. The 10-ohm resistor between pins 1 and 8 of the regulator causes charge current to be limited to 20 mA, even if the battery is nearly discharged. As the battery charges and its terminal voltage approaches the regulated voltage output to which IC1 is set, current drops below 20 mA and tapers off in the "constant-voltage" charge mode.

Meanwhile, the SCR remains nonconducting, which allows current to flow via the 360-ohm and 10 k-ohm resistors to the base of Q1, forward-biasing this transistor and lighting the yellow LED. Thus the yellow LED indicates that power has failed and returned. The red LED has, of course, been extinguished with the energizing of K1.

The final step in the sequence is when the person who uses this line-failure detector notices that the yellow LED is lit, and resets SW2. This act causes SCR1 to conduct, diverting current from the base of Q1, extinguishing the yellow LED and lighting the green LED.

Since it takes between 1.5 and 1.8 V to light an LED, I chose a battery consisiting of two nicad cells in series. This gives a battery voltage of 2.4 V, which is adequate to light LEDs of all colors, using series dropping resistors. Since the battery is charged in series with a 1N4454, the voltage-regulator output should be set (by means of the 5 k-ohm variable resistor) to between +2.9 and +3.1 V. This accounts for the series forward-voltage drop in the 1N4454. Note that an RCA-CA3085 is used as a regulator. An LM305H (National Semiconductor) will not substitute for this integrated circuit since it's not made to regulate below +4.5 V. The older National LM300H would work, however.

K1 can be any small relay having a coil voltage from 4 to 8 V DC, with a set of normally closed contacts. The series resistor is adjusted to drop the unregulated +8 V of the DC supply to the desired voltage of the relay coil. In my own case, a small relay (from an old radiosonde transmitter) which had a 400-ohm coil and which closed reliably on +4 V was used. A 390-ohm resistor was then used to drop the +8 V supply to the coil voltage of +4 V.■

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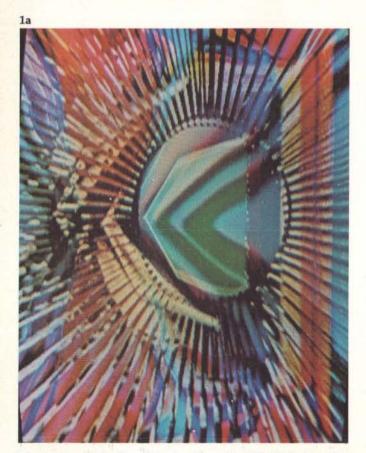
Control structures are the program-flow manipulation features of the language that you use to beat your computer into submission. BASIC's control structures are embodied in the RUN, GOTO, GOSUB, and RETURN keywords and a few functions, certainly an impoverished set. Highly structured languages like Pascal are rigidly limited to the control structure of subroutines. Lowly structured approaches like assembly language are necessary to implement

higher-level languages and real-time systems, because the lack of enforced structure allows an infinite variety of control structures to be used at a cost of great human effort. The execution-speed gain in using assembly language is more due to the efficient building of customized tables and linked lists than to efficiency in adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing numbers.

Assembler coding is by no means easy. Note the word "easy": it's

important because in one sense it means "accessible." In this case, it's your access to complex electronic visualizations.

Electronic visualizations are important because producing and manipulating images, especially animated ones, is a truly multidimensional task which reflects our real-world interactions much more than maintaining an accurate laundry list or printing payroll checks. Producing them demands a lot from software,





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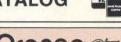
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and making their access easy requires paying attention to the provision of rich control structures in a language.

Electronic Visualization is an intentionally broad term meant to conjure thoughts of computer graphics, animation, image processing, video synthesis, and even advanced wordprocessing. Anyone successfully producing images for communication is unlikely to reject a technique for reasons of algorithmic purity (as a computer scientist might feel forced to do). Computer hobbyists use the tools at hand, and electronic visualization is the means to the end and the end product of using these tools. Simultaneously, it can be both because we are seeing the vast increase of real-time imaging systems, even in microcomputer-based configurations; and controlling these real-time systems can be as feedbackintensive as playing a musical instrument or driving a racing car.

Just to unify the concepts so far, think about this question: what besides the cosmetic packaging governs our choice of a musical instrument or an automobile? It is a combination of capability and user

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control, of course: having one without the other is useless. So why are the programming languages currently available so impoverished on the control-structure side?

Perhaps it is because computers were invented to process payrolls, not images. Television, on the other hand, is image-oriented and currently uses a host of presently emerging realtime digital techniques and increasingly flexible control structures. As a matter of fact, just about all the television you see these days is digitally processed for purposes of synchronization.

Television is a high-speed medium conducive to parallel and pipeline processing. You are driving television rather than generating it. TV cameras are on all the time and you, as director, are fading, switching, adding titles and constantly throwing away images that you don't want. Control is the name of the game.

The television folk are not about to give up rich, real-time control structures and the computer folk won't give up language. How to get them together is the essence of the task at hand.

Getting Computers and Television Technology Together

Looking at the history of control structures for computer graphics and for television, we see that most computer-graphics usage, with the obvious and exciting exception of video games, is some variety of nonreal-time plotting. This is where the money is and where the language development for computer-aided design has been focused. No manufacturer of equipment for computer graphics (excepting the videogame people) now depends on animation for solvency. Plotting is slow and often merely the side output of a large FORTRAN finite-element analysis program. Visual aesthetics are rarely the primary concern, if any concern at all. People who use such systems are highly skilled and highly paid technicians who became that way by having to deal with plotting packages as a condition of employment. If the job were easy, they wouldn't get paid so much.

We are just reaching the point of electronically generating and manipulating images, in real time, under program control. How do we design languages to deal with real time? Or, more important, why do we want such a language, an alphanumeric string-oriented language, at all? Why not use picturebased languages with symbols for motions and timing?

How Can You Control Images

After about ten years of living with this obvious and nagging question, some conclusions became clear. First, purist approaches to electronic visualization are hopeless. Image control employs a hybrid of languages, several input devices, pictureoriented commands, custom hardware, and a smattering of idiosyncrasies. The most successful approaches to date are basically

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highly developed, beautifully evolved kluges. We know what "purism" in coding FORTRAN and BASIC does to image production. Purism in television technique eliminates computer graphics as we know it. So how about using graphic symbols to save the day?

Using symbols in a menu and some sort of manual-selection mechanism is an approach taken by many FOR-TRAN graphics systems. This limits the number of symbols to those defined in the menu and there is no user-level extensibility in that you cannot create new symbols out of sequences of old symbols, which eliminates the one truly unique feature of computers. To state it bluntly, you can't program with a

What happens, however, if you do find a system that provides for the combination of nonalphanumeric symbols in meaningful ways? In an extremely advanced case, it should look something like Japanese, and you might note that the language used to program computers in Japan is a phonetic alphanumeric transcription of their language. They do not program in their extremely beautiful and rich symbol set. Eliminating alphanumeric languages is not such a hot idea, except in turnkey systems.

The second conclusion gestating for the past ten years is that complete parallelism is necessary for controlling images in meaningful ways. You simply must be able to develop sequences independently and merge them in ways that do not necessitate rewriting the programs. Xerox's Smalltalk and certain other languages have this capability, as do television technology and everyday life: making this parallelism easily accessible takes real care.

The third conclusion is that a flexible priority scheme is needed. Some tasks are more important than others, just as in real life and computer operating systems. It is essential to give this capability to the user of an electronic visualization system.

Fourth, providing for user extensibility at several levels is the only way people will easily be able to use a system for applications not envisioned by the designer. I will discuss this later.

Fifth, the system must be softwarefault tolerant. Fault-tolerant hardware has been a research area of great importance to real-time control systems, yet language purists still think people should solve problems in structured, orthodox, algorithmic ways. A computer language should provide as many paths to a given communication as possible, as natural languages do, and the kind of error handling that a friend would offer. Allowing nonstructured, nonprocedural, "seat-of-the-pants" programming is often the only salvation when the final goal is aesthetically defined, and is, perhaps, not at all clear. It has been called "fuzzy programming," and it's easy to throw in the recursive, value-returning, clever structured-programming capabilities as well, but limiting yourself to these latter approaches stifles human creativity, problemsolving, and sideways thinking.

Zgrass — A Language for Easy Electronic Visualization

Zgrass is a programming language and operating system written in assembly language for the Z80 microprocessor by Nola Donato, Jay Fenton, and me. Not surprisingly, it embodies all the control structures mentioned so far in this article and

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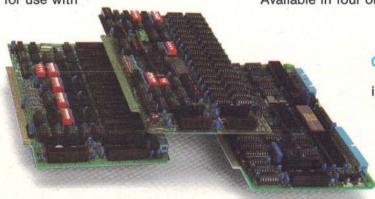
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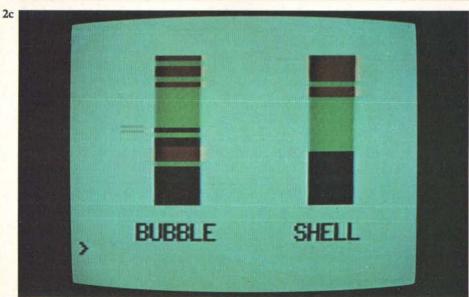
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Photos 2a, 2b, and 2c: Sample output from the first Zgrass system, with a resolution of 160 by 102 pixels, with 2 bits per pixel. Photo 2a was made by Copper Giloth, and photos 2b and 2c by Nola Donato.

has been in development for ten years.

Zgrass started out as GRASS (Graphics Symbiosis System), a language designed to bring the immense complexity of a Digital Equipment Corporation PDP-11/45 and as Vector General 3DR Display system within the grasp of artists and educators at Ohio State University. It has high levels of interaction, parallelism, priority, and treestructured manipulations of vectordefined objects. Photos from this system can be seen in "About the Cover... And Some More of the Same," in the October 1977 BYTE, page 22.

GRASS depends on \$120,000 of equipment to run — rather expensive for a single-user system — but it is one of the first highly developed non-FORTRAN interactive graphics systems for use by artists.

In 1973, Dan Sandin, inventor of the Image Processor, brought color television usage to our computer graphics work at the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle. Dan and I developed most of the ideas about control structures presented here. Photos 1a and 1b show some output from the GRASS/Image Processor system.

Generating a complete programming language with parsers, compilers, and graphics takes a lot of human effort. More than ten personyears of programming were devoted to GRASS, aided by generous support from the National Science Foundation, National Endowment for the Arts, and others.

GRASS is totally oriented toward real-time generation and control of images for the simple reason that television cannot easily be slowed down for long and/or time-lapse exposures as can be done with film. The control structures for GRASS were developed ad hoc and became increasingly idiosyncratic. Nola Donato, a postgraduate student of mine, decided to teach me how to generalize many of the programming-language concepts. The result was GRASS3, which later became Zgrass.

In 1977, I was led to Jeff Frederiksen at Dave Nutting Associates, who was developing a deluxe home computer for Bally Corporation using the custom integrated circuits they had developed for the Bally Arcade video game. The pros-

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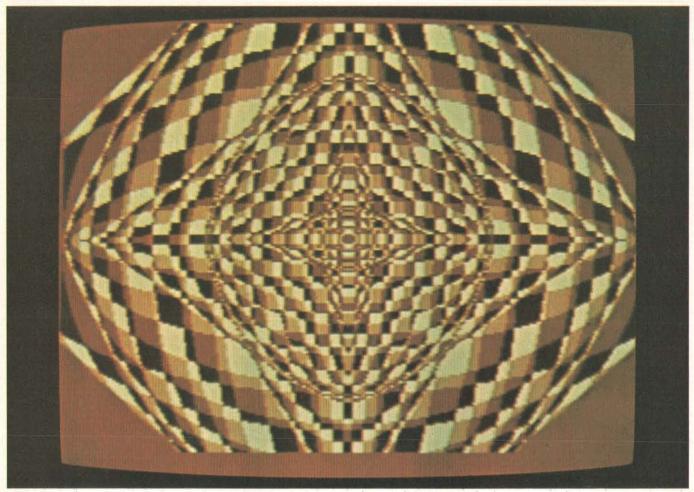


Photo 3: Sample output from a later version of Zgrass, with a resolution of 320 by 204 pixels with 2 bits per pixel. Photo 3 was made by Frank Dietrich.

pect of developing a language for fun, one that had user-orientation as the benchmark rather than how many FOR-NEXT loops you could execute per unit time was too good to pass up. I was contracted to produce Zgrass, and in a year, Nola Donato, Jay Fenton (a legendary wizard of video games and pinball-machine operating systems), and I had generated 9000 lines of code. (Much of the work was done not in a lab but in a cabin in the woods of Wisconsin!) Examples of output from this system are seen in photos 2a, 2b, and 2c. Note that the resolution of this first Zgrass machine is 160 by 102 pixels (ie: picture elements), with 2 bits per pixel.

Some confusion arose about whether we were producing a hobbyist machine or a home computer for consumers, so the project was suspended. Even now nobody really knows what a "consumer computer" is supposed to be.

From consulting with less enlightened would-be consumer computer manufacturers, I have perceived that they follow the rather negative view of consumerism. (Few people reading this article would be considered only consumers — I assume that BYTE readers are mostly hobbyists or professionals.) Consumerism is based on great market penetration, and the big question is: "How do you get 90% market penetration like color TV?"

It is also based on consuming, that is, wearing out or getting sick of hardware and software so you go buy more and consume it. The user is expected to supply no creativity, just assume a passive, susceptible-to-entertainment pose — this reminds you of television watching, doesn't it? Well, anything requiring creative energy is akin to hobbyism.

Consumer computers do exist in the form of video games that you can get bored with and buy more — even the advertisements invariably cite the number of new games to be available each month. I don't know how to write a programming language that wears out, though. User-extensibility is planned "nonobsolescence." Zgrass is not a consumer language by current standards.

The project is on active status again, but this time with a hobbyist/professional orientation. We believe there are many people who want a recordable image-producing system for around \$3000. The current configuration includes:

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Details of Zgrass Control Structures

Programs in Zgrass are called macros. Macros are stored as ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) character strings and normally contain executable Zgrass commands. The fundamental unit of execution in Zgrass is a command, which is either an assignment statement or a function call.

Zgrass does not require declaration of variable types (with the exception of array dimensioning). The software automatically does all conversions that make sense based on the context. Any argument can be a function call whose returned value is converted to whatever is needed, if at all possible. Literals, indirect references, variables, built-in commands, user-defined commands, and user-defined macros are all handled by the same parser, so the syntax is very predictable. The fact that there are no restrictions on name length helps to produce easily read code.

User-Level Extensibility

Extensibility in Zgrass is achieved in two major ways. First, you can write macros which return values, produce graphics, or ask questions; or, through string-manipulation primitives written by Barb Wilson, you can generate other macros. Macros use arguments in exactly the same way as system commands, and are even named and called like system commands.

To reiterate, macros are simply strings of ASCII characters. When a macro is called, an MIB (Macro Invocation Block) is automatically built. It gives information on the invoking function call, the passed-argument

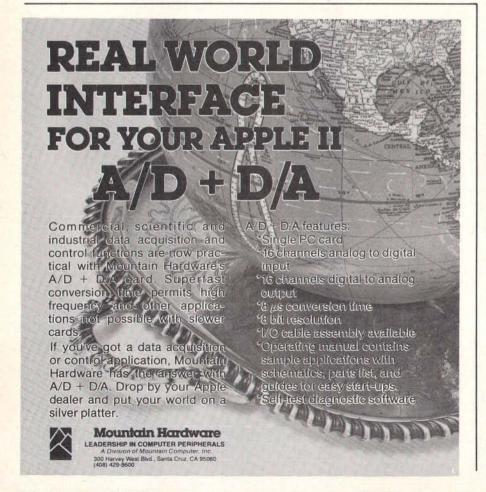
list, and pointers to local variables, and provides room for the returned value. MIBs form a stack which implements the subroutining and block structuring of the language. When the macro returns, the MIB is deleted along with the local variables and unused literal arguments, if any, and control is passed back to the caller.

If arguments are to be passed to a macro, they are read by the normal input command, and print statements are suppressed as long as there are arguments left. If no arguments are present or an insufficient number are passed, the print statements function normally and the macro asks for input from the terminal. This allows macros to be used whether or not you know the arguments wanted, with no extra code by the author of the macro.

Macros can also be executed in parallel as background jobs. When called and suffixed by a ".B", the Macro Invocation Block is added to a background linked list. After that, the macro will run forever (it restarts at the beginning when it tries to return) until Control-C or the stop command selectively kills it. Photo 2c shows two sorting algorithms being compared for execution speed in real time, a tricky task in most languages, easy in Zgrass.

The background parallelism is achieved by interleaving execution of the macro statements. The MIB contains all relevant context for execution, including a pointer to the next command to execute, so switching MIBs after each line has been completed is simple and gives the functional parallelism. If there are five background macros, each one gets a line executed, in turn, round-robin fashion. This construct is simple and straightforward with no bizarre sideeffects except that unusually timeconsuming commands will make the parallelism temporally step somewhat. Background interleaving is easily understood and used even by the most naive users.

Meanwhile, the keyboard is still active. When the user types a command line, it is executed at a higher priority than the background macros. If the user initiates a macro at keyboard level, it will finish before the background macros continue. In any event, the keyboard overrides the background, again in an obvious, predictable way.



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Zgrass, then, has three effective levels of priority with parallelism at two of the three levels. Since the Macro Invocation Block maintains all context information, even recursive programming is possible at any level.

One of the severe problems in interpretive, extensible languages like Zgrass is the overhead of parsing and looking up names in name tables. For this reason, Zgrass has a compiler which eliminates the overhead and dramatically increases speed. All the automatic conversions, priority, and

parallelism continue to work. Compiling does eliminate some of the interactive debugging features, so you usually debug on the noncompiled version first.

Zgrass System Extensibility

Zgrass also allows extensibility at the system-command level. A system such as this should allow an experienced programmer to write new commands in assembler and interface them to the system easily, certainly without changing the EPROMs (erasable, programmable read-only memories). A transfer vector in low memory and a series of Z80 RST (special restart subroutine-call) instructions allow communication with about one hundred system routines which do parsing, type conversion, graphics primitives, and so on.

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The maximum size of one of these user-written nonresident commands is 4 K bytes. Since the typical Zgrass machine has 30 K bytes of programmable memory, the amount of potential custom code is immense. All housekeeping for storage allocation and deletion, maintenance of temporary scratch-pad areas and general cleanup is done by system routines. You only concentrate on the details, obeying a few rules for writing position-independent code.

One further type of extensibility is easy to get. Zgrass has an extra UART which talks to other computers quite nicely. Larger computers can send graphics and character data to your Zgrass machine. Zgrass units can even talk to one another at up to 19.2 k bps!

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Zgrass was designed from the beginning to be a language for writing CAI (computer-aided instruction) programs. In particular, it was designed to be self-teaching to a fairly high degree. When Zgrass is used as a CAI system, the result of providing parallelism, string manipulation, and good error handling is that the student always has the power of the whole language to explore while the author of the CAI programs is also in control.

Since macros are character strings, they can be built and executed. You can take student input, make it into a program (before the student even knows how to edit), let parameters be changed, show the results, and verify certain classes of results both during execution and after. The approaches we have taken to Zgrass CAI are beyond the scope of this article, so I will just mention the system features which make CAI possible.

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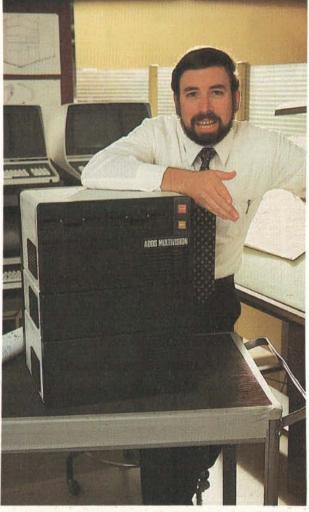
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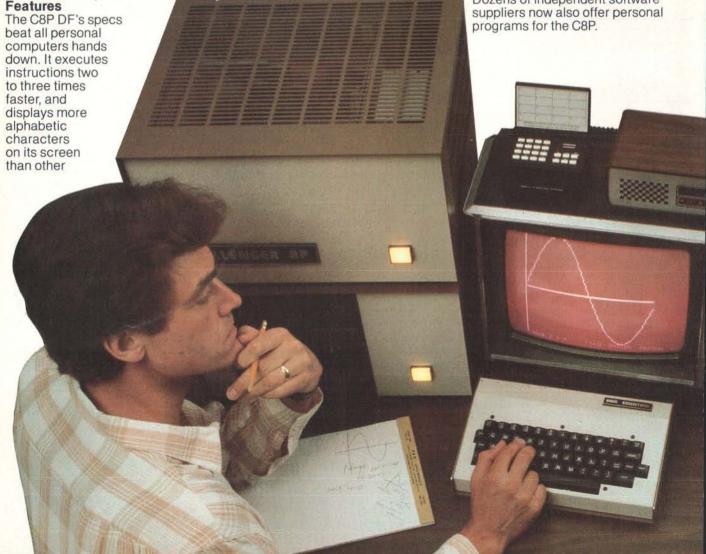
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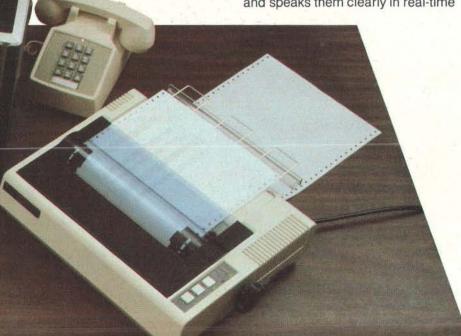
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problems. When teaching, however, the CAI program must trap errors. These fall into three types: syntax, nontermination, and logic.

To trap syntax errors, you should use the ONERROR command which transfers the control to a diagnostic section of the program that you, as a CAI author, will have provided. There you can get the error number, the erroneous argument, and even the entire ASCII text of the line in error with the GETERROR command. You can then explain the problem to the user in whatever level of detail you wish.

Indefinite loops are caught with the LOOPMAX command which sets a limit to the number of control transfers (ie: skips and GOTOs). Once the limit is exceeded, an error is generated and trapped as explained

earlier. So, you can catch nonterminating programs or be very meticulous and require efficiency from advanced students by lowering the LOOPMAX appropriately.

Logic errors are trickier and the general case is impossible. However, if you choose suitable problems to solve, vou can do some very nice verification. For graphic tasks, the CMPARA command can check a student's building of an image against a prototype. The CAI author can tell if the student's image is a proper subset of the prototype and let it continue. Once a stray pixel is written, CMPARA returns a value of -2 which means the image is "mixed up," and you inform the student immediately. This approach clearly falls short of genuine artificial intelligence, but it is nevertheless quite useful.

Several classes at the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle have been taught with great success using a GRASS-coded prototype (called GAIN, by Tom Towle).

Conclusions

Zgrass is a language/system designed to provide easy access to computer graphics and, in general, to computing. It has sophisticated real-time structures and control capability, and it's friendly, extensible, and fun. The language is more efficient than BASIC, more user-oriented than FORTRAN or Pascal, and it has the kind of language-control structures that will help you create your mind's fantastic visualizations on your video screen with more ease than ever before.

Glossary

Color: The 256 colors available in Zgrass form an abbreviated spectrum. You can get four colors on the screen at any one time. The default colors are white, red, green, and blue. They are also known as color 0, color 1, color 2, and color 3. The values are stored in \$L0, \$L1, \$L2, and \$L3 unless you modify \$HB to use the right-side colors \$R0, \$R1, \$R2, and \$R3.

Color Map: The color map is the way Zgrass translates color 0 thru color 3 to the 256 available colors. The hardware looks at the values of \$L0 thru \$L3 before it writes a pixel to the screen. If it is writing a 0, it uses the color stored in \$L0; if it is writing a 1, it uses the color stored in \$L1, and so on. To change the color map so 1 refers to yellow instead of red, set \$L1 to 127. There are actually two color maps, the \$Ls and the \$Rs. You get to the \$Rs by setting \$HB.

Color Option: The possible values for color option are 0 thru 15. You may need to study your truth tables for inclusive-OR and exclusive-OR (XOR) logical operations to really understand what's going on. The following is functionally true, however:

Color Option Meaning

0	replace with color 0
	(white)
1	replace with color 1 (red)
2	replace with color 2
	(green)
3	replace with color 3
	(blue)
4	don't draw (actually XOR
	with 00)
5	XOR screen with color 1
	(01 binary)
6	XOR screen with color 2
	(10 binary)
7	XOR screen with color 3
	(11 binary)
8	change red to white, blue
	to green (clear bit 0)
9	change green to white,
	blue to red (clear bit 1)
10	OR with 01 (if red or
	white, stay red; if blue or
	green, stay blue)
11	OR with 10 (if green or
	white, stay green; if red
	or blue, stay blue)
12	replace with red only if
	white were there
13	replace with green only if
	white or red were there
14	increment the color there
	by 1 (white to red, red to

green, green to blue, and

decrement the color there

by I (white to blue, red

to white, green to red,

and blue to green)

blue to white)

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Macro: A string that is supposed to contain legal Zgrass commands. Most programming languages call such things "programs" or "subroutines," but we call them macros. Macros are effectively user-defined commands. Macros can behave just like commands in the sense that you can pass arguments to macros with the INPUT command and return values with the RETURN command. You define a macro just like you define a string, with an assignment to a name or

by using EDIT.

String: A collection of characters (ie: numbers, letters, punctuation) delimited (ie: enclosed) by single or double quotes or balanced (ie: enclosed) by brackets or braces. If you have to use a string delimiter in a string, make sure that it is delimited by a different string delimiter or things will get very confused. Most likely it will consider the rest of your macro as part of the string. Examples:

"THIS IS A LONGER STRING"
"PRINT A*B*C
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[THIS IS HOW TO PUT A
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Book Reviews

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by Robert M Eisberg McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY, 1976 176 pages, softcover \$9.95

This book by Professor Eisberg of the University of California, Santa Barbara is interesting on three counts. First, it introduces the reader to numerical methods for differentiation, integration, and solution of differential equations. Second, these methods are applied to the general problems of mathematical physics, starting with the motion of an oscillator and finishing with Schrödinger's equation. Third, the programs for the solution of the equations in these fields are given for the Hewlett-Packard HP-25 and the Texas Instruments SR-56 calculators.

A reader's first reaction might be that the programs apply only to the solution of the problems of mathematical physics. However, the mathematical procedures that were aimed at these calculators may also be applied to any computer. Furthermore, the problems are in the field of physics, but the methods of solution of these problems should be of interest to the general reader.

This book discusses the derivative and methods of obtaining it, followed by programs and examples. Problems for testing the program are also given. Procedures for integration and summation are introduced with the appropriate programs and examples for solution.

The numerical procedure for the solution of secondorder differential equations is developed without the great depth required for mathematical development. These equations are given for both undamped and damped motion, as well as the driven oscillator. The program development and the results obtained are interesting.

The harmonic oscillator section is followed by the coupled oscillator. The examples for the coupled oscillators and their motion are interesting not only for the study of the motion of such systems, but also for the solution of the simultaneous equations involved.

The concept of central force motion is introduced, including orbital path determination. This section concludes with alpha particle scatter due to repulsive forces. A "random" number generator program is introduced and applied to problems of entropy, or run-down evaluation.

Finally, Schrödinger's time-independent equation is introduced and evaluated, and programs are given for the harmonic oscillator and the potential well.

This is an admirable little book on mathematics applied to physics and the programming of such material for the HP-25 and SR-56 programmable calculators. It is also of great interest to the computer programmer because of the procedures discussed, which are adaptable to the computer.

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by Daniel P Friedman Science Research Associates Inc Palo Alto CA, 1974

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It might seem a little odd to review a six-year-old book, but there is a good reason for it in this case: LISP has only recently become available for microcomputers. John Allen (guest editor of the August 1979 BYTE special issue on LISP) has promised that his LISP Company will unveil a full line of LISP systems. It will start with a Z80 version and proceed to much more capable LISPs for the new 16-bit microprocessors. Also, LISP interpreters from other sources exist for Z80, 6800, and AM-100 processors.

The next question is how does one learn LISP? Reference manuals give too much detail and not enough feel for the language. Most introductory material gives too little detail and not enough feel for the language, and nearly all books on LISP make the mistake of telling the student what LISP functions are and

what they do instead of how to use them. There is an alternative to all this. One can obtain The Little LISPer, study it for a short time, and come away with a firm grasp of the essentials of LISP. This grasp is sufficient to make sense out of the rest of the material concerning LISP and LISP-based systems that one might encounter.

The Little LISPer was originally written to provide a two-week course for nonprogrammers. It is one of the best introductions to any language that I have ever read. I went straight through it the day I got it. The sequence of topics (interleaving functions, data structures, programming principles, recursive programming techniques) is laid out with a deft touch that has the student progressing much faster than he realizes. This organization of the material allows the reader to build up a sophisticated sense of the patterns inherent in LISP structures

almost without noticing.

Other features that contribute to the relaxed, but speedy, progress of the student are the organization of the entire text into carefully constructed sets of questions and answers and the light humorous touch of the examples.

LISP operates on list structures, and most of the data used in the book are lists of foods. One of the problems for the reader is to determine the list that results from inserting the atom ROAST after the atom CHUCK in a list beginning:

(HOW (MUCH WOOD). . .

Unfortunately the text breaks off too soon, leaving the reader with a clear sense of things he was just about ready to do, but will have to find out about elsewhere. In any case, the author says the reader is "better prepared than he realizes" to learn the details of a full LISP system and many more advanced programming techniques. It is only necessary to become familiar with the full range of features of a complete LISP system before diving into the world of artificial intelligence and numerous other fields.

LISP is a realization and extension (in notation, not computing power) of Church's lambda calculus, one of the most powerful mathematical tools in existence. It is generally considered a remarkable achievement to teach a powerful mathematical technique to nonmathematicians. As far as I am concerned, though, this kind of teaching should be normal, and the usual "math is hard and you're too dumb to learn it" approach should be thrown away. The fact is that most people are not too dumb to learn mathematics of whatever sort, but few people are clever enough to learn improperly presented mathematics. It seems that even fewer are clever enough to present it well. I am delighted to have an opportunity to point out an instance of top-quality textbook writing and to offer my congratulations to Daniel Friedman.

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Mathematical Elements for Computer Graphics

by David Rogers and I Alan Adams McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY, 1976 Softcover, 239 pages \$12.95

One of the ironies of computer graphics is that it is the aspect of computer use that most attracts people who do not like mathematics, while it is one of the few fields of computing (contrary to popular belief) that require mathematics. Mathematical Elements for Computer Grapics is a good sourcebook of the mathematics, the formulae, and the algorithms required to implement graphics packages and applications on computers of any size. It is especially well suited to personal-computer use, since all of the algorithms are presented in BASIC.

Rogers and Adams assume several things about the reader. First, they assume that the reader is writing, or wants to write, software for a line-drawing display (such as those produced by Tektronix). If you have a television-technology display (like most small-computer users), you will need to devise the software to make it draw lines. They also assume that the reader has a substantial background in mathematics. Unfortunately for this subject, a substantial mathematical background means three terms of college-level calculus plus matrix algebra. Also, the algorithms are presented in Dartmouth BASIC, which requires a fair amount of conversion before it will

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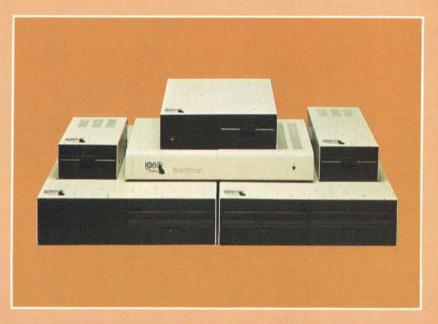


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So why buy (or borrow) this book ? If you want a text to teach yourself computer graphics, this is the wrong book. It will not really tell you how to put all of the algorithms together into a usable package or application. But, if you already know something about computer graphics and need a reference to give or compare formulae and algorithms, then this is definitely the right book. A caveat is in order: I have not checked any of the algorithms or programs for typographical accuracy. Which is to say, it's a good reference, but not a good text.■

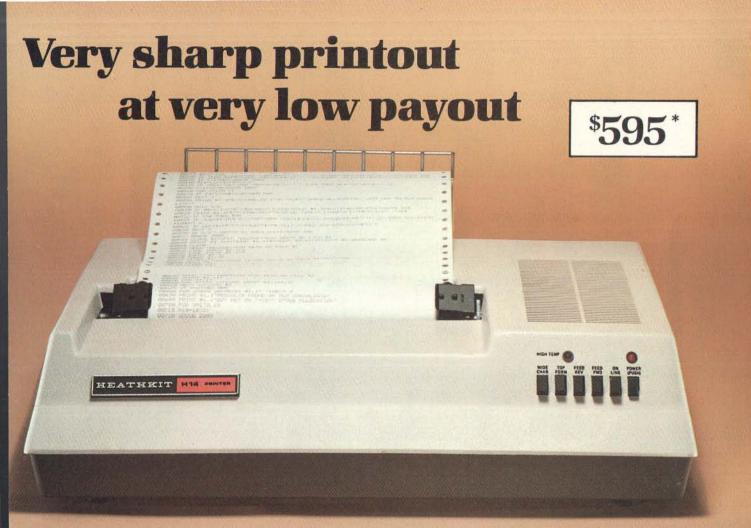
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Bit-Slice Microprocessor Design, Jim Brick and John Mick; McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY 1980: 73/4 by 91/2 inches (20 by 24.5 cm), 398 pages, hardcover, ISBN 0-07-041781-4, \$18.50.

Computer Peripherals for Minicomputers, Microprocessors, and Personal Computers, C Louis Hohenstein; McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY 1980; 6 by 9 inches (15.5 by 23 cm), 312 pages, hardcover, ISBN 0-07-029451-8, \$19.50.

Early British Computers. Simon Lavington; Digital Press. Bedford MA 1980: 53/4 by 81/4 inches (15 by 21 cm), 130 pages, softcover, ISBN 0-932376-08-8, \$8.

A Guide to Structured COBOL with Efficiency Techniques and Special Algorithms, Pacifico A Lim; Van Nostrand Reinhold. New York NY 1980; 6 by 9 inches (15.5 by 23 cm); 272 pages, hardcover, ISBN 0-442-24585-8, \$18.95.

Master Handbook of Electronic Tables & Formulas, third edition, Martin Clifford; Tab Books, Blue Ridge Summit PA 1980; 6 by 81/4 inches (15.5 by 21 cm), 313 pages, softcover, ISBN 0-8306-1225-4, \$8.95.

More Chess and Computers: The Microcomputer Revolution, The Challenging Match, David Levy, Monroe Newborn; Computer Science Press, Potomac MD 1980; 51/4 by 83/8 inches (13.5 by 20.5 cm), 117 pages; softcover, ISBN 0-914894-07-2, \$12.95.

Practical Area Navigation, Paul Garrison; Tab Books, Blue Ridge Summit PA 1980; 6 by 91/4 inches (15.5 by 23 cm), 224 pages; softcover, ISBN 0-8306-2286-1, \$5.95

Practical BASIC Programs, Lon Poole; Osborne/ McGraw-Hill, Berkeley CA 1980; 8% by 10% inches (20.5 by 26.6 cm), 171 pages, softcover, ISBN 0-931988-38-1, \$15.

Project Whirlwind: The History of a Pioneer Computer, Kent C Redmond and Thomas M Smith; Digital Press, Bedford MA 1980; 7% by 91/2 inches (18.6 by 24.5 cm), 280 pages, hardcover, ISBN 0-932376-09-6, \$21.

Some Common BASIC Programs, third edition. Mary Borchers and Lon Poole; Osborne/McGraw-Hill, Berkeley CA 1980: 8% by 103/4 inches (20.5 by 27.5 cm), 195 pages: softcover. ISBN 0-931988-06-3.

Structured BASIC and Beyond, Wayne Amsbury; Computer Science Press. Potomac MD 1980: 6 by 9 inches (15.5 by 23 cm), 310 pages, softcover, ISBN 0-914894-16-1, \$10.95.

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The Washington Area Computer Society (WACS) meets on the last Friday of the month (not the first) on the campus of the Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, in the first-floor lecture room in Keane Hall, starting at 7:30 PM. Incorrect information about the meeting time had been published in a past issue of BYTE.■



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Complex Number Subroutines

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Listing 1 gives a set of BASIC routines to do the complex operations listed in table 1. Other functions not

Listing 1: Subroutines for manipulation of complex numbers. See table 1 for a description of the functions calculated. Note that some of the routines use the constant #PI, which should be set to 3.1415926535.

```
1010 M1=A1*A2-B1*B2: M2=A1*B2+A2*B1: RETURN
2000 REM
2010 D=A2+2+B2+2
2020 Q1=(A1*A2+B1*B2)/D:Q2=(A2*B1-A1*B2)/D:RETURN
3000 REM
3010 R=SQR(A1+2+B1+2): I=SGN(A1)+3*SGN(B1)+4
3020 DN I GOTO 3050,3060,3070,3110,3080,3090,3100,3060
3030 B=ARCTAN(B1/A1)-#PI:GOTO 3120
3050 B=(-#PI/2):GOTO 3120
3060 B=ARCTAN(B1/A1):GOTO 3120
3070 B=#PI:GOTO 3120
3080 B=0:GOTO 3120
3090 B=#PI+ARCTAN(B1/A1): GOTO 3120
3100 B=#PI/2:GOTO 3120
3110 P1,P2=0:GOTO 3120
3120 R0=P*LOG(R):R=EXP(R0)
3130 P1=R*COS(P*B); P2=R*SIN(P*B); RETURN
4000 REM
4010 I=SGN(A1)+3*SGN(B1)+4
4020 IF I=4 THEN 4120
4030 L=. S*LOG(A1+2+B1+2)
4040 0N I GOTO 4060,4070,4080,4120,4090,4100,4110,4070
4050 L2=ARCTAN(BI/A1)-#P1:GOTO 4130
4060 L2=(-#P1/2):GOTO 4130
4070 L2=ARCTAN(B1/A1):GOTO 4130
4080 L2=(#PI):GOTD 4130
4090 L2=0: GOTO 4130
4100 L2=#PI+ARCTAN(B1/A1):GOTO 4130
4110 L2=#PI/2:GOTO 4130
4120 PRINT "LOG(Z) IS UNDEFINED":STOP :RETURN
4130 L1=L: RETURN
5000 REM
5010 E1=EXP(A1)*COS(B1); E2=EXP(A1)*SIN(B1); RETURN
6000 REM
6010 U1=(EXP(B1)-EXP(-B1))/2:U2=(EXP(B1)+EXP(-B1))/2
6020 S1=SIN(A1)*U2: S2=COS(A1)*U1: RETURN
7000 REM
7010 U1=(EXP(R1)- XP(-R1))
                                  U2=(EXP(B1)+EXP(-B1))/2
7020 C1=C0S(A1)*U2:C2=SIN(A1)*(-U1):RETURN
8000 REM
8010 IF B1<>0 THEN 8050
8020 IF A1<0 THEN 8040
8030 R1=SQR(A1):R2=0:RETURN
8040 R1=0:R2=SQR(-A1):RETURN
8050 R=SQR(A142+B142)
8060 R1=SQR((R+A1)/2):R2=SGN(B1)*SQR((R-A1)/2):RETURN
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Line Numb	Operation oer type	Input; Use	Other Variables Used	Output
1000 2000 3000 4000 5000 6000 7000	product $z_1 \times z_2$ quotient z_1 / z_2 power z^p natural logarithm Ln z exponential e^z sine sin z cosine cos z	A1,B1;A2,B2 A1,B1;A2,B2 A1,B1 A1,B1 A1,B1 A1,B1 A1,B1 A1,B1 A1,B1	D P,R,I,B I,L U1,U2 U1,U2 B	M1,M2 Q1,Q2 P1,P2 L1,L2 E1,E2 S1,S2 C1,C2 R1,R2

Table 1: Table of complex number operations performed by subroutines in listing 1. In the "Input" column (A1, B1) refers to the complex number A1 + B1i, where i is the square root of -1. In the "Output" column, the two numbers listed are the real and imaginary parts of the answer; eg: the output variables M1 and M2 of the multiplication routine mean that the result of the multiplication is the complex number M1+M2i.

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The subroutines have been given large line numbers so that they may be put at the end of a program. Users can certainly renumber these lines or use only those needed

for a particular problem.

Two rather simple problems (see listings 2 and 3) are included to demonstrate the use of the functions. Both make use of Newton's method to solve for the roots of a function. This is done using the following iterative formula to obtain a better approximation of z, z_{k+1} , from the current approximation, z_k:

$$z_{k+1} = z_k - f(z_k)/f'(z_k)$$
 where $k = 1, 2, ...$

An initial or starting value of z is selected (z=x+iy). Thus $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ is used in $f(z_1)$ and $f'(z_1)$. This will generate a z2 which is fed back into the right-hand side of the equation to give a z3, and so on.

The method is rapid in convergence and quite stable. If a certain z_k should make $f'(z_k)$ very small or zero, however, it is best to restart with a new z1. In the programs shown, a test to stop cycling is made on the f(z):

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Listing 2: Example program using the subroutines of listing 1. The program given in listing 2a attempts to find a root of the function $f(z) = e^z - z^2$. Note that its derivative $f'(z) = g(z) = e^z -$ 2z. Listing 2b shows two separate runs of the program with starting points of (1,1) and (-1,0); the final results are underlined. Due to the cyclic nature of et, there are an infinite number of solutions to this problem.

(2a)

```
KEY IN X,Y ",X,Y
10 INPUT "
12 PRINT
15 PRINT TAB(14); X, Y
20 A1=X:B1=Y
30 GOSUB 5000
40 P=2
50 GDSUB 3000
50 GUSUB 3000

60 F1=E1-P1:F2=E2-P2

65 IF SQR(F1+2+F2+2)<1E-6 THEN 120

70 G1=E1-2*A1:G2=E2-2*B1
80A1=F1:B1=F2:A2=G1:B2=G2
90 GOSUB 2000
100 X=X-Q1:Y=Y-Q2
110 GOTO 15
120 STOP "
                           ROOT DETERMINED. KEY RUN FOR A NEW SET"
(2h)
                  2.912389622375
                                        2.575157181739
                  2.187132232955
                                         2.174648753578
                  1.760811047732
                                         1-808824533853
                                         1.596954184978
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                  1.588047264669
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           X_1 = -1
                 -.733043605249
                 -.7038077863239
                  -.7034674683272
```

Listing 3: Example program using the subroutines of listing 1. The program given in listing 3a attempts to find a root of the function $f(z) = 2z^2 + (-6 - i)z + (20 - i) = (2z + 4 - i)(z - i)z$ 5). (Its roots are (-2 + 0.5i) and 5.) The derivative f'(z) = g(z) = 4z + (-6 - i). Two runs of the program are shown in listing 3b, with the final results underlined.

KEY IN X,Y ",X,Y

10 INPUT "

12 PRINT

```
15 PRINT TAB(14); X, Y
    20 A1=X:B1=Y
    50 GOSUB 3000
60 F1=2*P1:F2=2*P2
    70 A2=-6:B2=-1
80 GOSUB 1000
    90 F1=F1+M1-20:F2=F2+M2+5
95 IF SQR(F1+2+F2+2)<1E-6 THEN 200
100 G1=4*A1-6:G2=4*B1-1
    110 A1=F1:B1=F2:A2=G1:B2=G2
    120 GDSUB 2000
    130 X=X-Q1: Y=Y-Q2
    140 GOTO 15
    200 STOP
                        "ROOT DETERMINED. KEY RUN FOR A NEW SET"
(3b)
                -3.307692307727
                                      -4.461538461515
                -1.45941644561
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                                  Y<sub>1</sub> = 2
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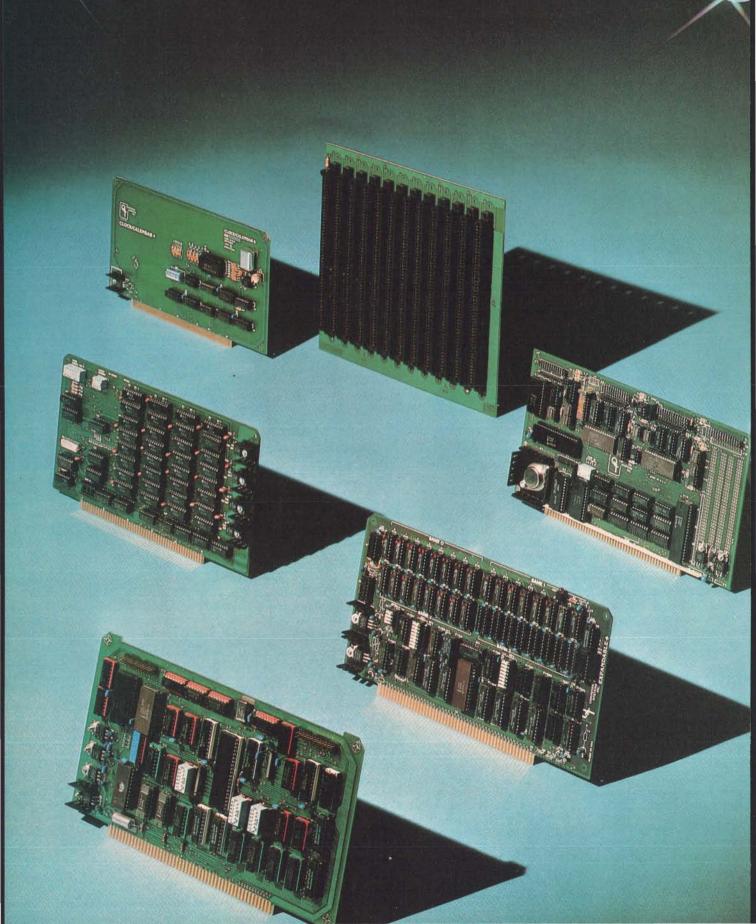
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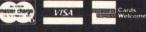


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Figure 1: An example of the IBM DF-2 OCR output, using the High-Yield Correctable Film Ribbon.

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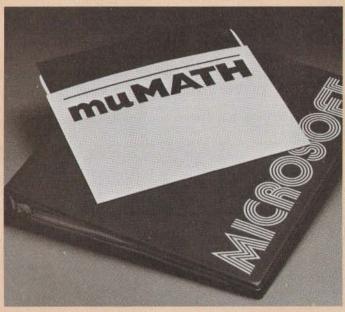
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- · [Pournelle wrote the] best article on TRS-80 since BYTE began.
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Ciarcia:

- Mr Ciarcia has done it again.
- · Don't lose Steve, he's worth his weight in gold!
- You should put two or three more

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· Ciarcia's article was excellent, but only Bo Derek gets a 10.

CAI:

- [I was] glad to have some really good info on CAI!
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cannot substitute for same. Others:

- Excellent editorial.
- · The editorial by Dr Braun rated a ten.
- · Editorials should be rated.
- Your product description of the Apple III was terrific-and they say regular magazines can't get new products published quickly.
- I found the product description of the Apple III outstanding.
- Not being so good at hardware and "systems stuff," I found the July issue more readable than usual.
- Surprisingly, the standard of the July issue was exceptionally low.
- After I finish this BOMB card, I'm going to fill out the subscription form.
- · The quality of articles in BYTE is slowly going downhill.
- [July was the] best overall issue of BYTE in a while!
- [July was] a rather dull issue—let's keep it on a professional level.
- Indeed you are starting to speak English instead of "highbrow." How About...
- More hardware!
- More language-oriented articles!
- More homebrew articles!
- More on 16-bit processors!

- Emphasis on personal applications?
- Less educational material—more technical articles?
- Publishing "Favorite Benchmarks" as they come in.
- Publishing information about the Signetics 2650 microprocessor? Coming up:
- I would like to see articles on homebrew graphics terminals.
- I would appreciate more articles on the new 16- and 32-bit microprocessors.
- I would very much like to see in-depth articles on speech recognition.
- When will you publish more articles on artificial intelligence?
- It would be nice if more articles could appear on fantasy games....

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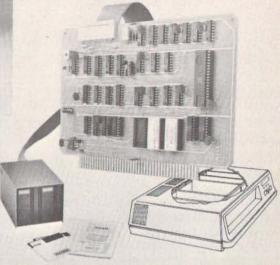


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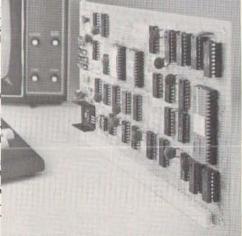
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Graphic Color Slides

Part 1

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Color slides of graphs, bar charts, and other visual aids are a valuable addition to various public presentations. When made using conventional methods, the slides are expensive to produce and difficult to modify. But when the slide is produced by photographing a computer-generated color image (as described in my article, 'Making Color Slides with an Intecolor Microcomputer," January 1980 BYTE, page 20), the slide can be produced inexpensively and the image can be modified easily. Points, lines, bars, and curves can be drawn to represent numeric data.

Unfortunately, writing the program that creates the screen image can be tedious and time-consuming. Many aspects of the program design, such as the selection of suitable scales and the conversion from user-units to screen-units, can be done by the computer. The subroutines given here in listing 1 have been written to provide a common set of routines that can be used to generate different kinds of graphs on a Compucolor II computer with a minimum of effort.

Design Considerations

Ergonomic texts (ie: those that analyze human engineering factors) suggest that scales are most convenient for the user if they are subdivided in steps that are powers of ten-1, 10, 100, 0.1, 0.001, etc. Double- and half-size steps (2 and 0.5) are also acceptable for intermediate ranges, although other scale intervals (such as 0.75, 1.5, 3, 4) should be avoided. Based on this, I have written Writing the program that creates the screen image can be tedious and timeconsuming.

subroutines to select a suitable step size from the series: 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50....

The ideal number of steps depends upon the application. On graph paper, where fine measurements may be made, a large number of smaller steps is useful. On a video monitor or in a color slide, however, a smaller number of large steps is preferable because it is less confusing; around four to eight steps seem to be appropriate. The scale should start and end at a multiple of the step size.

A program that satisfies these criteria should be easy to write; some readers might want to stop at this point and write their own. Unfortunately, there are several pitfalls for the unwary. At several stages of the calculation and graph preparation, it is necessary to avoid calculation errors (for example, producing 2.99999 or 3.00001 instead of 3). Similarly, scale zero might be calculated as 1.000E-06, which looks odd if printed on a graph scale.

The first step of the scaling process is to calculate the range of the data. R, and make an initial guess for the value of the step size, JUMP. This value can be obtained from table 1, or it can be calculated from the following equation:

JUMP = 4 * 10† (INT(0.434295)*LOG(R/1.21)))

(This is essentially line 10315 of the BASIC program in listing 1; the constant 0.434295 is used to obtain the base-10 logarithm from the Compucolor BASIC LOG function, which returns the natural or base-e logarithm.)

Once the initial value of IUMP has been calculated, it is repeatedly divided by 2 until the resulting value for JUMP is less than or equal to onefourth the value of the range R; this assures that the graph will have at least four steps in the range. The constant 1.21 is chosen to give the relationship between R and JUMP shown in table 1.

Implementation Notes

The program has been written, tested, and employed to illustrate this article on a Compucolor II. The BASIC interpreter recognizes twoletter variable names but tolerates longer names (ie: AXIS, AXES and AX are all equivalent). Names were chosen to avoid BASIC reserved words such as INT, OR, ON, STEP. Thus the variable COLOR has been spelled COLOUR, and JUMP has been used in place of STEP. For graphics work this version of the language employs the word PLOT followed by one or more arguments. Table 2 lists the more important plotting codes.

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Listing 1: Collection of plotting subroutines and driver program for the Compucolor II. See text and listing remarks for further description of the subroutines

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	6 REM SUBROUTINES V1 40 RESTORE :CLEAR 200:DIM I\$(12)
	50 DATA 1, 2, 6, 4:FOR I= 1TO 4:READ COLOUR(I):NEXT I
	60 REM WRITE: 60 DIM(ARRAY(25,1)) TO USE EQUATION SUB
	90 PLOT 29, 27, 24, 15, 14, 2, 255, 6, 1, 12, 3, 16, 3; REM CLEAR PAGE
	100 REM
a	101 REM
l f	110 REM SUBROUTINES 7000 ERASE/REVIEW IMAGES
1	120 REM 9000 COMPLETE GRAPH OUTLINE 130 REM 10000 DATA ENTRY
n	140 REM 10100 EQUATION PLOTTING
d	150 REM 10200 FIND LITTLE AND BIG
ė	160 REM 10300 CALCULATE DATA FOR BORDERS
d	170 REM 10500 DRAW BORDERS
ŕ	180 REM 10700 CONVERT USER UNITS TO GRAPH 190 REM 10800 GRAPH UNITS TO TEXT POSITION
y e	200 REM 11000 PLOT POINTS
d	210 REM 11100 PLOT VECTORS
,-	220 REM 11200 PLOT Y-BARS
)) or	230 REM 11300 PLOT X-BARS
0	235 REM 11500 SAVE ON DISK
0	240 REM 11800 SELECT COLORS
h h	250 REM 11900 PAUSE
a	260 REM
d o	270 END 490 REM WRITE EQUATION AT 500, EG: 500 Y= X^2 - 3* X
1. e:	510 RETURN
p	6900 REM
	6901 REM
	6902 REM ERASE/REVIEW IMAGES
	6903 REM
]	7000 PLOT 2, 255, 27, 24, 6, 11, 14, 12, 3, 11, 7:REM IMAGE ERASE/REVIEW
•	7005 FOR I= 1TO 12:I\$(I)= CHR\$ (48+ I- 7* (I) 9)):NEXT I 7010 PRINT "E R A S E / R E V I E W I M A G E S":PRINT
l,	7020 PRINT ,, "1. REVIEW IMAGES. ": PRINT
n	7030 PRINT: INPUT "2. ERASE IMAGES. ENTER NUMBER: "; I
E .	7040 IF I= 2THEN 7100
	7050 I\$= "REVIEWED":GOSUB 7200
	7060 FOR I= LOWTO HIGH:PLOT 3,64,29,27,4:REM LOSE CURSOR 7070 PRINT "LOAD SCREEN.DIS;"+ I\$(I):PLOT 27,27:REM IMAGE
i	7080 INPUT ""; I\$: NEXT I: RETURN
i	7100 I\$= "ERASED":GOSUB 7200
	7110 PLOT 27,4:FOR I= HIGHTO LOWSTEP - 1
i	7120 PRINT "DEL SCREEN. DIS; "+ I\$(I):NEXT I
	7130 PLOT 27,27:PRINT "IGNORE FCS ERROR - EFNF";
il	7140 PRINT " DURING RENAMING": PLOT 17, 10, 27, 4
il	7150 J= HIGH- LOW+ 1:FOR I= LOWTO 12- J:REM CLOSE GAP 7160 PRINT "REN SCREEN DIS; "+ I\$(I+ J)+ "TO SCREEN DIS; "+ I\$(I)
il	7180 NEXT I:PLOT 27, 27:RETURN
	7200 PLOT 6,5* I- 4,12,27,4:PRINT "DIR":REM DIRECTORY
	7210 PLOT 27,27:PRINT , "IMAGES ARE LISTED SCREEN DIS; N ";
	7220 PRINT "WHERE N IS THE NUMBER. ": PRINT
	7230 PRINT, "ENTER #S OF FIRST AND LAST IMAGES TO BE "; I\$; ":"
	7235 PRINT : PRINT ,, "FOR A ENTER 10, FOR B ENTER 11 ETC. "
	7240 PRINT :PRINT ::INPUT "FIRST ";LOW:REM
	7250 PRINT :PRINT ;;:INPUT " LAST ";HIGH:REM 7260 PRINT :PRINT ;;:INPUT "PUSH RETURN TO ADVANCE"; I\$:RETURN
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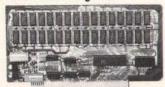
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Listing 1 continued:

8988 REM 8989 REM

PREPARE COMPLETE GRAPH OUTLINE 8990 REM 8991 REM

8992 REM CALCULATES LIMITS, SCALE VALUES AND 8993 REM DRAWS OUTLINE WITH TIC MARKS, SCALES,

TITLE AND AXES LABELS 8994 REM

8995 REM

9000 REM GRAPH OUTLINE

9010 GOSUB 10200: REM DATA RANGE

9020 GOSUB 10300: REM AUTOSCALE

9030 GOSUB 10500: RETURN : REM FRAME

9980 REM

9981 REM

9982 REM ENTER:

9983 REM

9984 REM TITLE\$

9985 REM NUMBER OF DATA POINTS 9986 REM FOR X-AXIS LABEL\$(0) 9987 REM FOR Y-AXIS LABEL\$(1)

9988 REM ARRAY(NUMBER, 2) OF DATA POINTS

9989 REM

9990 REM NOTE: IF CHOICE = 1 THEN ONLY 1 AXIS IS ENTERED

9991 REM

10000 PLOT 6, 1, 12, 14, 3, 18, 13: REM DATA ENTRY

10010 PRINT "D A T A ENTRY"

10015 PLOT 10,9,9:INPUT "GRAPH TITLE: ";TITLE\$

10020 PLOT 10,9,9:INPUT "NUMBER OF DATA POINTS: "; NUMBER

10021 DIM ARRAY(NUMBER+ 2,2)

10024 PLOT 10,9,9:INPUT "X-AXIS UNITS, INDEPENDANT: ";LABEL\$(0)

10025 IF CHOICE= 1THEN LABEL\$(1)= "NUMBER":GOTO 10030

10026 PLOT 10,9,9:INPUT "Y-AXIS UNITS, DEPENDANT: "; LABEL\$(1)

10028 LABEL\$(2)= LABEL\$(1)

10030 FOR ITEM= 1TO NUMBER: REM ENTER POINTS

10040 IF ITEM- 1< > 10* INT ((ITEM- 1)/ 10)THEN 10060:REM PAGE

10050 PLOT 12,10,10:PRINT "POINT",, LABEL\$(0):REM

10055 IF CHOICE(> 1THEN PLOT 28:PRINT ,,,, ""; LABEL\$(1)

10060 IF ITEM- 1= 5* INT ((ITEM- 1)/ 5)THEN PLOT 10:REM SPACE

10070 PRINT :PRINT ""; ITEM, ,: INPUT ""; ARRAY(ITEM, 0):REM

10075 IF CHOICE= 1THEN NEXT ITEM:RETURN

10080 PLOT 28,18,9,9,9,9:1NPUT "": ARRAY(ITEM,1)

10085 ARRAY(ITEM, 2) = ARRAY(ITEM, 1):NEXT_ITEM:RETURN

10090 REM

10091 REM

10092 REM WRITE EQUATION

10093 REM

10094 REM TESTS IS THE EQUATION WRITTEN

10095 REM INPUT LITTLE(0) 10096 REM INPUT BIG(0)

10097 REM CALCULATES ARRAY(25,2) FROM EQUATION

10098 REM

10100 PLOT 6,5,14,12,3,12,7:REM EQUATION PLOTTING

10110 PRINT "E Q U A T I O N PLOTTING":PRINT:REM

10120 NUMBER= 25:X= 1:Y= .9999:GOSUB 490

10130 IF Y< > . 9999THEN 10140:REM JUMP IF EQUATION AT LINE 500

10132 PLOT 3,16,11:PRINT "TYPE EQUATION AT LINE 500":PRINT

10133 PRINT ,, "USING THE RULES OF BASIC, ":PRINT :PRINT

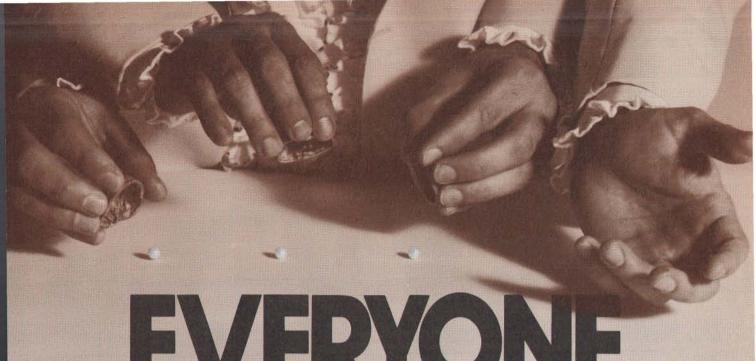
500 Y=X^2-3*X":PRINT :REM 10134 PRINT ., "EXAMPLE:

":PRINT 10135 PRINT ,, "NOW TYPE 500

10136 PRINT ,, "THEN TYPE RUN AND PRESS RETURN": END

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Listing 1 continued:
10140 IF TITLE$< > ""THEN 10145
10142 PRINT : PRINT ,, "ENTER TITLE (E. G: EQUATION): "
10143 PRINT :PRINT ,, :INPUT ""; TITLE$
10145 PRINT :PRINT ,, :INPUT "ENTER LOWEST X VALUE: ";LITTLE(0)
                                 HIGHEST X VALUE: "; BIG(0)
10150 PRINT :PRINT .. :INPUT "
10160 X= LITTLE(0):FOR ITEM= 1TO 25:GOSUB 490:REM Y FROM EQUAN
10170 ARRAY(ITEM, 0) = X:ARRAY(ITEM, 1) = Y
10180 X= X+ (BIG(0)- LITTLE(0))/ 24:NEXT ITEM:RETURN :REM INC X
10190 REM
10191 REM
           FIND LITTLE(AXIS) AND BIG(AXIS)
10192 REM
                      FROM ARRAY(NUMBER, 1) IN BOTH AXES
10193 REM
10194 REM
10200 FOR AXIS= 0TO 1:GOSUB 10210:NEXT AXIS:RETURN :REM LO, HI
10210 LITTLE(AXIS)= ARRAY(1, AXIS):BIG(AXIS)= ARRAY(1, AXIS)
10215 FOR ITEM= 1TO NUMBER
10220 IF ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS)> LITTLE(AXIS)THEN 10230
10225 LITTLE(AXIS)= ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS)
10230 IF ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS)( BIG(AXIS)THEN 10240
10235 BIG(AXIS)= ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS)
10240 NEXT ITEM: RETURN
10288 REM
10289 REM
            CALCULATE FRAME FROM LITTLE(AXIS) AND BIG(AXIS)
10290 REM
10291 REM
                       JUMP(AXIS)
                                    IS STEP LENGTH
10292 REM
                       LOW(AXIS) IS SCALE LOW
10293 REM
                       HIGH(AXIS)
                                    IS SCALE HIGH
10294 REM
                       SCALE(AXIS) IS SCALE LENGTH
10295 REM
                       GAPS(AXIS)
                                    IS NUMBER OF STEPS
10296 REM
10297 REM
10300 FOR AXIS= 0TO 1:GOSUB 10310:NEXT AXIS:RETURN :REM SCALE
10310 RANGE= (BIG(AXIS)- LITTLE(AXIS))/ 1.21
10315 JUMP(AXIS)= 4* 10^ (INT (.434295* LOG (RANGE)))
10320 DEF FN I(I)= JUMP(AXIS)* INT (I/ JUMP(AXIS)+ .0001)
10325 FOR I= 1TO 3:JUMP(AXIS)= JUMP(AXIS)/ 2
10330 HIGH(AXIS)= - FN I(- BIG(AXIS))
10340 LOW(AXIS)= FN I(LITTLE(AXIS))
10350 SCALE(AXIS)= HIGH(AXIS)- LOW(AXIS)
10360 GAPS(AXIS)= INT (1.0001* SCALE(AXIS)/ JUMP(AXIS))
10370 IF GAPS(AXIS)< 4THEN NEXT I
10380 EVEN= 2* JUMP(AXIS)* INT (- SCALE(AXIS)/ JUMP(AXIS)/ 2.1)
10390 HIGH(AXIS)= LOW(AXIS)- EVEN
10395 SCALE(AXIS)= HIGH(AXIS)- LOW(AXIS):RETURN
10480 REM
10481 REM
10482 REM
             DRAW BORDERS WITH SCALES AND TITLES
10483 REM
                       USER MAY ALTER
10484 REM
                       MINSCREEN(AXIS) AND MAXSCREEN(AXIS) BUT
10485 REM
                       SELECT VALUES TO MAKE
 10486 REM
                       RANGE A MULTIPLE OF 24. ALSO:
10487 REM
10489 REM
                       IN 0 AXIS VALUES MUST BE MULTIPLES OF 2
10490 REM
                       IN 1 AXIS VALUES MUST BE MULTIPLES OF 4
10491 REM
10492 REM
                       RATIO(AXIS) IS CALCULATED FROM
10493 REM
                       RANGE AND SCALE(AXIS)
 10494 REM
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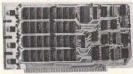
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10496 REM PLACE IS CALCULATED FOR 10497 REM TIC MARKS AND SCALE NUMBERS

10498 REM

10500 PLOT 2, 255, 27, 24, 29, 15, 6, COLOUR(1), 12: REM DRAW FRAME

10505 MINSCREEN(0)= 18:MAXSCREEN(0)= 114

10510 MINSCREEN(1)= 16:MAXSCREEN(1)= 112

10515 FOR AXIS= 0TO 1:RANGE= MAXSCREEN(AXIS)- MINSCREEN(AXIS)

10520 RATIO(AXIS)= RANGE/ SCALE(AXIS):NEXT AXIS

10522 PLOT 3, (MAXSCREEN(0)+ MINSCREEN(0))/ 4- LEN (TITLE\$)/ 2

10523 PLOT 29- MAXSCREEN(1)/ 4:PRINT TITLE\$

10525 FOR AXIS= 0TO 1

10530 PLOT 6, COLOUR(1), 2, 250- 4* AXIS, MINSCREEN(AXIS)- 1

10540 PLOT MINSCREEN(1- AXIS)- 1

10545 PLOT MAXSCREEN(AXIS)+ 2- 2* (AXIS= 1)

10550 PLOT MAXSCREEN(1- AXIS)+ 2- 2* (AXIS= 0)

10555 PLOT MAXSCREEN(AXIS)+ 2- 2* (AXIS= 1),255

10560 J= JUMP(AXIS)/ 2

10565 FOR PLACE= LOW(AXIS)TO HIGH(AXIS)+ JSTEP JUMP(AXIS)

10570 GOSUB 10700: REM TIC MARKS

10580 GRAPH(1- AXIS)= MINSCREEN(1- AXIS)- 2:REM OUTSIDE FRAME

10590 PLOT 6, COLOUR(1): GOSUB 11010 10600 PLOT 6, COLOUR(2): REM NUMBERS

10620 IF ABS (PLACE) < JUMP(AXIS) / 2THEN PLACE= 0:REM NO EXPON

10630 GRAPH(1- AXIS)= MINSCREEN(1- AXIS)- 8+ 4* AXIS

10640 GOSUB 10800:PLACE\$= STR\$ (PLACE)

10650 PLOT 3, TEXT(0) - LEN (PLACE\$)/ (2- AXIS), TEXT(1)

10660 PRINT PLACE\$: NEXT PLACE: NEXT AXIS

10662 PLOT 3,MAXSCREEN(0)/ 2- 4- LEN (LABEL\$(0))

10664 PLOT 34- MINSCREEN(1)/ 4:PRINT LABEL\$(0)

10666 PLOT 3, MINSCREEN(0)/ 2- 6,29- MAXSCREEN(1)/ 4

10670 PRINT LABEL\$(1):RETURN

10688 REM

10689 REM

10690 REM CALCULATE SCREEN GRAPH POSITION

10691 REM

10692 REM CONVERTS PLACE IN USER UNITS

10693 REM TO GRAPH(AXIS) FROM

10694 REM RATIO(AXIS), LOW(AXIS), MINSCREEN(AXIS)

10695 REM

10700 J= RATIO(AXIS)* (PLACE- LOW(AXIS)):REM CONVERT USER UNITS

10710 GRAPH(AXIS) = MINSCREEN(AXIS) + J+ .0001:RETURN

10790 REM

10791 REM

10792 REM CALCULATE SCREEN TEXT POSITION

10793 REM

10794 REM CONVERTS GRAPH(AXIS) PLOTTING UNITS

10795 REM TO TEXT(AXIS) FOR CURSOR POSITION

10796 REM

10800 TEXT(0)= GRAPH(0)/ 2:REM GRAPH UNITS TO CURSOR POS

10810 TEXT(1)= INT (31.75- GRAPH(1)/ 4):RETURN

10988 REM

10989 REM

10990 REM PLOT POINTS OR LINES

10991 REM

10992 REM ARRAY(NUMBER, 1) IS PLOTTED EITHER

10993 REM AS POINTS OR AS CONTINUOUS LINE

10994 REM

11000 FLAG= 1:GOSUB 11150:RETURN :REM POINTS

11010 PLOT 2, GRAPH(0), GRAPH(1), 255: RETURN : REM POINT

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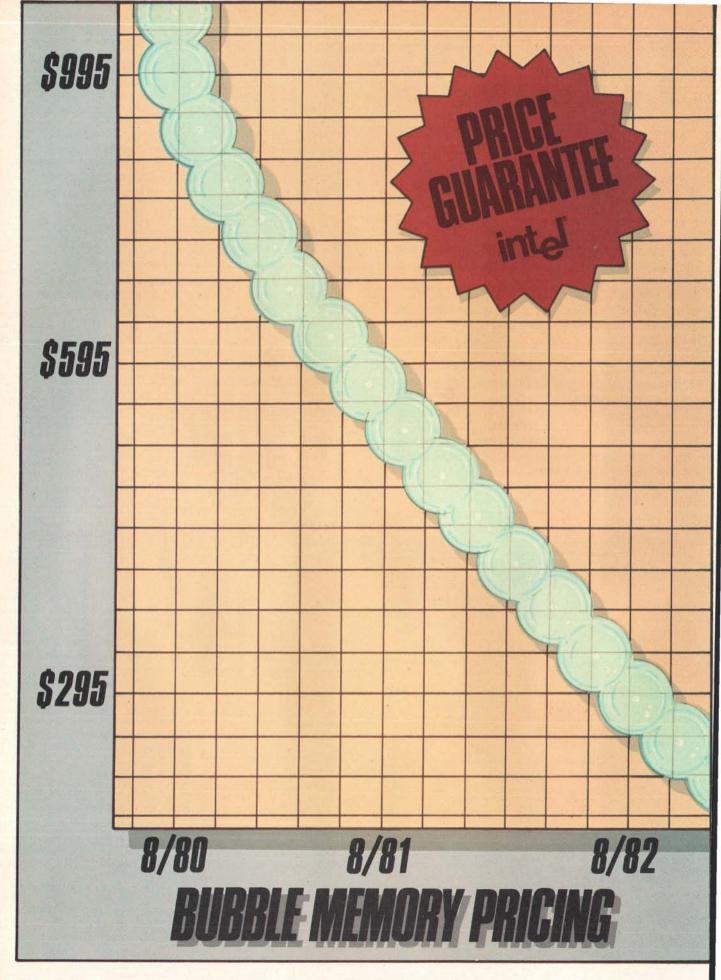
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11020 PLOT 2, 242, GRAPH(0), GRAPH(1), 255: RETURN : REM VECTOR
11100 FLAG= 0:GOSUB 11150:RETURN :REM VECTORS
11150 PLOT 6, COLOUR(3): FOR ITEM= 1TO NUMBER: FOR AXIS= 0TO 1
11160 PLACE= ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS):GOSUB 10700:NEXT AXIS
11170 ON 2+ (ITEM= 10R FLAG= 1)GOSUB 11010,11020
11180 NEXT ITEM: RETURN
11188 REM
11189 REM
11190 REM
            PLOT BAR GRAPHS
11191 REM
                       ARRAY(NUMBER, 1) IS PLOTTED EITHER
11192 REM
11193 REM
                       AS VERTICAL OR AS HORIZONTAL BARS
11194 REM
11200 FLAG= 1:GOSUB 11310:RETURN :REM Y-BAR
11300 FLAG= 0:GOSUB 11310:RETURN :REM X-BAR
11310 COLOUR= 2:FOR ITEM= 1TO NUMBER
11320 COLOUR= COLOUR+ 1+ 2* (COLOUR= 4):PLOT 6, COLOUR(COLOUR)
11330 FOR AXIS= 0TO 1:PLACE= ARRAY(ITEM, AXIS)
11340 GOSUB 10700: NEXT AXIS
11350 PLOT 2, 250- FLAG* 4, MINSCREEN(FLAG): REM X OR Y BAR
11360 FOR I= GRAPH(1- FLAG)TO GRAPH(1- FLAG)+ 1
11370 PLOT I, GRAPH(FLAG): NEXT I: PLOT 255: NEXT ITEM: RETURN
11490 REM
11491 REM
            SAVE IMAGES ON DISK
11492 REM
11493 REM
                       IMAGES SAVED AS SCREEN, DIS
11494 REM
11495 REM
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Listing 1 continued on page 140



Photo 1: Variation of text height and color. Both text height and color can be changed under program control.

Text continued from page 126:

Subscripts for array variables commence at 0. In consequence, if NUMBER = 25 and AXES = 1, then the BASIC statement DIM ARRAY (NUMBER, AXES) will define an array with dimensions 26 and 2.

Values of 0 or −1 are assigned to results of logical operations: 0 for false and −1 for true. This poperty is used in line 11170 of listing 1.

It is also possible to change the height and color of displayed text (as shown in photo 1); this is done occasionally within the body of the program in listing 1.

The Subroutines

Listing 1 contains the subroutines that together can be used to produce a graph on the color video-display screen. Subscripted variables, when used with a subscript of 0, refer to some horizontal component of the graph; a subscript of 1 refers to some vertical component of the graph. Certain calculation subroutines (for example, 10200 and 10300) can be accessed at a line ending in "00" to perform calculations for both the X and Y axes, or they can be accessed at the corresponding line ending in "10" to calculate for only one axis.

Some of the more important subroutines are described briefly in the paragraphs that follow:

- 7000—Review or erase images; this subroutine enables graphs stored on disk to be reviewed (displayed) or erased from the disk.
- 9000—Prepare complete graph outline; this subroutine consists of three subroutines that examine the data and draw the appropriate graph frame (see also subroutines 10200, 10300, and 10500).
- 10000—Data entry; the title of the graph, the axes' labels, and data

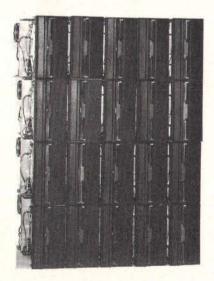
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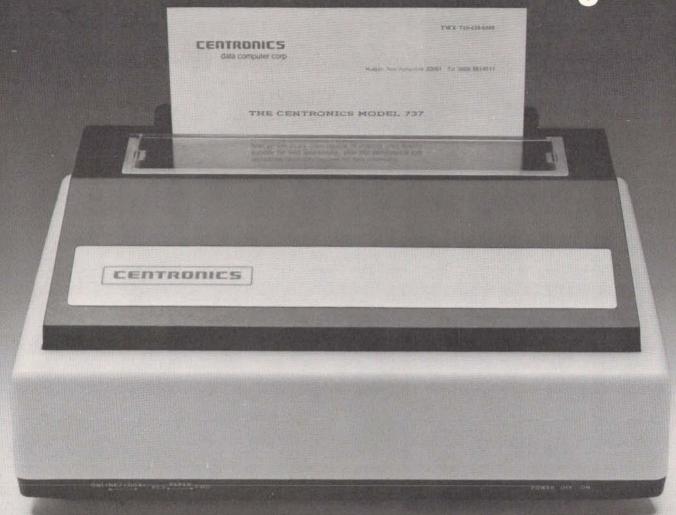






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11500 PLOT 6, COLOUR(2), 3, 0, 31, 11, 3, 13, 31; REM SAVE ON DISK
11510 INPUT "ENTER S TO SAVE, OR PRESS RETURN: "; I$:PLOT 28,11
11520 IF I$< > "S"THEN 11540
11530 PLOT 27,4:PRINT "SAVE SCREEN DIS 6000-6FFF":PLOT 27,27
11540 RETURN
11780 REM
11781 REM
             SELECT COLORS
11782 REM
11783 REM
11784 REM
                        COLOUR(1)
                                     FRAME
11785 REM
                        COLOUR(2)
                                     SCALE
                        COLOUR(3)
                                     GRAPH 1
11786 REM
                        COLOUR(4)
                                     GRAPH 2
11787 REM
11788 REM
11800 PLOT 6, 4, 3, 0, 31, 11, 3, 16, 31: REM COLOR SELECTION
11802 INPUT "ENTER C TO CHANGE COLOR: "; K$
11804 PLOT 6, COLOUR(2), 3, 0, 31, 11: IF K$< > "C"THEN RETURN
11806 PLOT 6, 38, 12, 3, 23, 7, 14: PRINT "COLOR SELECTION"
11810 PRINT : PRINT , , : INPUT "TOUCH COLOR FOR BACKGROUND: "; I$
11820 I= (ASC (I$)- 16)* 8:PLOT 6, I, 12, 3, 16, 11:REM BKD
11830 PLOT 6, I/ 8* 9+ 2+ 4* (I) 40)
11840 DATA "FRAME", "SCALES", "GRAPH1", "GRAPH2": RESTORE 11840
11850 FOR J= 1TO 4:READ I$:PLOT 3,16,9+ 2* J:PRINT "FOR "; I$;
11860 INPUT ""; J$: COLOUR(J) = I+ ASC (J$) - 16
11870 PLOT 6, COLOUR(J), 3, 32, 9+ 2* J:PRINT I$:NEXT J:RETURN
11890 REM
11891 REM
11892 REM
             PAUSE
11893 REM
                        "PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE"
11894 REM
                        BLINKS BRIEFLY AT BOTTOM OF GRAPH
11895 REM
11896 REM
11900 PLOT 6, COLOUR(1), 31, 3, 18, 31: REM PAUSE
11910 PRINT "PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE": FOR I= 1TO 1000: NEXT I
11920 PLOT 15, 3, 0, 31, 11: INPUT ""; I$: RETURN
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PLOT 2 PLOT 2, X, Y PLOT 2, 242, X, Y	Enter graph-plotting mode Point at X,Y Vector to X,Y
PLOT 2, 250, X0, Y, XM	Horizontal bar at Y from X0 to XM
PLOT 2, 246, YO, X, YM	Vertical bar at X from Y0 to YM
PLOT 3, T, L	Cursor to tab T at line L
PLOT 6, C	Defines the color of both the foreground and background
PLOT 8	Cursor to home
PLOT 9	Tab 8 spaces
PLOT 10	Line feed (move cursor down one line)
PLOT 11	Erase line
PLOT 12	Erase page
PLOT 14	Double-height text
PLOT 15	Normal-height text, with blink mode off
PLOT 16 thru PLOT 23	Changes color of foreground or background (whichever is active)
PLOT 27, 4: PRINT	
"[disk commands]":	Service Approximately
PLOT 27, 27	Execute floppy-disk command
PLOT 27, 10	Write text vertically
PLOT 27, 24	Write text horizontally

Table 2: Table of plot codes in Compucolor BASIC. Many functions associated with the color video-display screen are achieved by the use of the PLOT command. The table of PLOT commands here includes all those used in listings 1 and 2.

Enable background color

Cancel graph-plotting mode

Cursor up

Blink on

	1-111-1-14-1
Range of Values, R, to Be Plotted	Initial Value for JUMP
0.121≤R<1.21	0.4
1.21 ≤R<12.1 12.1 ≤R<121	4.0
121 ≤R<1210 1210 ≤R<12100	400.0 4000.0

Table 1: Initial value for step size (JUMP) given the range (R) of the variable to be plotted. The table can be continued in both directions by either multiplying or dividing all the numbers in a line by 10. Once the initial value for JUMP is found, it is repeatedly divided by 2 until the step size used subdivides the range into at least four intervals—that is, until JUMP≤(R/4).

are entered in this subroutine. Certain applications (eg: histograms) require only one set of data to be entered. If CHOICE=1, then the subroutine fills only ARRAY (n,1), that is, the data entries are placed in ARRAY (0,0), ARRAY (1,0), ARRAY (2,0), and so on. If CHOICE is not equal to 1, then this subroutine expects two sets of data to be entered, filling both AR-RAY (n,0) and ARRAY (n,1). The Y-axis data is duplicated in a third column, ARRAY (n,2), thus allowing this data to be manipulated later without being destroyed.

• 10100—Equation plotting; this subroutine tests to see that no equation exists, then invites the user to write an equation at line 500. The equation takes the form Y = (some arithmetic expression using X). Once the equation exists, the subroutine asks for a title and the X-axis limits. The program then uses the equation to calculate twenty-five equidistant data points to fill ARRAY (n,1).

 10200—Find big and little; this subroutine determines the largest and smallest values for the data and stores them in arrays BIG (n) and LITTLE (n).

• 10300—Prepare values for frame; the step size (JUMP) is calculated in accordance with the constraints described above. This value is used to determine the HIGH and LOW values for the scale. GAPS is the number of JUMPS in the length of the axis (variable SCALE).

 10500—Draw borders with scales and titles; this subroutine draws

PLOT 28

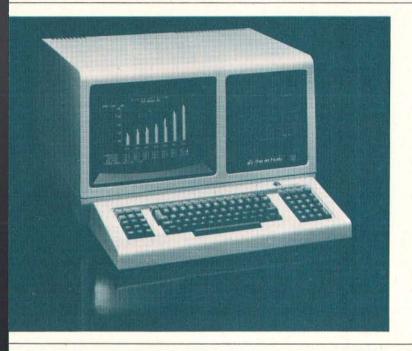
PLOT 29

PLOT 31

PLOT 255

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Listing 2: Demonstration program for the subroutines of listing 1. This short program, when added to the program in listing 1, allows the user to make a graph of a collection of points, an equation, or a series of vertical bars.

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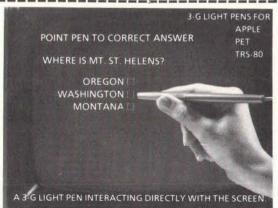
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 10700—Convert units to screen; a value on one of the axes (in variable PLACE) is converted to its corresponding screen position (stored in variable GRAPH).

 10800-Converts units for text position; a screen position variable, GRAPH, is converted to its corresponding cursor position and stored in variable TEXT.

• 11000 and 11100-Plot points or lines; the data points in ARRAY are plotted as separate points (11000) or as points joined by lines (11100).

 11200 and 11300—Plot Y-bars or X-bars; the quantities in ARRAY are plotted as vertical (11200) or as horizontal bars (11300).

 11500—Save image on disk; this subroutine transfers the finished graph to disk for recall later.

- 11800—Select colors; the colors for the background, frame, scales, and graphs are selected with this routine.
- 11900-Pause; this subroutine causes the words "PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE" to flash briefly beneath the graph.

A Demonstration Program

The program in listing 2 was written to demonstrate the color-graphics subroutines. Graph type 1 allows data to be entered and displayed as separate points. The program initially selects the colors shown in photo 2a, but the user can select his own colors, as shown in photo 2b.

Photos 3a and 3b illustrate the use of the equation-plotting subroutine, graph type 2. Photo 3a shows the program colors for the first range selected (-2 to +2); photo 3b shows a different set of colors selected by the user for the longer range (-4 to +4). Photo 4a shows how a variable, such as income, can be displayed as a Y-bar, as an example of graph type 3. Photos 4b and 4c show the same data using different colors selected by the

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(eg: points joined by lines), then the total program would be:

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310 GOSUB 9000 : REM FRAME 320 GOSUB 11100 : REM PLOT

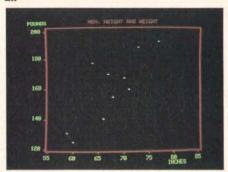
LINES

330 GOSUB 11900 : REM PAUSE

340 END

Of course, this assumes the presence of the subroutines given in listing 1.

2a



In such a program and in the demonstration program, the X-axis and Y-axis graph scales are determined automatically by the program except where the user selects the X-axis limits for the equation.

Summary

The subroutines in listing 1 were written to illustrate the principles used in determining neat graph scales, and emphasis has been placed on these calculations. The frame is

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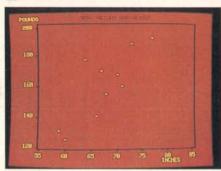
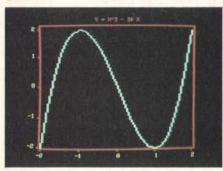


Photo 2: Examples of point-plotting mode. The computer automatically chooses the colors of photo 2a, but the user can override this to select any other color combination, as in photo 2b. The slight "pincushion" effect can be eliminated by the addition of a corrective kit supplied by Compucolor.

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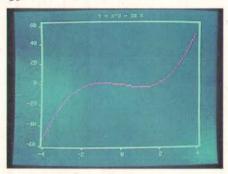
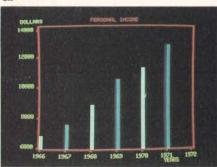
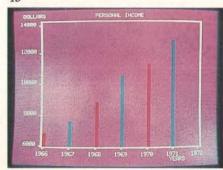


Photo 3: Examples of equation-plotting mode. The range of both the X and Y axes can be changed, as can the choice of colors. Photo 3a illustrates the standard colors as selected by the computer; photo 3b shows another graph with colors of the user's choice.

4a



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drawn just outside the area in which points will be graphed. This avoids the problem of graphing points that lie directly on the frame; it also avoids the possibility of the color for a nearby graph point spilling onto the frame. The program generates an even number of scale increments for each axis; this ensures uniform spacing of both tick marks and numbers. Colors are critical when the screen is being photographed; light colors on dark backgrounds show up best (this is discussed in detail in my previous article in the January 1980 BYTE).

These subroutines can be used in many graphics applications. As written, they employ two-letter names as well as the variables X, Y, I, J, K, I\$, J\$, and K\$. This allows the user all the remaining single letters. If the user's program defines NUMBER (number of points) and fills ARRAY with the appropriate data, then the subroutines in listing 1 can be used to generate a graph. The graph will be labeled as well if the user defines the variables TITLE\$, LABEL\$(0), and LABEL\$(1).

The photographs used to illustrate this article have been created using a Compucolor II with 16 K bytes of user memory but without the Pincushion Correction Kit. The barrel distortion on the top and bottom can be reduced by using a telephoto lens, but the pincushion effect on each side will then be worse unless the correction kit is installed.

Next month, Part 2 of this article will use the subroutines given here to construct several other kinds of graphs: a different kind of equation-plotting routine, a histogram with the equivalent Gaussian (bell-shaped) curve superimposed, linear and other kinds of regression plotting, and a monthly analysis graph of more than one variable.

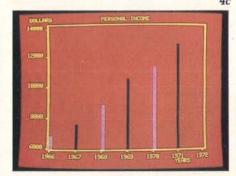


Photo 4: Examples of bar-graph-plotting mode. Here, the same data is displayed in the standard colors (photo 4a) and two sets of user-selected colors (photos 4b and 4c). Horizontal bar graphs can also be displayed.

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Simple Base Conversions for the TRS-80

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I have noticed that decimal-to-hexadecimal and decimal-to-octal conversions are usually accomplished by means of subroutines, most of which require three to four statements. This is efficient enough for users of a low-level BASIC; however, computer enthusiasts with a BASIC interpreter containing the DEF FN (define function) command long for a simple one-statement conversion. Here are such conversion statements. For those of you who need to convert hexadecimal or octal to decimal, these conversions are also included. I have even thrown in a decimal-to-binary function.

Listing 1: Definitions for five base-conversion functions. The first statement defines the function for converting decimal to binary numbers. The second and third definitions give the functions for converting from decimal to hexadecimal and from hexadecimal to decimal numbers. Notice that the variable HX\$ must be initialized for both of these. The last two statements define the functions for converting from decimal to-octal and from octal to decimal numbers.

1.DEF FN DB#(D)=(D AND 1)+(D AND 2)*5+(D AND 4)*25+ (D AND 8)*125+(D AND 16)*625+ (D AND 32)*3125+(D AND 64)*15625+ (D AND 128)*78125

2.HX\$="0123456789ABCDEF"

DEF FN DH\$(D)=MID\$(HX\$,(D AND -4096)/4096+1-(D>32767)*16,1)+ MID\$(HX\$,(D AND 3840)/255+1,1)+ MID\$(HX\$,(D AND 240)/16+1,1)+ MID\$(HX\$,(D AND 15)+1,1)

3.HX\$="0123456789ABCDEF"

DEF FN H\$D(H\$)=(INSTR(HX\$,MID\$(H\$,1,1))-1)*4096+ (INSTR(HX\$,MID\$(H\$,2,1))-1)*256+ (INSTR(HX\$, MID\$(H\$,3,1))-1)*16+ (INSTR(HX\$, MID\$(H\$,4,1))-1)

4.DEF FN DO#(D)=(D AND 7)+(D AND 56)*1.25+ (D AND 448)*1.5625+ (D AND 3584)*1.953125+

(D AND 28672)*2.44140625

5.DEF FN O\$D(O\$)=VAL(MID\$(O\$,1,1))*3276+ VAL(MID\$(0\$,2,1))*4096+ VAL(MID\$(0\$,3,1))*512+ VAL(MID\$(0\$,4,1))*64+ VAL(MID\$(0\$,5,1))*8+ VAL(MIDS(05,6,1))

These functions can also be used as subroutines by those without the DEF FN command. An AND-statement is necessary, because it performs a logical-AND operation which is used in all three routines to convert decimal to the various other bases.

The first function, which I call FNDB#, returns the binary equivalent of the argument as an eight-digit in-

The hexadecimal equivalent of the argument is returned by the second function, FNDH\$, as a four-character string with leading zeros. Arguments greater than 32767 (7FFF hexadecimal) must be signed; ie: reduced by 65536. For a 1-byte conversion, only the second half of the function is necessary.

My third function, called FNH\$D, converts the argument, which must be a four-character string, into its decimal equivalent. In this function, the INSTR command is employed; if your BASIC does not have it, it is easily replaced with a BASIC subroutine. Its function is to return the position in the first string at which the second string begins. FNH\$D can also be made into a 1-byte routine by using its second half. Both FNH\$D and FNDH\$ require HX\$ to be initialized.

The final two functions for decimal-to-octal conversions (FNDO# and FNO\$D) work similarly to their hexadecimal counterparts.



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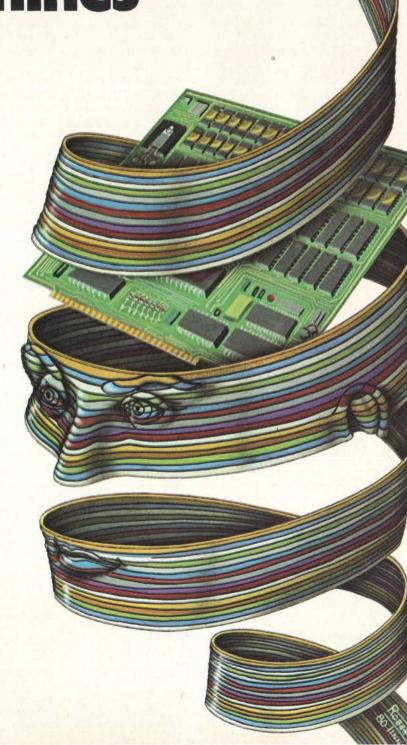
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Three-Dimensional Graphics for the Apple II

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Many articles have been written regarding three-dimensional graphics on home computers. Some involve highly complex hardware such as spinning mirrors, while others rely upon computation-intensive software to project three-dimensional objects on a two-dimensional plane.

Taking an innovative step backwards and rediscovering an old technique, I have been able to create three-dimensional pictures using my Apple II computer. I have generated a number of visually stimulating displays in this manner and would like to share with you the methods used, with the hope that you too will discover new ways to use your computer.

The method is simple. Just take a piece of cardboard, and with a pair of scissors, cut out a pair of eyeglass frames. Next, put a red filter over the left eye opening in the frame and a green filter over the right opening (I did say it was an old idea!). When viewing the screen with the glasses on, anything colored red will not be visible to your right eye, and anything green will not be visible to your left eye (you may have to adjust the tint on your television to optimize this). Anything white will be visible to both eyes.

The image that falls on the retina of your right eve will be the green image on the video monitor, but it will appear to be white! (It's all done in your brain.) The same is true of the red image in relation to your left eye. (We will refer to the red image in our software as violet. This is because the Apple HI-RES graphics cannot generate red.) [However, see "More Colors for Your Apple," by Allen Watson III, June 1979 BYTE, page 60...RSS

Creating an Image

As you can see by figures 1a and 1b, an image that seems to appear in front of the screen can be made by drawing the green image to the left of the red one. An image that appears behind the screen is simulated by placing the green image to the right of the red one. The apparent depth is determined by the distance between the two colored images.

It should be mentioned that the brain requires a frame of reference to judge distance "properly." An efficient way to provide this reference is to put a white border around the screen. This will define the neutral plane. Naturally, any objects on this plane need be drawn only once in

white

The program in listing 1 generates a set of lines which appear to disappear into the distance.

Another simple program is presented in listing 2. This one generates a three-dimensional box.

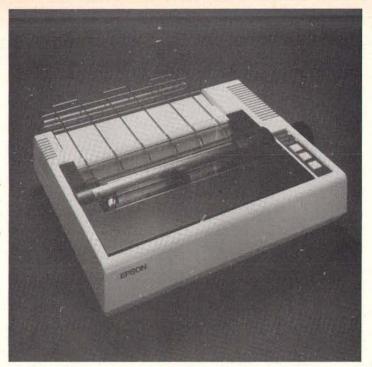
Using the shape-generator programs provided by Apple, the user can make objects appear to be various sizes and depths. This effect can be seen by running the program in listing 3.

You can place as many objects in space as you have room for. There are, however, some guidelines.

- You should draw your images from back to front. This way any overwriting will look natural.
- As you approach the neutral plane, the two images get closer together. Any place that they are coincident should be white. This can be handled with software. (I didn't say easily.)
- Using other colors generates an unbalanced image in the neutral plane-you experiment.
- You will have to adjust your color television set to match the color of the filters that are being used. The best way to do this is to draw a small green square and a small red square on the screen. Then place a

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Listing 1: This Apple integer BASIC program generates three-dimensional lines disappearing into infinity.

```
0 X0=Y0=COLR=SHAPE=ROT=SCALE
5 INIT=2048:CLEAR=2062:PLOT=2830:LINE=2836:DRAW=2871:XDRAW=2884
10 BLACK=0:WHITE=127:VIOLET=85: LET GREEN=42
100 CALL INIT: POKE -16302,0:
150 REM BUILD THE BORDER
200 COLR=WHITE:X0=0:Y0=0: CALL PLOT:X0=279: CALL LINE:Y0=191: CALL LINE:X0=0: CALL LINE:Y0=0: CALL LINE
205 X0=1:Y0=1: CALL PLOT:X0=278: CALL LINE:Y0=190: CALL LINE:X0=1: CALL LINE:Y0=1: CALL LINE
251 REM
252 REM
253 REM
254 LINES TO INFINITY
255 COLR=VIOLET:X0=25:Y0=180: CALL PLOT:X0=260:Y0=20: CALL LINE:X0=70:Y0=180: CALL LINE
255 END
```

Listing 2: An Apple integer BASIC program for generating a three-dimensional box.

```
O XO=YO=COLR=SHAPE=ROT=SCALE
   INIT=2048:CLEAR=2062:PLOT=2830:LINE=2836:DRAW=2871:XDRAW=2884
 10 BLACK=0:WHITE=127:VIOLET=85: LET GREEN=42
100 CALL INIT: POKE -16302,0:
          BUILD THE BORDER
200 COLR=WHITE:X0=0:Y0=0: CALL PLOT:X0=279: CALL LINE:Y0=191: CALL LINE:X0=0: CALL LINE:Y0=0: CALL LINE
205 XO=1:YO=1: CALL PLOT:XO=278: CALL LINE:YO=190: CALL LINE:XO=1: CALL LINE:YO=1: CALL LINE
600 REM
601 REM
602 REM
603 REM
610 COLR=WHITE: XO=150: YO=50: CALL PLOT: XO=250: CALL LINE: YO=150: CALL LINE: XO=150: CALL LINE: YO=50: CALL LINE
615 COLR=GREEN:YO=75:XO=40: CALL LINE
620 XO=140: CALL LINE: XO=250: YO=50: CALL LINE
622 X0=250:Y0=150: CALL PLOT
625 X0=140:Y0=175: CALL LINE:X0=40: CALL LINE:X0=150:Y0=150: CALL LINE:X0=40:Y0=175: CALL PLOT
630 YO=75: CALL LINE: XO=140: CALL PLOT: YO=175: CALL LINE
635 X0=41:Y0=75: CALL PLOT:Y0=175: CALL LINE:X0=141: CALL PLOT:Y0=75: CALL LINE
637 COLR=VIOLET
640 XO=30:YO=185: CALL PLOT:YO=85: CALL LINE:XO=130: CALL LINE:YO=185: CALL LINE
642 X0=250:Y0=150: CALL LINE
645 X0=130:Y0=185: CALL PLOT:X0=30: CALL LINE
650 X0=150:Y0=150: CALL LINE:X0=30:Y0=85: CALL PLOT:X0=150:Y0=50: CALL LINE
660 XO=130:YO=85: CALL PLOT:XO=250:YO=50: CALL LINE
680 END
```

Listing 3: This program uses the shape stored in the Apple II shape table and transforms it into three-dimensional form.

```
O XO=YO=COLR=SHAPE=ROT=SCALE
    INIT=2048:CLEAR=2062:PLOT=2830:LINE=2836:DRAW=2871:XDRAW=2884
 10 BLACK=0:WHITE=127:VIOLET=85: LET GREEN=42
100 CALL INIT: POKE -16302,0:
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205 XO=1:YO=1: CALL PLOT:XO=278: CALL LINE:YO=190: CALL LINE:XO=1: CALL LINE:YO=1: CALL LINE
250 REM
700 REM
701 REM
710 REM
800 REM
           3-D SQUARES
801 REM
          USE SHAPE #1
802 REM SHAPE #1 = 01 01 24 3F 3F 36 36 2D 2D 24 00
805 ROT=0:SCALE=1:SHAPE=1:XO=5:YO=5
810 FOR I=1 TO 7:SCALE=I:COLR=GREEN:XO=XO+(I#4):YO=YO+(I#4)
820 CALL XDRAW: COLR=VIOLET: XO=XO+I:YO=YO+I: CALL XDRAW: NEXT I
830 X0=X0+32:Y0=90:COLR=GREEN:SCALE=SCALE+2: CALL XDRAW:COLR=VIOLET:Y0=Y0+8:X0=X0+8: CALL XDRAW
840 X0=X0+42:Y0=Y0-42:COLR=GREEN:SCALE=SCALE+2: CALL XDRAW:COLR=VIOLET:Y0=Y0+9:X0=X0+9: CALL XDRAW
999 END
```

Editor's Note:

Some Comments on the Programs

The three programs in this article assume that the high-resolution graphics routines have been loaded into the Apple II starting at hexadecimal location C00. The instruction LOMEM:4096 should be executed before loading the programs to protect these routines.

When I was typing these pro-

grams into the Apple, I noticed that line 10 of each listing has the statement LET GREEN = 42. At the time I could not understand why the LET keyword was used, so I deleted it. Several syntax errors later I realized the answer.

When "GREEN = 42" is parsed by the BASIC interpreter, the token GR (for graphics mode) is recognized. The rest of the line (EEN = 42) is then unrecognizable to the parser. When "LET GREEN = 42" is analyzed, the keyword LET tells the parser that the next token will be a variable. Therefore, GREEN is not broken into two tokens (GR and EEN).

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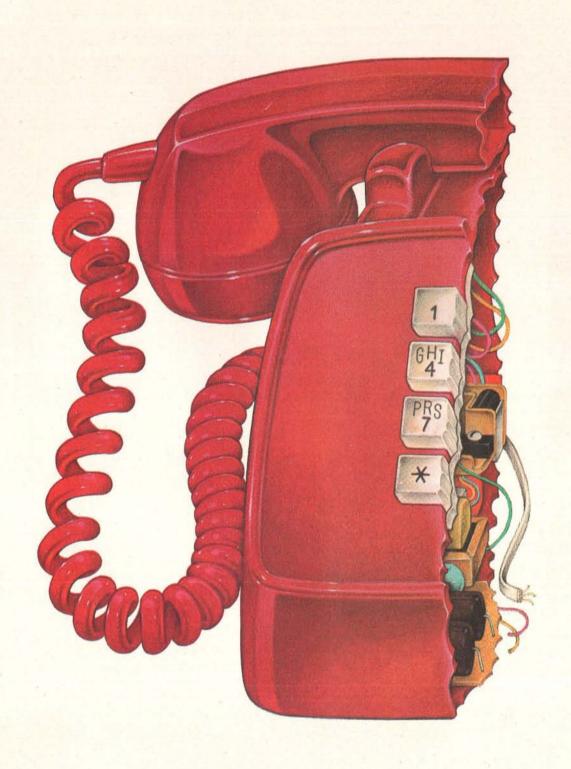
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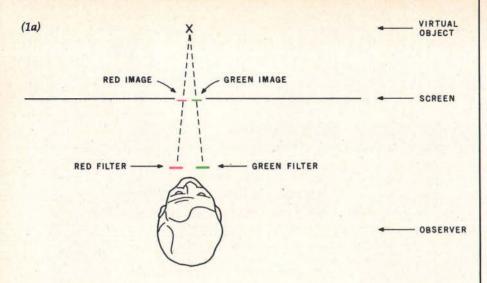
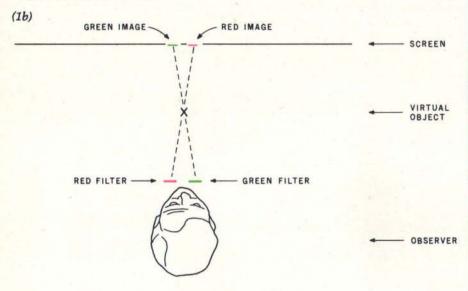


Figure 1: A figure which appears to be behind the video screen can be produced by drawing the red image on the left side of the screen and the green image on the right side (see figure 1a). By reversing these two images, the image will appear to be in front of the video screen (see figure 1b).



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piece of the green filter over the red square and a piece of the red filter over the green square. Adjust the tint, chrominance (if you have one), and color knobs so that both squares disappear (as much as possible...you may have to double up the filters).

 If you aren't worried about using your color television for other entertainment, you can make the following adjustments to it. On the back of the set are three controls that are (usually) labeled red, green, and blue (or R, G, B; or red screen, blue screen, green screen). These adjust the relative intensity of the three electron guns. If you first mark the initial positions of the three controls with a pencil, you will be able to reset them when you are finished. The adjustment is simple. Turn the blue screen off! This removes all the blue dots from the screen, only red and green remain. After adjusting the television as described in the previous step, reverse the positions of the filters (red over red, green over green) and adjust the red screen so that the intensity of the two squares through the filters appears the same.

 We used colored cellophane, available at most art supply stores, for filters.

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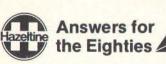
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Product Review

The Altos ACS8000 Single-Board Computer

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Altos Computer Systems of San Jose, California, manufactures a series of powerful Z80-based computers aimed mainly at the smallbusiness and scientific-laboratory markets. The company offers a wide variety of models - from one 8-inch. single-density, Shugart floppy-disk drive with 32 K bytes of main memory to four double-density. 8-inch floppy-disk drives, and a harddisk subsystem with as much as 58 megabytes of on-line storage.

Hardware Design

The ACS8000 series are all singlecircuit-card computers based on a Z80A microprocessor running at 4 MHz. All systems come with at least 32 K bytes of 4116 dynamic memory devices. This is expandable to 64 K bytes on two versions of the ACS8000, and to 208 K bytes on the third version.

The system also comes with a 2708 EPROM (erasable programmable read-only memory) that contains the ALTOS-E monitor program. The 2708 is active until CP/M is bootloaded: it is then disabled and disappears so the entire memory-address space is available as programmable memory. This technique is widely used and is referred to as "phantom read-only memory."

About the Author

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Serial Ports

Even the smallest Altos system comes with a dual-channel, serial I/O (input/output) device. One channel is used for the system console, and the other is set up to drive a printer or another device, such as a modem, The console channel is preset by the ALTOS-E monitor firmware to 9600 bps, with 1 start bit, 1 stop bit, 8 data bits, and no parity. It runs in fullduplex (ie: simultaneous-bidirectional) mode. The 9600 bps data rate of the console is not alterable, but the printer characteristics can be changed after the system is booted up.

Parallel Ports

All Altos computers come with at least two user-defined parallel ports. There are actually two Z80 PIO (parallel input/output) devices, each with two ports, but one is used to control disk operations. The userdefinable ports are accessible through an external connector that may be connected to a printer, an EPROM programmer, or a parallel-input keyboard. Both ports are fully programmable.

The Counter-Timer Circuit

The Z80 CTC (counter-timer circuit) is a programmable countertimer that has four independent channels. Three of the channels (addresses 0 thru 2) are used by the system to set console and printer data rates and disk-head load-delay times. The fourth channel is available to the user and can be programmed as an interval timer or real-time clock.

The Floppy-Disk Controller

The Altos single-density model uses the Western Digital 1771-1

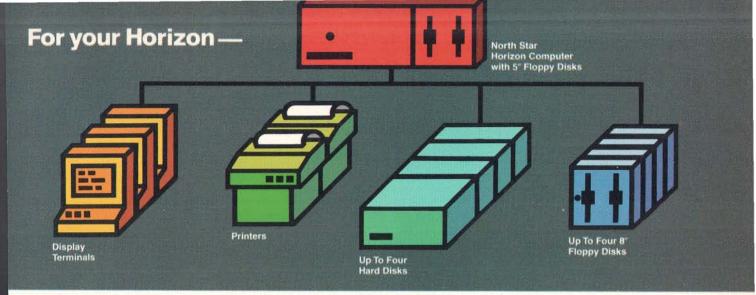
A Visit to Altos

Altos computers have acquired quite a reputation for reliability it's the sort of thing you hear by word-of-mouth in this industry. To find out more, I paid a visit to Altos recently at the invitation of Dr Roger Vass, the Vice-President of Marketing.

Roger described the extensive quality-control procedures used at Altos, which include several burnin tests of individual components and complete systems in its testing ovens. Another reason for the low failure rate of the computers (eg: less than 1% are returned to the plant because of

defects) is that Altos computers use a single printed-circuit board for the entire computer, thus eliminating many potential interconnection problems.

Interestingly, Altos sells more computers (ie: about 55% at present) overseas than it domestically, due in part to the company's vigorous marketing activity in Europe. Roger sees the European market as having great potential for American personalcomputer companies. Certainly, the growth of the number of publications and public interest at overseas trade shows confirms this. . . CM



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Photo 1: Front view of the Altos ACS 8000-2 computer, which has 64 K bytes of memory and two dual-density, single-sided disk drives.

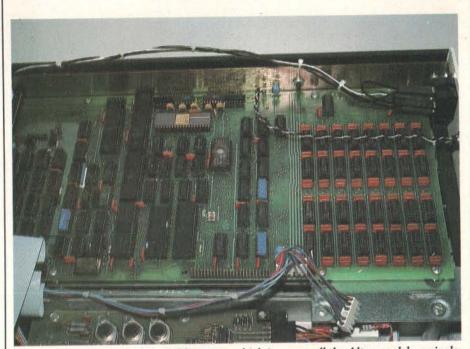


Photo 2: Interior view of the ACS 8000-2, which is, as are all the Altos models, a single-board, Z80-based computer.

floppy-disk controller/formatter device to manage up to four 8-inch drives. The 1771-1 is directly integrated into the single-board design of the Altos.

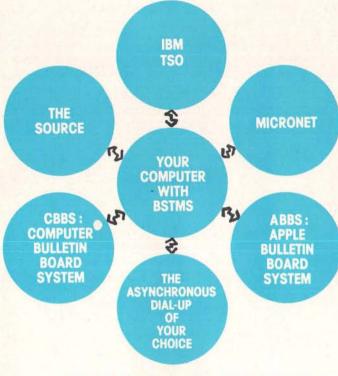
The double-density version requires some additional control circuitry and uses the 1791-1 device;

thus the board supporting doubledensity disks is slightly larger. All versions of the ACS8000 are available with either single-sided or doublesided Shugart drives.

All boards have a fifty-pin expansion connector that allows the user to access all Z80 address, data, and con-



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trol lines. Altos does not use the connector for expansion purposes because of its single-board philosophy, but it is there for the special needs of the users.

Optional Components

The ACS8000 has provisions for some special components that are optional on all of the standard systems. The Z80 DMA (direct memory access) controller is a very sophisticated device that can be programmed to perform block data transfers from memory to memory, from memory to an I/O port, or vice versa. The device can also be programmed to search for a byte within a block, with or without transfer of the block. The device has one DMA channel that can be set up to work in four different modes:

 single-byte mode — in which each memory access operates on a single byte of data

• burst mode — in which the device keeps control of the bus for as long as data is continuously ready

ocontinuous mode - in which the device retains bus control for the entire operation

• transparent mode — in which the device operates only during memory refresh time so it does not slow down the processor

I was informed by Altos that, although the Z80 DMA device can be plugged into the system, there is no way to use it under CP/M. The OASIS multiuser operating system is set up to use DMA to access a disk, however.

The Advanced Micro Devices Am9511 arithmetic processor is another optional device that provides fixed and floating-point arithmetic and floating-point trigonometric and mathematical operations. It may be used to speed up computational capabilities of the system. All commands and data transfers take place on an 8-bit, bidirectional data bus. Transfers to and from the 9511 may be handled by the Z80 under program control (with IN and OUT instructions) or through the Z80 DMA device. The Am9511 can be programmed to generate interrupts upon completion of arithmetic functions.

Altos also plans to introduce a 2708/2716 EPROM programmer that will plug into the parallel-port con-

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CP/M Features With Altos Systems

All the standard CP/M system utilities are available:

- ED: context (text) editor.
- ASM: CP/M standard (nofrills) 8080 assembler.
- LOAD: loader, converts hexadecimal-ASCII format files to absolute machine-code files.

• DDT: CP/M Dynamic Debugging Tool.

• PIP: Peripheral Interchange Program that is used to move and copy disk files from disk to disk and can also be used to copy files from disk to printer or from a reader device to disk.

 SYSGEN: CP/M utility that generates new system disks.

- DUMP: prints the contents of a file on the display in hexadecimal (base 16) form.
- SUBMIT: CP/M batch facility: executes a series of console commands from a disk file.

Some additional commands and utilities are available:

- MOVCPM: CP/M utility that is used to relocate the CP/M operating system depending on system memory size.
- STAT: displays status of various device assignments and shows the amount of free space left on each on-line.

• MTS: memory-test program that performs a destructive memory test on system memory.

 SETUP: utility that modifies the boot-load sector of a disk. It also allows a disk to be flagged for single- or double-density operation and sets the printer data rate at boot-load time.

 REFORM: disk-formatting utility that allows the user to format a disk for single- or doubledensity operation. Disks may be formatted to be either IBM 3740- compatible or Intel ISIS-II format. Altos has its own format for double density.

• DTEST: disk-test utility that checks out both drives and disks

on the system.

 SINGLE: followed by the letter designation of a drive (A, B, C, D), will set up the drive for single-density operation.

- DOUBLE: works the same as SINGLE but sets the designated drive for double-density opera-
- COPY: will copy data track by track from the disk in drive A to
- FILES: will display the filecontrol-block information in hexadecimal for all files on a

Other files are included with the system:

- BOOT. ASM: an assembler source for the boot loader.
- ALTOSE. ASM: an assembler source for the ALTOS-E 2708 EPROM.
- · CBIOS. ASM: an assembler source for the custom Basic Input/Output System (CBIOS) in CP/M. This allows the user to make further operating-system modifications as needed.

UCSD Pascal Operating System Initializing the System

In order to make UCSD (University of California, San Diego) Pascal fully operational on the Altos, a user-written procedure that does direct cursor addressing on video terminals must be added to the operating system. Referred to as GOTOXY, the procedure accepts two integer variables as input and positions the cursor on the screen accordingly. Since there are so many different video terminals, it is the responsibility of the user to write the GOTOXY procedure. After compiling it, the user must execute a program called BINDER which links GOTOXY to the SYSTEM. PASCAL file.

The other initialization program is called SETUP. When executed, the user is given a set of options including Help and Teach. SETUP modifies a table of key assignments and terminal commands, allowing the user to customize the operating system to a particular terminal. Most keys may also have a prefix (eg: Escape) to allow for terminals that send escape sequences for certain user-definable keys. For example, many terminals have a separate keypad for cursor control

(eg: Up, Down, Home, etc). The escape sequence for "cursor home" on many terminals is Escape-H; or 27.72 in decimal ASCII codes. In SETUP, the cursor-home function could be defined as having a prefix code and the decimal value 72 (or H as the character code).

Other Features

The Pascal Operating System has some other unique features. When compiling a program, Pascal will list error messages and ask if you want to continue or return to the editor. If the latter option is chosen, the operating system loads the editor and places the cursor on the character where the compilation error was detected. This feature saves a great deal of time when correcting syntax and logic

The Filer also has some interesting features. Basically, the Filer is a utility program that lists directories of disks manipulates files directly in the conventional disk-operatingsystem mode. On request, the Filer will create a duplicate directory for backup purposes. The Filer also has a routine for locating bad blocks on disk. If a bad sector is found, it will be marked as an immovable file in the directory.

Altos is marketing Pascal/M and a C compiler. The firm is also in the process of providing harddisk backup on cartridge tape. The company is also introducing an asynchronous communications package for Altos computers (price: \$100) and a bisynchronous IBM 3780 protocol package that allows the Altos to go on line in batch mode to an IBM host computer. The price is \$1000.

In version II.0 of Pascal, the Debugger package is missing. I was informed by Altos that it was having problems with it and that a new version would be available with the next release. Altos also said that Pascal/M does have a full Debug option and that it will be available shortly.

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nector. This project has been delayed because of software development priorities.

Hard-Disk Capability

Altos' third single-board version of the ACS8000 has an on-board harddisk controller in addition to the floppy-disk controller. Hard-disk storage may start at 14.5 megabytes and can be expanded up to 58 megabytes.

Multiuser Versions

The system that I received was an ACS8000-2 with 64 K bytes of memory and two dual-density, single-sided floppy-disk drives. As described in the literature, the ACS8000-2/MU2 is a two-user system with 112 K bytes of memory and two double-density single-sided drives.

Memory is divided into banks. with a 16 K-byte system area and two or more 48 K-byte user areas. A fouruser ACS8000-2/MU4 is the same as an MU2 but with 208 K bytes of memory. The largest non-hard-disk configuration would be an ACS8000All Altos systems run either CP/M or Altos multiuser executive AMEX.

4/MU4 with 208 K bytes of memory for four users and four doubledensity, double-sided floppy-disk

The smallest hard-disk multiuser configuration would be an ACS8000-6/MU2 with 112 K bytes of memory, two double-density, single-sided drives and a one-platter hard disk yielding 14.5 megabytes of space. This system would have four serial I/O ports and two parallel ports.

The largest configuration would be ACS8000-9/MU4 with 208 K bytes for four users, four doubledensity, double-sided floppy-disk drives and 58 megabytes of hard-disk space. A total of six serial ports and two parallel ports would be available on the system; these can be used to support four terminals and two other peripherals.

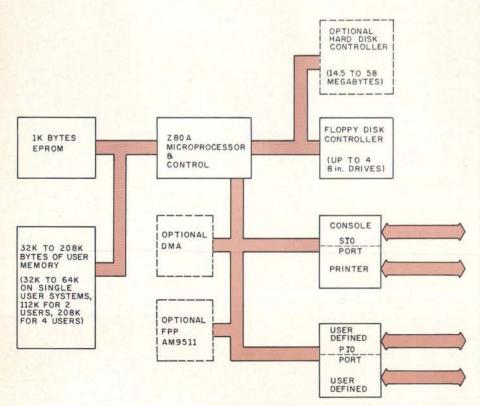


Figure 1: Block diagram of the Altos ACS8000 systems.

Software

All Altos systems run either Digital Research's CP/M operating system or Altos multiuser executive AMEX. AMEX is functionally compatible with CP/M, using the same disk formats and operating-system conventions. If you plan to use a hard disk, AMEX is a necessity since straight CP/M supports only floppy disks. CP/M version 2.0, which directly supports hard disks, and MP/M, the multiprogramming version of CP/M, are also available.

Optional Software

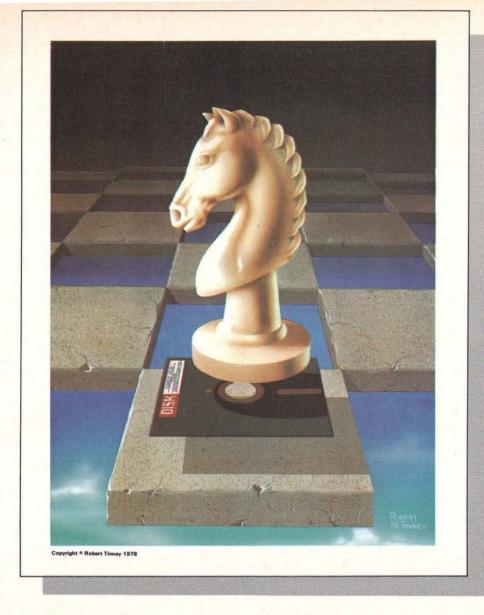
The Altos CP/M has been customized to allow for printout spooling and despooling. In this process, printed material is stored on disk until the printer is free. This option allows printers to be driven in the background mode so that printing may go on while the computer is doing something else.

Another software option is for use with the Microsoft FORTRAN-80 compiler. A FORTRAN servicesubroutine library called APULIB makes use of the Am9511 floatingpoint processor to speed up arithmetic computations in FOR-TRAN by a factor of 10 or more. A typical FORTRAN program performing extensive calculations could run about four times faster with APULIB.

The other major software option is the UCSD Pascal operating system. Altos offers it as a separate and distinct operating system for the ACS8000. This operating system consists of a file manager, an editor, a Pascal compiler, a BASIC compiler, a macroassembler for the Z80, an interactive debugger, and a linker/librarian. UCSD (University of California, San Diego) Pascal runs as a P-machine interpreter. All portions of the operating system and some other run-time subroutines are written in Pascal, with the exception of portions of the P-machine interpreter. Pascal is also patched to handle the Am9511 arithmetic processor for greater computational speed. The Z80 CTC is also set up to act like a real-time clock. Unfortunately, the real-time clock is not accessible by the user; it is used internally to improve the performance of the disk interface.

Altos Documentation

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The manual also includes the SA800/801 disk-drive maintenance manual and six publications from Digital Research covering all aspects of CP/M.

Setting Up and Using a New System

My Altos is hooked up to a video terminal set to 9600 bps. When power is applied, the Altos displays the two prompt characters % * on the console, which means that the EPROM monitor is in control. (If reset is depressed, the same response is given.) If a floppy disk is inserted into drive A (the drive on the right-hand side) and reset is depressed, the monitor will automatically begin loading the operating system from the disk. If you are running CP/M, the message "32 K ALTOS DOS VERS 1.47" will be displayed, followed by A> on the next line. The A character means that the disk in drive A is the currently active disk, while the > indicates that CP/M is ready to receive commands.

After the machine displayed the A> prompt, I tried to enter the DIR command to display the directory. with no success. I reset the system and tried again - still nothing. Then I decided to check the RS-232 cable and connectors to see if the transmit and receive lines were hooked up properly. After experimenting with my own 8080-based system to make sure the terminal would talk to it and still finding no problems, I called Altos: the gentleman I spoke with suggested that I make sure that pin 20 (Data Terminal Ready) of the RS-232 cable was hooked up. I took apart my cable and found that pin 20 was not connected. A quick resoldering job solved the problem. (I later discovered that the Altos manual discusses the problem in the section on troubleshooting, but I had apparently not seen it on my first reading of the manual.)

One of my complaints about the Altos is that the console data rate is defined in firmware - in the EPROM. The system can be used only if you have a 9600 bps terminal (at least, to start with). Even after the initial load, there is no way to easily modify the data rate short of creating a new EPROM.

CP/M has a SETUP command that allows the user to change the bootload characteristics of a disk. The printer data rate, the system clock rate (2 MHz or 4 MHz), and the density of the disk may be redefined for each system disk. It would seem

reasonable to be able to modify the console data rate also, but this is not currently the case.

Formatting Disks

The next thing I tried to do was to create a backup copy of the master system disk. The documentation for this procedure is fairly accurate, but important instructions are left out.

The first step is to insert a blank disk (with the label side facing down) into drive B, the left-hand drive. The REFORM command will reformat a disk for any of several disk formats. After typing in REFORM, the computer asks you to enter a number corresponding to the type of format that will be used and to indicate whether the blank disk is in drive B (in a twodrive system) or drive D (in a fourdrive system).

The first time I tried to format a disk, I got errors on top of errors. The documentation failed to mention that the write protect notch on the disk must be covered to allow read/write operation. Since I usually work with 5 -inch floppy disks, I am used to covering the write protect notch to protect a disk, not to unprotect it. After trying everything I could think of, it finally occurred to me that the notch might need to be covered to work. [This method of disk protection is standard for 8-inch disks, so neither Altos nor its documentation is in error here. Still, this situation

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Altos Demonstration Programs

The CP/M disk that came with the system had a number of demonstration programs, including a biorhythm program in BASIC, a rather poor implementation of tic-tac-toe, a number-guessing game, and a program that did nothing but compute and print square roots. The business package demonstration programs included a payroll generator and an automobile parts-list/inventory program.

The only documentation provided with any of these business demo programs was a single typed page giving

hopelessly inadequate operating instructions. I never succeeded in making any of the nongame programs work

Final Remarks

The hardware of the Altos ACS8000 is well designed, although the documentation of some of its components is absent. The computer uses several sophisticated, optional support chips such as the countertimer, the serial and parallel ports, and the Am9511 arithmetic processor. However I had to look over the manufacturers' specification sheets and application notes to find out anything about them.

 The software of the Altos ACS8000 is not as well supported, but the CP/M, AMEX, UCSD Pascal, and OASIS operating systems are available. Altos has provided no software support for the specialized hardware built into the system.

 Languages available from Altos include FORTRAN-80, MBASIC, MBASIC-80. CBASIC COBOL-80, CIS COBOL, Vanguard APL, PL/I-80,. and Z80 Macro Assembler. Numerous other languages are available from other sources for use with the CP/M operating system.

• The Altos ACS8000 is strong on hardware and weak on software and documentation. Perhaps someday the Altos people will get around to documenting and supporting the best selling points of their product line.

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The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics (SIG-GRAPH) held its seventh annual conference on July 14 thru 18, at the Seattle (Washington) Center (former site of the Seattle World's Fair). This conference, like all of the recent SIGGRAPH conferences, was extremely well attended. Over 1200 people registered for the two-day preconference tutorials. More than 2300 people registered for the three-day conference itself. Participants came from nearly every state, Canada, several European countries, and Japan.

Preconference Tutorials

Each year, the conference organizers have sought to provide participants with an opportunity to not only attend the conference, but also to acquire additional information and expertise about graphics through a series of tutorial sessions. These are led by well-known computing and graphics professionals from both industry and education. This year's eight tutorial sessions included these topics:

- Introduction to Computer Graphics
- Introduction to Raster Graphics
- Advanced Raster Graphics
- Computer-Aided Design
- Low-Cost Graphics
- Graphic Design and Information Graphics
- Animation Graphics
- User Interfaces to Graphic Systems

These tutorials ranged in level of expertise from novice to expert and provided a means for everyone to advance technically.

The session on low-cost computer graphics addressed issues relating to the use of graphics capabilities of personal-computing hardware. Many of these systems can be configured at costs of about \$2000. Given today's economy, systems in this price range can be very appealing to small businesses, public-school systems, and small colleges and universities. At the other end of the scale are large CAD/CAM (Computer-Aided Design/Computer-Aided Manufacturing) systems. Typically, these systems are guite expensive, ranging from \$40,000 to \$300,000 for top-of-the-line systems. Obviously, smaller and less expensive (and, therefore, less comprehensive and versatile) systems exist. The computer-aided design tutorial addressed the needs of medium- and large-scale industry users of CAD/CAM systems.

Included in this session were discussions of CAD/CAM standards for data bases and techniques used for geometric modeling. Geometric modeling is a term used to describe the process of representing a threedimensional object by a series of Cartesian, polar, or homogeneous coordinates with (or without) a series of equations. The object may or may not exist prior to the construction of the numerical or geometric model.

Three other tutorials on raster graphics and animation were oriented toward the use of raster-scan devices. Because raster-scan devices essentially use standard television technology, there is a significant price and performance advantage in their use. Personal-computer owners should be aware of this advantage, as many microcomputer systems have utilized raster-scan (television) technology from the beginning. Discussions of algorithms for modeling three-dimensional objects, simulation of light sources (shading and shadows), surface textures, and display optimization dominated these sessions. An emphasis was placed on the creation of realistic-looking images.

Another group of tutorials centered on what might be termed human factors in computer graphics. Human factors means the interface between human beings and machines. It is an area of computing in general that, while not being totally overlooked, has certainly been slighted. Those of us involved in interactive computing (including graphics) realized long ago, by necessity, how important a friendly, forgiving, and possibly even natural interface is for successful communication between people and machines. The frustration of having an interactive program bomb or hang before completing its task can be overwhelming.

Our batch-oriented colleagues have discovered this recently, primarily because on-line data bases are becoming more popular, and more batch-oriented computing professionals are finding their way into interactive projects. Recently, we have begun to discover the importance of aesthetically pleasing and more understandable graphic output. Many computer-graphics specialists have come into this area from the technical side, rather than from the artistic side. It should come as no surprise, then, that graphic designers can offer much sound advice about graphics layout and design. This information can be very valuable in businesses where executives are accustomed to expecting and demanding professional quality for graphics presented at board meetings and in annual reports. Two tutorials concentrated on psychological aspects, design methodologies, subjective evaluation, and design concepts as they relate to computer-graphics systems.

All of the tutorials were well attended. Although we were unable to attend all of them (they ran concurrently), those sessions we attended were well thought out and carefully presented.

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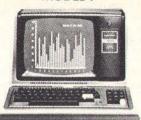
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The Conference

In an attempt to emphasize the importance of graphicdesign concepts and the human-factors side of computer graphics, the first session was a special panel presentation chaired by Aaron Marcus, research consultant at Lawrence Livermore Laboratories. This panel featured graphic designers from the United States and Europe. They agreed that we have seen far too many examples of poorly designed graphics-especially computergenerated graphics. Anyone engaging in computer graphics would do well to obtain and read some good textbooks on graphic design, in addition to their computer-graphics texts. While a chart or graph is more understandable than a table of numbers, a well-designed chart or graph is more readable than one which has had no design principles applied to its creation.

The remainder of Wednesday's sessions were split into two concurrent sessions. Papers presented in one group of sessions were quite technical in nature: "The Theory, Design, Implementation and Evaluation of a Three-Dimensional Surface Detection Algorithm" and "Simulation and Expected Performance Analysis of Multiple Processor Z-Buffer Systems." Papers presented in the other group of sessions were more applications-oriented: "Geographic and Data Base Systems" and "Computer

Graphics Moves into the Business World."

The latter area is of specific interest to one of us (Livingston), who is currently involved in the integration of computer graphics and market research. According to Carl Machover of Machover Associates, who chaired the business-graphics panel discussion, there are four computers used in business applications for every computer used in CAD/CAM types of applications. Assuming that these figures are accurate, the business-computer graphics potential is enormous. This position is supported by IBM's recent entry into the low-cost, color, business-graphics marketplace with its Model 3279 display terminal. Recent articles in Harvard Business Review (January 1980) and the Wall Street Journal also seem to reinforce this position.

Thursday's sessions embraced a wide variety of topics. Sessions dedicated to graphics software and languages, surfaces, and applications filled the morning. Papers were presented at these sessions ranging from the design of a LISP-based graphics language, to three-dimensional representation and rendering algorithms, and stereographic displays of atmospheric data. (This latter session proved to be very interesting to us for reasons having little to do with computer graphics. The materials chosen for displays represented conditions existing in the Omaha, Nebraska, area-sixty miles away from our homes—when the 1975 tornado struck that area.)

Thursday-afternoon sessions were oriented toward rather specialized areas of computer graphics:

- Computer Graphics and Television
- Animation
- CAD/CAM
- User Views of CAD/CAM

Recent uses of computer graphics in television were discussed, including a presentation by ABC Sports on their use during the Winter Olympics. The CAD/CAM sessions included reports on graphics used in planning electrical-distribution systems, ship-hull design, and graphics at the Ford Motor Company. There was also a panel discussion addressing productivity gains and expectations achieved through the use of CAD/CAM systems.

Friday's sessions included discussions of graphics standards, human factors (more), and raster techniques. The question of graphics standards is of particular importance to those who regularly attempt to transport graphics programs or systems from one computing environment to another. While other areas of computing developed standards long ago (eg: COBOL, FORTRAN, Pascal, etc), the graphics area had not attempted such a feat until quite recently. This has all begun to change, thanks to the work of the SIGGRAPH CORE standards committee.

The human-factors presentations included discussions on color and how it is perceived by the human eye, and on a prototype voice- and gesture-input interface being developed at MIT. An afternoon session on rastergraphics techniques completed the conference program.

Perhaps the only negative criticism we offer concerns the famous SIGGRAPH film festival. This has become an annual event since its informal inception, at the first SIG-GRAPH conference, on the balcony of one participant's dormitory room at the University of Colorado in Boulder. This year's film festival was held in a hotel ballroom designed to hold no more than 1500 people. With 1900 people packed into the crowded space, and lines waiting to get in, the hotel's management restricted access to the ballroom for safety reasons. A greatly abbreviated second showing left many participants frustrated. The film festival is a forum for some of the best computer graphics and animation produced during the preceding year and is always enlightening and well attended. We sincerely hope next year's conference committee takes the film festival's popularity into consideration during planning.

The Exhibition

Although this was the seventh annual SIGGRAPH conference, it was only the fifth annual SIGGRAPH exhibition. There were ninety-nine vendors listed in the exhibition guide for SIGGRAPH '80. At SIGGRAPH '76 (the first exhibition), there were only ten. This says much about the growth of this part of the industry. Another indicator of growth, according to Ken Anderson of the Anderson Report (a newsletter devoted to computer graphics), is the fact that last year the computer-graphics industry reached \$1 billion in delivered products. The computing industry as a whole does approximately \$40 billion in delivered products per year.

Several vendors at the exhibition were of special interest to personal-computer users. ABW Corporation demonstrated its TEKSIM package. TEKSIM allows the Apple II user to access the Tektronix Plot-10 software. Although the Apple/TEKSIM combination offers only about one-fourth the resolution of a Tektronix terminal, advantages such as lower cost, color displays, selective erase, and standard video output are claimed by the vendor. Apple Computer Inc displayed both the Apple II and III computers. Calcomp, which most of us think of as a vendor for the large-host user, demonstrated its 1051 drum plotter (among other products). The Model 1051 is an RS-232C-compatible, relatively low-cost product, which, considering Calcomp's quality reputation and service organization, makes it a viable product for passivegraphics production on small systems.

Cromemco, with which most personal-computer users are familiar, brought its line of high- and mediumresolution graphics hardware to the exhibition. Recent emphasis on efficient software designed to increase the productivity of the programmer and end user is evident in Cromemco's recently announced high-resolution graphics-software package. Digital Engineering, Inc, was present with its Retro-Graphics printed-circuit board. This transforms the Lear-Siegler ADM-3A terminal into a graphics terminal compatible with the Tektronix Plot-10 software package. This company also makes a cross-hair graphic-input cursor and a printer for the modified terminal. Houston Instruments, a division of Bausch & Lomb Corporation, displayed much of its pen-plotter line and its more recently developed electro-static plotter line.

An eight-color, eight-pen digital plotter was displayed by Soltec Corporation. This is an interesting approach to low-cost, multipen, passive graphics. The plotter is basically a single-pen plotter with "parking stalls" for additional pens and enough native intelligence to relocate each pen for changes in color and line weight, or for an optional cross-hair cursor for digitizing. Summagraphics exhibited its popular Bit-Pad One, a low-cost approach to graphic-data-entry problems.

Tektronix was present with nearly everything in its line of graphics terminals and its stand-alone 4050 series of desk-top graphics computers. Hewlett-Packard also displayed its line of desk-top graphics computers including the Model 9845C color machine. The space-shuttle image on this machine was very impressive.

Also present were vendors oriented toward heavy



Photo 1: Megatek's new Wizzard color terminal. It also heralds the development of Megatek's device-independent software.

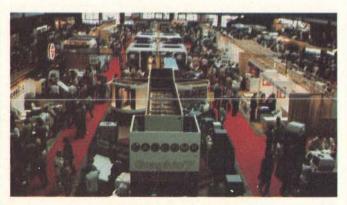


Photo 2: Overview of exhibition area. The Calcomp booth is in the center foreground. Tektronix is in the center mid-way back. IBM and Hewlett-Packard are in the center rear and Megatek is to the right in the foreground.

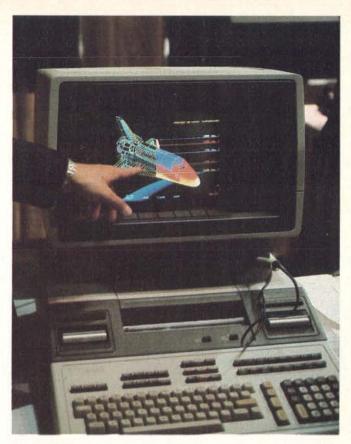


Photo 3: The Hewlett-Packard 9845C color desk-top computer is being demonstrated by using an image of the space shuttle.



graphics users. CAD/CAM applications by Computervision, Inc, were shown. IBM showed entries for all levels: the 3279 color terminal for low- to mid-level business-graphics users, the 3277 graphics-attachment feature for the mid-level engineering users, and the 3250 for CAD/CAM applications. Vector General and Adage featured their high-performance vector-display devices. Megatek, with a popular display booth, exhibited its new line of Wizzard graphics terminals.

With nearly 100 vendors displaying recent developments, it is not possible to describe all the new products. Suffice it to say that there was something for everyone at the exhibition. If too little information could be gleaned from vendor representatives at their display booths, many vendors also conducted forum sessions from morning until evening. Technical and management people were there to answer more detailed questions about their products.

There are three things we want to reemphasize as being significant in the computer-graphics industry:

• First, the continued development of lower-cost color graphics terminals—the user's capital expenditures are critical in justifying new approaches in problem solving.

 Second, an increased emphasis on graphics-software standards yielding greater productivity for software developers and end users.

Finally, the beginning use of computer graphics by and



Photo 4: A Calcomp representative demonstrates the Model 1051 digital plotter.

for management, as opposed to its historically limited use as an engineering tool.

These items are very important to the growth of the computer-graphics industry. This exhibition, the conference, and the tutorials were dedicated to enhancing these three areas.

Harvey Kriloff and Robert Ellis, cochairmen of the SIGGRAPH '80 conference, and the SIGGRAPH '80 committee are to be commended for the quality of this year's conference. Next year's conference will be held in Dallas, Texas, and is scheduled for August 3 thru 7. Somehow we expect it to be hotter than the 75 degrees of Seattle. If present trends hold up, however, it will also be a fine and interesting conference.



Photo 5: IBM's Model 3279 color-graphics terminal. This terminal is oriented toward business and management graphics rather than toward engineering applications.



Photo 6: The Tektronix Model 4054 features a large-screen storage display tube and built-in cartridge-tape drive, with disk drives optional.

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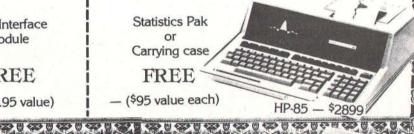
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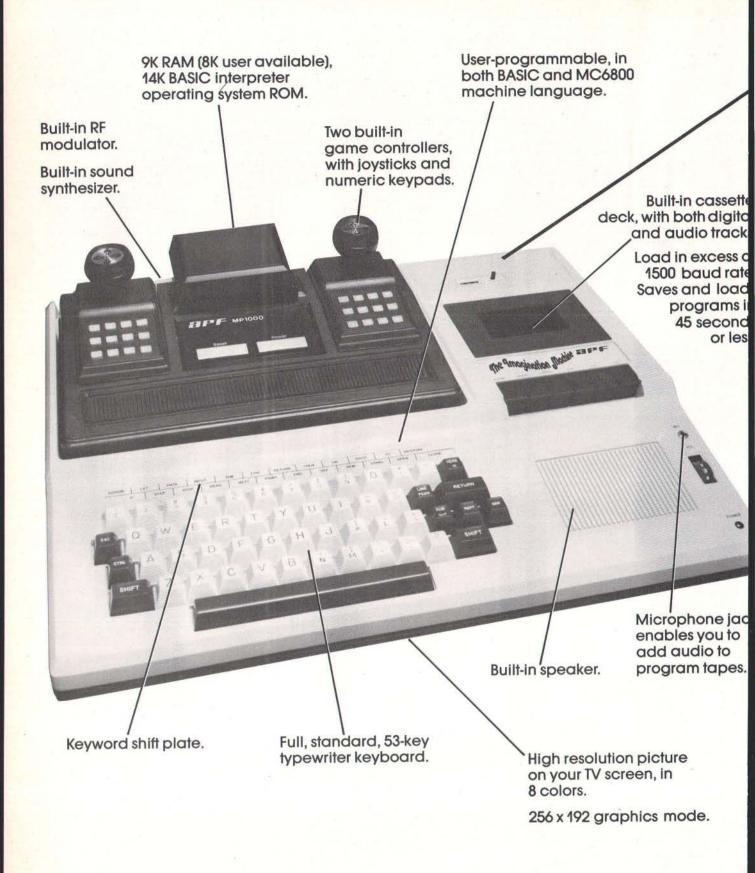
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A Simplified Theory of Video Graphics

Part 1

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This is an interesting time for choosing a personal computer, especially if you are looking for one with a graphics display. As you can see from the summary of specifications in table 1, the available graphics capabilities of the personal computers are all different, and no one model has a clear advantage over all the others. To make your choice even more difficult, some models exhibit undocumented quirks that are not apparent from the specifications.

Your choice of a video-graphics system will depend on what you want to do with graphics and on the performance of the different computers. While I can't help with the first aspect of your decision, I may be able to help you understand system performance by explaining the operating principles of video displays and describing the various combinations of features available on popular personal computers.

The Importance of Video Graphics

Many applications of personal computers are modeled on conventional practices that have been developed over a period of several

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years, while graphics displays have been too expensive for general use until quite recently. Many existing computer programs do not use even the simplest graphics, although there are several notable exceptions, such as chess games that use high-resolution graphics to display the board and pieces, and music editors that display standard musical notation.

Here's the important point: computer-graphics displays can produce schematic diagrams, music scores, flowcharts, architectural drawings, and the like that are much easier for the person using the computer to understand than the unadorned columns of numbers that are usually associated with computers. Of course, you still might not be able to afford video-graphics displays as powerful as the one used by NASA to simulate the view seen by the pilot of the space shuttle during its return from orbit. Even though they have their limitations, the current small-computer displays will enable you to do a lot of interesting things.

Raster-Scan Video

While there are several different ways of displaying information on a video screen, all of the personal computers presently available use the same kind of *raster-scan* technique that ordinary television does. We'll take a look at the basic features of this technique, since they are shared by all inexpensive video displays.

Television is an imperfect compromise among several factors:

resolution, which determines how

much detail we can display

frame rate (to be discussed later),
 which is the number of complete pictures transmitted in 1 second

bandwidth, a measure of the frequency response, of the equipment involved

An increase either in resolution or in frame rate requires an increase in bandwidth, which adds to the cost of the equipment. If we must keep within a limited bandwidth, we can obtain better resolution only at the expense of jerkier motion and vice versa. There is a type of television called slow-scan, for example, that manages to transmit reasonably detailed images over the narrowbandwidth channels used by amateur radio operators, but the resulting frame rate is so low that the illusion of motion is lost. We will see how much bandwidth is necessary for ordinary television after we look at the raster-scan process itself.

If we display a sequence of images that change only slightly from one to the next, and do it fast enough, the eye will not be able to separate them: persistence of vision will cause the separate images to fuse into a "moving" picture. In order to transmit such a sequence of images electronically, each image must be dissected into a series of dots that may be transmitted one at a time. The television camera does this by rapidly scanning the image in a series of horizontal lines which form a raster. The lines are scanned one after another in the same way that a person scans the lines of letters on a printed page. Reading is a process of converting information,

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load with labeling ... examine/change contents of memory ... insert data ... warm start ... examine and load with labeling ... examine/change contents of memory ... insert data ... warm start ... examine and change all registers ... single step with register display at each break point, a debugging/training feature ... go to execution address ... move blocks of memory from one location to another ... fill blocks of memory with a constant ... display blocks of memory ... automatic baud rate selection to 9600 baud ... variable display line length control (1-255 characters/line) ... channelized I/O monitor routine with 8-bit parallel output for high-speed printer ... serial console in and console out channel so that monitor can communicate with I/O out channel so that monitor can communicate with I/O

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Table 1: A summary of some of the features available in personal computer displays. The graphics capabilities of available personal computers differ, and no one model seems to have a clear advantage. NTSC (National Television System Committee) indicates that American-standard color-video conventions are used. R-G-B indicates that separate red, green, and blue video signals are sent to the monitor.

which is actually all present on the page simultaneously, into a sequence of words that follow one another in time. In a similar fashion, the rasterscan process converts a picture into a sequence of rapidly changing signal levels which represent the brightness of successive points on each scanning

When this rapidly changing signal is picked up by a television-receiving set, it is converted back into a visible raster on the screen of the picture tube. The neck of the picture tube contains an electron gun that projects a beam of electrons onto a thin layer of phosphor on the inside of the screen. Wherever the electron beam strikes the phosphor it produces a spot of light whose brightness depends on the intensity of the signal being received.

If the electron beam is swept across the screen so that the spot of light is always in the same relative position as the scanning dot in the camera, the picture will be recreated on the screen. The circuits in the television set controlling the position of the beam must be able to keep in step with the camera, so the picture information is interrupted for a short time at the end of each line (and for a longer time at the end of each frame). During these intervals the signal is changed to an intensity level that is never used for picture information, thus creating synchronization pulses that the television circuits can distinguish from the picture signal.

In this country, the repetition rate for the picture-scanning process was set at 60 scans per second so that interference from the 60 Hz AC power line will be synchronized; that is, any visible interference effect will stand still on the screen and be less noticeable than it would be if it were moving. Scanning the entire picture 60 times per second amounts to a lot of information per unit of time, and thus requires a very wide bandwidth. The television designers discovered that they could cut the bandwidth requirement in half by making the camera scan every other line during alternate scanning cycles called fields. Two successive fields cover all the lines in the raster 30 times each second, to make a frame. (See figure 1.) Since the lines of the two alternate fields mesh between each other, this technique is called interlaced scanning.

This seems like a rather complicated way of getting 30 frames per second, and you may be wondering whether television wouldn't work just as well with a straightforward scan of the entire raster, 30 times per second. This concept is fine as far as the 60 Hz power-line interference is concerned, but 30 frames per second is too slow for the human eye to merge the image into a continuous picture without noticeable flicker. If you are familiar with filmed motion pictures, you know that they are projected at only 24 frames per second, but a shutter interrupts each frame so that the effective flicker rate is actually 48 frames per second, fast enough for motion to appear continuous.

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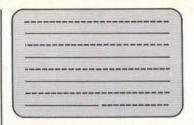
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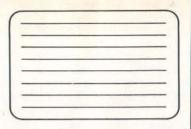


Figure 1: A comparison of the interlaced (1a) and noninterlaced (1b) raster-scanning schemes. The standard home television receiver displays a picture made up of two alternating fields, each composed of 2621/2 lines. The lines are interlaced to produce a highresolution picture that can be transmitted on a narrow bandwidth signal.

complicate video-display timing. The vertical-retrace interval provides time for the television circuits to return the scanning dot to the top of the screen after each field has been completed. Since no picture information should be viewed during this time, the electron beam must be turned off or blanked: so, this time is also called the vertical-blanking interval.

A complete frame consists of two field scans and two vertical-retrace intervals. Television in the United States uses a total of 525 lines per frame or 262.5 lines per field. Each vertical retrace uses 21 lines, leaving 241.5 lines per field for the transmission of picture information. The odd half-line per field is necessary in order to make the lines of alternate fields interlace properly.

At 30 frames per second, 525 lines per frame is equivalent to 15,750 lines per second or 63.5 µs per line. Since all the lines are scanned in the same direction, the scanning dot must be returned across the screen between the end of one line and the start of the next. This is called horizontal retrace and takes about 15 µs.

Video Monitor Versus the Standard Receiver

So that the engineers at the television station can monitor the quality of the signal that is being transmitted, the picture is displayed on a video monitor (something like a television set without the antenna and tuner). It does not pick up other television broadcasts but is connected directly to the station equipment generating video signals. If the outgoing video signal already has the horizontal and vertical synchronizing pulses, it is called composite video. Most video monitors are also capable of accepting the video signals and synchronizing signals separately.

Because the monitor gets the signal

before it has been through the various distortions imposed on it by the transmission and reception equipment, the picture displayed on a monitor is much sharper than the one on a home television set. The bandwidth of the video signal displayed by a home set is limited to less than 4.5 MHz, while most video monitors can handle 12 MHz or more.

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For our computer to produce a display on a television set or a video monitor, it must generate a composite-video signal. Generating the horizontal and vertical synchronizing pulses is relatively easy, since they just repeat over and over in a fixed numerical relationship. Our computer's internal clock can serve as a stable high-frequency source for a few additional circuits to use in producing the horizontal and vertical synchronizing signals.

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Video Refresh

While synchronization is easy, generating a video signal with our computer is a little more difficult. First of all, a television picture must be continually regenerated by repeating the entire scanning process 60 times per second. This continual regeneration of the display is called video refresh; it requires a stream of data at a rate much too fast for our computer to keep up with-if the system had to compute the data anew for every scan. Instead, most computer designers set aside enough memory to store all of the data that will appear on the display. This reserved memory is called the videorefresh memory. Circuits designed especially for video-displaying read data from the refresh memory, in step with the video-synchronizing pulses, and transform the data into the video signal which is displayed.

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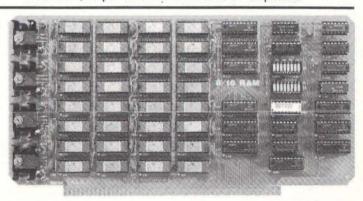
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Bit-Mapped Displays

There are several different methods of transforming the data stored in the refresh memory into an effective video display. The most straightforward method is to take the data just as it is read from the refresh memory and transmit it to the display 1 bit at a time. Each 1 bit in this serial bit stream appears on the screen as a spot of light, and each 0 bit as darkness. The size of the refresh memory is matched to the picture scan so that for each bit in the refresh memory there is one spot on the display screen. A one-to-one correspondence of this kind is called a map, and this technique for generating computer video displays is called bit mapping. An example of a bit-mapped display is shown in photo 1.

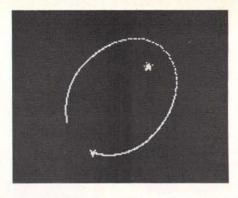


Photo 1: Example of a bit-mapped display. This simulation of a spaceship in orbit around a star is done on a 180-bit by 150-bit map.

Since we can program the computer to store data bits into the refresh memory in any pattern we desire, this kind of display can have all the versatility we want, but there are some drawbacks. For one thing, this system requires a large refresh memory. To store a display which is 200 dots high by 300 dots across, for example, takes 60,000 bits or 7500 bytes. Bit-mapped displays are relatively slow, too; just storing 0s into this much memory in order to clear the screen to black takes close to 1 second with the fastest microprocessor.

Displaying only letters and numbers means we can get by with a much smaller refresh memory than is needed for bit mapping. A letter that occupies eight rows of eight dots requires 8 bytes of memory in the bitmapped display, but we can encode the same letter in ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) and reduce the size of the refresh memory by a factor of 8. This means that instead of sending the data bits directly to the display, it is necessary to decode each stored character and generate the appropriate video information. To do this, the refresh circuits send the character code (along with signals that indicate which of the eight rows of dots is currently being displayed) to another circuit called a character generator. The character generator is little more than a read-only memory that contains the video bit patterns for each of the characters we want to display.

Having a smaller refresh memory more than compensates for the additional cost of the character generator. For example, our 200-dot by 300-dot display has a capacity of 925 characters, in twenty-five rows of thirty-seven characters each. The bitmapped memory needed for this is 7500 bytes, but we can store 925 characters in only 925 bytes if we use the character generator. It takes only one-eighth as long to update the refresh memory, too. The main drawback is its lack of versatility; we can only display characters of a fixed size and spacing. Obviously, a method of getting many different shapes without increasing the size of the refresh memory would be more

flexible. Using a byte of memory for each character, in all possible combinations of 8 bits, requires a total of 256 different codes. A complete set of uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and punctuation takes only ninety-six codes, leaving 160 combinations that we can assign to special shapes useful for graphics. Each special shape must be designed using the same number of dots and rows as the other characters. It may often be necessary to use several of them to make up the image of one object in the display. We can allow for this by setting up special characters such as

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straight-line segments, corners, intersections, and so on, in various orientations.

Several personal-computer manufacturers have taken this approach. While keeping the speed and small refresh memory of the character-generator-based design, they also have a reasonable graphics capability with good resolution. To compensate for the limited number of special shapes that you can have with this method, the Exidy and Texas Instruments computers have programmable character generators so that you can design your own shape characters and change them as needed.

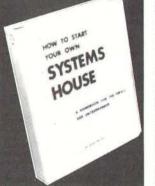
Character Subcells

There is another way to add graphics capability to the charactergenerator display. Suppose we divide each of the character cells into four subcells, each of which is four dots square. By displaying any combination of these four subcells, with all dots illuminated, there will be sixteen possible shapes which we can display in each character location. By allocating sixteen extra character codes to represent these sixteen combinations, we can have a very versatile graphics system; however, it won't have much resolution. Dividing each character in half horizontally and vertically converts the twenty-five rows of thirty-seven characters in our example to a 50-block by 74-block graphics display.

We could increase the resolution by dividing the character cells into smaller pieces, but the number of combinations of blocks we would have to encode would increase very guickly. If we divide each cell by 4 in each direction, we increase the resolution to 100 by 148; but, there will be sixteen subcells in each character cell so we must store 16 bits of data for each cell. Since there are 65,536 different 16-bit codes, using read-only memory for the character generator becomes impractical. Instead, it is necessary to devise some logical method for generating the subcell patterns by decoding an extra byte of information, using additional circuitry. Also, the refresh memory would have to be twice as big to store these 2-byte codes. This may help to explain why the personal computers that use this approach have relatively low resolution.

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At a Glance

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Type: Screen-oriented matrix calculator

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many other numeric/data

manipulations

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Format: 5-inch floppy disk Language: Machine language

Computers: Apple II, Apple II+ or Apple III;

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recommended

Documentation: Loose-leaf binder with eighty-page

tutorial manual, reference card

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attorneys, real-estate investors — anyone who needs to use a

calculator for determining options available under different scenarios

Introduction

The most exciting and influential piece of software that has been written for any microcomputer application is VisiCalc. I've been using VisiCalc almost full-time for the past six months and have written over 300 applications (which I refer to as models) for the program. During that time I have learned its strengths and weaknesses and have found that the authors have allowed for a tremendous number of variables and contingencies in its operation. The instant communication between the operator and the

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screen facilitates and enhances the manageability and interactivity of the program.

Since I am a certified public accountant, the majority of applications I have written are oriented towards accounting, a usage for which VisiCalc is particularly appropriate. In addition, I know of several attorneys who are using the program for estate- and gift-planning, one of whom is maintaining his accounts receivable, as well, on VisiCalc. A number of real-estate agents are using it to perform real-property investment analysis.

About the Program

VisiCalc is an electronic scratch sheet that is sixty-three columns wide (lettered A thru BK) and 254 rows long (numbered 1 thru 254). Any column/row coordinate can be referred to by any other column/row coordinate arithmetically or trigonometrically. Once the relationships between the coordinates have been established in the model, a change in any value which affects other values will be instantly updated. This gives the computer operator the ability to play instant what-if situations with the value in the matrix.

The program has a great deal of flexibility in its formatting, allowing any coordinate to be a label or a value, and allowing columns to be adjusted from three characters to full-screen width. The screen can be split into two windows, either horizontal or vertical, and each can be scrolled independently of the other. This makes the comparison of information extremely easy. Values can be formatted as full-decimal notation (up to eleven significant digits), two-place decimal (for financial usage), and integer.

An annoyance that I have found in the program is its inability to round off integers, which causes columns to add up imperfectly. This often creates the need for a great deal of additional work when attempting to prepare financial information directly from the model.

One of the most powerful features of VisiCalc is its ability to replicate an entire series of coordinate functions with a few keystrokes. When creating models with a series of identical calculations (such as a 10-year business forecast), only the calculations for the first column must be entered. Then the subsequent columns can replicate the same calculations (VisiCalc automatically uses the new coordinates) in a matter of seconds. This is a tremendous time-saving device when elaborate models are being created. The authors of VisiCalc have also provided the ability to insert, delete, and move entire rows and columns. This feature is useful if the model is finished and

the user discovers that an important calculation was

VisiCalc can be interfaced through most printers, and various printer configuration routines are set up directly through the program. The program will output to a printer with any number of character widths, so the choice of printer depends on the needs of individual users. Finally, the methods by which the program loads, saves, and deletes models on the disk are very well designed.

Specific Applications

Accounting applications abound for VisiCalc. Financial analysis, business forecasts, and projections which formerly required hours can be completed with VisiCalc in a matter of minutes. The pricing on a bill-of-materials inventory can be updated in a matter of seconds. Productions estimates can be updated instantly. Different scenarios can be examined and variables and constants interchanged until a workable model is achieved. Even with the advent of programmable electronic calculators, the complexity of forecasting (due to the interdependency of the variables) has limited the accountant to either the most rudimentary forecast or the extremely expensive alternative of time-sharing on a large computer.

Sophisticated and statistically valid time-series analysis can be performed on VisiCalc. Lead and lag regression analysis becomes as easy as entering the various formulas. Each of the variables can be changed or updated, and the results of the new analysis will be instantly

displayed.

Small businesses will also find uses for VisiCalc. A

model can be created which will allow for the printing of a financial statement whenever a trial balance is entered. Financial ratios and analysis are easily performed. The model can even calculate income tax and compare the current results with those of a previous period or a budget. (Some marketed models even print out tax returns.) Also, budgets are relatively easy to prepare (thanks to the replicate command), and changes and updates are easily entered.

More complex models can be designed for areas such as real estate and stock market investment analysis, where many interdependent variables must be given consideration. A change in any of these variables will instantly cause the entire model to be updated, and new com-

parisons can be made.

Documentation

VisiCalc comes with an eighty-page tutorial manual that's very useful for the beginner and a well-designed reference card. After one reading, however, the manual is not of very much help in running the program. A new manual is being written and may be available soon. In addition, several books are in preparation which will aid the VisiCalc owner in using the program.

Program Constraints

The primary constraint of the VisiCalc program is the programmable memory available to the user. In the Apple II, for example, a 48 K-byte machine will have about 25 K bytes available to the user for modeling. This may sound like a lot, but in fact model files require a lot of room. To compound this problem there is no easy way to



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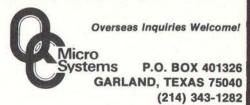
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Data Interchange Format

Software Arts Inc, the creator of VisiCalc, has developed a common language for data (which it uses in VisiCalc) called the DIF (Data Interchange Format). The basic goal of the DIF is to allow the interchange of data between many different kinds of programs (such as data bases, graphing programs, report generators etc). The type of data which is addressed by the DIF is data which is stored in tabular form — columns and rows. By setting up a standard for such data handling it becomes easy to manipulate the data through program control.

Programmers and others who are interested in learning more about the DIF or would like to purchase the *Programmer's Guide to Data Interchange Format* (\$1.50) should write to The DIF Clearinghouse, POB 70, MIT Branch, Cambridge MA 02139.

Conclusions

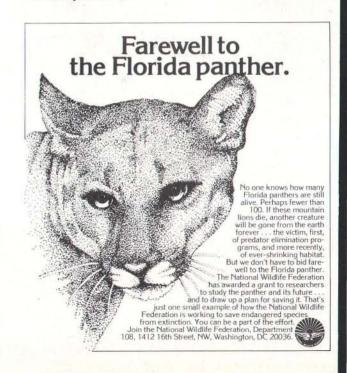
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Product Review

The MicroAngelo Video Display

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Introduction

The MicroAngelo high-resolution raster graphics display stands well above other S-100 graphics displays in its price and performance range. Since the MicroAngelo is actually a single-board microcomputer, a great number of functions that previously had to be performed by the host computer are now done in firmware on the graphics board. Rather than using the memoryaddress space of the host as a graphics display buffer (32 K bytes in this case), the host communicates with the MicroAngelo through two parallel ports with simple yet powerful commands. The MicroAngelo decodes these commands and automatically performs the desired functions independently of the host processor. With this parallel-processing capability, system response time is greatly enhanced.

Hardware Overview

The MicroAngelo consists of a Z80A microprocessor

with 32 K bytes of on-board programmable memory and 4 K bytes (expandable to 8 K bytes) of PROM (programmable read-only memory) firmware. The board contains all hardware necessary to generate a 512 by 480 dot black-and-white display for a television monitor (10 MHz bandwidth or greater). The board communicates with the host through two parallel ports which may be addressed to any of eight blocks of ports from hexadecimal 00 to F0. The video monitor may be connected via composite video (RS-170 standard) or direct-drive transistor-transistor-logic-level video, horizontal and vertical synchronization.

The MicroAngelo has four possible interrupt sources: data from host, data to host, light pen, and 60 Hz timer. Whenever a data byte is sent by the host or the host reads a data byte sent to it, an interrupt will occur in the MicroAngelo. An interrupt will occur when the light pen is fired and also when the timer produces a pulse. Of these four possible interrupts only the data from host and

light pen sources is usually enabled.

At a Glance

Hardware: MicroAngelo high-resolution

graphics display.

Use: High-resolution raster-scan

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images on a standard television

monitor.

Manufacturer: Scion Corporation

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Price: The MicroAngelo graphics board

and firmware (the S-100 board only) is \$1095. Also available is the Graphics Subsystem which in-

cludes the MicroAngelo S-100 board, a graphics keyboard (IBM Selectric-style keyboard with some special function keys) and a high-

resolution 15-inch monitor. Cost: \$2495. A light pen is optional. The MicroAngelo S-100 board

generates a 512 by 480 dot blackand-white raster display. Com-

munication between the

Firmware:

puter is facilitated by two parallel ports. The MicroAngelo also has a dumb terminal emulation mode. PROM (programmable read-only memory) firmware is provided onboard the MicroAngelo. High-level commands may be sent via parallel ports. Such functions as "turn on dot" or "draw vector" are implemented by single commands. The on-board Z80 intercepts these commands and performs the

MicroAngelo and the host com-

Hardware required:

Any S-100 mainframe computer or any computer which has an S-100

bus adapter. Although the MicroAngelo uses a Z80

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Jumper Options

Several on-board jumpers are provided for special applications. For example, it is possible to increase the clock speed of the Z80A microprocessor (and hence the speed of the board) from 4 MHz to 5 MHz, assuming that all the components are capable of operating at that speed. Interrupts (as previously discussed) may be enabled or disabled. The number of visible scan lines may be changed from the default 480 to 448 lines. If this option is chosen, the user is responsible for display management. The PROM sockets may be jumped to either the default 1 K byte per PROM or 2 K bytes per PROM.



Photo 1: The MicroAngelo Graphics Subsystem. Included in the subsystem are the MicroAngelo S-100 board, the 15-inch high-resolution black-and-white monitor, and a special keyboard that has an IBM Selectric-style layout plus some special function keys on the far left and right. The light pen is optional.

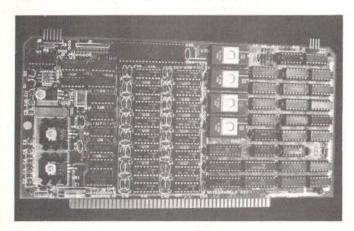


Photo 2: A close-up of the MicroAngelo S-100 board. The board has a Z80A microprocessor, 32 K bytes of memory, and four 2708 PROMS (expandable to 8 K bytes 2716 PROMs). The board is actually a stand-alone 32 K computer. The video display generates 512 by 480 dots. In the ALPHA mode, up to 85 by 40 characters may be displayed on the screen.

Adapting-MicroAngelo to Non-S-100 Systems

Since the MicroAngelo uses a simple parallel-port interface to the host system, it may be attached to almost any host system. Data is transferred via the eight parallel input and eight output lines of the S-100 bus connector. Power is supplied through pin 1 (+8 V), pin 2 (+18 V), pin 52 (-18 V), and pin 50 (ground). Address bus lines A7, A6, A5, A4 and pDBIN may be tied permanently high (+5 V); A1 and pWR are tied low (ground). A0 is connected to the host to select whether port 0 or 1 is addressed. (MicroAngelo uses two ports.) sINP and sOUT are connected to the host as input-and-output-control command lines. Using this twelve-line interface, the MicroAngelo becomes a stand-alone graphics display device. If interrupts are required, they may be easily added to the above set of signals.

Firmware

The MicroAngelo firmware is what makes the board so powerful. It takes all the work out of designing software and applications programs for the MicroAngelo. The Screenware Pak I is a well-integrated firmware package that allows the board to be used as a terminal emulator, a graphics display, or both.

If a byte is sent to the MicroAngelo (via the parallel port), it is interpreted by the firmware in one of two ways. If bit 7 (the most significant bit) is turned on, the byte is seen as a command. If it is off, the firmware treats it as an ASCII character and passes it to the terminal or

ALPHA mode program.

In the text mode, the board will display forty lines with eighty-five characters per line. Text and graphics may be mixed on the screen. In the dumb terminal mode, the firmware will respond to the following control codes: backspace, horizontal tab, line feed, form feed, carriage

return, escape, and delete.

Several features are available in the terminal mode. It is possible to display black-on-white or white-on-black characters, for example. Underlining may be turned on and off, and character overstriking may be allowed or disallowed. Two fonts are available, the standard character set or a user-defined font. The winking cursor may be displayed or inhibited, and the scroll mode may be changed. Scrolling may be done on a line-by-line basis, or, to improve response time, block scrolling may be done. Cursor addressing is available — rows run from 0 to 39, columns from 0 to 84. It is also possible to query the firmware to obtain the current cursor location.

Graphics-Mode Commands

The display may be manipulated in many ways in the graphics mode. First, the graphics cursor may be set to a value, read or queried, or set to the contents of the alpha cursor and vice versa. The format for most graphics-mode commands is:

<Command> <xh> <xl> <yh> <yl>

where xh and xl are the high and low bytes of the X coordinate and yh, yl are the high and low bytes of the Y coordinate respectively (in hexadecimal). The coordinates (384,256) would be sent as:

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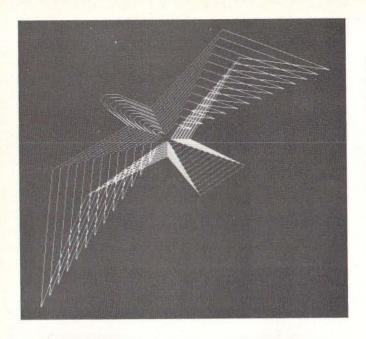
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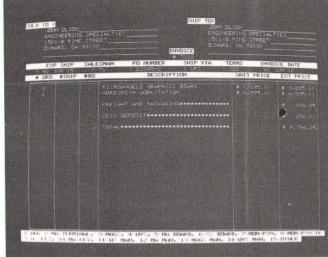
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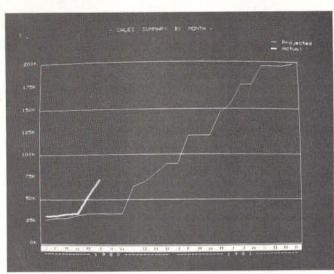
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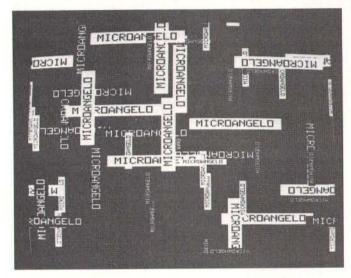


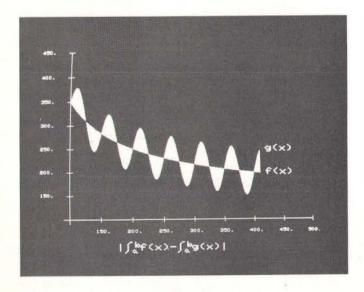
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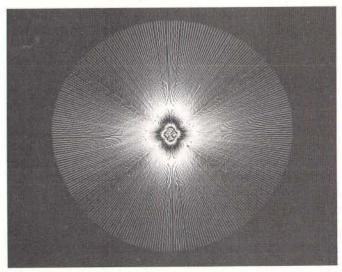


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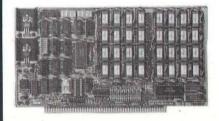


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Individual dots may be turned on, off, complemented or queried. The form of this group of commands is also:

In the case of the query command, the response is a single byte from the firmware with a value of 1 or 0.

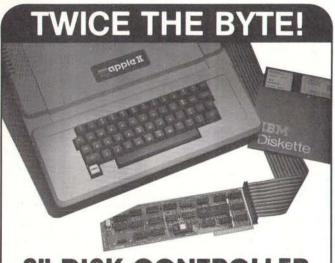
A vector, the next level of sophistication, may also be turned on, off or complemented. The endpoint of the vector is specified in the command, and the starting point is assumed to be the current value of the graphics cursor.

It is also possible to work with regions of the display. If we wish to turn on all dots in a box with corners (X1,Y1), (X2,Y1), (X1,Y2), (X2,Y2) the command:

would be sent. Regions may also be turned off or complemented.

Characters may be plotted depending on the graphics cursor and the mode selected for graphics characters. Options available include:

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where 9A is the command, "asc" is the ASCII character code assigned to the character, and s11, s10, ... s0 are the twelve scan lines (6 bits wide) that make up the character in a 6 by 12 dot array.

Using the Light Pen

The light pen provides a convenient means of entering data or drawing on the screen without having to enter numeric coordinates. The coordinates of the pen may be read directly, along with a flag indicating whether or not the pen has been fired since it was last gueried. Cross hairs may be displayed at any point on the screen when using the light pen. Another set of commands allows the cross hairs to be displayed, moved, and gueried without regard to the light pen.

Memory Uploading/Downloading

Several commands are provided for dumping and loading the screen, thus allowing the user to save images on disk and restore them for later viewing or editing. Memory blocks may be examined or deposited allowing quick loading of alternate character fonts or user-written code. The firmware allows the user to deposit Z80 instructions in unused blocks of on-board memory. The user code may be defined as an op code and thereafter treated as just another firmware command.

Concerning Gray Levels and Color

The one drawback of the MicroAngelo is that it does not have gray levels — meaning the ability to have levels in between black and white or on and off. However, I was informed by Scion that another product, as yet unnamed, is available. This is another S-100 board which mixes the output of three or more MicroAngelo boards to produce color, gray levels, or both; four colors can be obtained with as few as two boards. This scheme does reguire more than one MicroAngelo board, but compared to other graphics displays with 512 by 480 resolution, this approach is still cost-effective. The board does offer interesting possibilities: 256 gray levels, the 256 possible hues or colors, and the winking of dots on an individual dot basis. Also, it is possible to use the winking effect to alternate between two colors.

Conclusions

The MicroAngelo video display system provides quality high-resolution graphics capabilities to S-100 bus (or similar) microcomputer systems, with an exceptional price-to-performance ratio.

On-board firmware provides a simple but powerful set of commands that makes system integration easy.

Although the board is designed to run on the S-100 bus, it can be easily adapted to almost any other bus or input/ouput port organization and does not require an 8080 or Z80 host computer.■

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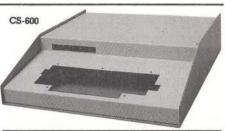


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The video monitor is a basic part of most personal computer systems. The theory described here applies to converted television receivers and professional monitors. The two differ mostly in the video amplifier's frequency response and the cathode-ray-tube phosphor color: a professional monitor has a greater frequency response and a green phosphor. Additionally, the professional monitor has no tuner, intermediate frequency amplifier, video detector, sound or AGC (automatic gain control) sections, which are necessary in the broadcast receiver. The latter must have these sections rendered inoperable or selectively switched out when used as a monitor. Our discussion will assume a professional monitor with direct video entry.

The Picture Tube

The fundamental part of the video monitor is the CRT (cathode-ray tube). Various circuits are used to deflect and modulate the beam.

Figure 1 shows the elements found in the modern picture-tube electrongun assembly. 6.3 V applied to the heater causes electrons to be emitted or "boiled off" from the cathode surface. The electrons are pulled toward the phosphorus screen by the high positive potential existing at the accelerating anode surrounding the bell of the picture tube. Typically,

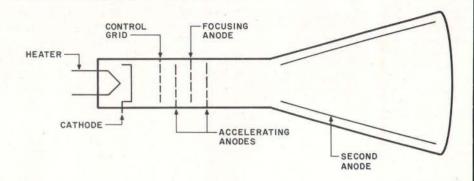


Figure 1: Internal structure of a cathode-ray tube. The electron beam is emitted by the cathode when it is heated. Electrons are attracted to the screen by a high voltage (12 $\,kV$ to 20 $\,kV$) on the second anode.

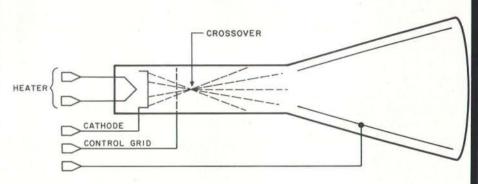


Figure 2: The crossover effect. Two accelerating anodes, in conjunction with the focusing anode, are used to give a sharp beam and a well-defined screen image. Without the focusing arrangement, the electron beam diverges and splatters.

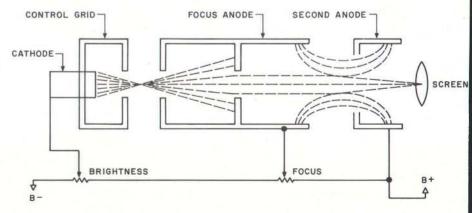


Figure 3: Focusing the beam. By applying the proper potentials to the anodes and control grids, the electron beam can be "squeezed" to a pinpoint, for displaying the image on the screen.



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The emitted electrons pass through various control grids and arrive at the screen in the form of a luminescent dot. The brilliance of the dot is controlled by adjusting the potential at the control grid. A voltage more negative than the cathode surface decreases the beam brilliance, while a more positive voltage increases the beam brilliance. Varying the controlgrid voltage modulates the beam and produces the shades of black and white that form the picture elements on the monitor screen.

The two accelerating anodes, in conjunction with the focusing anode, are used to give a sharp, well-defined screen image. Without these anodes, the electron beam, after passing through the control grid, would encounter *crossover* and become broad and splattered, as shown in figure 2.

By applying the proper potentials to the accelerating anodes and the focus anode, the beam is squeezed and formed into a well-defined pinpoint suitable for displaying the images on the screen. This result is shown in figure 3.

Deflection Circuits and Rastering

The processes described so far would result in a black screen with a single bright dot in the center of the picture tube. The first step in obtaining a display on the screen is to pull the electron beam from side to side: this illuminates a line on the screen. The beam can be moved from top to bottom, in order to illuminate a whole screen of lines. If this is done rapidly enough, this will produce illumination over the entire area of the picture tube. This process is called rastering, and the dimly illuminated screen with no data information present is called the raster.

The deflection yoke consists of electromagnetic coils arranged in a vertical and horizontal configuration and is fitted around the picture tube neck; it is the primary device used for deflecting the electron beam. To move the beam from the top to the bottom of the screen (vertically), a rapidly rising (and more rapidly falling) sawtooth-current waveform is passed through the vertical windings

of the yoke. Figure 4 shows a sawtooth waveform produced by a typical vertical circuit and the resultant vertical sweep of the beam.

As the current rises (Time A), the buildup of magnetic flux causes the beam to be swept from the top to the bottom of the screen. When the sawtooth reaches maximum value, it rapidly falls to 0 (Time B), causing the beam to be retraced from the bottom back to the top of the screen, where the process begins again. During the beam sweep from top to bottom, the trace is visible, but during the retrace the beam is cut off by the retrace blanking circuitry to avoid undesirable retrace lines from showing. Vertical sweep of the beam normally occurs 60 times per second.

The sawtooth wave is produced in an oscillator and amplifier section of the television monitor and is fed to the vertical windings of the deflection yoke 60 times per second. Vertical beam deflection, if used alone, would result in a bright vertical line in the center of the darkened screen. To complete the rastering process, the beam must also be deflected from left to right, and this is accomplished by the horizontal circuitry.

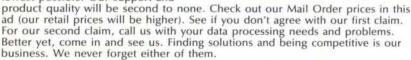
The horizontal windings in the deflection voke are also fed with a sawtooth current originating in the horizontal oscillator and output circuitry. The frequency of this sawtooth is 15,750 Hz. The rising sawtooth current is passed through the horizontal windings in the yoke, causing the beam to be deflected from the left to the right side of the picture. The beam is then cut off by the horizontal blanking circuitry, and the rapidly falling sawtooth current sweeps the beam back to the left side of the screen to repeat the process. Figure 5 illustrates a typical horizontal oscillator and deflection circuit and the resultant screen trace.

The horizontal sawtooth voltage is produced by the horizontal oscillator and output section. The sawtooth is coupled into a horizontal output transformer before being fed to the deflection yoke windings. The main purpose of this transformer is to produce the high voltage necessary for the accelerating anode at the picture tube. The rapidly falling sawtooth voltage present during beam retrace is fed to the horizontal output transformer which steps it up to a

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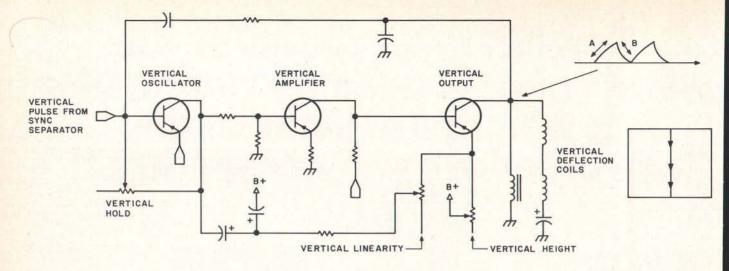


Figure 4: Typical vertical oscillator/amplifier section. The circuitry shown creates a sawtooth waveform to drive the vertical deflection coils. This enables the electron beam to move from the top of the screen to the bottom 60 times per second.

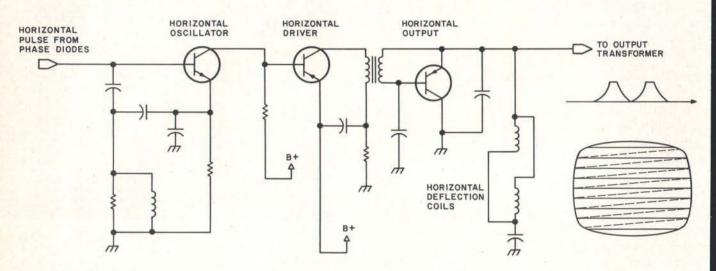


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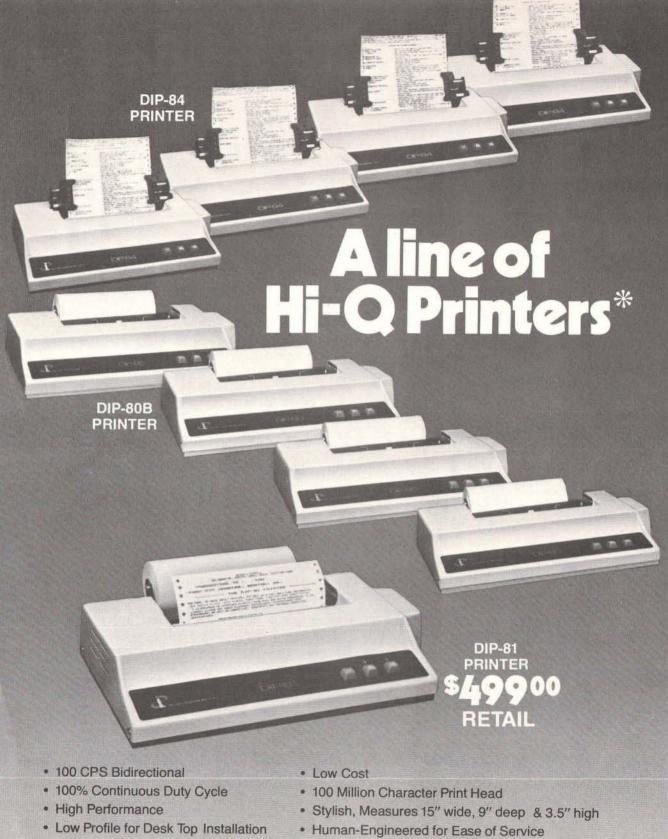
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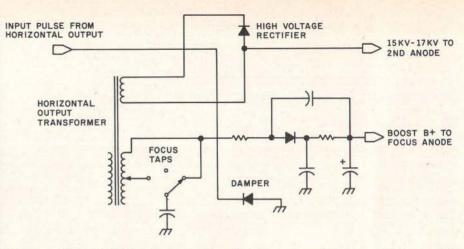


Figure 6: Typical high-voltage circuit. High-frequency AC from the horizontaldeflection circuitry is also used to produce the high voltage supplied to the focusing and second anodes. After passing through a step-up transformer, the AC is rectified and filtered for use in various other circuits.

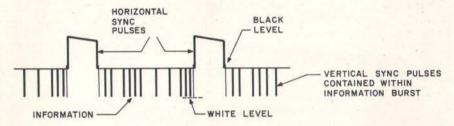


Figure 7: Composite video signal. The signal sent to most video displays contains large pulses used to keep the horizontal oscillator in time with the picture information. The picture information is essentially an on/off control of the electron beam. In most video monitors, a low pulse turns the beam on, illuminating a dot on the screen; an intermediate voltage turns the beam off.

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very high potential. This pulsating high voltage is then rectified, filtered, and applied to the picture tube anode. Various taps on the transformer give alternate circuit voltages, including the focus voltage. Figure 6 illustrates a typical high-voltage circuit.

The production of high voltage to accelerate the electron beam combined with the horizontal and vertical deflection of the beam all work together to produce a dimly illuminated raster on the screen.

Interlaced Scanning

A careful study of the raster reveals the precision with which it is produced. The raster is usually composed of 525 finely spaced parallel horizontal lines, approximately 480 of which are visible within the viewing area of the picture tube. The number of lines and the scanning method used depend on the particular video interface used, and I will assume a high-quality monitor used with a video system outputting sixtyfour or more characters per line.

The vertical oscillator and output section utilize an interlaced scanning method which traces 262.5 lines across the screen in 1/60 second, then returns to trace a second set of 262.5 lines between the previous lines. Each set of lines is called a field, and the two fields combined produce one complete data picture or frame. When the electron beam is modulated to produce a picture, one frame occurs once each 1/30 second, and thirty complete pictures occurring each second are sufficient to give the illusion of a continuous display. Exceptions to this process are videointerface techniques which do not interlace their fields but which trace a complete picture in one field. The 60 Hz scan rate can also vary.

The Composite Video Signal

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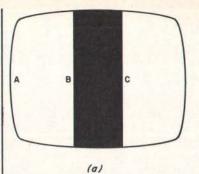
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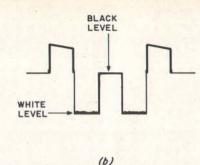


Figure 8: Sample video display and corresponding composite video signal. The low portion of the composite signal (b) turns on the electron beam to illuminate the screen (a). When the intermediate voltage of the black portion is encountered, the beam is turned off. As the composite signal returns to the low white level, the screen is illuminated again.

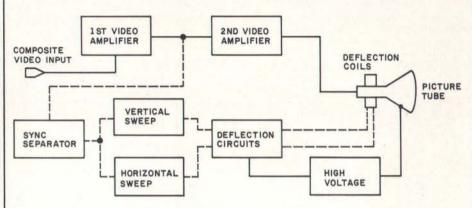


Figure 9: Block diagram of the signal path in a typical monitor. The solid lines represent actual video information, while the dashed lines indicate the path of synchronization signals.

chronization signals is to time the vertical and horizontal oscillator stages to the video information fed to the picture tube. Figure 7 is a sketch of the most widely implemented composite video signal.

This signal contains both the horizontal and vertical synchronization pulses (called sync pulses) and is applied to the sync separator where the horizontal and vertical pulses are separated, amplified, and sent to their respective oscillators to synchronize their respective traces. Included in the vertical sync pulses (assuming interlaced scanning is used) are equalization pulses whose function is to assure that the second field of lines is interlaced with the first.

Electron-Beam Modulation

The last link in the chain to create an image is to modulate the electron beam, turning it on and off to display white dots on the dim raster; this forms the dot matrices arranged as alphanumeric characters. The infor-

mation contained in the composite video signal is actually a series of voltage reference levels which are amplified in the video amplifier and applied to the control grid or cathode of the picture tube to turn the electron beam on or cut it off. The black field in the display is represented by a voltage near the black level just under the horizontal sync pulse. Figure 7 illustrates this. The white dots in the picture are represented by the white level, or minimum voltage. In scanning the display shown in figure 8a, when the beam begins its trace at point A, the voltage level is minimum, or white as in figure 8b. When point B is reached, the voltage level jumps to the black reference level and cuts off the beam at the picture tube. A black screen is evident. At point C, the beam is on again, and white is presented.

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(corresponding to data elements sent from the video interface). Alternate methods employ black data elements on a white field. The frequency response of the video amplifier stages determines how fast the beam can be turned on and off; the faster the response, the more data elements can be displayed on each line with good resolution.

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The video amplifier section in a professional monitor differs greatly from that in a television receiver. Television receivers can rarely be modified to produce dots of a rate beyond 5 MHz, while monitors can be purchased with from 12 to 100 MHz response. The converted television receiver must have its tuner, intermediate frequency amplifier and sound section switched out when employing direct video input. The limited frequency response generally allows only up to thirty-two characters per line, but the low cost of such receivers makes them an attractive choice.

After injection and amplification of the composite video signal in a television receiver used for video display, the video is separated from the synchronization pulses, and the latter are sent to the synchronization section. The separated video information is then amplified by the video amplifier, coupled to the picture tube, and used to modulate the electron beam. In systems using separate video and synchronization inputs, the vertical and horizontal pulses are not processed in a synchronization separator, but are fed directly to their respective oscillators. The separate video is directly coupled to the video output stage.

Troubleshooting

When all the circuits described above are working in perfect unison and are synchronized by the composite video signal, a stable display will be produced. A malfunction at any stage in the monitor creates a problem peculiar to that particular section. So, what do you do when the monitor fails?

The first step is to obtain a good, accurate schematic of the circuitry (preferably before any problems occur). The manufacturer should supply this. Locating problems can be somewhat simplified by considering a monitor as consisting of the sections shown in the block diagram of figure 9. Using this diagram, we can observe the signal flow lines to generally predict the section where the problem may lie. Some symptoms and their solutions will prove helpful.

 No Video or Raster: Assuming that the power supply is functioning, the absence of raster could mean that the electron beam is not being deflected across the picture tube screen. Perhaps no beam is present, so the logical checkpoint is the high-voltage section to see if the beam accelerating potential is present. Use of a high-voltage probe is necessary here.

If the high voltage is present at the anode of the picture tube, it is best to measure voltages at the control grid and cathode of the picture tube, assuming that a visual check revealed that the heater was lit. Having cleared the picture tube and proving that a beam can be formed, proceed to check the horizontal-sweep section where

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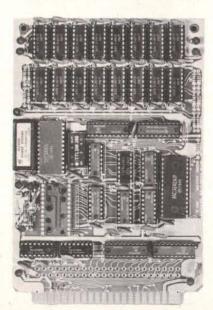
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No Video — Raster Present: A raster always indicates that vertical and horizontal sweep, deflection, high-voltage and low-voltage sections are working. Assuming a video signal is present, we should investigate all portions of the monitor's video amplifier section, also the picture-tube-control-grid and cathode circuits.

Raster and Video Present — Vertical Rolling: Assuming the vertical hold control does not stop the vertical roll, this indicates that the vertical oscillator is not in step with the video interface signal. The obvious starting point is the vertical sweep section, particularly the vertical oscillator.

Raster and Video Present —
Horizontal Lines: This problem is
very similar to the above vertical
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indicates that the horizontal
oscillator is out of step with the
video interface circuitry. Investigate the horizontal oscillator
to correct this problem.

Raster, Video Present — Display Rolling and Drifting Sideways: This is both a vertical and horizontal problem. Obviously the circuit feeding both horizontal and vertical oscillators is at fault, and this would be the synchronization separator or amplifier. When symptoms or tests indicate one section as the probable point of trouble, proceed to check voltages for direct-current biasing and use an oscilloscope to investigate waveforms.

Troubleshooting is a logical, step-by-step procedure. In repairing your monitor, the screen is the best visual aid you have, and should be utilized to the utmost in preliminary generalizations as to the problem circuit. And troubleshooting a video monitor yourself, whether or not it's homebrew, can give you the satisfaction of knowing your hardware a little bit more.



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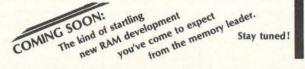
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Before examining methods of capturing video signals, let's look at image quantization, which is the process of converting an image into one or more arrays of numbers. The value of each array element represents the measure of light present in the area of a corresponding point in the original image. These array or picture elements are called pixels.

A typical gray-scale image might be quantized into a two-dimensional array of values that range from 0 to 15, representing intensity values from black to white. If the array were 256 by 256 elements or 64 K pixels, each with a 4-bit value, the array would occupy 32 K 8-bit bytes of memory.

Scanning

To perform the quantization, the image is scanned by a transducer capable of converting light into an electronic signal. This signal is sampled periodically, and each sample is converted into a numeric value. Transducer sensitivity, scanning rate, and sampling rate all affect the quality and form of the digital image.

There are basically four methods of

scanning images. The first requires the movement of the transducer with respect to the image or scene. This is typically done by drum scanners where an image is spun under a light source and photodiode. (See figure 1.)

No matter how much effort is spent on improving the system, the results are only as good as the input.

The second method deflects either a light beam or sensor optics in two dimensions to scan the image. This method is often used in a device called a flying-spot scanner; such devices were used during the first decades of television for transferring movies to video form for broadcast.

The third method is the use of a television camera. In a television tube (ie: a vidicon) the image is focused on a target that is scanned with an electron beam. (See figure 2.) It can be thought of as a CRT (cathode-ray tube) working in reverse.

The fourth method, which is still rather expensive, is the photodiode-array camera. It uses an integrated circuit which contains an array of photodiodes and circuitry to help scan the array. Advantages of this camera over vidicons are the stability of its geometry (as vidicons require electron-beam deflection which is never completely repeatable and accurate) and the inherent immunity to

shock (as vidicons are vacuum tubes and thus sensitive to abuse).

Video Costs

As with anything electronic, there are uncontrollable costs of precious metals and precision parts, and controllable costs of design and assembly. Hardware hobbyists with good supplies of parts can usually find clever ways of cutting costs. Most of us, though, have limited resources and must buy kits or search for bargains on assembled equipment. Video cameras sometimes show up at flea markets in various states of repair and can provide you with a good video signal at very low cost. Home-video enthusiasts and closed-circuit security systems have also provided a marketplace for inexpensive cameras.

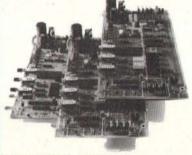
Cameras with sufficient quality for use with digital image-capture systems can be quite expensive. The increased costs usually provide more geometric linearity and a more uniform imaging-target surface. Black-and-white cameras range in price from about \$200 to \$10,000. At the lower end of the price scale you can expect about 5% error in the linearity of the vertical and horizontal scanning. Usually these errors are not noticeable. Geometric linearity is only important when the imagecapture system is used for a precise geometric task, such as measurement of object size.

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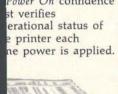
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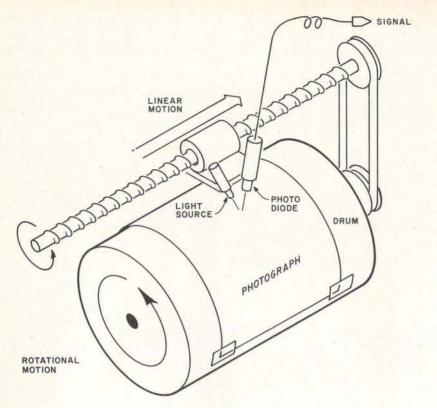


Figure 1: A drum scanner produces high-quality results by moving the photograph relative to the sensor. Its drawbacks are that it requires precision mechanical construction, works very slowly, and the signal it produces is not video-compatible.

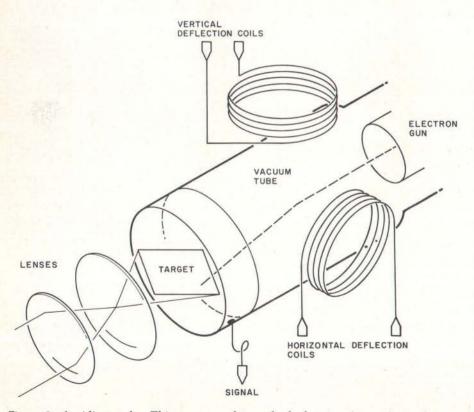


Figure 2: A vidicon tube. This most popular method of converting an image into an electronic signal uses a photo-sensitive imaging target which is scanned by an electron beam. The resulting signal is the scanned image in the form of a changing voltage. Disadvantages of the vidicon are its unstable geometry (since electron-beam deflection is never completely repeatable and accurate) and its low resistance to shock (since vidicons are vacuum tubes).

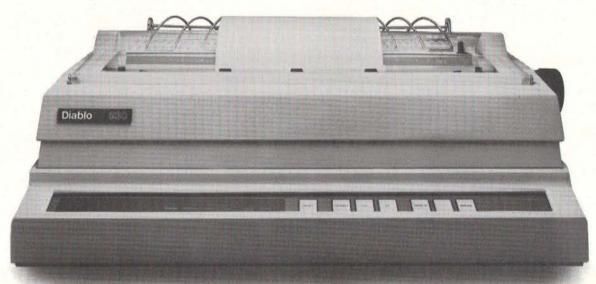
age as much as 20%. This error (also called *shading*) is still present in more expensive cameras where it's typically reduced to 10% or less. Fortunately, the shading effect changes slowly across the image target. Actual defects in the target are often found in inexpensive cameras, leading to black or white spots in the image.

It is possible to make some correction for the effects of shading and defects after the image is quantized. To do so, you first quantize an image of a solid-gray surface. The deviation of each point's value from the average value indicates the amount of correction that is necessary. By storing this image (or an image of corresponding correction values) the recorded target sensitivity can be used to improve the quality of another image quantized from the same television camera.

A television camera is to an imagecapture system as an antenna is to a television set. No matter how much effort is spent on improving the system, the results are only as good as the input. Although the system can be made to compensate for some of the deviations in the camera, improvement of the video source is usually the choice for further investment once an image-capture system is in place.

video image is normally generated in a 4:3 aspect ratio. This means that a properly operating camera produces it in a format that must be presented on a screen with three units of height and four units of width. Typical television sets are adjusted to approximately this ratio. If the video signal is quantized into a square array of square pixels, only a portion of each line should be quantized. (See figure 5.) Because there are approximately 512 lines of useful video image in a frame (approximately 256 lines in a field), it is often convenient to work with 512 or 256 squared resolutions. Some manufacturers of quantizers offer nearly square pixels by quantizing during 3/4 of the horizontal period, while others offer square pixels by digitizing the entire image at 640 by 512, 320 by 256, or other resolutions. Still others offer rectangular pixels. To achieve square pixels, the sampling rates must be increased by a factor of 1.33. If the entire image is to be quantized with square pixels, the memory requirements must also be increased by a factor of 1.33.

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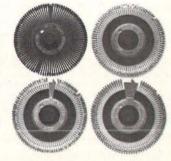
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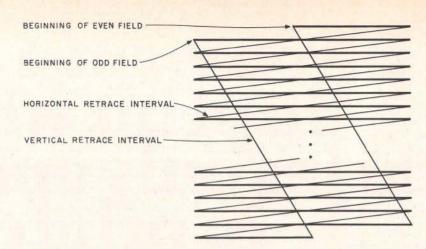


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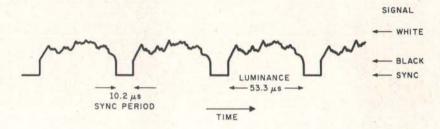


Figure 4: Each line of a video signal is composed of a horizontal active-line period (53.3 μ s), which contains the luminance information, and a sync period (10.2 μ s), which contains reference levels and the horizontal sync period.

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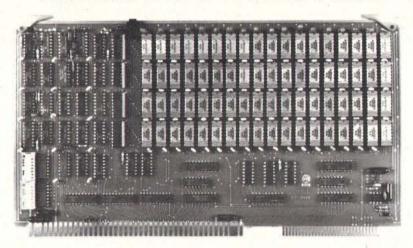
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digitized and stored; the second and successive frames are digitized; and each value is added to the corresponding stored value. The resulting array of numbers is divided by the number of frames used. Thus, the value for each point becomes the average of digitized values for that point across all the frames used, effectively cancelling out random noise. The improvement can be quite dramatic in situations where considerable noise is present. One can expect to achieve about 6.3 × log₂ N dB improvement for N frames up to a practical limit of about 45 dB. This maximum figure depends on the signal source, and the improvement depends on the randomness of the noise.

Sampling

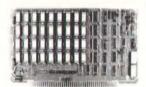
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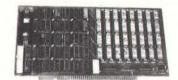
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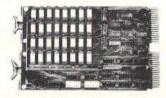
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number (ie: digitized). The sampling function is accomplished by periodically pulsing a sample circuit. The value of the video signal is then used to charge a capacitor that holds that value during the time needed by the digitizer until the next sample pulse. A sample-and-hold circuit provides the necessary components in hybrid or monolithic form. (See figure 6.)

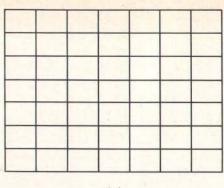
The choice of sampling rate determines the spatial resolution with which the video signal is quantized. The sampling theorem tells us that a sample frequency must be chosen that is at least twice the value of the highest frequency component in the signal that we wish to record. Thus if we choose to sample at 10 MHz, or once every 100 ns, we will be able to record components of the video signal which are changing at rates up to 5 MHz. Sampling at this rate guarantees adequate data for all normal black-and-white video sources, since they contain very little energy beyond 4 MHz.

Examination of the sampling process shows that if there are frequency components in the signal above half of the sampling rate, false informa-

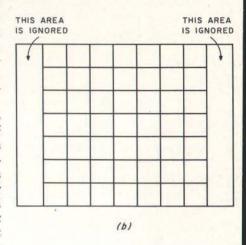
tion (called aliasing) results. (See figure 7.) The aliasing component is effectively a beat frequency between the sampling frequency and the signal components above half the sampling frequency. In the case of standard video, the luminance signal is already filtered to roll-off in amplitude above 4 MHz. However, the chrominance signal in color video occupies the range from about 3 MHz to 4.5 MHz.

Therefore, you must either filter the signal to remove frequencies above about 3 MHz, derive a pure luminance signal from a properly designed video demodulator, or use a strictly luminance source, such as a black-and-white television camera. When digitizing at lower resolutions (and sampling at lower rates), the signal must be filtered accordingly.

The quality of a quantized video signal depends on accurate timing. If every element of the digital image is to be precisely aligned with the corresponding element in the video lines above and below it, the digitizer clock must be precisely synchronized with the television horizontal-sync signal. Also, the digitizer clock must not drift during the time between



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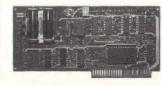
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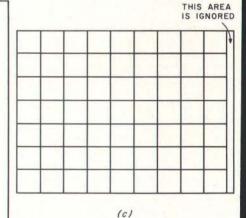
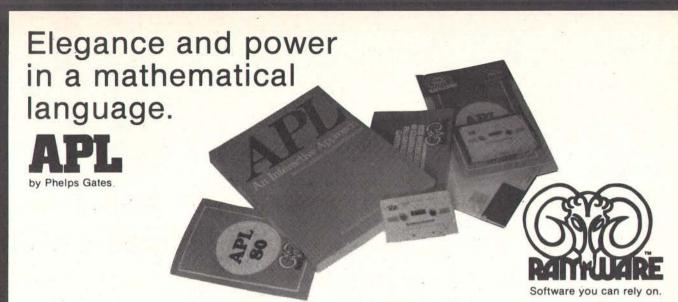


Figure 5: The aspect ratio (width:height) of normal video is 4:3. The aspect ratio of each individual pixel is determined by the image-sampling rate.

a: This 7 by 7 square array of rectangular pixels is produced by sampling the same number of points per line as there are lines in a frame. For example, each line in an American-standard television frame (512 lines) would be scanned as 512 points.

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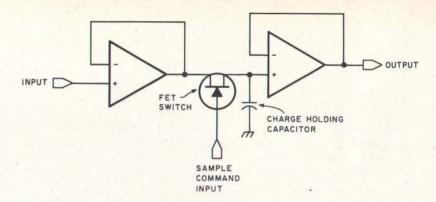


Figure 6: An image is quantized in two phases: sampling and digitization. Sampling freezes the signal value so that it can be converted into a number (digitized). A sample-and-hold circuit such as shown here performs the sampling phase. Because of the low output impedance of the first operational amplifier, the capacitor is charged nearly instantaneously when the switch is operated by the video signal. The high input impedance of the second operational amplifier holds the capacitor at its full charge during the time the digitizer reads the signal.

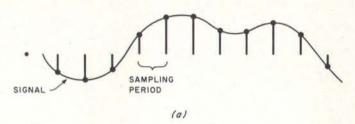


Figure 7a: A correctly sampled video signal. Each dot indicates an instantaneous value read by the digitizer.

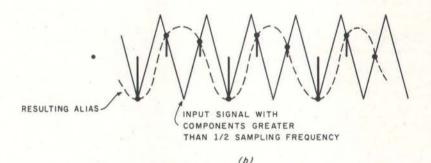


Figure 7b: If high-frequency components are present in the video signal which are above one-half the sampling rate, false information (aliasing) results. Aliasing is a beat frequency between the sampling frequency and those signal components above one-half the sampling frequency. A low-pass filter is used to filter the frequency components and eliminate aliasing.

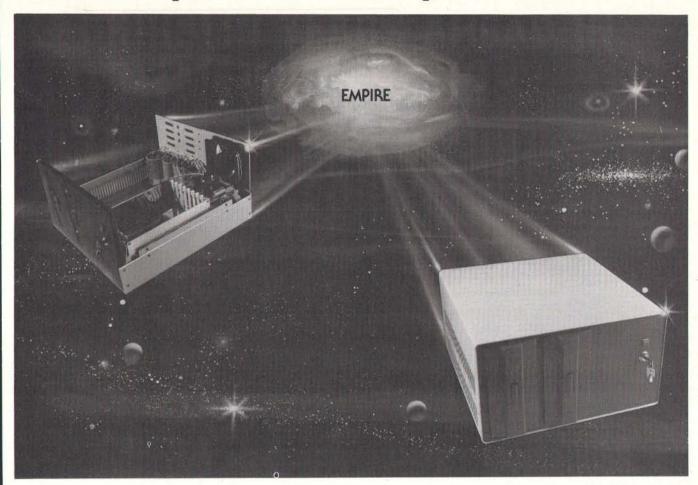
horizontal-sync pulses. It is as much the attention to timing as to the highspeed technology that makes quality digitized video a reality.

Low-Speed Digitization

The digitizer, or A/D (analog-to-digital) converter, is commonly thought of as a device that takes on the order of 20 μ s to 50 μ s to determine an 8-bit or 12-bit value. Such converters are inexpensive and are adequate for sampling slowly changing signals, such as an audio signal.

To digitize a video signal with such a converter, you can sample the signal no more often than about once per scan line. (See figure 8.) During the first frame, the first point of each line is digitized. During the second frame, the second point of each line is digitized, and so forth, until the entire image is digitized. If 512 samples per line are needed, 512 frames of video would be required to digitize every point. Thus, it would take about 17 seconds to complete the digitization of one frame. To do this the camera

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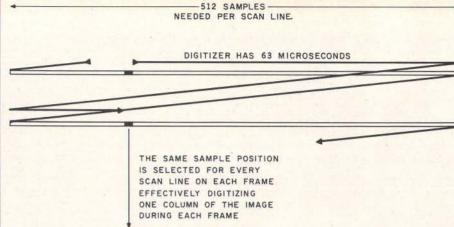


Figure 8: By sampling a single point per scan line, the digitization of each pixel can be completed within 63 μ s, and data is produced at a slow enough rate (15.7 k bytes/second) for transfer to mass storage.

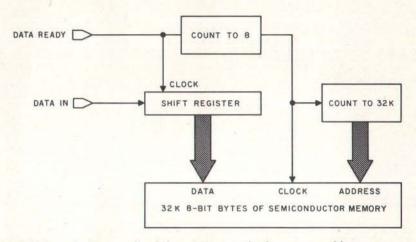


Figure 9: Through the use of a shift register, standard programmable memory can be used to transfer a single-bit image at video rates. If a single bit is deposited into the shift register every 100 ns, an 8-bit value can be deposited into memory every 800 ns. The same process can be reversed for displaying the image.

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The digitizer has plenty of time to produce a digital value. Precision is defined by the number of quantization levels, and more can be obtained for a small additional cost. Unfortunately, the sample circuitry must sample a very precise portion of the video signal, and its accuracy becomes more important if greater quantization levels are desired. Additionally, the decay rate of the sample circuitry becomes important because the sample must be held for up to 50 µs versus the 100 ns

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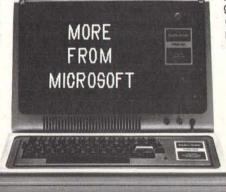
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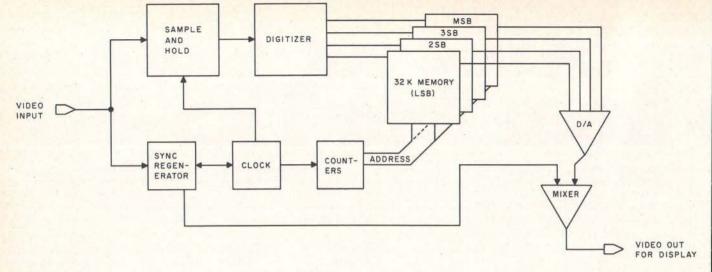


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If we want to digitize 512 points during each scan line, the converter must operate at very high speeds. The active portion of a video line is about 53 μ s. Roughly, this means it must quantize the signal once every 100 ns. Such converters were available 10 years ago for about \$2000, but today they can be built for less than \$100! Next I'll examine the problems of storing the data produced at this rate.

Most home computers have central memory that can be cycled at about 250 ns to 1000 ns per 8-bit transfer. If the digitizer obtains one 4-bit quantity every 100 ns (at 512 samples per line with rectangular pixels), or 8 bits every 200 ns, standard computer memory cannot cope with the speed requirement. Most experimenters own configurations with 32 K bytes

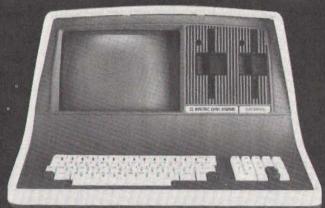
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The problem of providing large memories capable of 200 ns cycle times can be solved by the sequential nature of data transfers. By dividing memory into a number of parallel segments it's possible to use memories with 800 ns read/write-cycle times to simultaneously digitize, display, and communicate with the computer.

Proper memory organization

allows ease of expansion, depending on whether higher spatial resolution or more bits per picture element are anticipated in the future. Also, good designs can be software-reconfigured to trade off spatial resolution for the number of bits per pixel. Methods for reconfiguration are left for the ambitious designers to discover on their own.

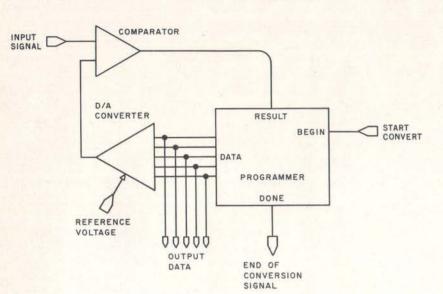


Figure 11: The configuration of a conventional A/D converter.

A Hypothetical Design

Assume that we'll require a 512 by 512 image with 4-bit quantization of each pixel. Memory is physically organized as four 32 K-byte memory boards. This is because there are 256 K points in the image, and we wish to have 1 bit of each 4-bit pixel value on each memory board. We will use memory which transfers 8-bit quantities.

If we shift 1 bit every 100 ns into a serial-in, parallel-out shift register, then every 800 ns the resulting 8-bit value can be deposited into memory. (See figure 9.) The same process can be reversed for real-time display. To do so, the memory is read every 800 ns, the 8-bit value is placed into a parallel-in, serial-out shift register, and shifted out at 100 ns per pixel.

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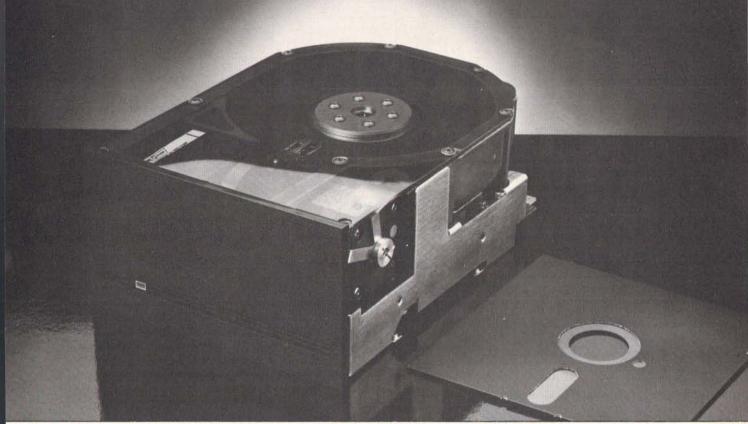
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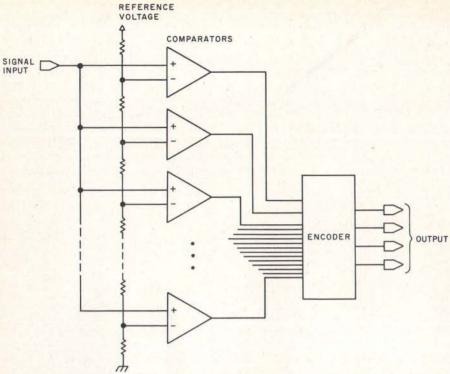


Figure 12: The small number of bits required for image quantization makes flash (or parallel) A/D conversion practical. One comparator is used for each quantization level. For a 4-bit quantization, sixteen comparators would be needed. A reference voltage equal to full scale is fed to a voltage divider to form a set of comparator thresholds. The output of each comparator is then fed to the encoder, where the number of on comparators is converted into a binary output. Parallel converters are available in DIP form and allow for high data-conversion rates.

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Notice that the memory is running at very slow speeds by modern standards. If we use memory that allows two operations per 800 ns, the computer can access or deposit data completely transparent to the digitization

or display process.

Now consider high-speed A/D converters. Normal converters use a D/A converter, a programmer, and a comparator to derive a numerical quantity representing the voltage on the input. (See figure 11.) The programmer tries successive numbers, generating successive voltages out of the D/A converter. These voltages are compared with the analog input to determine if they are above or below the input voltage. The comparator output is used by the programmer to decide what number to try next until the process converges on a final value.

The fastest A/D programs take about as many tries as there are bits of quantity. Each try consumes as much time as the total of the programmer gate delay, the D/A-gate delay, the D/A-settling time, and the comparator-settling time. The fastest converters perform conversion on the order of the 100 ns per bit. This is obviously unacceptable for our purposes, since we consider 4 bits to be a minimum quantization and 100 ns to 200 ns to be a maximum conversion time.

The small number of bits that are required does make another conversion technique very practical. It has several names, the most popular being flash or parallel conversion. It consists of one comparator for each quantization level, or sixteen comparators for 4 bits. (See figure 12.) A reference voltage equal to full scale is fed to a voltage divider (ie: a network of resistors) to form a set of comparator thresholds, and the outputs

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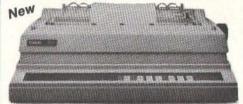
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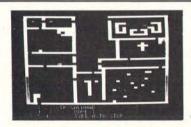
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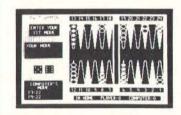
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ujitsu Overtakes IBM In Japan: For the past thirty years, IBM has dominated data processing over the entire globe. Now, however, it is reported that in Japan Fujitsu, Ltd, has overtaken IBM in sales. Fujitsu and several other Japanese computer suppliers are now preparing a massive onslaught into the US and European markets.

EEE Local Network Standard Moves Ahead: The IEEE Local Network Standards Committee expects to have a draft of its standard by year's end. At this time, it appears that the Ethernet system, proposed by Xerox, Digital Equipment Corporation, and Intel, will not be adopted as the standard. The reasons for this are that Ethernet is still in a preliminary-definition state with many areas not precisely defined. Further, Ethernet is highly dependent on coaxial cables and a particular modulation technique. Also, Ethernet does not have any provision for acknowledging datagrams, which could lead to possible incompatibilities in error control between different manufacturer's devices.

uper Computer Planned: The Ames Research Center of NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) is planning a special super computer capable of performing a billion floatingpoint operations per second. The computer will be designed to simulate a wind tunnel. It is expected to have 40 M words of directly addressable memory plus 200 M words of blockaddressable memory. NASA wants the system operational in 1986.

S Government Shifting To Smaller Computers: The US government now has a reported 15,000 computers in operation, worth more than \$5.4 billion. The trend is shifting from large, costly mainframes to smaller units. In fact, now at least two-thirds of the machines cost less than \$50,000.

The GSA (General Services Administration) recently disclosed that at the end of 1979 the three leading computer suppliers were Digital Equipment Corporation (3656 units), Sperry Univac (1778 units), and IBM (1284 units). However, IBM still ranked

number one in dollars (\$1.45 billion), Control Data was second (\$754 million), and Sperry Univac was third (\$686 million).

Ribbon Recycling: The word-processing and printer markets have created the new business of recycling printer ribbons. About fifty vendors are offering consumers recycled ribbons at a saving of as much as 60%, along with deliveries in 5 to 10 days.

Several ribbon manufacturers are introducing sealed ribbon cartridges to prevent recycling. They claim that sealing improves ribbon reliability.

Vicrosoft Signs UNIX Agreement: Microsoft, of Bellevue, Washington, has signed an agreement with Western Electric for the rights to develop and market versions of UNIX. an operating system originated by Bell Laboratories. The Microsoft versions will be specifically designed for 16-bit microprocessors, such as the Intel 8086, Zilog Z8000, and Motorola 68000. The Microsoft version will be called XENIX. UNIX seems to be the most popular minicomputer timesharing operating system in current use. It is very popular in the educational community, probably because Western Electric sold it to educational institutions for a very low fee. However, due to its sophisticated features, UNIX has been gaining in popularity in the profes-

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Considering that Digital Research plans on developing only an 8086 version of its very popular CP/M operating system, it seems likely that Microsoft's XENIX will become the dominant operating system for 16-bit microcomputer

systems.

3-Inch Winchester Disk Drives Coming On Strong:

At least a half-dozen companies will have 5-inch hard-disk drives on the market late in the first half of 1981. Latest to jump on the 5-inch disk-drive bandwagon are International Memories Inc (IMI) (the Cupertino, California, firm that marketed the first 8-inch Winchester drive) and Shugart Associates (the largest producer of floppydisk drives). These drives typically store 5 million to 7 million bytes and sell for less than \$1000 in OEM (original equipment manufacturer) quantities.

04 K-Bit Memory Devices Becoming Available:

Several integrated-circuit manufacturers are currently supplying samples of the new 64 K-bit programmable memory circuits to OEMs for evaluation and development. Look to see these devices in use starting in early 1981.

The introduction of these

components has already caused the price of 16 K-bit devices to drop significantly; just a few months ago, these circuits cost six to eight dollarsnow they are four or five dollars. Currently, the 64 K-bit memories are in the forty- to sixty-dollar range, which may drop to thirty or thirty-five dollars in production quantities.

It is expected that Japanese suppliers will dominate the 64 K-bit device marketplace. The 16 K-bit device market has been dominated by American suppliers, although the Japanese currently have 40% of that market. The demand for the 64 K-bit memories does not, as yet, appear to be very strong. However, the price erosion of the 16 K-bit memories and increasing competition from Japanese suppliers should cause the 64 K-bit memory prices to drop quickly.

Protecting The Software Copyright: Software vendors are very concerned about software being pirated by unauthorized copying. The problem is acute simply because it is very easy to duplicate cassette- and disk-based software. Further, it isn't especially difficult to copy software stored in read-only memories.

The personal-computer user does not appear to be the cause of the problem because most of that type of pirating is for personal use, and it occurs only on a small scale without a significant impact on vendor sales. However, several software vendors are complaining that software pirates are making copies of their software packages and selling them. The software pirate frequently changes the name of the software package and may even make some minor changes so that the consumer is unaware that the software is a fraud. The practice appears to be widespread outside the US,

where this kind of activity is very difficult to prevent.

As a result, software vendors are seeking ways to prevent pirating. Several are now experimenting with software techniques that cause the copied software to self-destruct if it is run on an unauthorized machine. I suspect that this will prove to be a deterrent for the experimenter and small-time thief, but the professional software pirate should be able to overcome this system.

andy, Apple, And Commodore Are Top Personal-Computer Per-

formers: Each year Datamation analyzes and rates the top one hundred computer companies. For the second year in a row, Tandy Corporation (parent company of Radio Shack), Apple Computer, and Commodore have made that list. In fact, for this past year Tandy ranked thirty-ninth (up from last year's fiftyeighth), Apple ranked sixty-first (up from onehundredth last year), and Commodore ranked seventy-fifth (up from ninety-fourth last year). Tandy had gross sales of \$150 million, a 131% increase. Apple had \$75 million in sales, up from \$10 million the previous year, a 650% increase. Commodore had \$55 million sales, a 150% increase.

These three personalcomputer makers had the highest growth rates of the top one hundred computerproduct vendors in the US. IBM, which ranked number one in total sales, had only a 7% increase in sales.

alking Computers To Be The Rage: 1981 should be the year that consumers first see the widespread use of voice output in products ranging from computers to household appliances. Many manufacturers are currently supplying

samples of speech-synthesis integrated circuits to OEM customers. The manufacturers include Texas Instruments, National Semiconductor, General Instrument, Hitachi, and Votrax. The Hitachi HD38880 integrated circuit, for example, can produce up to 200 words or one hundred seconds of speech from data stored in a 128 K-bit ROM (read-only memory). The Texas Instruments TMS5200, essentially the same device used in the Speak & Spell toy, has been given an 8-bit data-bus interface and should operate easily with personal computers.

Candom Rumors: It is rumored that Intel, Motorola, and Fujitsu are all working on the development of microprocessors that will implement the IBM System/370 instruction set. Performance is expected to be comparable to an IBM 370/115. IBM is rumored to already have such an integrated-circuit version running.... Xerox is rumored to be attempting to buy Apple Computer.... Digital Equipment Corporation is rumored ready to release a 16-bit microprocessor device that will be compatible with 8080, Z80, and 6800 support circuits. It is expected to have the power of a PDP-11/23. At least one company is rumored to be investigating an S-100 implementation....

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Zero-Sum Games

In many problem-solving situations, the wisdom of a particular decision often depends upon the range of options that someone else may have. Many real-world decision-making environments can be modeled in terms of a two-person game. When each player is aware of his own and his opponent's options at each choice point, the game is described as one of *perfect information*. If the rules of the game require that each player's gain must come at the expense of the other, then the game is strictly competitive, or *zero-sum*. Familiar games that meet these criteria are chess, checkers, three-dimensional tic-tac-toe, go, gomoku, and Othello.

The first two articles in this series considered decisionmaking situations in which a single individual was responsible for a series of choices. By constructing programs that searched among a large number of choice combinations, we were successful in developing mechanical solutions for these problems. When two people are making choices and each is trying to better his own position at the other's expense, the standard look-ahead search that we described earlier is no longer adequate.

Minimax Strategy

Instead, it is necessary to consider choices in which the two players attempt to satisfy conflicting goals. Most of the important strategic ideas which are used in analyzing these games date back to a very influential book which was written in 1944 by Von Neumann and Morgenstern (see reference 4).

The key idea for our present purposes is the minimax strategy. In analyzing any given position in the game, a

look-ahead tree is constructed which represents the sequence of options that the two players have (as a hierarchical branching structure which grows exponentially as one proceeds away from the initial position).

The minimax strategy consists of evaluating "final" positions at some arbitrary depth (usually defined by practical constraints of time and space) and then following parent nodes all the way down the tree to the starting position. This path is defined by assuming that each player will decide among the options that are available to him at his choice points by selecting the one that guarantees the best possible outcome.

If the terminal evaluations are chosen such that high numbers favor the first player (and low numbers favor the second player), the first player is expected to choose the pathway that guarantees as large a terminal value as possible, and the second player is expected to choose the pathway that guarantees as small a terminal value as possible. In practical terms, the first player always maximizes, the second player always minimizes.

This description would seem to explain the derivation of the name. This is not historically correct, however. The "minimax" name is actually based on the underlying strategic idea that each player attempts to minimize his opponent's maximum potential gain.

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You do not have to be a mathematical genius in order to determine that a process that grows exponentially like this one is going to get out of control very quickly. Because of this exponential explosion and because there were no computers in the 1940s, the minimax algorithm initially received little attention.

In practical terms, the first player always maximizes, the second player always minimizes.

The Alpha-Beta Technique

In 1956, at the Dartmouth Summer Research Conference on Artificial Intelligence (see reference 1), John McCarthy pointed out that Bernstein's chess program did not need to analyze all of the terminal positions in order to select the move that was best in terms of the minimax strategy.

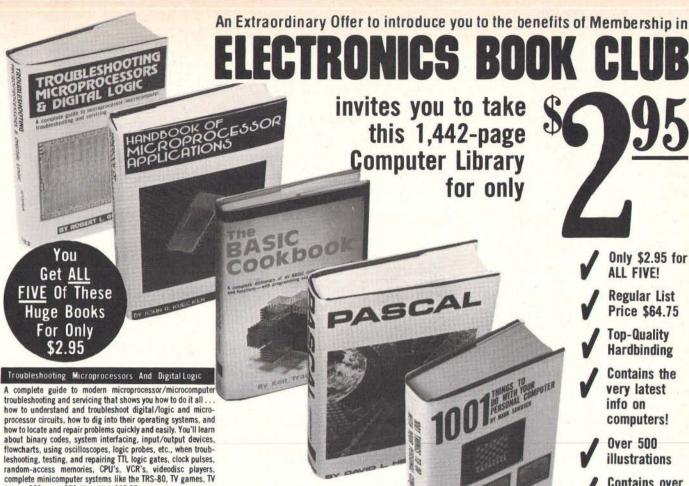
Although no formal description of the idea was given at that time, several of the game-playing programs written in the late 1950s appear to have employed an enhanced version of the minimax procedure, which has come to be called the α - β (ie: alpha-beta) pruning algorithm. The name seems to have been coined by McCarthy.

The first clear description of the technique for Englishspeaking audiences was published in 1969 by Slagle and Dixon (see reference 3). The α - β procedure provides a remarkable increase in the efficiency of the search process; and, with the advent of the high-speed computer in the late 1960s and 1970s, the minimax idea finally came

Although there are many references to the α - β minimax technique in the popular literature, the procedure has not received much detailed analysis in the academic literature. The best expository presentation on this topic is a recent paper by Knuth and Moore (see reference 1). The technical details that enhance the efficiency of the α - β strategy are scattered throughout a number of hard-to-find sources. The purpose of this article is to summarize the main ideas and to present a sample program with the key algorithms.

Treasure Search

To provide an explicit example, I have devised a new game that is easy to play and is easily programmed. One of the difficulties of describing the α - β minimax procedure within the context of a familiar game is that move generation and position evaluation are sufficiently complex that these aspects of the program tend to mask the fine points of the α - β search. The game we will consider involves very straightforward move-generation and position-evaluation routines. For this reason, we will be



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able to concentrate on the tree-searching algorithm in the absence of unwanted distractions.

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Table 1: Starting position for Treasure Search. The human player moves the "X" one square at a time and attempts to collect as many big numbers as possible. The computer moves the "*" on alternate turns with the same objective. The first player to accumulate one hundred points wins.



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Table 1 depicts the playing board as it might appear at the start of the game. The human player has the token designated as "X" and always moves first. Move selection is made by pressing one of the four arrow keys $(\leftarrow,\rightarrow,\uparrow,\downarrow)$ on the computer keyboard. The program I will present is written for the Radio Shack TRS-80 computer in Level II BASIC.

The Treasure Search Game

The specific numbers that appear in table 1 are set randomly at the beginning of each game; therefore, a new playing field is present for each and every game. The strategy for each player is to find a pathway in which he can collect large numbers for himself and at the same time deny large numbers to his opponent. The game was originally planned for young children. I have subsequently found that it is fun for children of all ages.

To begin my presentation, I will provide a listing of the computer instructions for creating the playing field and accepting moves from the human player. Subsequently, I will present the algorithm for selecting moves for the machine and then discuss enhancements that substantially increase the efficiency of the search.

The Program

The initial statements in this program are very similar to those at the beginning of its two predecessors. Certain housekeeping functions are required, such as setting aside memory for string storage, clearing the video display, telling the machine to treat all variables as integers, resetting the "seed" for the random-number generator, and initializing important variables:

100 CLEAR 100: CLS: DEFINT A-Z: RANDOM: SH = 0: ST = 0

(Several versions of this program are given in the body of the text and in listings 1 thru 3.) The variables SH and ST represent the cumulative score for the human and the TRS-80, respectively.

Our next objective is to solicit the human player's name so that we can communicate with him in a civilized manner:

110 PRINT@463, "PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME";: INPUT N\$

The next step is to create several arrays that will be needed by the program. Two arrays are needed for remembering move directions (A and D), one is needed to provide an internal representation of the playing field (B), and several more are used by the tree search: M stores the move that is being considered at each level of the look-ahead tree; E stores the evaluation score for each of those moves; Q keeps track of which moves have been considered at each level of the tree; V keeps track of the best pathway value for each level of the tree; Z

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remembers a "killer" move for each level of the tree (this is explained later in this article); and PV is used to remember the principal variation that is selected by the tree search. The lines we will need are:

120 DIM A(8), B(99), D(4), E(12), M(12) 130 DIM PV(12,12), O(12), V(12), Z(12)

The array representing the playing field, B, is treated as a 10-by-10 grid with the first row having indices of 0 to 9, the second row, 10 to 19, the third row 20 to 29, etc. With this organization, the "squares" adjacent to any position are always separated by a constant value. The square to the right is always the current square plus 1. The square to the left is always the current square minus 1. To go up, add 10; to go down, subtract 10. For move generation, we create an array with the following coefficients:

$$140 D(1) = -10$$
; $D(2) = -1$; $D(3) = 1$; $D(4) = 10$

We will use a special feature of the TRS-80's architecture to produce moves for the human player. A special array is needed to take advantage of the fact that the keyboard is memory-mapped.

150 A(1) = 10: A(2) =
$$-10$$
: A(4) = -1 : A(8) = 1: CLS

Since our program is designed for children of all ages, we will let the human player adjust the playing strength of the machine. Young children can play against a weak opponent. Older children can select a more competitive opponent.

160 PRINT@461, "TRS-80 PLAYING STRENGTH (1 TO 5)";: INPUT Y

The larger the number, the deeper we will have the machine search.

The variable DM is used to set the maximum depth of the look-ahead search. It is defined as twice the value Y minus 1. This will produce searches of one ply, three plies, five plies, seven plies, and nine plies for playingstrength settings from 1 to 5. A five-ply search involves three moves for the machine and two for the human opponent. [A ply is a move by either opponent; the combination of one move by both sides is called a play or a turn; thus two plies equal one move. . . GW] It is also necessary to create the array that provides an internal representation of the playing field. This is done by assigning a digit from 1 to 9 to each of the squares in the playing area:

The squares that surround the grid are used to designate the edge of the board and are set to a value of 99 for this purpose:

180 FOR I = 0 TO 10: B(I) = 99: NEXT I: FOR I = 89 TO 99: B(I) = 99: NEXT I190 FOR I = 19 TO 79 STEP 10: B(I) = 99: B(I + 1) = 99: NEXT I

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The playing field also needs to be presented on the video display, along with a title for the game:

220 CLS: FOR I = 11 TO 88: IF B(I) = 99 THEN 240 230 X\$ = RIGHT\$ (STR\$ (B(I),1): GOSUB 1000 240 NEXT I: PRINT@22, "TREASURE SEARCH";Y;

The subroutine starting at line 1000 computes a location on the video screen (R = row; C = column) and prints a character there:

```
1000 R = INT (I/10) : C = I - 10 R :
    K = 141 + (8-R)*64 + C*4
1010 PRINT@K, X$;: RETURN
```

Our next objective is to enhance our video display by printing the names of the contestants on the left-hand side of the screen where the score will be recorded. We also need to put each player's piece on the playing field and to define several useful variables. Y\$ is a string variable of twelve blank spaces. Z\$ is similar except it represents thirty-two blank spaces. These two variables will be used when we wish to erase part of the video display. The variable T represents the position (row-column) of the computer piece, and H represents the position of the human piece:

```
250 PRINT@256, N$:: PRINT@448, "TRS-80";:
   Y$ = STRING$ (12, "")
260 T = 54: T$ = "*": H = 45:
   H$ = "X": Z$ = STRING$ (32, "")
270 I = T: X$ = T$: GOSUB 1000:
   B(T) = 99: B(H) = 99
280 I = H: X$ = H$: GOSUB 1000: GOTO 300
```

The position where each player's piece is located is not available for a move, so those positions in the B array are temporarily set to the value 99.

Now we are ready to create the module that solicits the human's move. First we will start with a message to present when the requested move is not legal. This can occur if the human attempts to move off the playing field or to a position occupied by the machine's playing piece:

```
290 PRINT@788, "ILLEGAL MOVE, TRY AGAIN";:
   FOR I=1 TO 999: NEXT I
```

In most situations, line 290 will not be executed. Instead, the message will usually be a request for the human player's move:

```
300 PRINT@788, Z$::
   PRINT@788, "WHICH DIRECTION FOR X";
```

The machine waits for the human's response by doing a rapid cycle from the beginning to the middle of line 310. When a keyboard response occurs, the machine checks a special location in memory that keeps track of the arrow keys and determines which bit has been set by the keypress:

310 IF INKEY\$ = "" THEN 310 ELSE R = PEEK(16444)

The player's response is then processed to determine the

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new square (J) for his piece.

A test is also made to make sure that the new square is on the playing field and not currently occupied by the machine's piece:

320 R = INT(R/8):
$$J = H + A(R)$$

330 IF B(J) = 99 THEN 290 ELSE PRINT@788, Z\$;

If the move is legal, the necessary changes are made to the video display and to the internal representation of the board. In addition, the player's score is modified approximately and a check is made to determine if the game is

```
360 I = H: B(I) = 0: X\$ = "-":
   GOSUB 1000: SH = SH + B(J)
370 H = J: B(H) = 99: I = H: X\$ = H\$:
   GOSUB 1000
380 PRINT@321, SH;: IF SH > 99 THEN 930
```

Move-Selection Strategy

This completes the module for soliciting and processing the move selected by the human player. We can see that Treasure Search is much easier to program than more familiar games such as chess or checkers. We are now ready to address the major focus of this article, namely, move selection by the machine. As a first approximation, I will present a relatively simplistic strategy and then subsequently will consider more sophisticated approaches.

The following initial strategy surveys the playing field in each of the four directions from the current position (T) of the machine's playing piece and selects as the best move (BM) the square which has the largest value (BV):

530 BV =
$$-1$$
: I = 0
540 I = I + 1: J = T +D(I): IF B(J) = 99 THEN 560
550 IF B(J) > BV THEN BM = J: BV = B(J)
560 IF I < 4 THEN 540

This is equivalent to a look-ahead search of one ply. Once a move has been selected, it is then necessary to make that move on the video display and to make the appropriate changes in the internal representation of the playing field. In addition, the score for the machine needs to be modified and a check needs to be made to determine if the game is over:

To complete the program, we need two messages to signal the end of the game:

```
910 PRINT@915.
   "THANK YOU FOR A PLEASANT GAME";
920 GOTO 920
930 PRINT@917,
   "CONGRATULATIONS, YOU WIN";: GOTO 920
1000 R = INT (I/10): C=I-10*R:
    K = 141 + (8 - R)*64 + C*4
1010 PRINT @ K, X$:: RETURN
```

[Please note that this simple version of the game is not the version given in listing 1. To acquire this version, type in all the BASIC lines presented so far in the text. . . GWI

Implementing α - β Techniques

If you run this program on a TRS-80, it will play a legal game, but it will not be particularly challenging. Your children will probably enjoy playing it because they will beat it most of the time. A one-ply look-ahead does not produce brilliant play. To make the machine more intelligent, we need to add the α - β minimax algorithm. To do this, we will substitute the following code for lines 530 to 560:

510 DT = DM
520 L = 1: SC = 0: S =
$$-1$$

530 V(0) = -99 : V(1) = -99 : M(0) = T:
M(1) = H

The maximum depth of the search, DT, is set to the value DM which was calculated at line 170. Next, we initialize several key variables. The depth of the search (L) starts with a value of 1. The variable that remembers the cumulative difference between the changes in the players' scores (SC) is set to zero. The variable that keeps track of which player has the move (S) is set to a -1.

The array that retains the best values obtained so far at each level of the tree is initialized at a -99 for index values of 0 and 1. The array that keeps track of the move (M) currently being considered at each level of the tree is set to the value T (the location of the machine's piece) for the index value of 0 and to H (the location of the human's piece) for the index value of 1.

The first move considered in the look-ahead process will be for the machine. The value of L at the base of the tree will be 2. You may think this a bit curious, but it is a useful strategy since we will want to refer to V(L-2)and M(L-2) at several points in the search process.

To begin the main loop of the tree search, we increase the depth (L) by 1 and then initialize the variable Q (an index for the moves that have already been considered at this level of the tree), the variable S (an index indicating whose turn it is to move), and the variable V (the value for the best move found so far at this level of the tree):

$$540 L = L + 1$$
: $Q(L) = 0$: $S = -S$: $V(L) = V(L - 2)$

The next step is to increment the O index so that the machine can consider the next move option at this level of the tree. If we have exhausted all of the move options at this level, it is time to branch to a special section of code that instructs the machine to back up one level in the tree:

$$580 Q(L) = Q(L) + 1$$
: IF $Q(L) > 4$ THEN 760

If the move options at this level have not been exhausted, the machine is instructed to generate the location (J) of a square to which the player can consider moving:

$$590 J = M(L - 2) + D(Q(L))$$

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Making Moves

Move generation is quite simple because M(L-2) always represents the current location of the piece of the player whose turn it is to move and D(Q(L)) represents one of the four directions in which a move can potentially be made. I say potentially because the new location could be off the playing field or could already be occupied by the opponent's piece. Our next statement checks for this:

600 IF
$$B(J) = 99$$
 THEN 580 ELSE $M(L) = J$: $E(L) = B(J)$

If the move is legal, the new location is recorded as the current move at this level in array M, and the digit at this location is recorded as the current value at this level in array E. In addition, the internal representation of the playing field, B, is modified to reflect this move, and the variable SC is altered to keep track of the relative points accumulated by each player:

In order to provide a visible record of the machine's "thought" process, the machine is instructed to print the move location (J), the cumulative change in the score at this point (SC), and the best value so far at this level, V(L), in the empty area on the right side of the video display. The machine also checks to see if the current depth is the maximum possible depth. If not, it branches to line 540 which starts the main loop again by going one level higher in the tree:

If the search is at the maximum depth (ie: L = DT), then the machine records the current value of SC as a potential new best value:

$$670 \text{ V(L} + 1) = -\text{S} * \text{SC}$$

The next step is to reverse the move we just made. When a new move is made, the board representation is updated at line 610. When the move is taken back at line 680, we refer to the process of "downdating" the board:

Negamax

To determine whether the value recorded at line 670 is better than the current value at this level, we employ the negamax procedure (see reference 1). This is equivalent to the minimax procedure except that its implementation requires fewer programming steps. Rather than minimizing and maximizing at every other level, the negamax approach always maximizes the results at a given level, but it reverses the arithmetic signs at every other level to produce the identical result as the minimax procedure. (You may recognize the similarity between this approach and the use of the logical NOR operation in circuit design. Two levels of NOR logic are equivalent to a level of ANDs followed by a level of ORs.) The following line implements the negamax calculations:

700 IF
$$V(L) < -V(L + 1)$$
 THEN
 $V(L) = -V(L + 1)$ ELSE 580

If the new value is worse than or equal to the current value, the machine branches to line 580 and considers another move at this level. If the new value is better than the current value, the machine continues to the next statement:

740 IF L = 2 THEN BM =
$$M(L)$$
: PRINT@180, BM; $V(2)$;

If the search process is at the base of the tree (L=2), then the new best move is recorded for later use and an announcement of our new find is printed on the video display. This includes both the new location, BM, and the net difference in the score produced by the anticipated sequence of moves, V(2)

Evaluating for Cutoff

At line 700, the minimax rule was applied to select the best option for the player with the move. The next consideration is whether the current move will produce an α - β cutoff. The logic for this decision is based on the idea that the opponent may already have a move at this level in the tree that guarantees him a value that is at least as

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This procedure is easy to implement but not particularly easy to understand. The general idea was explained by an example by W D Maurer in an earlier issue of this magazine (see reference 2), and a detailed exposition is provided by Knuth and Moore (reference 1). For our pur-

Listing 1: Listing for the game of Treasure Search, written for the TRS-80 using Level II BASIC. This game, in its various versions, illustrates the usefulness of alpha-beta pruning when searching a tree for the best strategy in a two-player game. The game, as written here, plays an unmodified alpha-beta strategy against a human player. See listings 2 and 3 for additions that cause the computer to play more rapidly.

```
100 CLEAR 100: CLS: DEFINT A-Z: RANDOM: SH = 0:
110 PRINT@463, "PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME":: INPUT N$
120 DIM A(8), B(99), D(4), E(12), M(12)
130 DIM PV(12,12), Q(12), V(12), Z(12)
140 D(1) = -10: D(2) = -1: D(3) = 1: D(4) = 10
150 A(1) = 10: A(2) = -10: A(4) = -1: A(8) = 1: CLS
160 PRINT@461, "TRS-80 PLAYING STRENGTH (1 TO 5)"::
    INPUT Y
170 DM = 2*Y: FOR I = 11 TO 88: B(I) = RND(9): NEXT I
180 FOR I = 0 TO 10: B(I) = 99: NEXT I: FOR I = 89 TO 99:
    B(I) = 99: NEXT I
190 FOR I = 19 TO 79 STEP 10: B(I) = 99: B(I + 1) = 99:
    NEXT I
220 CLS: FOR I = 11 TO 88: IF B(I) = 99 THEN 240
230 X$ = RIGHT$ (STR$ (B(I),1): GOSUB 1000
240 NEXT I: PRINT@22, "TREASURE SEARCH": Y:
250 PRINT@256, N$;: PRINT@448, "TRS-80";:
    Y$ = STRING$ (12, "")
260 T = 54: T$ = "*": H = 45: H$ = "X":
    Z$ = STRING$ (32, "")
270 I = T: X$ = T$: GOSUB 1000: B(T) = 99: B(H) = 99
280 I = H: X$ = H$: GOSUB 1000: GOTO 300
290 PRINT@788, "ILLEGAL MOVE, TRY AGAIN";:
     FOR I = 1 TO 999: NEXT I
300 PRINT@788, Z$;: PRINT@788, "WHICH DIRECTION FOR
310 IF INKEY$ = "" THEN 310 ELSE R = PEEK(16444)
320 R = INT(R/8): J = H + A(R)
330 IF B(J) = 99 THEN 290 ELSE PRINT@788, Z$;
360 I = H: B(I) = 0: X\$ = "-": GOSUB 1000: SH = SH + B(J)
370 H = J: B(H) = 99: I = H: X$ = H$: GOSUB 1000
380 PRINT@321, SH;: IF SH > 99 THEN 930
510 DT = DM
520 L = 1: SC = 0: S = -1
530 V(0) = -99: V(1) = -99: M(0) = T: M(1) = H
540 L = L + 1: Q(L) = 0: S = -S: V(L) = V(L - 2)
580 Q(L) = Q(L) + 1: IF Q(L) > 4 THEN 760
590 J = M(L - 2) + D(Q(L))
600 IF B(J) = 99 THEN 580 ELSE M(L) = J: E(L) = B(J)
610 B(J) = 99: B(M(L - 2)) = 0: SC = SC + S * E(L)
620 PRINT@179 + 64 * L, J; SC; V(L); " ";: IF L < DT THEN
670 \text{ V(L} + 1) = -\text{S} \cdot \text{SC}
680 B(M(L)) = E(L): B(M(L - 2)) = 99: SC = SC - S * E(L)
700 IF V(L) < -V(L + 1) THEN V(L) = -V(L + 1) ELSE 580
740 IF L = 2 THEN BM = M(L): PRINT@180, BM; V(2);
750 IF V(L) < -V(L-1) THEN 580
760 L = L - 1: S = -S: PRINT@243 + 64 * L, Y$;: IF L > 1
    THEN 680
800 I = T: B(I) = 0: X$ = "-": GOSUB 1000: PRINT@179, Y$;
810 T = BM: ST = ST + B(T): B(T) = 99: I = T: X$ = T$
820 GOSUB 1000: PRINT@513, ST;: IF ST < 100 THEN 300
910 PRINT@915, "THANK YOU FOR A PLEASANT GAME";
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930 PRINT@917, "CONGRATULATIONS, YOU WIN";:

1000 R = INT (I/10): C = I - 10 * R: K = 141 + (8 - R) * 64 +

poses, the job is accomplished by a single statement:

750 IF
$$V(L) < -V(L-1)$$
 THEN 580

If the condition specified in line 750 is satisfied, then a cutoff is not called for, and the process branches to line 580, where the next move option is considered at this level. If the condition in line 750 is not satisfied, the process continues to line 760, which instructs the machine to back up one level in the tree:

760 L = L
$$- 1$$
: S = $- S$: PRINT@243 + 64 * L, Y\$:: IF L > 1 THEN 680

The backup procedure includes decreasing the value of L by 1, changing the index that indicates which player has the move, erasing the move information printed on the right side of the video display, and branching to line 680 to execute the downdate instructions for the new value of L. If the value of L decreases to 1, all options at the base of the tree have been examined and the search is completed. In this case, the machine drops to line 800 and makes the move which has been stored by variable BM.

It is important to note that the jump to line 680 for downdating is followed by execution of the minimax test (line 700) for a new best move at the new value of L; sometimes the program proceeds again to line 750, where another cutoff may occur. Note, also, that line 760 can be entered from two different locations. In addition to dropping through from line 750, the machine can be directed to line 760 from line 580 as a result of exhausting all possible move options at a given level. The α - β test at line 750 provides a means for terminating the search at a node before all of the options have been analyzed.

The version of Treasure Search just completed is given in listing 1.

Traditional Techniques

This completes the α - β minimax module. You may be surprised that this algorithm can be presented in only a few lines of BASIC. The simplicity of the presentation is possible because we used the negamax procedure and because Treasure Search is a simple game. It is very straightforward in terms of move generation (line 590), move evaluation (line 600), and the ease of updating (line 610) and downdating (line 680) the internal representation of the playing field. This simplicity also means that the algorithm will execute fairly rapidly, and thus a search of nontrivial depth can be completed in a reasonable amount of time.

The algorithm that I have presented for the α - β minimax procedure is quite different from the one that appears in most textbooks. Traditionally, the algorithm generates all of the moves at each node and then orders them using a plausibility routine before proceeding to the next deeper level of the tree. This approach is based or

Listing 2: To implement the killer heuristic, these lines are to be added to listing 1, replacing line 590 of listing 1 and inserting lines 550, 560, and 710.

```
550 J = Z(L): I = 0

560 I = I + 1: IF J = M(L - 2) + D(I) THEN 600 ELSE IF I < 4

THEN 560

590 J = M(L - 2) + D(Q(L)): IF J = Z(L) THEN 580

710 IF L > 2 THEN Z(L) = M(L)
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1010 PRINT@K, X\$:: RETURN

920 GOTO 920

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the well-known finding that the efficiency of the α - β method is increased greatly when the strongest moves for each player are examined first at each level of the tree. The disadvantage of generating, ordering, and storing all of the moves at each level is that most of them will never be examined if an α - β cutoff occurs. If a cutoff can be produced by some other means, a great deal of time and memory can be saved by ignoring most of the moves at each node and omitting the ordering process.

The obvious question is, of course, how can we have our cake and eat it too? The competition among chess programmers over the last decade has led to some useful discoveries that are relevant to this problem. We will consider two of these discoveries that are especially effective in increasing the efficiency of the α - β minimax procedure. The first is the *killer heuristic* and the second is the *iterative search*.

The Killer Heuristic

The killer heuristic is a simple, yet powerful, idea that greatly improves move ordering. Instead of trying to order moves on the basis of a special plausibility analysis, the killer procedure simply remembers moves that were effective in the past. That is, information generated as a byproduct of the regular tree search is remembered; and it is applied later on in the search when a similar situation is encountered. In our implementation, we will remember the move that was judged most recently to be the best by the minimax rule at each level of the tree; each time we visit a new node in the tree, this move will be tried first.

To implement this idea, a few additions and modifications are necessary (see listing 2). When the tree search moves to a higher level, the first move examined should be the killer for that level (lines 550 and 560 of listing 2).

First, the appropriate move is read from the Z array, then a check is made to make sure the move is legal. If the killer does not produce an immediate cutoff, the search process will revert back to the normal procedure of examining each of the possible options. This process is controlled at lines 580 and 590.

We need to modify line 590 of listing 1 to make sure that a move is not examined twice (first as the killer and then as a regular option).

The final step in implementing the killer heuristic is to provide a means for remembering the move which is currently most effective in terms of the minimax strategy at each level of the look-ahead tree. This is accomplished by recording the current move each time the search process finds that it is the best one so far; this is done at line 700 of listing 1.

If the process is at the base of the tree (L=2), then the move need not be recorded since the killer strategy does not apply at this level. It is too late to define a move that should be searched first at the base of the tree. By not altering the killer at L=2, we make sure that the move examined initially will be searched only once even if it turns out not to be the one eventually chosen.

The killer heuristic is a very powerful addition to the α - β minimax algorithm. It requires only a small change in the algorithm, involves a negligible amount of time in terms of code execution, and often results in a decrease of 50% or more in the number of nodes actually visited in the search tree. At the deeper levels of the tree, it accomplishes essentially the same function as plausibility

ordering, but does it much more efficiently.

The killer heuristic does not provide a means for ordering the moves when the machine is constructing the initial "limb" of the look-ahead tree. Because the search is a depth-first search, the process begins by selecting a sequence of moves that starts at the base node and goes to the maximum depth. The α - β cutoffs are most effective if this initial limb contains the strongest moves at each node for each player. This first stage of the search can be very time-consuming if the moves that are initially examined are eventually discarded for better ones. Because the killer heuristic employs strong moves only after they have been discovered by the regular search process, it is not helpful in structuring the initial "limb" of the lookahead process.

The Iterative Technique

A different technique has proven its effectiveness for this purpose. This procedure is the iterative tree search. Its effectiveness for increasing the efficiency of the α - β minimax procedure was discovered serendipitously. At Northwestern University, for example, the Slate-Atkin chess-programming team was concerned about time control in move selection. Occasionally, in a complex position, their chess program would conduct its regular lookahead search and would not complete the task in the amount of time anticipated. In several instances, the search would require four to five times as long as anticipated. This was a serious problem because chess tournaments are conducted under strict time allowances. If a program takes too much time for move selection during the early stages of the game, very little time will be available when it is needed during the latter part of the contest.

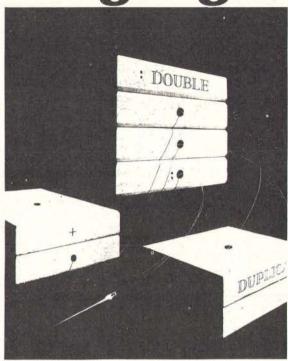
To cope with this problem, Slate and Atkin implemented an iterative procedure whereby the search is conducted in stages. At first, a complete two-ply search is conducted, then a three-ply search, then a four-ply search, etc, until a search of the desired depth is reached. The advantage of this procedure for time control is that a search can be aborted at any time and the machine can fall back upon the move selected by the immediately preceding search of one less ply in depth. It is possible to use information gained in the early, shallow searches to help structure (ie: order) the deeper searches.

Interestingly enough, Slate and Atkin discovered that this ordering information caused an increase in the efficiency of the deeper searches which more than made up for the time spent conducting the shallow searches. They also found that the beneficial effect of the iterations increases as the depth of search increases.

The iterative search is much easier to implement than you might think. The key idea for enhancing the efficiency of the α - β search is that the best sequence of moves (as judged by the minimax strategy) from a shallow search can be used to order the initial moves in the deeper search which follows. It is necessary to develop and record the principal variation for each of the searches.

This means that, instead of remembering just the best move at the base of the tree, the machine needs to record the best moves for each side at every level of the tree. Thus, it predicts the initial move, the best reply, the best counter-reply, etc. This principal variation is then used for selecting the initial limb for the next deeper search in A New Britting

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Listing 3: Additions to listing 1 to implement an iterative tree search algorithm. These lines are to be added to the combination of listings 1 and 2.

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500 FOR I = 4 TO DM: Z(I - 2) = PV(2,I): NEXT I
510 IF PV(2,3) = H THEN DT = DM ELSE DT = 2
720 I = L: PV(L,I) = M(L): IF L = DT THEN 740
730 I = I + 1: PV(L,I) = PV(L + 1,I): IF I < DT THEN 730
780 IF DT = DM THEN 800
790 FOR I = 2 TO DT: Z(I) = PV(2,I): NEXT I: DT = DT + 2:
    GOTO 520
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the iteration. In our present algorithm, we employ this strategy by placing the principal variation from the previous search in the killer array at the start of each iteration.

The first requirement is the development and storage of the principal variation. This is fairly difficult to explain but not very difficult to implement (see lines 720 and 730 of listing 3). Once we have a principal variation, we then modify the initial preparation for the look-ahead search (see lines 500 and 510 of listing 3).

This accomplishes two important things. At line 500, the killer array receives the moves for each side that were ascertained to be best on the move calculation from the previous turn (not the previous iteration of this turn, but rather the last time the machine made a move). The index I-2 is used because the first two moves anticipated by that variation (one for the machine and one for the opponent) have already been played.

Line 510 checks to see if the opponent actually made the anticipated move. If so, an iterative search is unnecessary since the principal variation from the previous move calculation provides the same ordering information as would be obtained by the iterations. The search depth, DT, is therefore set to the maximum depth, DM. If the opponent does not make the anticipated move, an iterative search is required and therefore the search depth, DT, is set at the minimum value. Note that DT = 2 calls for a one-ply search.

When a search has been completed, it is necessary to determine if the maximum depth has been reached or whether another iteration is required. If the latter case holds true, the principal variation from the most recent iteration is stored in the killer array and the search depth is increased. In our present implementation, each iteration is two plies deeper than its predecessor. Lines 780 and 790 of listing 3 accomplish this task.

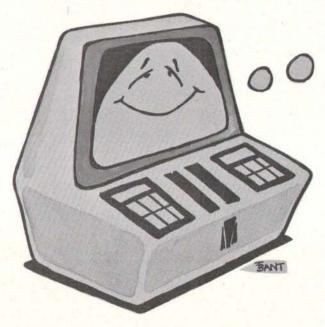
Analysis of Modifications

With these additions, the program will select a move in the Treasure Search game by using an iterative α - β minimax procedure enhanced by the killer heuristic. To demonstrate the power of this modified algorithm, I have made some sample runs which count the number of nodes visited in the look-ahead tree in an actual game with and without the various modifications. These results are very informative.

The program was examined in four variations: minimax, α - β minimax, α - β minimax with the killer heuristic, and iterative α - β minimax with the killer heuristic. The version involving the minimax strategy without α - β is produced simply by replacing line 750 with:

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To insure comparability of our results, an initial game configuration (digit assignment) was constructed and placed in an array such that each game started with the playing field depicted in table 1. In addition, the same series of moves was made by the human opponent in each game. Each version of the program calculated a move for the machine's first four times to play. In each case, the search depth was set for a seven-ply search. The number of nodes in each of the look-ahead trees is presented in table 2. The node count for the iterative search is the sum across all iterations.

An analysis of these results demonstrates the powerful effect of the α - β procedure. By using the IF statement at line 750 in the α - β versions, the search effort is reduced dramatically. In our example with a seven-ply search and with four options at each node, the α - β modification reduces the node count by a factor of about 10. Since there is an approximate linear relationship between the number of nodes in the tree and computation time, the α - β procedure selects a move in one-tenth the time of the full minimax search. Since the two procedures always select the same move, this enhancement in speed comes at essentially no extra cost.

The results in table 2 indicate that the killer heuristic is also a powerful addition to the α - β algorithm. In our example, the node count was reduced by 30% to 50% by simply remembering moves that had proved themselves effective at an earlier stage in the search.

This modification also provides substantial benefits at minimal extra cost in terms of processing time and memory requirement. The empirical analysis presented in table 2 also demonstrates the beneficial effects of the iterative procedure. The number of nodes generated in the calculation for the first move was reduced by almost 25% despite the fact that searches of one ply, three plies, and five plies were conducted prior to the seven-ply search.

In the calculations for moves 2, 3, and 4, the prior principal variation correctly predicted the human's move so that the machine dispensed with the iterations because it already had the ordering information they would have produced. The results presented in table 2 clearly indicate that the iterative procedure enhances the efficiency of the search process.

Improvements

A comparison of the full minimax procedure as it was employed in the early 1950s with the modern, enhanced α - β procedure indicates a truly dramatic increase in search efficiency. The full minimax procedure averaged approximately 17,000 nodes for the first four move calculations. The modern algorithm as presented in this article averaged approximately 600 nodes for these same four calculations. This difference is large enough to convert an impractical but elegant idea into a powerful programming tool. I should also point out that the effectiveness of these procedures would be even more notable if we had examined a game like chess with more than thirty options at each node instead of a simple game with only four options at each node.

There is an additional way to increase the efficiency of the α - β search. In the present program, the evaluations of the terminal positions are based on a cumulative process in which the treasures collected at each node in the tree

Nun	nber of	Nod	es in
the	Look-a	head	Tree

	First Move	Second Move	Third Move	Fourth Move
Minimax	13157	18456	20029	17609
α-β Minimax	1965	1650	1641	1794
α-β Minimax with Killer Heuristic	969	1023	926	830
Iterative α-β Minimax with Killer Heuristic	753	571	675	363

Table 2: An empirical analysis of the minimax algorithm and enhancements as applied to the Treasure Search game. Each version of the program conducted a seven-ply look-ahead search.

are added or subtracted to a running total. As the search process nears the maximum depth of the tree, it is possible to set boundary conditions (ie: a window) that determine whether the final value can influence the selection process.

In many cases, the nonterminal score will be sufficiently deviant that the search can be terminated prematurely without any change in the ultimate decision process. This enhancement can significantly reduce the time required to complete the search.

Strategic Weakness

This program for Treasure Search will play a fairly intelligent game. As presented here, however, it has a major weakness. When the game reaches its final stages, the machine continues to search for a pathway which gives it the greatest amount of treasure in the long run. This is not an optimal strategy because the game is won or lost at this stage by short-range planning. The first player to reach 100 wins. The machine with its present strategy may pass up a large treasure which would provide an immediate win in favor of a smaller one which ultimately leads to a rich lode. This could throw away an easy win.

Serious players may wish to introduce a special set of instructions for the endgame to correct for this weakness. The machine's game can also be strengthened by converting the program to assembly language. The deeper the look-ahead search, the greater the apparent intelligence of the machine. Conversion to assembly language will permit the program to search six plies deeper without increasing move-selecting time.

This article should provide useful information to anyone who wishes to write a game program which employs the α - β minimax procedure.

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Obviously, I need a doorway sensor that will detect a person passing through, and also detect the direction he is going. Would you suggest ultrasonic sensors, or would infrared optical sensors be more practical? Could you provide some circuit ideas to help me along? Iim Porter

I am always glad to hear

from someone who takes computer control seriously. Having a computer and automating your apartment makes being "gadget happy" sound almost respectable. In any case, I am familiar with your problem, and I'll try to offer a few circuits that might help.

When I first got involved with security systems. I did a lot of investigation on motion detectors, ultrasonics, and infrared systems. Very few companies offer automatic systems that count people and control lights in rooms. This should give you some indication of what you are getting yourself into.

Two possible methods that come to mind are detecting the motion of people within a room or counting them as they enter

and exit.

Motion detectors usually incorporate one of three techniques: infrared, ultrasonic, and microwave. The infrared types are the cheapest. They rely upon changes in ambient light, Text continued on page 270

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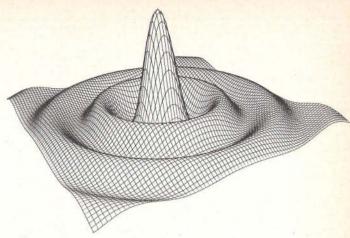
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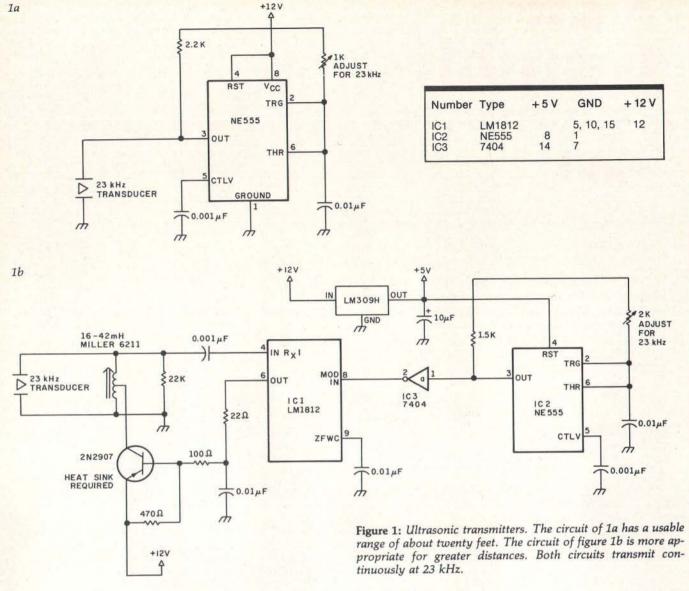


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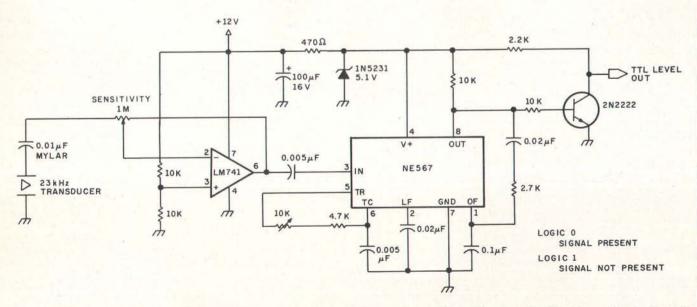


Figure 2: Ultrasonic receiver. This simple receiver has TTL-compatible outputs, and it will work with either transmitter in figure 1.



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Graw Hill 1124 Text continued from page 266: and the latest designs incorporate an active photosensitive integrated circuit. In fact, Delco Electronics (7 Oakland St, POB 2, Amesbury MA 01913) was offering an under-\$30 kit a while back. In your application, with lights flashing on and off this may not be a reliable approach.

There are many ultrasonic systems on the market, and they range in price from \$50 to \$100. My only criticism of them is that they are prone to false alarms and you may find that the harmonics interfere with the BSR system. If you'd like to try placing one across a doorway or diagonally across a room, you could try the circuits shown in figures 1 and 2. These units operate at 23 kHz. Depending upon the sensitivity setting, they will detect most anything passing through the beam. For small rooms, you won't need much

power, so the circuit of figure 1a should suffice. If you need a range of greater than twenty feet, use the higher-power version shown in figure 1b. The receiver for either circuit is shown in figure 2. By the way, the output is TTL (transistortransistor logic)-compatible. Normally the signal will be a logic 0 (ie: nothing interrupting the beam between the transmitter and receiver); the signal will go to a logic 1 only when someone walks into the room

The most effective system for detecting motion uses microwave radiation—similar to police radar and operating on the same X-band frequency. In my experience, these are the best by far. They are relatively false-alarm free and very sensitive. I have them installed throughout my home, and I have found their reliability to be exceptional. Unfortunately, they

are expensive (in the range of \$150 to \$400 for domestic installations). A good unit is the Midex 55 made by Solfan (665 Clyde Ave, Mountain View CA 94043). Solfan's more expensive units have contact-closure outputs which would work well in your application.

The final solution to your problem might be to build a people counter. The circuit in figure 3 (sent to me by William Curlew) might be exactly what you need. It consists of two photodetectors (and two separate light sources) mounted in the doorjamb. Normally the light beam is uninterrupted and the output of the photodetectors is low. As long as there is light on both sensors, the output of IC2b is low. As someone starts through the doorway, one of the sensors goes high, clocking the IK flip-flop into one of two direction states. When the person fully enters the doorway, blocking both

the sensors, a trigger pulse is generated and sent to gates 2c and 2d. Depending upon the state of the flip-flop, the clock pulse will be directed to either the count-up or count-down line of the 4-bit up/down counter, IC5. The counter will increment as people walk into the room and decrement they walk out. A manual reset is provided to start things out correctly. When the 4 outputs are tied to a parallel input port, your computer can read it as often as necessary to determine how many people are left in the room. Since the counting is done in hardware, timing is not critical. It will accommodate only fifteen people in its present form, so don't have too many guests at your parties. Finally, for absolute certainty, you may want to use it with the ultrasonic circuits previously discussed. Steve

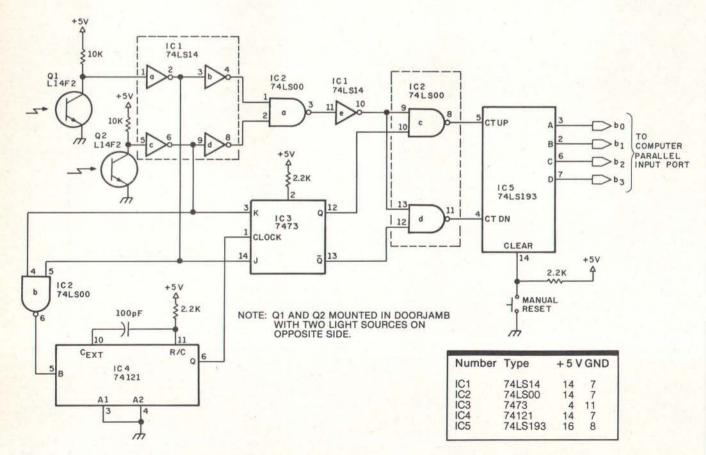


Figure 3: This circuit is capable of optically detecting the passage of people through a doorway and maintaining a count of people in a room. The photo-transistors sense motion through the doorway and cause the count stored in IC5 (a 4-bit binary counter) to either be incremented or decremented, depending upon the direction of passage.

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Remote Control in Europe

Dear Steve.

Please tell me if the X-10 remote-control system by BSR could be operated on 220 V 50 Hz in Europe, I see from the schematic diagrams and various pictures it is designed to work on 110 V 60 Hz. Do they have a 220 V system? If not, is there any way I could adapt the system to work on a 220 V system.

Please tell me where I can buy the set (ie: common console, cordless controller, appliance module, lamp module, in-wall switch module) using an American Express card; maybe from Sears as you said in your article. If so, please let me know the address of Sears; for that matter, any reliable dealer who accepts American Express. I'll be grateful for the two answers. Next time you are in Europe drop in and see us. We have a wood stove too, and I hope to connect it to the

central heating system. Rangith Amitirigala Brugg, Switzerland

Up to this point the X-10 system has been available only in the American version (115 VAC 60 Hz). The custom LSI (large-scale integration) device used in the American units, surprisingly enough, can work on either 50 or 60 Hz. The polarity set on pin 13 of the command-console integrated circuit selects either of the two operating frequencies. These consoles cannot. however, be easily converted from 115 V to 220 V operation without considerable component changes.

A call to BSR (USA) Ltd in New Jersey produced some fruitful answers to your question. Even though BSR is working on a European version of the X-10, another company has just announced availability of a 220 V 50 Hz unit. I suggest that you contact this firm for price and delivery. The

source is: Busch-Jaeger Elektro GmbH, 5880 Ludenscheid, Freisenberg, Post Fach 1280, West Germany (BRD).

As for Sears Roebuck and Company, it is my understanding that the firm accepts only its own credit card. Rather than worry about which stores will accept your credit card, you may find it easier to go your local bank (in Switzerland) and arrange for a letter of credit or bank draft when ordering from an American company. Steve

Operational Amplifiers

I have been using the AD284J isolation operational-amplifier system that you described in "Mind Over Matter" (June 1979 BYTE, page 49) as an EKG (electrocardiogram) monitor, in conjunction with a surplus chart recorder. Can you recommend some books that will

help me to learn more about operational amplifiers? Matsutoshi Uchivma Tokyo, Japan

I am glad you are gaining experience with the circuit. As far as expanding your mind a little, I suggest the following books:

- Operational Amplifiers -Design and Applications, Jerald G Graeme, Gene E Tobey, and Lawrence P Huelsman. McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY
- Applications of Operational Amplifiers-Third Generation Techniques, Ierald G Graeme, McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York NY 1973.
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Beyond "Cyclops"

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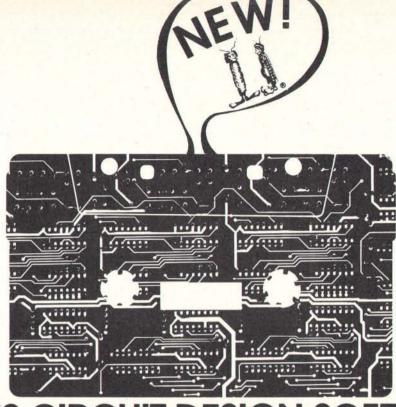
I consider your series of articles the best collection of homebrew-type construction ideas and projects available to the personal-computer experimenter. Your article "Self-Refreshing LED Graphics Display" (October 1979 BYTE, page 58) has prompted me to write you.

I'd like to propose a project to you. I understand that a construction project called "Cyclops" appeared in Popular Electronics that actually used a dynamicmemory integrated circuit to act as a "pseudo-image sensor." Can this unique idea be extended to larger-area memory devices? The 4 K-byte circuit would make a nice 64-by-64 element array.

Jesse Newton

Thanks for the pat on the back. Sometimes late at night I need it.

I remember that article



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well, and I have wanted to try exactly what you suggest. I've waited because I want fairly high resolution. Perhaps with the new 32 K and 64 K bit devices I will try it. Give me a little time.

The real problem I have is that there are so many good article ideas. I still want to put a computer in a car, do something with solar heat, remote control, and robotics. As long as you haven't been dissatisfied with everything so far, I trust that I'll find something interesting in the meantime. Steve

Across-the-Sea File

Dear Steve,

I read with great interest your article "Computerize a Home" (January 1980 BYTE, page 28), and I am interested in the BSR X-10 system.

I contacted the Commercial Section of the US Embassy here and also my employer's purchasing agent in New York, but neither could find me the address of

the BSR Company, I would appreciate it if you could tell me the manufacturer's address.

Thank you. Z Lapidot Rehovot, Israel

The address for BSR is: BSR (USA) Ltd. Rt 303. Blauvelt NY 10913, telephone: (914) 358-6060. There are many stocking distributors for its products including: The Software Exchange, 6 South St, Milford NH 03055.

BSR is an English company, and there may be outlets closer to you than those listed here.

Steve

Point-to-Point

Dear Steve,

My compliments for a fine set of articles over the years. Only recently have I had the time to try some of the projects you write about. I am planning to build the DVM (digital voltmeter) from your article in the January 1978 BYTE ("Add More Zing to

the Cocktail," page 37).

I have contacted the printed-circuit board manufacturer that you mentioned in your article, but it no longer has boards available for that particular project. I do have all the components, and would like to avoid the tedium of hand-wiring the project. Do you have any boards available for a reasonable

I plan to use this circuit as part of a solar-energycollector measurement system (among other things). I'm also trying to work out a method to manage energy consumption around the house. Frank J Pakulski

A lot of people have built and are using the DVM interface you mention. (Please note a typographical error in table I of that article. On IC1 pin 24 is +5 V, pin 13 is ground, and pin 12 is -5V.) I'm sorry that the company that once sold the components no longer supplies them. I have noticed

that companies such as Jameco sell the MC14433 DVM chip, but not the printed-circuit board.

Recently, I have been arranging for boards and kits on some of my articles. This time the sources are more closely regulated and the boards and parts will be available far into the future. Steve

In-Depth Information Center

Dear Steve.

I would like you to recommend some texts that would introduce me to computer hardware, from basic switching theory through the actual architecture of a computer. I'm tired of superficial prose intended for the general consumer. I need some more in-depth information that is found only in engineering texts. You know, something that presents the computer from the electronics engineer's point of view in a well-structured manner. What do you suggest? As a postscript, I would also like to learn about Pascal. Daniel R Shook

You ask an extremely difficult question. I have talked to other computer enthusiasts and it seems that (given the wide variety of texts and computer books being published) no two can agree on what is best. I have felt that there is a void in this area, and, as a matter of fact, I have just written a book on building a Z80 computer system from scratch. It's above the introductory level, but not just for engineers—similar to my articles. It should be published in early 1981.

In the meantime, I suggest you join the McGraw-Hill Electronic & Control Engineers book club. Many of its monthly selections are introductory texts written for engineers.

A good book on Pascal is Pascal User Manual and Report—Second Edition, by Jensen and Wirth from Springer-Verlag. Steve

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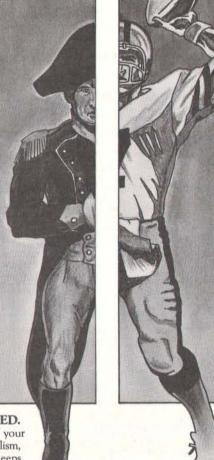
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LSUB CLIP, 5, Do., D4

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subroutine name, length, and the subroutine instructions. Thus, our load-subroutine primitive can be represented as:

LSUB N,L,Do..D,-1

where:

N = subroutine name or number

L = subroutine length

 $D_i = subroutine instructions$

For example, the primitive:

loads a subroutine named CLIP with the given five instructions.

In order to maintain a sense of symmetry with these primitives, we need to include a primitive to read back a given subroutine. Although this feature does not affect the displayed image, it does aid the host in debugging and keeping track of the current status of the display. Thus, we require a read-subroutine primitive, which can be represented

RSUB N

where:

N = subroutine name or number

For example, the primitive:

RSUB CLIP

reads the instructions of the subroutine CLIP and presents the data to the host.

We have also assumed the existence of a programmable symbol generator. In order to support this feature, there is the need for some method of loading the generator. We either need to load an entirely new font definition in the symbol generator or alter only certain symbols: thus we must provide the option of loading the entire set or only one element. We can define each symbol by providing data which represents either the vectors that make up the symbol or by defining a bit pattern that forms the image of the symbol. In either case, our load-symbol primitive can be represented as:

LSYM M,(A,)Do.,D.

where:

M = mode (All symbols or a Single symbol)

A = symbol code (optional: for single symbol only)

D_i = data mask defining the symbol

For example, the primitive:

LSYM S,80, Do...

loads the symbol numbered 80 with

the given data mask. Symmetrically, we must include a primitive to read back the data describing a single or all symbols. This feature is necessary to be able to produce hard copies of the displayed image. The host must know, if an image is to be plotted, how the current font is defined. We use the same justification as above to support the option of reading all or only selected symbols. Mnemonically, our readsymbol primitive can be represented

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A = symbol code (optional: for single symbol only)

For example, the primitive:

RSYM A

reads back the entire font definition to the host.

In order to fully support a requirement for hard copy, two final primitives have to be provided. First, since we have assumed the existence of a color-look-up table, we must have some manner of reading back the values of the table to the host. Otherwise, the host would have to keep track of the current color definitions. This primitive thus reduces the host's bookkeeping and allows information on the actual displayed colors to be read back. For the same reasons as we described for the load-colormemory primitive, we must support the same options of reading back either the entire table, one entire parameter, or all parameters for one color code. Mnemonically, we can represent our read-color-memory primitive as:

RCRAM R,M(,A)

where:

R = reference (Intensity, Hue, or Saturation color memory, or All) M = mode (Single address or All addresses)

A = address (optional: for single address only)

For example, the primitive:

RCRAM I.A

reads back the contents of the entire intensity color memory.

Finally, we must be able to read back values of the pixel data itself. This feature is necessary not only for the support of hard copy, but allows the host to interrogate the display to read back the values of pixels at specified points in the image. We use the same justification as for the load-pixel primitive to support the various options of reference (full-frame, viewport, or X,Y). Mnemonically,

our read-pixel primitive can be represented as:

RPIX R

where:

R = reference (Full-frame, Viewport, or X, Y)

For example, the primitive:

RPIX F

reads back the contents of the entire display-frame buffer.

This completes our set of graphics

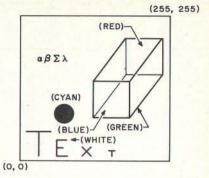


Figure 5: A sample of the images produced by Micrograph using the primitives of listing 1.

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Listing 1: This arrangement of primitives developed for Micrograph was used to produce the images in figure 5.

MOV	20,10 (T)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 20, 30
MOV	5.30 (T)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 25,30
MOV	30,10 (E)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 30, 20
MOV	30.10 (E)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 40, 10
MOV	30,15 (E)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 40, 15
MOV	30.20 (E)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 40, 20
MOV	50,10 (X)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 60, 20
MOV	50,20 (X)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 60, 10
MOV	70,10 (T)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 70, 15
MOV	65,15 (T)
VEC	SHORT, REL, WHITE, 75, 15
LREG	VPORT, 30, 45, 40, 60 (rectangle
1004150	around circle)
LPIX	VPORT, CYANo CYAN 149
LREG	VPORT,120,60,200,120 (part of
Process A.	cube)
LPIX	VPORT,BLUE
LREG	VPORT,170,170,250,230 (part of
	cube)
LPIX	VPORT,RED
MOV	120,60
VEC	SHORT, REL, GREEN, 170, 170 (part
	of cube)
MOV	200,120
VEC	SHORT, REL, GREEN, 250, 230 (part
	of cube)
MOV	200,60
VEC	SHORT, REL, GREEN, 250, 230 (part
	of cube)

5 types of primitives, 37 instructions, 300 parameters

SHORT REL, GREEN, 170, 250 (part

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VEC

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    ; DEFINITIONS *********************************
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147
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                 40196
                                     :BOTTOM OF PRIVATE RAM
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    MSTACK: EQU
                  PBOTTM+63
                                     ; BOTTOM OF MICRO STACK
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                  -ESTRUCT
                                     RELOCATION CONSTANT
    SDR:
            EGII
                  RELOC+FODE
                                     GRAPHICS DISPLAY REG
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153
     GDRO:
                  RELOC+EBDRO
                                     :X
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154
    GDR1:
            FINI
                  RELOC+EGOR I
                                                                                             : MAIN IS THE DRIVER FOR MICROGRAPH. AFTER INITIALIZING
    GDR2:
155
            FRIII
                  RELOC+EBDR2
                                     :PRIMARY COLOR
                                                                                              SP. MAIN CALLS INTE. FETCH AND EXEC ARE CALLED IN
    GDR3:
                  RELOC+EGOR3
                                     *SECONDARY COLOR
                                                                                               TURN TO PROCESS THE GRAPHICS PRIMITIVES.
    GDRAS
            FOIL
                  RELOC+EGDR4
                                     FRAME COUNT
                                                                                        233
158
    GDR5:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EGORS
                                     : VECTOR MODE
                                                                                                             INIT
                                                                                        234
                                                                                             : CALLS
155
     GDR6+
             EUU
                  RELOC+EGDRA
                                     :VIEWPORT O LEFT X
                                     #VIEWPORT O LEFT
                                                                                        235
                                                                                                             FETCH
    GDR7:
             EOU
160
                  RELOC+EGOR?
                                                                                        234
                                                                                                             EXEC
    GRD8:
            EUU
                  RELOC+EGDR8
                                     : VIEWFORT O RIGHT X
161
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    GDR9:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EGOR9
                                     :UTEMPORT O RIGHT Y
1.62
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                  RELOC+EGDRIO
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163
    GDR10:
            FOU
                                     : VIEWPORT 1 LEFT X
                                                                                        239
    GDR11:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EGOR1!
                                     *VIEWPORT 1 LEFT Y
164
                                                                                                                     (STACK POINTER)
                                                                                        240
                                                                                             ; REGISTERS
                                                                                                             SP
                                     ; VIEWPORT 1 RIGHT X
165
    GDR12:
             ERU
                  RELOC+EGDR12
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    GDR13:
            EDU
                  RELOC+EGDR13
                                     :VIEWPORT 1 RIGHT Y
166
                                                                                        242
                                                                                             : 1/0
                                                                                                             NONE
167
     GDR14;
            FOIL
                  RELOC+EGUR14
                                     DISPLAY FORMAT
                                                                                        243
168
    GDR15:
            EOU
                  RELOC+EGORIS
                                     STATUS
    SLINK:
                                     IGRAPHICS SUB LINKAGE
                                                                                        244
                                                                                              : STRUCTURES
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169
            FRII
                  RELOC+ESLINK
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170
    1.00:
                  RELOC+ELOO
                                     *SUBROUTINE OO
                                                                                                                             :INITIALIZE SP
                                                                                                     LD SP.MSTACK
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171
    L01:
             FOU
                  RELOC+EL01
                                     ISUBROUTINE 01
                                                                                                     CALL INIT
                                                                                                                             FINITIALIZE THE SYSTEM
                                                                                        247
172
    L02:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EL02
                                     #SUBROUTINE 02
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                                                                                                                             FFETCH A PRIMITIVE
                                                                                                     CALL FETCH
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                                                                                             LOOP:
173
    L03:
             ERU
                  RELOC+ELD3
                                     SUBROUTINE 03
                                                                                                                             : EXECUTÉ A PRIMITIVE
                                                                     0097
                                                                                        240
                                                                                                     CALL EXEC
174
    1.04:
                  RELOC+ELO4
                                     #SUBROUTINE 04
                                                                                                                             : REPEAT INDEFINITELY
                                                                                                          LOOP
                                                                            TREE.
                                                                                        250
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    1.05:
             FOU
                  RELOC+EL05
                                     ISUBROUTINE 05
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176
     1.06:
             EOU
                  RELOC+FLOA
                                     : SUBROUTINE 06
                                                                                             252
     L07:
             EQU
                  RELOC+ELD7
                                     SUBROUTINE 07
                                                                                             :INTERRUPT SERVICE ROUTINES********************
179
    1.10:
             F () ( )
                  RELOC+ELIO
                                     SUBROUTINE 10
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    1.11:
                  RELOC+EL11
                                     ISUBROUTINE 11
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180
    L12:
                  RELOC+EL12
                                     #SUBROUTINE 12
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181
    L13:
             EDU
                  RELOC+EL13
                                     #SUBROUTINE 13
                                                                                        257
182
    1.14:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EL14
                                     #SUBROUTINE 14
                                                                                             ; XERR SERVICES AN ERROR CONDITION. XERR IS CALLED UPON
    1.15:
                  RELOC+EL15
                                     ASUBROUTINE 15
                                                                                         258
183
             EQU
                                                                                              : A TRAP TO THE NON MASKABLE INTERRUPT VECTOR.
    1.16:
             EQU
                  RELOC+EL16
                                     #SUBROUTINE 16
184
                                                                                             ; XERR ALLOWS A SYSTEM RESET, REGISTER DUMP, OR MEMORY
                  RELOC+EL17
                                     *SUBROUTINE 17
1.85
    1.17:
             EQU
                                                                                             ; DUMP VIA THE DIAGNOSTIC DIRECTIVES.
                  RELOC+ESLONG
186
     SLONG
             EQU
                                     : GRAPHICS SUB LENGTH
                                                                                        261
                                     SUBROUTINE DO
187
     500:
             ERU
                  RELOC+ESOD
                                                                                             ; CALLS
                                                                                                           - SENDBY
     801:
             EQU
                  RELOC+ESOI
                                     SUBROUTINE 01
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188
                                     ; SUBROUTINE 02
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189
     8023
             Egu
                  RELOC+ESO2
                                                                                                             NON MASKABLE INTERRUPT
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                                                                                               CALLED BY
                  RELOC+ESO3
                                     ; SUBROUTINE 03
1.90
     503:
                  RELOC+ESO4
                                     SUBROUTINE 04
     804;
             FOU
191
                                                                                               REGISTERS
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                                     #SUBROUTINE D5
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     905;
             FOU
                  RELOC+ESUS
                                     SUBROUTINE 06
                                                                                         268
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                  RELOC+ESO6
193
     806:
             FOU
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                  RELOC+ESU/
                                     ; SUBROUTINE D7
                                                                                         269
194
     507:
             EQU
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                                     SUBROUTINE 10
195
     810:
             ERU
                  RELOC+ES10
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                                     SUBROUTINE 11
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196
     511:
             EQU
                  RELOC+ES11
                                     SUBROUTINE 12
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
                  RELOC+ES12
             FOIL
197
     $121
                                     SUBROUTINE 13
                                                                                                                     (DUMP)
             EQU
                  RELOC+ES13
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198
     $13;
                                     SUBROUTINE 14
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                  RELOC+ES14
199
     $141
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     $15:
             FOU
                  RELOC+ESIS
                                     ISUBROUTINE 15
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201
     816;
                  RELOC+ES16
                                     SUBROUTINE 16
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                                     #SUBROUTINE 17
202
     $17:
             EQU
                  RELOC+ES17
                                     GRAPHICS SUB POINTER
                                                                                                             FORT 2 (STATUS)
     SPIRE
             EDU
                  RELOC+ESPTR
                                                                                        278
                                                                                              : 1/0
                                     GRAPHICS SUB OFFSET
                                                                                                             PORT 4
                                                                                                                     (INPUT)
                                                                                        279
                  RELOC+ESOFF
204
     SOFF
                                     GRAPHICS STACK POINTER
                  RELOC+EGEC
205
     GPC:
                                                                                             ; STRUCTURES
                                     CURRENT VIEWPORT REF
                                                                                                             GDR15
                                                                                                                     (STATUS)
                  RELOC+EREF
206
     REFI
             FOIL
                                     : VECTOR DRAWING TEMP
     MI
             EQU
                  RELOC+EM
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207
                                                                                                                              ; ENABLE INTERRUPTS
                                     ; VECTOR DRAWING TEMP
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                  RELOC+EMM
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208
     MM:
                                     FVECTOR DRAWING TEMP
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                  RELOC+EMN
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             EQU
     MN:
                                     : VECTOR DRAWING TEMP
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     SX:
             EQU
                  RELOC+ESX
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210
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                                     : VECTOR DRAWING TEMP
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                                                                                                     SET
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                  RELOC+ESY
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     SY:
             ERU
                                                                                                                              IGET THE STATUS
                                     ; VECTOR COLOR STORAGE
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                  RELOC+ECOLOR
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     COLOR:
             EQU
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FERROR SERVICE TEMP

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RELOC+LXERRT

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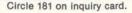
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DOAR	DDCBOF66

Listing	2 continued:					
00A9	0302	288		OUT	(2)+A	DISPLAY THE STATUS
DOAB	DDCB0F66	289	XERROI	B11	4.(IX+GDR15)	WAIT FOR DIRECTIVE
DOAF	28FA	290		JR	Z,XERRO	JUMP UNTIL RECEIVED
00B1	DB04	291		IN	A. (4)	IGET THE DATA
0083	DDCB0FA6	292		RES	4.(IX+GDR15)	RESET THE STATUS
0087	F5	293		FUSH	AF	ISAVE A AND F
0038	DD7EOF	294		LD	A,(IX+GDR15)	IGET THE STATUS
DOBB	0302	295		OUT	(2)+A	TOUTPUT THE STATUS
0080	F1	296		POP	AF	RESTORE A AND F
DOBE	CB7F	297		BIT	7 - A	TEST FOR RESET
0000	020000	298		'He	NZ,RESTART	RESTART IF SET
0003	CE27	259		BIT	6+A	:TEST FOR DIRECTIVE
DOC5	204F	300		.HR	NZ,XERR1	JUMP IF SET
0002	F1	301		FOF	AF	FRESTORE A AND F
0003	F5	302		PUSH		SAVE A COPY OF A AND F
0004	CD910A	303			SENDBY	SEND A
DOCC	78	304		1.0	A+B	FRET N
DUCU	CD910A	305			SENDBY	; SEND · B
0.000	79	308		LD	A,C	FGET C
DOD1	CD910A	307			SENDBY	FSEND C
0004	7A	300		0.0	A+D	FRET D
nep5	CD910A	309			BENDBY	ISEND D
8000	28	310		1.0	A-E	FORT E
0009	CD910A	311			SENDEY	SEND E
DODC	7C	312		FD	A.H	GET H
DODD	CD910A	313			SENDRY	ISEND H
0300	70	314		LD	ArL	FGET L
00E1	CD910A	315			SENDBY	; SEND L
00E4	DD22CA10	316		TD	(STRUCT+XERRT), IX	FGET IX
8300	DD7E4A	317		LD	A, (IX+XERRT)	GET LOW BYTE
DOEB	CD910A	318		LD	SENDRY	; SEND IT ; GET HIGH BYTE
OOEE	DD7E4B	319			A,(IX+XERRT+1)	
00F1	CD910A	320		LD	SENOBY	GEND IT
00F4	FD22CA10	321		LD	(STRUCT+XERRY), IY A, (IX+XERRY)	FGET LOW BYTE
OOFB	DD7E4A	323			SENDBY	ISEND IT
OOFE	CD910A DD7E4B	324		LD	A, (IX+XERRT+1)	GET HIGH BYTE
0101	CD910A	325			SENDBY	SEND IT
0104	09	326		EXX	SCHOOL	SAVE PRIMARY REGISTERS
0105	2E00	327		LD	L.0	CLEAR POINTER
0107	2600	328		LD	H, O	CLEAR POINTER
0109	39	329		ADD	HL,SP	GET THE STACK POINTER
010A	70	330		LD	ArL	GET THE LOW BYTE
010B	CD910A	331			SENDBY	SEND IT
010E	70	332		LD	ArH	GET THE HIGH BYTE
0105	CD910A	333			SENDBY	;SEND 11
0112	09	334		EXX	375-1376-5-1	RESTORE PRIMARY REGS
0113	F1	335		POP	AF	RESTORE A AND F
0114	1895	336		JR	XERRO	DO IT AGAIN
0116	F1	337	XERR1:	POP	ΛF	IPOP A AND T
0117	08	338	requirement.	EX	AF, AF	ISAVE A AND F
0118	DS.	339		EXX		SAVE PRIMARY REGISTERS
0119	DDCBOF66	340	XERR2:	BIT	4,(IX+GDR15)	TEST THE INPUT
0110	28FA	341		JR	Z.XERR2	JUMP IF NOT SET
011F	D804	342		IN	A, (4)	FRET THE DATA
0121	6F	343		LD	LiA	ISAVE THE LOW ADDRESS
0122	DDCBOFA6	344		RES	4.(IX+GDR15)	FRESET THE FLAG
0126	DD7EBF	345		LD	A.(IX+GDR15)	FRET THE STATUS
0129	0302	346		OUT	(2),A	SEND THE STATUS
012B	DDCB0F66	347	XERR3:	BIT	4+(IX+GDR15)	TEST THE INPUT
012F	28FA	343		JR	Z,XERR3	JUMP IF NOT SET
0131	DB04	349		IN	۸,(4)	GET THE DATA
0133	67	350		LD	H+A	; SAVE THE HIGH ADDRESS
0134	DDCBOFA6	351		RES	4.(IX+6DR15)	FRESET THE FLAG
0138	DD7EOF	352		LD	A,(IX+GDR15)	FRET THE STATUS
0136	0302	353		OUT	(2),A	SEND THE STATUS
0130	7E	354		LD	A. (HL)	GET THE MEMORY DATA
013E	CD910A	355		CALL	SENDRY	SEND THE DATA
0141	D9	356		EXX		FRESTORE PRIMARY REGS
0142	08	357		EX	AF.AF'	FRESTORE A AND F
0143	C3ABOO	358		115	XERRO	;DO IT AGAIN
		359	Ŧ			
		360		***	*********	W X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X
		361	F		The second responsible value of the second	e service see a service
		362	I ERAME	IS T	HE INTERRUPT SERVIC	E ROUTINE FOR A FRAME

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; COUNT INTERRUPT (FIRST PRIORITY, MASKABLE INTERRUPT).
                   363
                        ; FRAME FIRST SETS THE FRAME INTERRUPT FLAG, INCREMENTS
                        ; THE FRAME COUNT, CALLS NULL, THE FRAME SERVICE
                        : ROUTINE IN RAM, AND THEN RESETS THE FRAME INTERRUPT
                   3.6.6
                        ; FLAG. NOTE THAT THE OUTPUT TO THE DISPLAY PORT FORCES
                        A RESET OF THE INTERUPT FOR THE FRAME INTERRUPT,
                        ; SINCE THE INTERRUPT IS PRODUCED ON THIS PORT.
                   370
                   371
                        : CALLS
                                        NULL
                   372
                   373
                        ; CALLED BY
                                        FIRST PRIORITY MASKABLE INTERRUPT
                   374
                        ; REGISTERS
                                                 (TEMPORARY)
                   375
                                        A
                                                 (TEMPORARY)
                   376
                                                 (INDEX)
                                        IX
                   377
                   378
                                        PORT D (DISPLAY)
                   379
                        : 1/0
                                        PORT 2 (STATUS)
                   380
                   381
                                                 (FRAME COUNT)
                        ; STRUCTURES
                                        GDR4
                   382
                                                 (DISPLAY FORMAT)
                   383
                                        GDR14
                   384
                                        GDR15
                                                (STATUS)
                   385
                   386
                        FRAME: FUSH AF
                                                         ISAVE A AND F
0146
       15
                                                         FENABLE INTERRUPTS
0147
       FB
                   387
                                 EI
                                                         #SET FRAME INTERRUPT
                                     2, (IX+GDR15)
                                 SET
0148
       DDCBDFD&
                   388
                   389
                                 LD
                                     A. (IX+GDR15)
                                                         GET GOR15
       DD7EOF
014C
                                                         SUPPORTE THE STATUS
                   390
                                     (2) A
014F
       0302
                                     (IX+GDR4)
                                                         FINCREMENT FRAME COUNT
0151
       DD3404
                                 INC
                                 CALL STRUCT+NULL
                                                         CALL NULL IN RAM
0154
                                                         GET THE DISPLAY FORMAT
0157
       DD7EOE
                   393
                                 LD
                                     A, (IX+GDR14)
                   394
                                 OUT
                                     (O),A
                                                         :SEND IT
015A
       D300
                                                         RESET FRAME INTERRUPT
       DDCBOF96
                   395
                                 RES
                                     2, (IX+GDR15)
0150
                                     A, (1X+GDR15)
                                                         JEET THE STATUS
0160
       DD7EDF
                   396
                                 LD.
                                 OUT
                                     (2) . A
                                                         SUPPORTE THE STATUS
       0302
                   397
0163
                   398
                                 POP
                                                         FRESTORE A AND F
0165
       F1
                                                         RETURN FROM INTERRUPT
0166
       ED4D
                   399
                                 RETT
                   400
                        ; INPUT ****************************
                   402
                        INPUT IS THE INTERRUPT SERVICE ROUTINE FOR AN INPUT
                   403
                        ; INTERRUPT (SECOND PRIORITY, MASKABLE INTERRUPT).
                        ; INPUT SIMPLY SETS THE INPUT INTERRUPT FLAG IN GDR15.
                   406
                                        NONE
                   407
                        : CALLS
                   408
                                        SECOND PRIORITY MASKABLE INTERRUPT
                   409
                        7 CALLED BY
                   410
                                                 (TEMPORARY)
                   411
                        ; REGISTERS
                                                 (TEMPORARY)
                   412
                                                 (INDEX)
                   413
                                        IX
                   414
                                        PORT 2 (STATUS)
                   415
                        : 1/0
                   416
                   417
                        ; STRUCTURES
                                        GDR15
                                                (STATUS)
                   418
                                                         ISAVE A AND F
                        INPUT: FUSH AF
0160
       15
                   419
                                                         :ENABLE INTERRUPTS
                   420
                                 EI
01.69
       FB
                                                         SET INPUT INTERRUPT
                                     4. (IX+GDR15)
       DDCBOFE6
                   421
0166
                                     A. (IX+GDR15)
                                                         #GET GDR15
016E
       DD7EOF
                                 1 D
                                                         SUPPORTE THE STATUS
0171
       0302
                   423
                                 OUT (2),A
                                                         RESTORE A AND F
0173
       F1
                   424
                                 POP AF
                                 RETI
                                                         FRETURN FROM INTERRUPT
0174
       ED4D
                   426
                        ; OUTPUT *******************************
                   427
                   428
                          OUTPUT IS THE INTERRUPT SERVICE ROUTINE FOR AN OUTPUT
                    429
                          INTERRUPT (THIRD PRIORITY, MASKABLE INTERRUPT).
                   430
                          OUTPUT SIMPLY RESETS THE OUTPUT INTERRRUPT FLAG IN
                   431
                   432
                        ; GDR15.
                   433
                                        NONE
                   434
                        : CALLS
                   435
                                        THIRD PRIORITY MASKABLE INTERRUPT
                          CALLED BY
                   436
                   437
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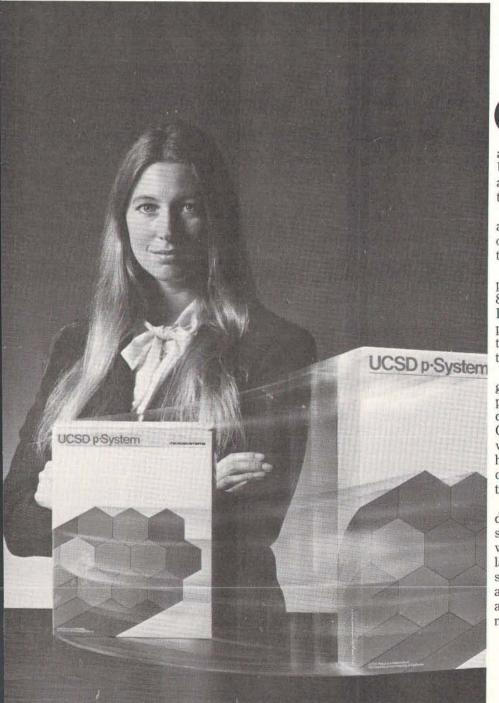
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0174 0177 0178 0170 0170 017F 0181 0182	F5 FB DDCEOF9E DD7EOF D302 F1 ED4D	446 OUTPUT: PUSH AF	01E0 01E2 01E4 01E6 01E7 01EA 01E0	3E00 ED47 ED5E FB DD7E0E D300 C9	522 523 524 525 526 527 528 529 530	LD A,O ;CLEAR A LD I,A ;SET UP INTERRUPT VECTOR IM 2 ;SET INTERRUPT MODE 2 EI ;ENABLE INTERRUPTS LD A,(IX+GDR14) ;SET D1SPLAY MASK OUT (0),A ;SET D1SPLAY MODE RET ;FETCH ************************************
		455 ;PROCESS DRIVERS************************************			531 532 533 534 535 536 537 538 539	FETCH OBTAINS PRIMITIVES AND DATA FROM THE INPUT STREAM (FROM THE HOST COMPUTER OR A GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE IN RAM). FETCH FIRST SETS THE FETCH STATUS. FIRST IS SET, FETCH GETS DATA FROM THE CURRENT SUBROUTINE POINTER. OTHERWISE, FETCH GETS DATA FROM PORT 4, THE HOST IMPUT. IN ANY CASE, THE PRIMITIVE OR DATA IS PUT IN REGISTER A. FETCH FINALLY CLEARS THE FETCH STATUS.
		464 ; 465 ; CALLS NONE 466 ;			540 541 542	; CALLS NONE
		467 ; CALLED BY MAIN 468 ; 469 ; REGISTERS A (TEMPORARY) 470 ; B (TEMPORARY) 471 ; C (TEMPORARY) 472 ; D (TEMPORARY) 473 ; E (TEMPORARY) 474 ; H (POINTER) 475 ; L (POINTER) 476 ; IX (INDEX) 477 ; IY (INDEX) 478 ; I (INTERRUPT VECTOR)			344 545 546 547 548 550 551 551 552 553 554	CALLED BY MAIN LCRAM LPIX LREG LSUB LSUB LSYM MOV RCRAM SYM SYM VEC WAIT BEIBK
0184 0186 0186 0188	D301 D303	480 : 1/0 ALL PORTS 481 : 482 : STRUCTURES ALL STRUCTURES 483 : 484 INIT: LD A.OUDUILIE ;LOAD MODE 2 MASK 485 OUT (1).A ;SET UP DISPLAY 486 OUT (3).A ;SET UP STATUS 487 OUT (7).A ;SET UP OUTPUT			557 558 559 560 561 562 563	REGISTERS REGI
018C 018E 0190 0192 0194 0176 0198	3E4F 0305 3E68 0301 3E6A 0305 3E6C 0307	488			565 566 567 568 569 570 571	FORT 2 (STATUS) FORT 4 (INPUT) STRUCTURES GDR15 (STATUS) SLINK (GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE LINKAGE) SPTR (GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE POINTER) GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE OFFSET)
019C 019E 01AD 01A2 01A4 01A6 01AC 01AC 01B4 01B4 01BB 01BB 01BC 01BC	0303 3E87 0301 0305 0307 3E80 0302 00218010 00360000 218010 118110 014000 EDB0 210400 118010	496 497 OUT (3),A ;SET STATUS 498 LD A.10000111B ;NABLE INTERRUPTS 499 OUT (1),A ;SET DISPLAY 500 OUT (5),A ;SET INPUT 501 OUT (7),A ;SET OUTPUT 502 LD A.10000000B ;SET STATUS 503 OUT (2),A ;SET STATUS 504 LD IX,STRUCT ;SET UP IX 505 LD (IX+0),0 ;CLEAR FIRST WORD 506 LD HL.STRUCT ;POINT TO STRUCT 507 LD DE,STRUCT+1 ;SET UP COUNT 509 LDIR ;CLEAR PRIVATE RAM 510 LD H,ESTRUCT ;POINT TO STRUCT 511 LD DE,STRUCT ;POINT TO STRUCT 512 LD BC,ENULL-ESTRUCT+1 ;SET THE COUNT	01ED 01F1 01F4 01F6 01FA 01FC 0200 02002 0204 0205 0209 0208 0200 0200 020E	DDC80FF6 DD7E0F D302 DDC840SE 200F DDC80F66 28FA DBC8 F3 DDC80FA6 1825 D5 E5 FDE5 DDSE40	573 574 575 576 577 578 579 580 581 582 583 584	FETCH: SET 6.(IX+GDR15)

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023D F5 023E DDC80FEE 0242 DD7E0F 0245 D302	614 : PRIMITIVE. EXECUTE FIRST SETS THE EXECUTE FLAG, THEN 615 : CALLS PRIMAT, WHICH JUMPS TO THE PROPER PRIMITIVE. 616 : AFTER A RETURN FROM THE PRIMITIVE ITSELF, EXEC 617 : RESETS THE EXECUTE FLAG AND RETURNS. 618 : 619 : CALLS PRIMAT 620 : 621 : CALLED BY MAIN 622 : 623 : REGISTERS A (TEMPORARY) 624 : F (TEMPORARY) 625 : IX (INDEX) 626 : 627 : I/O PORT 2 (STATUS) 628 : 629 : STRUCTURES GDR15 (STATUS) 630 : 631 EXEC: PUSH AF SAVE A AND F 632	690 ; SLINK. OTHERWISE, CALLS PUSHES SPTR AND SOFF ON 691 ; GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE STACK, AND LOADS THE NEW VAI 692 ; FOR SPTR AND SOFF, FUTURE DATA FROM FETCH THEN 693 ; FROM THIS GRAPHICS SUBROUTINE UNTIL A RETN IS 694 ; EXECUTED. 695 ; 696 ; CALLS USER (INDIRECTLY, BY DEFAULT) 697 ; GUSER (INDIRECTLY, BY DEFAULT) 698 ; USER SUBCINDIRECTLY) 700 ; CALLED BY PRIMAT (INDIRECTLY) 701 ; 702 ; REGISTERS A (PRIMITIVE OP CODE) 703 ; E (TEMPORARY) 704 ; D (TEMPORARY) 705 ; E (TEMPORARY) 706 ; H (POINTER) 707 ; L (POINTER) 708 ; 710 ; I/O NONE	ALUES
0247 F1 0248 CD5502 0248 DDCB0FAE 024F DD7E0F 0252 D302 0254 C9	G35 POP AF GESTORE A AND F G36 CALL PRIMAT GCALL PRIMAT G37 RES 5.(IX+GDR15) GET THE STATUS G39 OUT (2).A GUPDATE THE STATUS G40 RET GREATH GREATH GREATH GATE G41 GRAPHES PRIMITIVES WARRAWARRAWARRAWARRAWARRAWARRAWARRAWAR	711	SET) KAGE; NTER) P CODE S SUB IB Y S INE RESS R FACK

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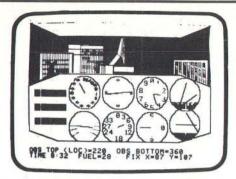


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0298 0290 0290 0200 0204 0207 0200	2 continued: E60F DD7740 DD36410U DD3442 DD3442 C9	739 740 741 742 743 744		AND LD LD INC INC RET	00001111B (IX+SPTR), (IX+SOFF), (IX+GPC)		0300 0302 0303 0305 0308 030A	CB27 6F 2600 CDED01 E60F 05	814 815 816 817 818 819	LE CA AN	H+0 LL FETCH ID 00001111B	;SHIFT OFFSET ;SAVE A IN L ;CLEAR POINTER ;GET OFFSET ;MASK ALL BUT OFFSET ;ADD OFFSET
			LORAM	***	*****	**********************	0300	6F 11001C	820 821	L.C.	DE,CRO	GET START ADDRESS
		748 749 750 751 752	; LCRAM ; A SIN ; SINGL ; A SIN ; OTHER	GLE O GLE A WISE.	R ALL COLOR OR RAM IS T DDRESS OF T ALL THREE	RAMS. LCRAM FIRST DETERMINES IF RAMS ARE TO BE LOADED. IF A O BE LOADED, THE ENTIRE RAM OR HAT RAM IS TO BE LOADED. COLOR RAMS ARE EITHER ENTIRELY DORESS IN ALL THREE IS LOADED.	030F 0310 0313	19 CD9A08 C9	822 823 824 825 826 827 828	:IX ***	LL GETBLK T	#ADD OFFSET #SET DATA **********************************
		754	; CALLS		FETCH GETBLK				829 830 831	; PIXEL AT ; LOADED I	XY, OR AN EN N EITHER THE	OAD EITHER FULL FRAME, ONE TIRE VIEWPORT. THE PIXELS ARE PRIMARY COLOR, THE SECONDARY
		758	CALLE	D BY	FRIMAT	(INDIRECTLY)			832 833	; LPIX FIR	ST CHECKS TO	D IN THE DATA WHICH FOLLOWS. SEE IF ONLY A SINGLE POINT IS
		760 761 762 763 764 765 766 767 768 769	REGIS		A B D E H L IY NONE	(PRIMITIVE OF CODE) (COUNTER) (TEMPORARY) (TEMPORARY) (POINTER) (POINTER) (INDEX)			835 836 837 838 839 840 841 842 843	; OTHERWIS ; LOAD REG ; REQUESTE ; SET, AND ; GRAPHICS ; X AND Y, ; THE ORIG ; A TIME. ; REFERENCE	E, LPIX SETS UESTED. NEXT, D. IF THE COL- THE APPROPRI- DISPLAY RESI AND PROCEDES IN OF THE DISI CULIP IS CALLE E TO SEE IF TI	OADS THE APPROPRIATE COLOR. A FLAG IF THERE IS A FULL FRAME LPIX DETERMINES WHAT COLOR IS OR DOES NOT FOLLOW, A FLAG IS ATE COLOR IS LOADED FROM THE GTERS. NEXT, LPIX CLEARS BOTH TO LOAD THE PIXELS FROM PLAY TO THE TOP, ONE LINE AT D IF THERE IS A VIEWPORT HAT POINT WILL ACTUALLY BE ETED WHEN X AND Y RECYCLE TO THE
		771 772 773	;		CR1 CR2	(COLOR RAM 1) (COLOR RAM 2)	1		846 847	CALLS	FETCH CASE	
02AB 02AD 02AF 02B3 02B5 02B8 02B6 02BC 02C0 02C2 02C4 02C5 02C7 02CA 02CB	CB47 2820 FE1D 2009 0630 21001C CD9A08 C9 0610 E60C CB27 CB27 CF 2600 11001C 19 CD9A08 C9 FE1C 2027	774 775 776 777 778 779 780 781 782 783 784 785 786 787 788 790 791 792 793	LCRAMO:	JR CF JR LD CALL RET LD AND SLA LD LD LD ADD LD ADD CALL RET	0,A Z,LCRAM1 00011101B NZ,LCRAM0 B,48 HL,CR0 GETBLK B,16 00001100B A A L,A H,0 DE,CR0 HL,DE GETBLK	;TEST SINGLE BIT ;JUMP IF SINGLE ;TEST FOR ALL ;JUMP IF NOT ALL ;SET COUNT OF 48 BYTES ;SET START ADDRESS ;CALL GETBLK ;RETURN ;SEI COUNT OF 16 BYTES ;MASK OFF OPCODE ;SHIFT OFFSET ;SHIFT OFFSET ;SAVE OFFSET ;CLEAR POINTER ;GET START ADDRESS ;ADD TO OFFSET ;CALL GETBLK ;RETURN ;TEST FOR ALL ;JUMP IF NOT ALL			849 850 851 853 855 855 856 857 858 859 860 861 862 863	CALLED B REGISTER	CLIP POKE Y PRIMAT S A B C D E IX	(INDIRECTLY) (PRIMITIVE OP CODE, TEMPORARY) (CASE) (CLIP SUCCESS FLAG) (FULL FRAME FLAG) (COLOR FOLLOWS FLAG) (INDEX) (X) (Y) (Y) (FRIMARY COLOR) (SECONDARY COLOR) (REFERENCE)
0203 0206 0208 0209 020B 020E 020E 02E0 02E1 02E5 02E7 02EA 02EA 02F0 02F3 02F6 02F6 02F6	CDED01 E40F 6F 2600 11001C 19 50 54 FD210000 FD19 CDED01 FD7700 CDED01 FD7720 CDED01 FD7720 CP 0601 E60C CB27	794 795 796 797 798 799 801 802 803 804 805 806 807 808 809 811 812 813	LCRAM2:	CALL AND LD	FETCH 000011118 L,A H,O DE.CRO HL,DE E.L D.H 1Y,O 1Y,DE FETCH (1Y+0),A FETCH (1Y+16),A FETCH (1Y+32),A B.1 00001100B	GET OFFSET MASK ALL BUT OFFSET SAVE OFFSET CLEAR POINTER GET START ADDRESS ADD TO OFFSET RESTORE IOW BYTE RESTORE HIGH BYTE CLEAR INDEX MOVE POINTER TO INDEX GET DATA LOAD DATA IN CRO GET DATA LOAD DATA IN CRI SET COUNT OF I BYTE MASK ALL BUT OFFSET	0314 0316 0318 0319 0310 0321 0325 0327 0329 0328 0320 0331 0333 0338 0334 0336 0337	1E00 1600 E60F D07743 DDCB433E DDCB433E CB5F 2821 CB57 2819 CB4F 200E CB47 2805 DD7E03 1808 DD7E03 1808 DD7E03 1808 DD7E03	869 8701 8712 873 874 875 876 877 881 881 881 881 885 885 885	JR BI JR	D,0 0 00001111B (IX+REF),A L (IX+REF) L (IX+REF) T 3,A Z,LPIX4 T 2,A Z,LPIX3 T 1,A NZ,LPIX1 T 0,A Z,LPIX0 A,(IX+GDR3 LPIX2 LLFETCH	JUMP AROUND FETCH

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WAIT	wait

Table 2: Quick reference guide to the primitives defined for Micrograph. Although the minimum set of instructions need only include a pointpositioning primitive and a vectordrawing primitive, added flexibility of extra functions is used to remove processing burden from the host system.

Text continued from page 278:

features, such as clipping and antialiasing, can be readily implemented at the primitive level without the addition of other instructions. Such features can be treated as system parameters, selectable through the load-register primitive. In figure 5, a sample of the images produced by these primitives is shown. (Also see listing 1.)

One last item that must be discussed is error processing. For any implementation of the primitives, the display processor must be able to detect, report, and possibly recover from errors such as invalid primitives or an error in a called user subroutine. Of course, this error processing is highly implementationdependent, but does not affect the structures of our primitives. However, several of these primitives can be used to aid the host computer in error processing, such as the readregister and read-pixel primitives.

So far the characteristics of interactive computer-graphics systems have been examined, focusing on a comparison of the features of calligraphic and raster-scan display processors. A set of primitive instructions for the control of a color raster-scan display processor have been developed.

Next month, Part 2 of this article will concern the hardware design of Micrograph, a microprocessor-based peripheral which implements these primitives.

Listing 2 continued:

0345	09	889	RET	r		RETURN
0346	1601	890 L	PIX3: LD	0.1		SET FULL FRAME FLAG
0348	1803	891	JR	LPIX5		JUMP AROUND CASE
034A	CDA007	892 L	PIX4: CAL	L CASE		FIND VIEWPORT CASE
034D	DD360000		PIX5: LD	(IX+GDRO)		CLEAR X
0351	DD360100	894	L.D	(IX+GDR1)	.0	CLEAR Y
0355	CB4F	895	BIT	1.0		TEST COLOR FOLLOWS
0357	200E	876	JR	NZ, LPIX7		JUMP IF COLOR FOLLOWS
0359	1E01	897	LD	E,1		SET COLOR FLAG
0358	CB47	898	811	0.A		TEST COLOR TYPE
035D	2805	899	JR	Z,LPIX6		JUMP IF PRIMARY COLOR
035F	DD7E03	900	LD		3)	LOAD SECONDARY COLOR
0362	1803	901	JR	LPIX7		JUMP TO LOOP
0364	007E02	902 L	PIX6: LD	A, (IX+GDR2	2)	LOAD PRIMARY COLOR
0367	CB43		PIX7: BIT			TEST COLOR FOLLOWS
0369	2003	904	JR			JUMP IF COLOR PRESENT
0368	CDED01	905	CAL	L FETCH		GET DATA
036E	CB42	906 L	PIX8: BIT	0.0		TEST FULL FRAME
0370	2007	907	JR	NZ.LPIX9		JUMP IF FULL FRAME
0372	CDEF07	908	CAL	L CLIP		CHECK FOR CLIP
0375	CB41	909	811	0.0		TEST SUCCESS
0377	2803	910	JR	Z,LPIX10		JUMP IF CLIPPED
0379	CD390A	911 L	PIX9: CAL	L POKE		FORE THE DATA
0370	DD3400	912 L	PIX10: INC	(IX+GDRO)		INCREMENT X
037F	20E6	913	JR	NZ, LPIX7		JUMP IF X NOT ZERO
0381	003401	914	IN	(IX+GDR1)		: INCREMENT Y
0384	20E1	915	JR	NZ, LFIX7		JUMP IF Y NOT ZERO
0386	C9	916	RET	[-		RETURN
		917 ;				
		918 ;	LREB ***	******	******	*****************
		919 ;				
		920 7	LREG LOAD	S A GRAPHIC	DISPLAY R	EGISTER. IF GDR15 IS
		921 ;	SPECIFIE	A RESET OF	CCURS, SIN	CE THIS IS ESSENTIALLY
			A READ OF	NLY REGISTER	. OTHERWIS	E. LREG SETS A POINTER
		923 ;	TO THE AS	PROPRIATE RE	EGISTER AN	D READS IN THE DATA.
		924 ;				
		925 ;	CALLS	FETCH		
		926 ;	Charles and Addition	201101		
		927 ;	CALLED BY	Y PRIMAT	CINDIREC	TLY)
		928 #				
		929 ;	REGISTERS	6 A	(PRIMITI	VE OF CODE, TEMPORARY)
		930 ;		D	(TEMPORA	RY)

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The performance of a program in the Technical Forum "Some More on Performance Evaluation," by Carl Helmers (July 1980 BYTE, page 216) suffered from one error of substitution and one error of omission.

Listing 1 on page 217, a program submitted by Charles Porter, should contain two lines as follows:

105 IF X = L THEN 120 110 IF A(X) = 0 THEN 100 ELSE 90

Thanks to Martin Berman of Teaneck, New Jersey, for pointing this out.■

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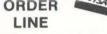
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(This is done to leave space for other information you may desire to display.) In order to have the graph confined to the desired position, you must specify a viewport. For this plotting routine, consider the screen to be divided into one hundred horizontal units and forty vertical units. The bottom left corner corresponds to the screen coordinate (0,0). (See figure 1.) To display the graph in the right-hand corner, the horizontal coordinates should be from 50 to 100, and the vertical coordinates should be from 20 to 40. Thus, to set this viewport, the reader must specify the four variables, Z1, Z2, W1, W2. For this example the viewport variables should be set as follows:

Z1 = 100

Z2 = 50

W1 = 40

W2 = 20

The next step is to set up the *x* and corresponding y arrays. For example, if during the month of January the heating cost was \$80, the first x element would be 1 (for the month) and

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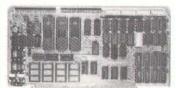
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the y element would be 80 (for the cost). Table 1 is a hypothetical set of data to be graphed. The arrays that will contain the data are AX and AY. Thus, for this example, the following BASIC statements should be inserted at the beginning of the subroutine:

FOR I=1 TO 12 READ AX(I) READ AY(I) NEXT I DATA 1,80,2,90,3,75,4,50,5, 45,6,45,7,50,8,80, 9,70,10,65,11,70,12,80 The next variables specify the dimension of the arrays to be graphed. In this example, the minimum dimension TI is 1, the maximum dimension TA is 12, and the separation between the array points IN to be plotted is 1. (For example, if you wanted to plot the cost of heating for every other month, IN would be 2.) Therefore, you must include the following BASIC statements:

TI = 1 TA = 12IN = 1

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After execution, the results should be as presented in figure 2. To change the viewport, simply change the values in the viewport variables. Figure 3 shows the result when the viewport variables are as follows:

> Z1 = 100 Z2 = 0 W1 = 40W2 = 0

If you desire to plot the cost of heating for every other month, simply change IN to 2. The results of this change are shown in figure 4.

Adding Axes

At this point, it would be nice to have the axes drawn and labeled. This can be done by specifying four axis parameters for use by the axisdrawing subroutine in listing 2. The first two parameters to be defined are the string variables AX\$ and AY\$, which define the x axis and the y axis labels respectively. For this example the x axis should be labeled "month" and the y axis should be labeled "cost." Thus, the two BASIC statements that must be executed are:

AX\$ = "MONTH"AY\$ = "COST"

The final two parameters specify the separation of the tic marks on the axes. In the example, set C1 (the x-axis tic-mark-separation variable) to 1 for a tic mark every month. Set C2 (the y-axis tic-mark-separation variable) to 5 for a tic mark at every \$5.00 increment. Thus, the following BASIC statements must be executed:

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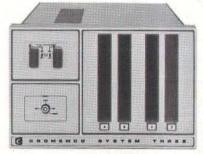


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10005 W2=W2+5
10010 IF Z2>Z1 THEN Z3=Z2 ELSE GOTO 10025
10015 \ Z2 = Z1
10020 Z1 = Z3
10025 IF W2>W1 THEN W3=W2 ELSE GOTO 10040
10030 W2=W1
10035 W1=W3
10040 Y1 = -1.0E38
10045 Y2=1.0E38
10050 X1 = Y1
10055 X2=Y2
10060 FOR I = TI TO TA STEP IN
10065 IF Y1 < AY(I) THEN Y1 = AY(I)
10070 IF Y2> AY(I) THEN Y2 = AY(I)
10075 IF X1 < AX(I) THEN X1 = AX(I)
10080 IF X2>AX(I) THEN X2=AX(I)
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10085	NEXT I
10090	IF Y1 = Y2 THEN Y1 = 1.001 * Y1
10095	IF $X1 = X2$ THEN $X1 = 1.001 * X1$
10100	A = (X1 - X2)/(Z1 - Z2)
	B = (Y1 - Y2)/(W1 - W2)
10110	FOR I = TI TO TA STEP IN
	SET((Z2 + (AX(I) - X2)/A), (47 - ((AY(I) - Y2)/B + W2)))
	O = I + IN
10125	IF Q>TA GOTO 10165
10130	IF $AX(I) > AX(Q)$ THEN $SS = -SI$ ELSE $SS = SI$
10135	FOR $J = AX(I)TO AX(Q) STEP SS$
10140	IF $AX(I) = AX(Q)$ THEN $AX(Q) = 1.001 \cdot AX(Q) + .0000001$
10145	Y3 = ((AY(Q) - AY(I))/(AX(Q) - AX(I)))*(J - AX(I)) + AY(I)
10150	SET((Z2 + (J - X2)/A),(47 - ((Y3 - Y2)/B + W2)))
	NEXT J
	NEXT I
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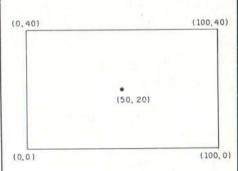


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1 2 3 4 5	80 90 75 50 45 45
7 8 9 10 11	50 80 70 65 70 80

Table 1: This hypothetical set of data represents the heating costs incurred in a house. Plotted as in figure 2, the information may be limited to one area of the screen or may use the whole screen, as in figure 3.

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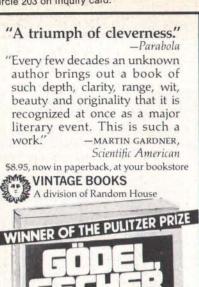
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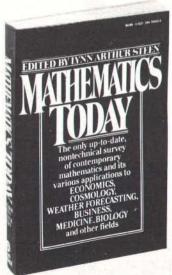
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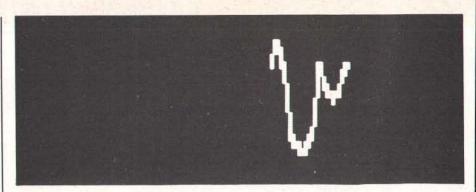


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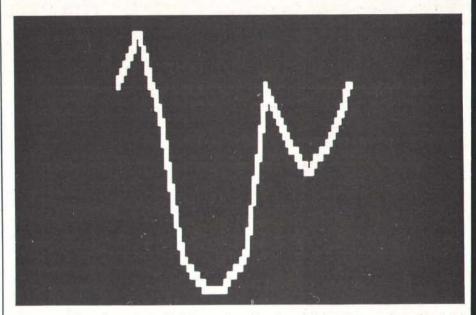


Figure 3: The information of table 1 is plotted again, with the viewport bounds set at 0 to 100 and 0 to 40 (whole screen).

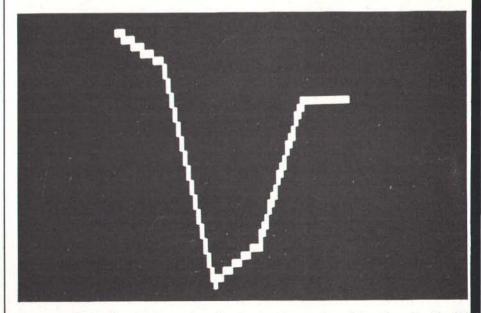


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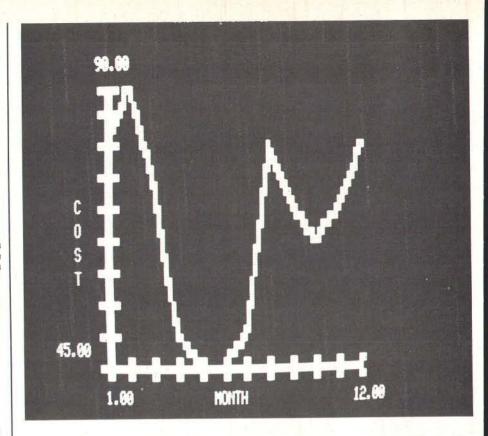


Figure 5: The axis-plotting subroutine provides for labeling and scaling of the display. The user only needs to specify increments for each scale.

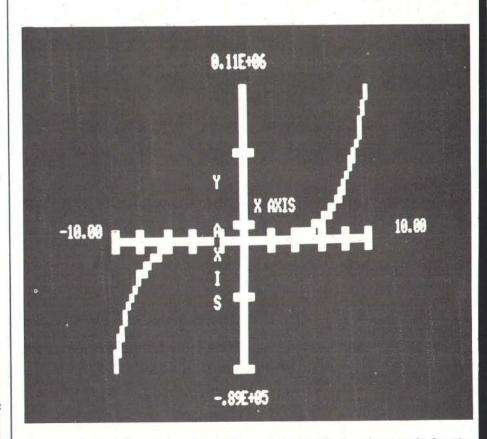


Figure 6: Analytic functions such as this may be plotted by transforming the function into an array. Usually, a short BASIC routine may be inserted before the plotting routines, depending on the complexity of the desired display.

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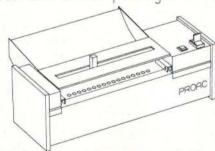
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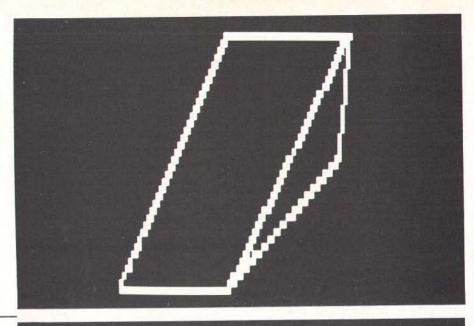
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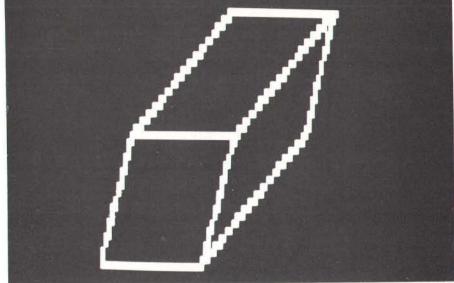
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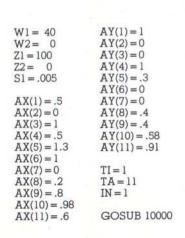
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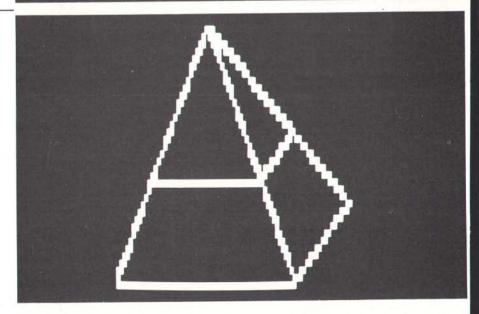
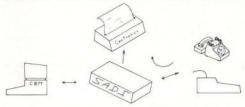


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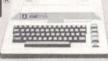
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20355 FOR K9 = 3 TO 45 STEP 3 20360 IF F1(I9) < K9 GOTO 20375

20350 J9=0

Listing 2: The axis-creating subroutine shown here produces properly scaled axes, complete with tic marks and labels, from a set of values specified by inserting BASIC statements.

20000 IF X1 < = 0 AND X2 < = 0 THEN A1 = Z1 ELSE A1 = Z2 20005 IF X1> = 0 AND X2< = 0 THEN A1 = Z2 - X2/A 20010 FOR II = 0 TO 1 20015 FOR J1 = W2 TO W1 20020 SET ((A1+I1),(47-J1)) 20025 NEXT J1 20030 NEXT II 20035 IF Y1 < = 0 AND Y2 < = 0 THEN B1 = 47 - W1 ELSE B1 = 47 - W2 20040 IF Y1 > = 0 AND Y2 < = 0 THEN B1 = 47 - W2 + Y2/B20045 FOR I3 = Z2 TO Z1 20050 SET(I3,B1) 20055 NEXT I3 20060 FOR I5 = 1 TO 3 STEP 2 20065 FOR J5=0 TO 1 20070 FOR K5 = X2 TO X1 STEP C1 20075 SET(((K5-X2)/A+Z2+J5),(B1-I5+2)) 20080 NEXT K5 20085 NEXT 15 20090 NEXT I5 20095 FOR I6 = 0 TO 4 STEP 2 20100 FOR J6=2 TO 3 20105 FOR K6 = Y2 TO Y1 STEP C2 20110 SET((A1+J6-I6),(47-((K6-Y2)/B+W2))) 20115 NEXT K6 20120 NEXT J6 20125 NEXT 16 20130 IF B1 < > 47 - W2 GOTO 20145 20135 IF A1 = Z2 - X2/A THEN P1 = -64 ELSE P1 = 64 20140 IF A1 = Z2 THEN P2 = -4 ELSE P2 = 4 20145 IF B1 < > 47 - W1 GOTO 20160 20150 IF A1 = Z2 - X2/A THEN F1 = 64 ELSE P1 = -64 20155 IF A1 = Z2 THEN P2 = -4 ELSE P2 = 4 20160 IF B1 < > 47 - W2 + Y2/B GOTO 20175 20165 Pl = -6420170 IF A1 = Z2 THEN P2 = 4 ELSE P2 = -4 20175 Z3 = LEN(AX\$) 20180 Z4 = (Z1 + Z2)/220185 17 = 020190 FOR J7 = 3 TO 45 STEP 3 20195 IF B1 < J7 GOTO 20210 20200 I7 = I7 + 64 20205 NEXT J7 20210 Z5 = Z4/2 + I7 - Z3/220215 IF A1 = Z2 - X2/A AND B1 = 47 - W2 + Y2/B THEN DU = 5 ELSE DU = 0 20220 PRINT @ Z5+P1+DU, AX\$, 20225 W3 = LEN(AY\$) 20230 FOR I8 = 1 TO W3 20235 F\$(I8) = MID\$(AY\$, I8, 1)20240 NEXT 18 20245 W4 = (W1 + W2)/2 20250 J6=0 20255 FOR K8 = 3 TO 45 STEP 3 20260 IF 47-W4<K8 GOTO 20275 20265 J8 = J8 + 64 20270 NEXT K8 20275 W5 = J8 + A1/2 - (INT(W3/2) - 1) + 6420280 L8=0 20285 FOR M8 = W5 TO (W5+(W3-1)+64) STEP 64 20290 L8=L6+1 20295 PRINT @ M6+P2,F\$(L8); 20300 NEXT M8 20305 F1(1) = 47 - W120310 F1(2) = 47 - W220315 F1(3) = B1 20320 F1(4) = B1 20325 F3(1) = A1/2 20330 F3(2) = A1/2

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20370 NEXT K9
20375 F2(I9) = J9 + F3(I9)
20380 NEXT 19
20385 IF ABS(Y1)>1E4 OR ABS(Y1)<1E-2 THEN D1$="#.##[[[["
  ELSE D1$ = "#####.##
20390 IF ABS(Y2) > 1E4 OR ABS(Y2) < 1E - 2 THEN D2$ = "#.##[[[["
  ELSE D2$ = "#####.##
20395 IF ABS(X1)>1E4 OR ABS(X1)<1E-2 THEN D3$="#.##[[["
  ELSE D3$ = "#####.##
20400 IF ABS(X2)>1E4 OR ABS(X2)<1E-2 THEN D4$="#.##[[["
  ELSE D4$ = "########
20405 IF B1 < > 47 - W2 + Y2/B GOTO 20435
20410 D1=1
20415 D2=-9
20420 D3 = -68
20425 D4 = 60
20430 GOTO 20505
20435 IF B1 < > 47 - W1 GOTO 20475
20440 D1 = -68
20445 D2 = -68
20450 D4=60
20455 IF A1 = Z1 THEN D3 = 65
20460 IF A1 = Z2 THEN D3 = 54
20465 IF A1 = Z2 - X2/A THEN D3 = -68
20470 GOTO 20505
20475 D1 = 60
20480 D2=60
20485 D3 = -68
20490 IF A1 = Z2 THEN D4 = -74
20495 IF A1 = Z1 THEN D4 = -62
20500 IF A1 = Z2 - X2/A THEN D4 = 60
20505 PRINT @ F2(1) + D3, USING D1$; Y1;
20510 PRINT @ F2(2) + D4, USING D2$; Y2;
20515 PRINT @ F2(3) + D1, USING D3$; X1;
20520 PRINT @ F2(4) + D2, USING D4$; X2;
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All scaling and other mundane functions are taken care of in the subroutine.

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displayed as in figure 5. This is for a graph of the cost of heating for every month displayed in the total viewport.

Clearly, it is easy to plot any set of data that can be represented in array form. Remember that all scaling and other mundane functions are taken care of in the subroutines. You don't need to be concerned or irritated by the gyrations needed to create displays on the TRS-80.

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In order to plot any analytic function, be prepared to transform the function into array form. An example of this is best demonstrated in the plotting of the function:

$$Y = X^5 + X^4 - X^3$$

This is for X taking on values from -10 to 10. In order for this to occur the following BASIC initialization routine is needed:

> FOR I = -10 TO 10AX (I+10)=IAY (I+10)=I15+I14-I13NEXT I TI = 0TA = 20IN = 1AX\$= "X AXIS" AY\$= "Y AXIS" C1 =2 C2 = 49750

The result should appear as shown in figure 6. Note that the correct quadrants are displayed.

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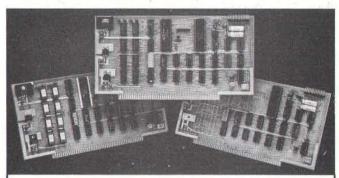
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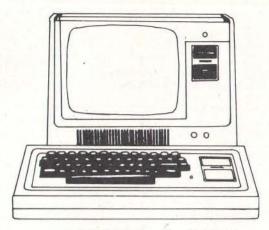
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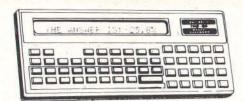
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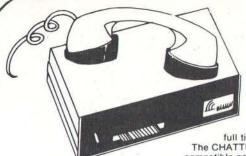
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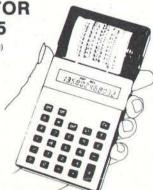
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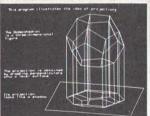
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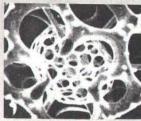
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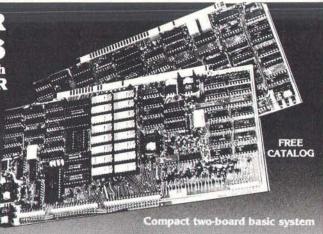


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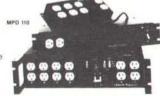
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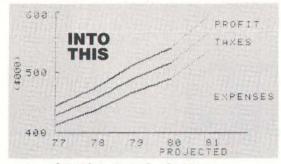
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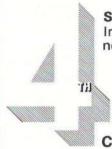
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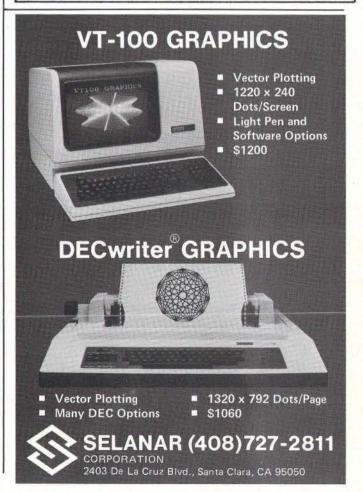


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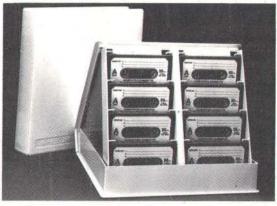
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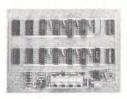
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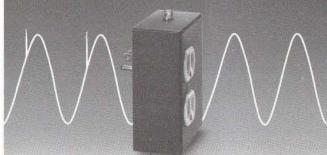
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> 7 401; @ 81591528324789773434 561126959611589427200 0000000

We can assign strings (ie: numbers or symbolic expressions) to variable names using a colon:

> 7 C1:2150; @ 1125899906842624 7 C2:C1-1; @ 1125899906842623

Also, we can change the radix used to accept and display numbers. For example, to change to binary (also called radix 2 or base 2), we say:

> 7 RADIX(2): @ 1010

and muMATH-79 replies that its base was base 10 (since it is now in base 2, it prints 10 in binary: binary 1010 = decimal 10). To check that we are in base 2:

> 7 C1; 000000000 7 C2; @ 11111111111111111111 111111111111111111111111 1111111111

Sure enough, C1, being 250, should be a 1 followed by fifty 0s in binary, and C2 should be fifty 1s.

Also, muMATH-79 is fast. It computed all the above answers in less than 1 second each (running on a Cromemco Z-2D at 4 MHz), and answered 250! (seven lines of numbers) in 31 seconds. (See listing 1.) When a number being computed

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? 4/20;

@ 1 / 5

? 352/283072;

@ 11 / 8846

? 2501;

exceeds the capacity of the system, muMATH-79 replies with the word FALSE:

> 7 300!; @ FALSE

muMATH-79 also manipulates symbolic expressions (depending on the values of its control variables, described later). For example:

> $\frac{7}{@}$ 5*X-3*Y12+8*X-4*Y12 $\frac{7}{@}$ 13*X - 7*Y12

Equations in muMATH-79 are often hard to read. It helps to write them out using pencil and paper; the above was $5X-3Y^2+8X-4Y^2$, which

simplified to $13X - 7Y^2$. Variables can be used in expressions, where they add their symbolic content to the expression being evaluated:

? EXPR1:B+4; @ 4 + B ? EXPR2:EXPR1+C+2*B; @ 4 + 3*B + C

A variable name is called *bound* if it has a value and *unbound* if it does not. For example, the variable EXPR1, above, is bound because it has the value B+4. There are times, however, when we want a variable to simply be itself. We can change a variable from bound to unbound as follows (using the example of EXPR1):

? EXPR1;

 $\overline{@}$ 4 + B (EXPR1 is bound)

7 EXPR1: EXPR1

@ EXPR1 (EXPR1 is now unbound)

Equation Solving

In addition, some equations can be solved. For example, to solve

 $X^3 + 2X^2 - 63X = 0$:

 $\frac{7 \text{ SOLVE}(X13 + 2*X1)}{2 - 63*X = = 0,X);}$

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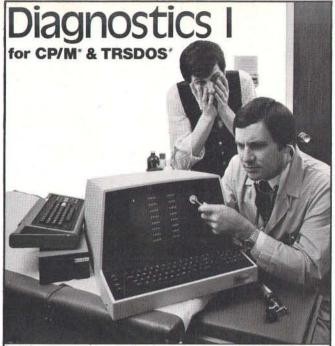
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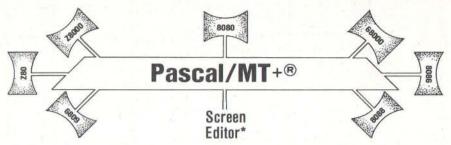
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sign to distinguish it from the single equal sign, which is used as a Boolean equality operator; the final X in the SOLVE command tells muMATH-79 to solve for the variable X.)

It is also aware of imaginary and complex numbers and uses the variable #I to represent the imaginary number *i*:

$$\frac{?}{@} \begin{array}{l} SOLVE(X12+1==0,X); \\ \hline @ \{X=-\#I, \\ X=\#I\} \end{array}$$

However, muMATH-79 is not intelligent; it cannot solve equations of order 3 or higher. (The example with the X³ polynomial is seen by muMATH-79 as being of order 2, with a zero factor added.) Factoring is hard even for people, but muMATH-79 can aid you in factoring a higher-order polynomial.

Trigonometric and Logarithmic Manipulation

With the addition of these packages to the muMATH-79 system, the user can manipulate logarithmic and trigonometric expressions. Manipulation of these expressions varies with the values of certain control variables.

For example, if the trigonometric expansion variable TRGEXPD is 0:

But if TRGEXPD is -6 (denoting expansion of multiple-angle sine and cosine functions):

The functions available are LN (logarithm to the base e), LOG (logarithms to other bases), SIN, COS, TAN, COT, SEC, and CSC. And muMATH-79 uses the variable #E (for e) and #PI (for π).

Matrix Manipulations

The math system can also manipulate matrices. Matrices can be multiplied (or divided) by a matrix or a scalar, transposed, inverted, and taken to an integer power. If a matrix is nonsingular (ie: its inverse does not exist), muMATH-79 responds to an attempt to invert it with divide-byzero error messages. If the matrix can be inverted, the coefficients of its inverse, if nonintegral, are expressed as fractions—that is, the inverse is algebraically exact. For an example of this, see listing 2.

Matrix operations are fast as well as exact. The inversion of matrix H in listing 2 took 5 seconds, and the inversion of a 5-by-5 matrix took 48 seconds. Since matrix entries are symbolic, the entries can be scalars or matrices. This allows the formation of complex data structures that can be manipulated by muMATH-79.

Differentiation and Integration

The most impressive feature of muMATH-79 is its ability to do symbolic differentiation and integration. For example, if we differentiate $1/X^3$ with respect to X, we get $-3X^{-4}$. muMATH-79 accomplishes the task as follows:

Listing 2: Matrix inversion and multiplication in muMATH-79. Listing 2a shows the creation of the 2 by 2 matrix H. Listing 2b shows the creation of the inverse of H, HINV. Listing 2c shows the multiplication of two compatible matrices using a period (.) as the muMATH-79 matrix multiplication operator.

(2a)

? H:{[380,-115/2],[17,109]}

@ {[380, -115/2], [17, 109]}

(2b)

? HINV:H^-1;

@ {[218/84795, 23/16959], [-34/84795, 152/16959]}

(2c)

? H.HINV;

@ {[1, 0], [0, 1]}

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Listing 3: Algebraic intergration in muMATH-79. Listing 3a shows the creation of the function FC1, which equals $X^2 + ln(X)$. Listing 3b shows the calculation of the indefinite integral of FC1, while listing 3c shows the calculation of its definite integral from e to 2e. (See the text for these two equations written in conventional form.)

It works with the resources of whatever packages are loaded into it at the time. For example, if the trigonometric package is loaded, muMATH-79 can do the following:

which translates as:

$$\frac{d}{dX} \cot 2X = -2 \csc^2(2X)$$

Indefinite and definite integrals are also within muMATH's capabilities. The definite integral is calculated by simple substitution of the integral limits into the result of the indefinite integration, in much the same process a person performs. If muMATH-79 cannot do this, it simply returns the indefinite integral. Listing 3 shows its calculation of the following two integrals:

$$\int X^{2} + \ln(X) dX =$$

$$\frac{X^{3}}{3} + X \ln(X) - X + C$$

and

$$\int_{e}^{2e} X^{2} + \ln(X) dX = \frac{7e^{3}}{3} + 2e \ln(2e) - 2e$$

muMATH-79 Control Variables

The package does not exhibit artificial intelligence. (Although with some of its accomplishments, it seems to exhibit it.) Rather, it is a very sophisticated symbol manipulator

that rigorously applies a given set of rules to arrive at a transformed result. But achieving a desired algebraic manipulation is not always an exact process.

For example, consider the trivial example given in figure 1a. If the denominator is distributed over the numerator, the result is the expression in figure 1b. But if we factor the numerator first, the discovered factor of (X+1) in the numerator cancels the (X+1) in the denominator, leaving the simplified answer in figure 1c.

muMATH-79 cannot make these decisions; it is a tool, not a problem solver. So certain variables called control variables are introduced into its environment. Under human control, these variables are used to tell muMATH-79 what manipulations to make.

(a)
$$\frac{X^3 + X^2}{(X+1)}$$

(b)
$$\frac{X^3}{(X+1)} + \frac{X^2}{(X+1)}$$

(c)
$$\frac{X^3 + X^2}{(X+1)} = \frac{X^2(X+1)}{(X+1)} = X^2$$

Figure 1: Options in the transformation of an algebraic expression. The simple expression in figure 1a can be transformed to that of figure 1b by distributing the denominator over the terms of the numerator. A more useful transformation, however, is shown in figure 1c. By factoring out a term of X2 and cancelling out the (X+1) factor in both numerator and denominator, the expression can be considerably simplified.

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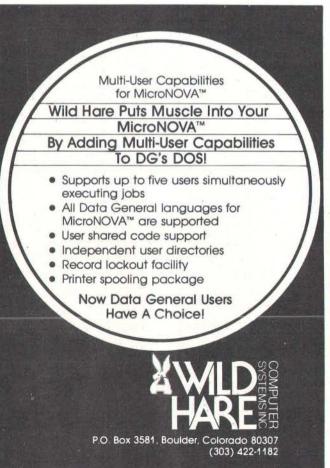
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Although an explanation of the intricacies of control variables is beyond the scope of this review, the topic does deserve some explanation. Table 1 is a list of the control variables and their effects on algebraic expressions. Table 2 shows the effect of one control variable, NUMNUM, on expressions. (Most control variables behave similarly,

with positive values causing an expansion of terms to take place and negative values causing a combination of terms to take place.)

Generating a muMATH-79 System

Because muMATH-79 can potentially use more than 64 K bytes of memory, the system is supplied as a

Control Variable	Result with Positive Value	Result with Negative Value
NUMNUM	$A(B+C) \rightarrow AB + AC$	$AB + AC \rightarrow A(B + C)$
DENDEN	$\frac{1}{A}\left(\frac{1}{B+C}\right) \rightarrow \frac{1}{AB+AC}$	$\frac{1}{AB+AC} \rightarrow \frac{1}{A} \left(\frac{1}{B+C} \right)$
DENNUM	$\frac{B+C}{A} \rightarrow \frac{B}{A} + \frac{C}{A}$	$\frac{B}{A} + \frac{C}{A} \rightarrow \frac{B+C}{A}$
NUMDEN	$\frac{A}{B+C} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\frac{B}{A} + \frac{C}{A}}$	$\frac{1}{\frac{B}{A} + \frac{C}{A}} \rightarrow \frac{A}{B+C}$
BASEXP	$A^{B+C} \rightarrow A^B A^C$	$A^B A^C \rightarrow A^{B+C}$
EXPBAS	$(AB)^c \rightarrow A^c B^c$	$A^cB^c \rightarrow (AB)^c$
PWREXPD	$(A+B)^2 \rightarrow A^2 + 2AB + B^2$	$(A + B)^{-2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{(A^2 + 2AB + B^2)}$
	$(A + B)^3 \rightarrow A^3 + 3A^2B + B^3$	$(A + B)^{-3} \rightarrow \frac{1}{A^3 + 3A^2B + 3AB^2 + B^3}$
	(etc)	(etc)

Table 1: The effect of control variables on symbolic manipulation within muMATH-79. The values given to these control variables determine how muMATH-79 manipulates algebraic expressions. Other control variables not listed in this table are TRGSQ, TRGEXPD, LOGBAS, PBRCH, and LOGEXPD, which control trigonometric and logarithmic expressions.

Value of NUMNUM	Transformation	Example
0	do nothing	$3A(B + C)(D + E) \rightarrow 3A(B + C)(D + E)$
2 and its multiples	distribute constants over sums	\rightarrow A(3B + 3C)(D + E)
3 and its multiples	distribute monomials over sums	-3(AB+AC)(D+E)
5 and its multiples	distribute sums over sums	$\rightarrow 3A(D(B+C)+E(B+C))$
6 (=2•3)	distribute constants and monomials over sums	→(3AB + 3AC)(D + E)
10 (=2.5)	distribute constants and sums over sums	\rightarrow A(D(3B + 3C) + E(3B + 3C))
15 (= 3•5)	distribute monomials and sums over sums	→3(ABD+ABE+ACD+ACE)
30 (= 2•3•5)	distribute constants, monomials, and sums over sums	-3ABD +3ABE +3ACD +3ACE
-2,-3,-6	same as 2, 3, 6, only factor out instead of distribute	NUMNUM = -3 causes 3AB+3AC→A(3B+3C)

Table 2: A detailed example of the effect of the control variable NUMNUM on algebraic expressions. NUMNUM is so named because it controls the distribution or factoring of a numerator expression with the numerator expression containing it. Positive values cause a factor to be distributed across a sum, while negative values cause factoring a common value from a sum.

series of packages that can be combined to create an optimal environment for a given purpose. Figure 2 shows a dependency diagram from the muMATH-79 packages as they are supplied. To run a given package, you must load that package and all the packages above it. For example, to manipulate algebraic and logarithmic expressions, you must load the file named MUSIMP79 (which loads MUSMORE automatically), ARITH, ALGEBRA, and LOG, in that order. To solve equations that use logarithmic expressions, you would add to the above the files EQN and SOLVE.

Of course you would like to have all the packages available at once. Unfortunately, due to the large size of the packages, this cannot be done. A 32 K-byte system is necessary to run anything in muMATH-79, but more memory is recommended. It takes 40 K bytes, for example, to run algebra and 48 K bytes to run either calculus or matrix algebra.

A muMATH-79 system is first generated and then saved for future loading into the same system. Each package takes 1 to 5 minutes to load, given a Z80 system running at 4 MHz; loading time will be proportional to the speed of the processor being used.

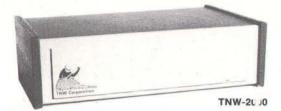
Another method of loading, called condensation, takes from 10 minutes to 1 hour per module to load, but it has the advantage of loading the same module in just over half as much memory. At BYTE Publications Inc, we are running a condensed system in 56 K bytes that includes all the muMATH-79 packages except TRACE, ARRAY, and MATRIX. It took an afternoon to set up the system, but the time was well spent, because all the packages interact with each other. However, problem solution time decreases with increased unused memory. Decreasing the number of packages used would probably cut the solution times of problems, but so far the delays encountered have been hardly objectionable.

The muSIMP-79 Language

An unexpected benefit of the muMATH-79 package is the inclusion of the muSIMP-79 language. muMATH-79 as supplied is actually a series of source files written in muSIMP-79. Inclusion of the source files allows you the very important

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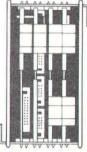
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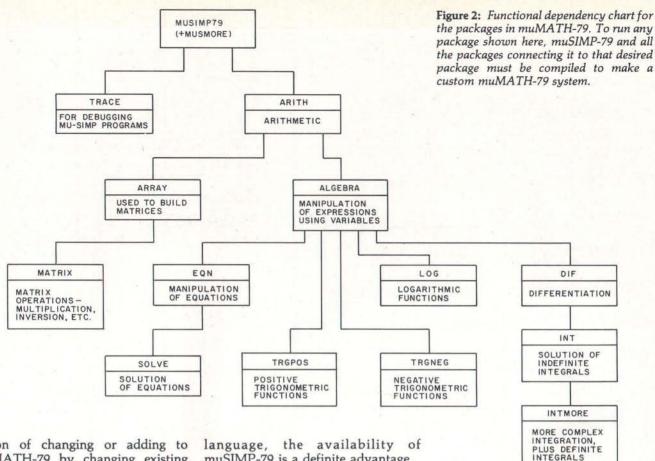
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option of changing or adding to muMATH-79 by changing existing muSIMP-79 programs (ie: packages) or adding your own.

muSIMP-79 is a variation of the well-known list-processing language LISP; it has been adapted for readability and optimized for the manipulation of symbolic expressions. Considering that the entire capabilities of muMATH-79 are based on the use of the muSIMP-79

muSIMP-79 is a definite advantage.

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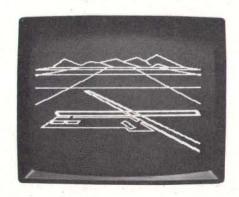
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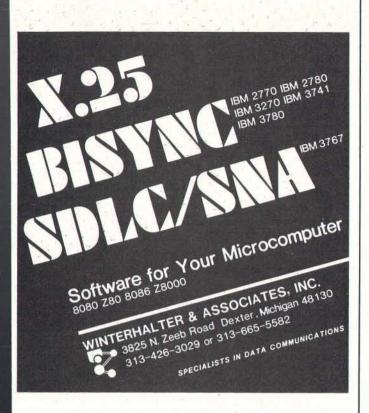
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The Soft Warehouse prints an occasional newsletter that contains updates, additions, and (very occasionally) corrections to its muSIMP/muMATH-79 and muLISP (another of its products) systems. The people at the Soft Warehouse have been friendly and informative every time I've called them.

muMATH-79 for the TRS-80

Microsoft Consumer Products of Bellevue, Washington (a sibling company to the Microsoft of Microsoft BASIC fame) is marketing two versions of muSIMP/muMATH-79 for the TRS-80. The first version, equivalent to the one described in this review, will sell for \$250.

A slightly diminished version of the system will be available for \$75—a very reasonable price. Although I have not seen it, the manufacturer informs us that the system will come with two floppy disks (one for 32 K-byte systems, one for 48 K-byte systems) and an abbreviated manual. The floppy disk for the 32 K-byte system will include muSIMP-79, a precompiled module including the arithmetic, algebra, and equation-solution packages, and uncompiled logarithmic and positive and negative trigonometric packages.

The floppy disk for the 48 K-byte

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TRS-80 system will be the same but will add the differentiation package and most of the integration packages in the compiled module. Both versions have extensions that allow muSIMP to access the TRS-80 graphics.

Conclusions

• The muSIMP/muMATH-79 Symbolic Math System is a very impressive tool. It fills a gap in the spectrum of problems solvable by a computer.

● Although it cannot work wonders, muSIMP/muMATH-79 can solve many of the problems encountered in algebra, trigonometry, and even calculus classes. (Educators need not fear: muMATH-79 does not provide a solution's derivation, only the final answer.)

 Educators from the high-school level up have used the package as an aid to teaching mathematics. And researchers have used it to keep track of equations during complex manipulations. Other potential users include: engineers demanding exact numeric solutions of problems and matrices (the fractional answers can be divided out conventionally to give decimal answers of any accuracy); researchers interested in artificial intelligence; college professors studying programming languages, and all those in need of a calculator.

- Although this is no fault of the package, muMATH-79 occasionally behaves in a way that, although correct, leads to unexpected and seemingly mysterious results. (I, for example, was unable to save a compiled package to disk drive B because I had assigned an algebraic value to the variable B.) Some sophistication on the part of the user is necessary in such cases.
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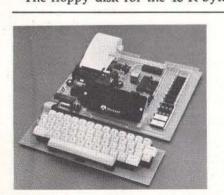
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MON88 is a small system monitor for the single-board 8088-based processor described in parts 1 and 2 of this article (September and October 1980 BYTE, pages 43 and 62 respectively).

The current configuration of MON88 implements sixteen commands (expandable to twenty-six) and uses less than 1.5 K bytes of memory. This includes a "large" (approximately 256-byte) video driver required for my hardware environment and lengthy messages (about 128 bytes' worth) that make MON88 easy to use. No attempt was made to optimize the amount of memory used.

Stripping out the video-driver routine (that is, using a hardware terminal, rather than software, to create the same effect) and the messages, along with some optimization, can probably reduce code size to 1 K bytes. My plan is to expand the monitor until it fills the 2 K bytes of EPROM (erasable programmable read-only memory) in the 8755A-2 integrated circuit on the processor board. (See table 1 for a quick-reference guide to the MON88 instruction set.)

MON88 Philosophy

The 8088 incorporates very powerful, mainframe-like architectural features such as segmented memory, pipelining, multi- and co-processing "hooks," etc. One key objective of the 8088 project has been to implement the hardware and software in as simple a fashion as possible. This will allow users familiar with traditional 8-bit processors to ease into an understanding of this powerful new machine.

Following the philosophy of simplicity, my 8088 design embodies what is known as the "small model of computation." This model assumes that a given task can be implemented using one set of segmentation register values:

- one 64 K code segment
- one 64 K data segment
- one 64 K stack segment
- one 64 K extra segment

A key feature of the 8088 is that, for many instructions, certain memory segments are used to determine an absolute memory address. This allows instructions to be implemented in fewer bits, contributing to the extremely efficient use of memory in the 8088. This is not a restriction because the default segment can be overridden by using a segment-prefix for the instruction in question.

In fact, my decision was to initially use only sixteen of the twenty address lines available on the processor board. In this case, all segments (code, data, stack and extra) totally overlap in the 64 K-byte address space of the processor board. This means we need not concern ourselves with what segment is where, and what instructions assume which segments.

MON88 Organization

The organization of MON88 in memory is shown in figure 1. I will briefly discuss each section. Note that modifications to MON88 for your own environment are discussed later in this article. The following paragraphs describe each section of the monitor.

Storage allocation and constant definition: This section defines commonly used constants and specific I/O (input/output) port addresses, etc. In addition, memory allocation is performed for needed buffer and variable space.

User jump table: This is the first actual code in MON88 consisting of two MON88 entry points (INIT and START) and three I/O entry points (KEYIN, KEYSTAT and VIDOUT). A user program could terminate by jumping to one of the two MON88 entry points. Similarly, a user program could call one of the I/O entry points When the I/O is done, the return instruction of each I/O routine will give control back to the user program.

Segment register and I/O initialization: The code data, stack and extra segments (CS, DS, SS and ES) are set overlapping at address 0. Environment-dependen I/O initialization is also performed by this routine.

Main loop: This is the overall control routine for MON88. It prints the prompt character and accepts a one-letter command from the console. The appropriate command-routine address is determined and control is transferred from this routine.

Message storage: Messages used by various command are stored here. Note that each message is terminated by

Command jump table: The addresses for the twenty six possible commands are stored here. Note tha

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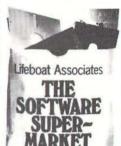
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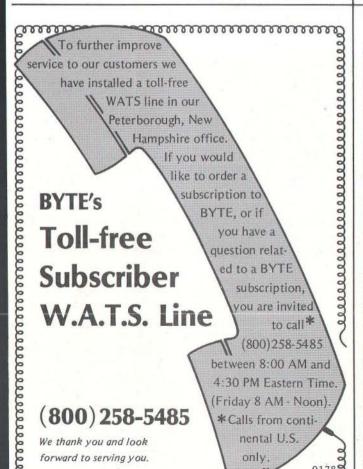
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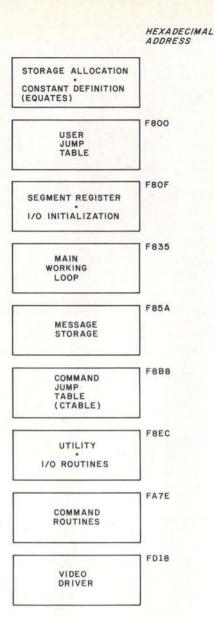


Figure 1: Memory map for the MON88 monitor.

unimplemented commands are given the ERR (error) ad-

Utility and I/O routines: This and the following (command routines) section make up the bulk of MON88. The utility routines are used by command routines. This allows command routines to be implemented largely as calls to various utility routines (see figure 2). For instance, many commands require the acquisition of a starting and ending address. The utility routine SETUP performs this function. Many of these utility routines may be useful in your own programming efforts.

Command routines: These are the routines that actually perform each command. Due to the extensive use of the above utility routines, most commands are easily implemented as a series of subroutines. A good example is the W (CWRITE) cassette-write command, which dumps a block of memory to tape (see listing 1, starting at line 576). Note that of the twelve "instructions" constituting the command, eight are calls to other routines.

The advantage of programming in this manner is that the command routines are easy to write. Should you

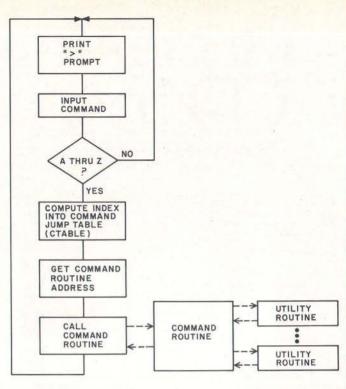


Figure 2: High-level flowchart for MON88 program. In general, the program decodes user input and, if valid, jumps to the appropriate command subroutine. Once the routine is finished, control is passed back to the command-input routine, and the program prints another prompt.

want to add commands, they can probably be implemented largely as a series of calls to already-existing, tested utility routines in MON88. This also saves memory space by eliminating redundant coding of essentially the same routine.

Video driver: My hardware requires a relatively lengthy software driver for the video board in my system. I converted this code from 8080 assembly language using Intel's CONV86 code converter. Briefly, the tradeoff is between the performance of the converted code versus a version rewritten for the 8088 and the associated time required for each process. Converted code may be somewhat larger than a rewritten version, but it will probably take only a small fraction of the time to implement as compared to a rewrite. Because the 8088 has a faster clock rate than the 8080, the converted program, even if larger, will probably run faster than the original 8080 version.

Environment Dependence

The dependence of MON88 on a certain I/O or memory environment has been minimized. The following summarizes the changes you will need to make to adapt MON88 to your own system. Refer to listing 1, starting at line 14.

Location of MON88: The statement immediately preceding the EQUATES FOLLOW section sets MON88's origin. For my processor board, the origin is hexadecimal F800:

> ORG F800H

> > Text continued on page 346



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Command Summary

Command syntax definitions:

[addr] = 16-bit address (or data) as four hexadecimal digits

[data] = 8-bit data as two hexadecimal digits

[cr] = carriage return

Note that [addr] and [data] entry routines accept the last four and two digits entered, respectively. For example, using the fill (F) command:

F0123456 789ABCD 0123456[crl

is the same as

F3456 ABCD 56[crl

Also note that [addr], [data] entries to commands can be separated by a blank or a comma, ie:

F3456 ABCD 56[cr]

is the same as

F3456, ABCD, 56[cr]

Invalid hexadecimal digits and unimplemented commands always result in an error response. MON88 responds to errors by printing an asterisk (*), carriage return/line feed sequence and redisplaying the prompt.

All entries to MON88 may be either upper or lowercase.

Most commands can be halted temporarily with Control-S, restarted with Control-Q, and aborted with Control-C.

In the following examples, all user input to MON88 is underlined.

Commands

A - Enter ASCII Text into Memory

Allows the direct entry of ASCII text from the keyboard into memory. The command is terminated with a Control-D [ctl-D]. At termination, the address following the last character entered is displayed:

A[addr][cr] A100[cr]

This is a test of the 'A' command.[ctl-D]

@0122

D100 121[cr]

0100 54 48 49 53 20 49 53 20 41 20 54 45 53 54 20 4F 0110 46 20 54 48 45 20 27 41 27 20 43 4F 4D 40 41 4E 0120 44 2E

B - Not Implemented

C — Compare Cassette Input With Memory Compares cassette input with the contents of memory on a byte-by-byte basis. All tape-read operations display the length of the file being read when the header is found. In this case the length is hexadecimal 200 bytes. A heading line is displayed, and if a comparison fails, the address and differing inputs are displayed:

C[addr][cr] C100[cr]

ADDR M T DIFF LENGTH (HEXADECIMAL) = 0200 76 0102 77 00000001

In this example, the data coming from tape matched the data located starting at hexadecimal address 100 except for address 102, where a 1-bit error was encountered.

D - Dump or Display the Contents of Memory Displays the contents of memory from [addr1] to [addr2] as sixteen hexadecimal values per line:

D[addr1] [addr2][cr]

D0 20[cr]

0000 01 33 43 56 A3 D8 90 90 34 88 ACEE F0 99 5F 70 0010 86 45 10 3E D4 BB CDEE 42 4E 53 96 9F 88 53 40 0020 74

E — Enter Hexadecimal Data From the Keyboard into Memory

After you enter the E command and an address, MON88 will display the current contents of that memory address followed by a "-". The value at that address can be changed by entering a new value. Once a new value has been entered, or if no change to the contents is required, a space is entered. MON88 will then display the contents of the next location followed by a "-". The E command is terminated with a carriage return:

E[addr][cr]

D100 104[cr] 0100 01 02 03 05 06

E100[cr]

0100 01-02 05-02-03 03-04 06-[cr]

D100 104[cr]

0100 02 03 04 05 06

F - Fill a Memory Block With a Constant Fills a block of memory from [addr1] to [addr2] with a constant value:

F[addr1] [addr2] [data][cr]

F100 104 20[cr] D100 104[cr]

0100 20 20 20 20 20

G — Go To and Execute a User Program

MON88 will vector to and begin executing a program in memory. Note that if the user program does not modify the contents of the segment registers, a

return instruction at the end of the program will transfer control to MON88. For this example, note that hexadecimal address F800 is the start address of MON88:

G[addr][cr] GF800[cr] (screen clears) 8088 Monitor [rev 0]

H — Compute the Sum and Difference of the 16-Bit Hexadecimal Values

MON88 will compute and display the sum and difference of two 16-bit arguments:

H[addr1] [addr2][cr] H2000 1010[cr] SUM DIFF 3010 OFF0

I — Input a Byte From an I/O Port

MON88 will read a byte from an I/O port and display the hexadecimal and binary values. Note that an 8- or 16-bit I/O port address may be specified. If boards in your system decode the upper (A8 thru A15) address lines, use a 16-bit I/O address:

I[addr][cr]

To input from I/O port hexadecimal 20 in the case that no I/O boards decode the upper eight address lines:

I20[cr] 23 00100011

To input from I/O port hexadecimal 20 in the case that any I/O boards decode the upper eight address lines for their 8-bit I/O port address:

I2020[cr] 23 00100011

J — Not Implemented

K — Toggle Keyboard Upper/Lower Case

For keyboards with only a "shift lock," the K command will result in teletypewriter-like uppercase capability. In this mode, the letters A thru Z will be automatically shifted to uppercase, while all other keys (ie: the numbers 0 thru 9, etc) will not shift:

K[cr]

L - Not Implemented

M — Move a Block of Memory

This command moves the block of memory between [addr1] and [addr2] (inclusive) to [addr3]. Forward or backward moves are acceptable. Overlapping moves can of course have strange results:

M[addr1] [addr2] [addr3][cr]

D0 F[cr]

0000 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10 M0 35 [cr]

Do F [cr]

0000 01 02 03 04 05 01 02 03 04 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10

N — Nondestructive Memory Test

A block of memory may be nondestructively tested using a read-complement-write-read-recomplementcompare-write algorithm. This provides a quick check for easily detected failures. Failing bits will be noted in hexadecimal and binary along with the failing address. The memory block will be repeatedly tested until a Control-C is entered:

N[addr1] [addr2][cr] No 2000[cr] 12FF 02 00000010 12FF 02 00000010 12FF 02 00000010

[Control-C]

In this case, location hexadecimal 12FF has a bad bit (D1 on a scale of D0 to D7)

O — Output to a Port

This command outputs a byte to an I/O port. As in the Input (I) command, 8- or 16-bit I/O port addresses can be used. The same rule for dealing with S-100 I/O devices that decode their 8-bit I/O address on the upper eight address lines is used:

O[addr] [data][cr] O2020 FE[cr]

This outputs hexadecimal FE to port hexadecimal 20 (old S-100) or port hexadecimal 2020 (new S-100)

P — Write Continuous Sync Stream to Cassette

A continuous stream of Tarbell format "sync" characters (hexadecimal E6) will be written to tape. The P command is terminated by pressing any key on the keyboard:

P[cr]

Q - Not Implemented

R — Read from Cassette

A file can be read from tape into memory, starting at [addr]. The length of the file is contained in the file header, so no length or ending address input to the R command is required. When MON88 finds the tape header, the file length will be printed on the console, informing the user that loading has been initiated. In this example, the file length is hexadecimal 200 bytes:

R[addr][cr] R100[cr LENGTH (HEXADECIMAL) = 0200

S, T, U - Not Implemented

V — Verify the Equality of Two Blocks of Memory
The block of memory from [addr1] to [addr2] will
be compared with the block starting at [addr3]. Differences will be noted in hexadecimal and binary:

V[addr]	[] [addr2	[addr3][c	r]	
V20 3F	100[cr]			
SRC	M	DEST	M	DIFF
0022	10	0122	11	00000001
0030	3E	0130	3F	00000001

In this case, the hexadecimal 20 bytes from hexadecimal addresses 20 to 3F are equal to those at address 100 except for two locations: hexadecimal locations 22 and 122 differ, as do locations 30 and 130.

W - Write to Cassette

The block of memory from [addr1] to [addr2] will be written to tape. MON88 will calculate the length of the block, display it, and write it to the tape header for use by the Read ("R") and Compare ("C") commands:

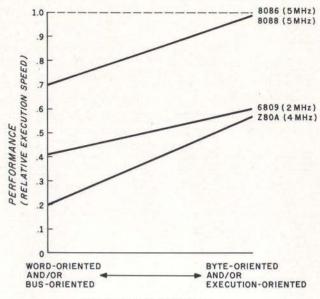
W[addr1] [addr2][cr]
W100 1FF[cr]
LENGTH (HEXADECIMAL) = 100

The block of memory from hexadecimal 100 to 1FF is written to tape.

X, Y, Z - Not Implemented

Command	Use
A	Enter ASCII text into memory.
ABCDEFGT	Not implemented
Ď	Compare cassette input with memory. Display memory.
Ē	Enter hexadecimal data into memory.
F	Fill memory with a constant.
G	Go To and execute user program.
Н	Hexadecimal math.
1	Input from an I/O port.
J K	Not implemented. Toggle keyboard upper/lowercase.
L	Not implemented.
M	Move memory.
N	Nondestructive memory test.
0	Output to an I/O port.
9	Put a continuous 'sync' stream to tape.
N O P Q R	Not implemented. Read a file from cassette.
S,T,U	Not implemented.
V	Verify equality of two memory blocks.
W	Write a file to cassette.
X,Y,Z	Not implemented.

Table 1: A quick reference guide to MON88 commands. Note that only sixteen of the possible twenty-six commands are implemented. While a stripped version of the present monitor can reside in 1 K bytes of memory, there is provision on the processor board for 2 K bytes of EPROM.



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Figure 3: Relative performance of several 8- and 16-bit microprocessors. The types of programs a processor can run are divided into two groups: those that primarily move data around (word- or bus-oriented) and those that primarily manipulate byte-oriented data or perform many numeric operations. If the 16-bit 8086 microprocessor (dotted line) is defined as a performance figure of 1.0, the other three lines show the approximate relative performance of the three other microprocessors as influenced by the type of program being run.

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Scratchpad Allocation: My video-board driver uses an 80-byte buffer and a 2-byte X,Y cursor-position variable. These, of course, can be removed or replaced according to your needs. Currently this storage is allocated in the processor boards, 1 K bytes of programmable memory in the (8185-2) device.

The only scratchpad memory required by MON88 is a 1-byte uppercase/lowercase flag variable. This is used by the K (keyboard toggle) command to allow emulation of uppercase-only peripherals in which letters are shifted, but numbers and special characters are not.

If you are not using the processor board described last month and don't have a dedicated scratchpad in the system, UCFLAG can be allocated at the top of memory:

UCFLAG EQU TOPMEM

where TOPMEM is the address of the top of memory.

Stack: My stack also resides on the scratchpad memory within the processor board. If you do not have scratchpad, allocate the stack 1 byte below the top of your memory (to leave room for UCFLAG). Note that the stack pointer is decremented before a PUSH operation is performed. Therefore, to allocate the stack 1 byte below the top of memory, set the stack pointer equal to the top of memory:

UCFLAG EQU TOPMEM STACKP EQU TOPMEM

Listing 1: Assembly listing of MON88. The flowchart in figure 2 outlines the general operation of the program.

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LOC OBJ	LINE	SOURCE					
	4		*****	**********			*****
	2		*				*
	3	1	*		MONBE	2	*
	Δ		W		HUNDE	*	*
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	6	4	# W AIG			revision O	6000 ×
	0		*			ward Cantrell	*
	8	*	*	by In	iomas wood	Dard Cantrell	**
	9	*	*				*
			****	****	****	************	****
	10	,					
	11	70 5 2 2	ASSUME	DS: ABS_O, CS	: ABS_0, ES:	ABS_O	
	12	ABS_O		BYTE AT O			
0000	13	M	LABEL	BYTE			
F800	14		ORG	OFBOOH			
	15						
	16	J.	***	**	***	***	***
	17		*				*
	18	*	*		EQUATES FO	DLLOW	45
	19	7	#				*
	20	į.	***	****	***	***	***
	21	3					
F400	22	VIDBUF	EQU	OF400H		video buffer	
F450	23	XY	EQU	VIDBUF+80		; holder for cur	sor position
F452	24	UCFLAG	EQU	XY+2		; upper/lower ca	se flag
0000	25	FF	EQU	OCH		; form feed (cle	ar screen)
000A	26	LF	EQU	OAH		; line feed	
OOOD	27	CR	EQU '	ODH		; carriage retur	n
0008	28	BS	EQU	OBH		backspace	
	77.	25.5					

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where TOPMEM is the address of the top of memory.

Initialization: I/O initialization is done in the INIT section of the monitor (see listing 1, starting at line 76). Starting at hexadecimal F81D, I initialize the Tarbell cassette interface and TDL Video Interface. Replace the section of code from hexadecimal F81D to F828 to suit your I/O needs.

I/O Drivers

MON88 currently uses the following environmentdependent I/O routines (their hexadecimal addresses are given in parentheses):

- KEYIN (F90F)—Reads a byte from the console keyboard, strips off the parity bit, and returns the character in the AL accumulator.
- KEYSTAT (F922)—Reads the console keyboard's status and returns AL=0 if a key has not been pressed and AL = hexadecimal FF if a key has been pressed.
- CIN (F955)—Reads a byte from a mass-storage device (Tarbell cassette, in my case) and returns the byte in the AL accumulator.
- COUT (F964)—Writes the byte contained in the AL accumulator to the mass-storage device.
- CSTART (FB60)—Sets up the mass-storage device for a write operation. For the Tarbell interface, a start byte and a sync byte are required. Replace this code as necessary for your device.
- READINIT (FB9D)—Sets up the mass-storage device for a read operation. Replace the relevant code as necessary.
- PUTSYNC (FBBF)—Outputs a stream of sync bytes to

my cassette. This allows calibrating the interface. If your device has a similar feature, modify the PUTSYNC routine accordingly. If not needed, the whole P (PUTSYNC) command can be removed.

• VIDOUT (FCDA)—This routine outputs the character in the AL accumulator to the console display device. In my case, I converted an 8080 version of the video driver to 8088 code using Intel's CONV86 program. Using the code converter, it took only an hour or so to get the driver up and running. I will rewrite it as necessary to reduce the amount of memory used by MON88.

Adding or Removing Commands

All commands are referenced through CTABLE (Command Jump Table) located at hexadecimal F8B8. Note that the commands are arranged in alphabetical order, A thru Z. To remove a command, simply replace its reference in CTABLE with ERR. For example, to remove the K command (uppercase/lowercase toggle), change:

F8CC DW KTOGGLE

to

F8CC DW ERR

then remove the KTOGGLE code (hexadecimal FCD1 to FCD9).

Similarly, to add a special memory test (for example) and call it using the letter T, first write the code (for example, starting label TESTMEM) for the command,

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Listing 1 continued: ; keyboard status port EQU OFSESH E2E2 KSTAT ; keuboard data port OF3F3H E3E3 30 KDATA EQU ; Tarbell status port AFAFH 6E6E 31 CSTAT FOU ; Tarbell data port FOU AFAFH 6F6F 32 CDATA Stack address OF7FFH F7FF 33 STACKP FOU Jascii ctl-c 03H FOU 0003 34 CTLC 04H ; ascii ct) -d FOU 0004 35 CTLD Jascii ctl-s EQU 13H CTLS 0013 36 37 ;ascii ctl-q EQU 11H 0011 CTLO FALSE EQU 38 0000 OFFH TRUE EQU 39 OOFF 40 \$EJECT VIDEE MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER LOC OBJ LINE SOURCE 41 *** 42 43 JUMP TABLE 44 45 46 47 48 RESETS STACK, SEGMENT REGISTERS, CASSETTE INTERFACE JMP INIT 49 F800 EB0D90 ALSO PRINTS SIGN-ON MESSAGE 50 51 JMP START ; 'WARM START'- REGISTERS NOT INITIALIZED F803 EB3090 52 53 KEYSTAT ; RETURNS [AL]=0 IF NO KEYPRESS PENDING. ELSE [AL]=0FFH F806 E91901 54 JMP 55 WAITS FOR KEYPRESS. RETURNS [AL]=CHAR AND PRINTS IT. F809 E9E000 56 JMP 57 VIDOUT ; PRINTS CHAR IN AL ON CONSOLE JMP FBOC E9CBO4 58 59 60

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64
                                            65
                            66
                            67
                                                                            ; direction flag points 'up'
FBOF FC
                            68
                                   INIT:
                                            CLD
                                                                            disable interrupts
F810 FA
                            69
                                            CLI
                                                                            initialize
                                                    AX, CS
F811 8CC8
                            70
                                            MOV
                                                                               segment
                                                    DS, AX
F813 8ED8
                            71
                                            MOV
                                                    ES, AX
                                                                               registers
F815 BECO
                            72
                                            MOV
                                                                               and set
                            73
                                                    SS, AX
F817 8ED0
                                            MOV
                                                    SP, STACKP
                                                                            ; stack pointer
                            74
75
F819 BCFFF7
                                            MOV
                                                                            ; enable interrupts
F81C FB
                                            STI
                                                                            Reset Cassette
                                                    AL, 10H
                            76
77
F81D B010
                                            MOV
                                                    DX, CSTAT
F81F BA6E6E
                                            MOV
                            78
79
                                                    DX, AL
                                                                               Interface
                                            DUT
F822 EE
                                                                            Reset Video
                                                    DX, OEOEOH
                                            MOV
FB23 BAEOEO
                                                                              Interface
                                                    AL, BBH
                            80
                                            MOV
F826 B088
                                                                            ; Inverse video w/cursor
                                            DUT
                                                    DX, AL
F828 EE
                            81
                                                 BYTE PTR MEUCFLAGI, O
                                                                            ; O=lower case, FFH=U/C only
FB29 C60652F400
                                            MOV
                            82
                            83
                                            MOV
                                                    SI, OFFSET SIGNON
                                                                            iget sign on message
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PRINTMESS

INITIALIZATION

; and print it

MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER VIDSS

F82E BE5AF890

F832 E86301

61 62

63

84

85

86 +1 \$EJECT

LOC	DBJ	LINE	SOURCE																	
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F835	E83D01	94	START:	CALL	CRLF										; pr	int	CRI	J		
	BOSE	95		MOV	AL, '>										an	d p	rom	o t		
	E89D04	96		CALL	VIDOU	JT														
		97	1																	
F83D		98	MAINLO	P:																
	B400	99		MOV	AH, O										; c1	ear	- AH			
	EBAA00	100		CALL	CONIN	4									; ge	t a	CO	mmar	b	
	3041	101		CMP	AL, 'A	1'									; ch	eck	rai	nge	fo	r
	72EF	102		JB	START										1		A			
	3C5A	103		CMP	AL, 'Z										1	ti	TU			
	7FEB	104		JG	START										1		Z			
	2041	105		SUB	AL, 'A										ca	100	lat	e 01	f.	et

CALL

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F84C DOEO
                             106
                                              SHI
                                                      AL, 1
                                                                               ; and multiply by 2
F84E 05B8F890
                             107
                                              ADD
                                                      AX, OFFSET CTABLE
F852 8BD8
                             108
                                              MOV
                                                      BX, AX
F854 8B07
                             109
                                              MOV
                                                      AX, WORD PTR MEBX3
F856 FFD0
                             110
                                              CALL
                                                      AX
                                                                                ; go do it
F858 EBDB
                             111
                                              JMP
                                                      START
                                                                                start over
                             112 +1
                                     $EJECT
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                            VIDEE
LOC OBJ
                            LINE
                                     SOURCE
                             113
                             114
                                              *******
                             115
                             116
                                                          MESSAGES
                             117
                             118
                             119
F85A OC
                             120
                                     SIGNON
                                             DB
F85B 38303838204D6F
                             121
                                             DB
                                                      '8088 Monitor Crev. 00'
     6E69746F72203C
     7265762E20303E
                                     DRYTE
F870 00
                             122
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                             123
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F871 41444452204D20
                             124
                                                      'ADDR M T
                                                                     DIFF
     2054202020202044
     494646202020
                            125
F885 00
                                             DR
                                                      n
                             126
F886 53554D20204449
                                     MHEAD
                                                           DIFF'
                                             DB
                                                      'SUM
                            127
     4646
F88F 00
                            128
                                             DB
                                                      0
                            129
F890 53524320204D20
                                     VHEAD
                                                      'SRC
                                                                           DIFF'
                            130
                                             DB
                                                                DEST M
                                                           M
     20204445535420
     4D202020204449
     4646
F8A7 00
                            131
                                             DB
                                                      0
                            132
FBAB 4C454E47544820
                                     CHEAD
                            133
                                             DB
                                                      'LENGTH (HEX) = '
     2848455829203D
FBB7 00
                            134
                                             DB
                            135
                                     $EJECT
                            136
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                           VIDES
LDC
    OBJ
                           LINE
                                    SOURCE
                            137
                            138
                                             *********
                            139
                            140
                                                      COMMAND JUMP TABLE
                            141
                                             ****
                            142
                            143
FRBB BOFC
                                                      AENTER ; ENTER ASCII TEXT INTO MEMORY
                            144
                                    CTABLE
                                             DW
FRBA A7F9
                            145
                                                              ; B
                                             DW
                                                      FRR
                                                      COMPARE ; COMPARE CASSETTE INPUT WITH MEMORY
FRBC D2FB
                            146
                                             DW
                                                              DISPLAY MEMORY
FRRE OOFB
                            147
                                             DW
                                                      DUMP
FBCO 7BFC
                                                              ENTER HEX DATA INTO MEMORY
                            148
                                             DW
                                                      ESUBST
FBC2 7EFA
                                                              ;FILL MEMORY WITH A CONSTANT
;GO TO & EXECUTE A USER PROGRAM
;COMPUTE SUM AND DIFFERENCE OF HEX #'S
                            149
                                             DW
                                                      FILL
FBC4 4AFB
                                                      COTO
                            150
                                             DW
FBC6 1AFC
                                             DW
                                                      HEXMATH
                            151
FBCB 2CFB
                                                              INPUT FROM A PORT
                            152
                                             DW
                                                      INPUT
FBCA A7F9
                            153
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
FBCC D1FC
                                                      KTOGGLE ; TOGGLE KEYBOARD UPPER/LOWER CASE FLAG
                            154
                                             DW
FBCE A7F9
                            155
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
FBDO E7FA
                            156
                                             DW
                                                      MOVE
                                                              , MOVE MEMORY
FBD2 3BFC
                            157
                                                              NON DESTRUCTIVE MEMORY TEST
                                             DW
                                                      NTEST
                                                              OUTPUT TO A PORT OUTPUT CONTINUOUS SYNC STREAM TO CASSETTE
F8D4 3FFB
                            158
                                             DW
                                                      DUTPUT
F8D6 BFFB
                            159
                                             DW
                                                      PUTSYNC
F8D8 A7F9
                            160
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
                                                              ; Q
F8DA 82FB
                                                              ; READ FROM CASSETTE
                            161
                                             DW
                                                      READ
FBDC A7F9
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
                                                              ; 5
                            162
FBDE A7F9
                            163
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
                                                              T
FBEO A7F9
                            164
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
F8E2 8DFA
                            165
                                             DW
                                                      VERIFY
                                                              ; VERIFY EQUALITY OF TWO MEMORY BLOCKS
F8E4 4FFB
                            166
                                             DW
                                                      CWRITE
                                                              WRITE TO CASSETTE
FBE6 A7F9
                            167
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
                                                              ; X
FBEB A7F9
                            168
                                             DW
                                                      ERR
                                                              ; Y
FBEA A7F9
                            169
                                                      ERR
                                                              ; Z
                            170 +1
                                    $EJECT
                                                                                       Listing 1 continued on page 350
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VIDER

```
LINE
                                    SOURCE
LOC OBJ
                            171
                            172
                                             173
                            174
                                                       UTILITY ROUTINES
                            175
                                                                    and
                            176
                                                         DEVICE HANDLERS
                                                   T / D
                            177
                                                           (except video driver)
                            178
                            179
                                             ***********
                            180
                            181
                            182
                                                                      ; get a keyboard character
                                                      KEYIN
                                     CONIN:
                                             CALL
FBEC E82000
                             183
                                             PUSH
                                                      AX
                             184
ERFF 50
                                                      AL, BYTE PTR MEUCFLAGI
                                                                              , check for case conversion
                             185
                                             MOV
FREO A052F4
                                                                      :0?
                                                      AL, AL
                                             OR
                             186
ERES DACO
                                                      CONNEXT
                                                                      ; YES. . no conversion
                             187
                                             .17
ERE5 7405
                                                                      restore character
                                             POP
                             188
                                                      AX
F8F7 58
                                                                      convert to UC
                                                      UCCHEK
                             189
                                             CALL
F8F8 E80900
                             190
                                             PUSH
                                                      AX
FBFB 50
                                     CONNEXT: POP
                                                      AX
FBFC 58
                             191
                                                      VIDOUT
                                                                       and echo it on console
                                             CALL
FBFD EBDA03
                             192
                                                      UCCHEK
                                                                       ; always return UC
                                             CALL
F900 E80100
                             193
                                             RET
                             194
                                     KQUIT:
F903 C3
                             195
                                     UCCHEK: CMP
                                                      AL, 'a'
F904 3C61
                             196
                                              JC
                                                      UGUIT
                             197
 F906 7206
                                              CMP
                                                      AL, 'z'+1
 F908 3C7B
                             198
                                              JNC
                                                      UQUIT
                             199
 F90A 7302
                                                      AL, 5FH
                                              AND
                             200
 F90C 245F
                                     UQUIT:
                                              RET
                             201
 F90E C3
                             202
                                              PUSH
                                                                       keuboard device handler
                                     KEYIN:
                             203
 F90F 52
                                                      DX, KSTAT
                                              MOV
                             204
 F910 BAEZEZ
                                                      AL, DX
                                                                       ; check for keypress
                                     KEYLOOP: IN
                             205
 F913 EC
                                                      AL, BOH
                                              AND
 F914 2480
                             204
                                                                       ino keypress, then wait for one
                                                      KEYLOOP
                                              JZ
 F916 74FB
                             207
                                              POP
                                                      DX
                             208
 F918 5A
                                              PUSH
                                                      DX
                                     KIN:
                             209
 F919 52
                                              MOV
                                                      DX, KDATA
                             210
 F91A BAE3E3
                                                                       else get the character
                                                       AL, DX
                             211
 F91D EC
                                              AND
                                                       AL, 7FH
                                                                       and strip parity
                             212
 F91E 247F
                                              POP
                                                      DX
                             213
 F920 5A
                             214
                                              RET
 F921 C3
                             215
                                                                       RETURN [AL]=0 IF NO KEYPRESS ELSE [AL]=OFFH
                             216
                                      KEYSTAT:
 F922
                                                                       prepare for false
                                                       AH, FALSE
                                              MUN
 F922 B400
                             217
                                              PUSH
                                                       DX
                             218
 F924 52
                                                       DX, KSTAT
                             219
                                              MOV
 F925 BAE2E2
                                                       AL, DX
                                              IN
                              220
 F9PB EC
                                                      AL, SOH
                              221
                                              AND
 F929 2480
                                                                       return it if no keypress
                             222
                                              .17
 F928 7402
                                                                       otherwise make it TRUE
                                                       AH
 F92D F6D4
                              223
                                              NOT
                                                       AL, AH
                             224
                                      KEXIT:
                                              MOU
 F92F BAC4
 MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                            VID88
                                      SOURCE
                            LINE
 LOC
      DBJ
                                              POP
                                                       DX
                             225
 F931 5A
                                              RET
 F932 C3
                              226
                             227
                                                                       CHECK FOR CTL-S, CTL-Q AND CTL-C
                                      CTLCHEK:
 F933
                              228
                                              PUSH
                              229
 F933 50
                                              CALL
                                                       KEYSTAT
                                                                       ; keypress?
                              230
 F934 EBEBFF
                              231
                                              CMP
                                                       AL, O
 F937
      3000
                                                                       ino keypress so return
                              232
                                              JZ
                                                       CTLEXIT
 F939 7418
                                                                       ; if keypress then get the data
                              233
                                              CALL
                                                       KIN
 F93B E8DBFF
                                                       AL, CTLS
                                                                       ; check for ctl-s
                              234
                                              CMP
 F93E 3C13
                                                                       ; if not look for ctl-c
      750D
                              235
                                              JNZ
                                                       CTLCCHEK
 F940
                                                                       ; if ctl-s then wait for another keypress
                              236
                                      KWAIT:
                                              CALL
                                                       KEYIN
 F942 EBCAFF
                                                                       is it ctl-q
                              237
                                              CMP
                                                       AL, CTLQ
 F945 3011
                                                                        YES. return
                              238
                                              JZ
                                                       CTLEXIT
 F947
      740A
                                                                        ; abort?
                              239
                                              CMP
                                                       AL, CTLC
 F949 3003
                                                                        YES
                              240
                                              JE
                                                       ERR
 F94B
      745A
                                                                        otherwise wait some more
                              241
                                              JMP
                                                       KWAIT
 F94D EBF3
                              242
                                      CTLCCHEK:
 F94F
                                                                        ; is it ctl-c
                                              CMP
 F94F 3C03
                              243
                                                       AL, CTLC
                                                                        ; YES. . ABORT!
 F951
                              244
                                               JZ
                                                       FRR
      7454
                              245
                                      CTLEXIT:
 F953
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F953 58
                                246
                                                  POP
                                                           AX
   F954 C3
                                247
                                                  RET
                                248
   F955
                                249
                                         CIN:
                                                                   GET BYTE FROM CASSETTE
   F955 52
                                250
                                                  PUSH
                                                          DY
   F956 BA6E6E
                                251
                                                  MOV
                                                          DX, CSTAT
   F959
                                252
                                         CINLOOP:
   F959 EC
                                253
                                                  TN
                                                          AL, DX
   F95A 2410
                                254
                                                  AND
                                                          AL, 10H
                                                                            cassette ready to read?
  F95C 75FB
                                255
                                                  JNZ
                                                          CINI DOP
                                                                            ; NO. . wait
  F95E BA6F6F
                                256
                                                  MOV
                                                          DX, CDATA
                                                                            YES. .
  F961 EC
                                257
                                                  IN
                                                          AL, DX
                                                                            get the data
  F962 5A
                                258
                                                  POP
                                                          DX
  F963 C3
                                259
                                                 RET
                                260
  F964
                                261
                                        COUT-
                                                                   WRITE A BYTE TO CASSETTE
  F964 52
                                262
                                                 PUSH
                                                          DX
  F965 50
                                263
                                                 PUSH
                                                          AX
  F966 BA6E6E
                                264
                                                 MOV
                                                          DX, CSTAT
  F949
                                265
                                        COUTLOOP
  F969 FC
                                266
                                                          AL, DX
  F96A 2420
                                267
                                                 AND
                                                          AL, 20H
                                                                           ; cassette ready for write?
  F96C 75FB
                                268
                                                 JNZ
                                                          COUTLOOP
                                                                           ; NO. wait
  F96E 58
                                269
                                                 POP
                                                          AX
                                                                           iget char back
  F96F BA6F6F
                               270
                                                 MOV
                                                          DX, CDATA
  F972 FF
                               271
                                                 DUT
                                                          DX, AL
                                                                           and send to tape
  F973 5A
                               272
                                                 POP
                                                          DX
  F974 C3
                               273
                                                 RET
                               274
  F975 50
                               275
                                        CRLF:
                                                 PUSH
  F976 E8BAFF
                               276
                                                 CALL
                                                          CTLCHEK
  F979 BOOD
                                                                           CHECK FOR ABORT
                               277
                                                 MOU
                                                          AL, CR
                                                                           SEND CR AND LF TO CONSOLE
  F97B E85C03
                               278
                                                 CALL
                                                          VIDOUT
 MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                              VIDRA
 LOC OBJ
                             LINE
                                       SOURCE
 F97F ROOA
                               279
                                                MOV
                                                         AL, LF
 F980 E85703
                               280
                                                CALL
                                                         VIDOUT
 F983 58
                               281
                                                POP
                                                         AX
 F984 C3
                               282
                                                RET
                               283
 F985
                               284
                                       BLANK-
                                                                 PRINT A BLANK, SAVE ALL REC
 F985 51
                               285
                                                PUSH
                                                         CX
 F986 B90100
                               286
                                                MOV
                                                         CX, 1
                                                                          print 1 blank
 F989 E80200
                               287
                                                CALL
                                                         TABS
 F98C 59
                               288
                                                POP
                                                         CX
 F98D C3
                               289
                                                RET
                              290
 F98E
                              291
                                       TABS:
                                                                 PRINT # BLANKS IN CX. ON EXIT CX-0
 F98E 50
                              292
                                                PUSH
                                                         AX
 F98F B020
                                                        AL, , ,
                              293
                                                MOV
 F991 E84603
                              294
                                       TLOOP:
                                                CALL
                                                         VIDOUT
 F994 E2FB
                              295
                                                LOOP
                                                        TLOOP
 F996 58
                              296
                                                POP
                                                        AX
 F997 C3
                              297
                                                RET
                              298
F998
                              299
                                       PRINTMESS:
                                                                 PRINT THE MESSAGE (-- [SI] ON CONSOLE
F998 50
                              300
                                               PUSH
                                                        AX
                                                                 END OF MESSAGE IS A ZERO (0)
F999 AC
                              301
                                       PMESS:
                                               LODS
                                                        DBYTE
                                                                         iget a byte
F99A 3C00
                              302
                                               CMP
                                                        AL, O
                                                                          icheck for end of message
F990
     7407
                              303
                                                JE
                                                        PQUIT
F99E 56
                                                                          quit if zero
                              304
                                               PUSH
                                                        SI
                                                                          otherwise save message pointer
F99F E83803
                              305
                                               CALL
                                                        VIDOUT
                                                                          and display byte
F9A2 5E
                              306
                                               POP
                                                        SI
F9A3 EBF4
                              307
                                                JMP
                                                        PMESS
F9A5 58
                                                                          print more message
                              308
                                       PQUIT:
                                               POP
                                                        AX
F9A6 C3
                              309
                              310
F9A7 B02A
                              311
                                       ERR:
                                               MOV
                                                        AL, '*'
                                                                         iprint error
F9A9 E82E03
                              312
                                               CALL
                                                        VIDOUT
                                                                            message
F9AC BCFFF7
                              313
                                               MOV
                                                        SP, STACKP
                                                                         reinitialize stack
F9AF E983FE
                              314
                                               JMP
                                                        START
                                                                         and abort!
                              315
F9B2
                              316
                                      BINOUT:
                                                                         DUTPUT [AL] AS EIGHT BINARY DIGITS (BITS)
F9B2 51
                              317
                                               PUSH
                                                        CX
F9B3 B90800
                              318
                                               MOV
                                                        CX, B
F9B6
                             319
                                      BINDUT1:
F9B6 DOEO
                             320
                                               SHL
                                                        AL, 1
                                                                         iget the bit
F9B8 7209
                             321
                                               JB
                                                        BOUT1
                                                                         ; output a 1
F9BA 50
                             322
                                               PUSH
                                                        AX
                                                                         ; otherwise ...
F9BB B030
                                                        AL, '0'
                             323
                                               MOV
                                                                         output
F9BD E81A03
                             324
                                               CALL
                                                        VIDOUT
F9C0 EB0790
                                                                         10 0
                             325
                                               JMP
                                                        BINEND
F9C3 50
                                                                         continue
                             326
                                      BOUT1:
                                               PUSH
                                                        AX
F9C4 B031
                                                        AL, '1'
                             327
                                               MOV
                                                                         output a 1
F9C6 E81103
                             328
                                               CALL
                                                        VIDOUT
                                                                                               Listing 1 continued on page 352
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Listing 1 continued:
                                      BINEND: POP
                              329
F9C9 58
                                                                          ido it eight times
                                               LOOP
                                                        BINOUT1
F9CA EZEA
                              330
                                               POP
                              331
F9CC 59
                                               RET
                              332
F9CD C3
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                             VIDSS
                                      SOURCE
     OBJ
                             LINE
LOC
                              333
                                                                 DUTPUT [AL] AS 2 HEX DIGITS. ALL REG SAVED.
                                       HEXDUT:
F9CE
                              334
                                               PUSH
                              335
F9CE 50
                                                        CX
                                                PUSH
                              336
F9CF 51
                                                        AH, AL
                                                                          I SAVE AL
                                                MOV
                              337
F9DO BAEO
                                                        CL, 4
                              338
                                                MOV
F9D2 B104
                                                                          shift AL right 4 places
                              339
                                                SHR
                                                        AL, CL
F9D4 D2E8
                              340
                                                POP
                                                        CX
F9D6 59
                                                                          coutout upper nibble
                              341
                                                CALL
                                                        HEXDIGOUT
F9D7 E80700
                                                                          restore AL (now we do lower nibble)
                              342
                                                MOV
                                                         AL, AH
F9DA BAC4
                                                        HEXDIGOUT
                              343
                                                CALL
F9DC E80200
                              344
                                                POP
                                                         AX
F9DF 58
                              345
                                                RET
F9E0 C3
                              346
                                                                  CONVERT NIBBLE TO ASCII HEX
                              347
                                       HEXDIGOUT:
F9F1
                                                                          ; mask upper 4 bits
                                                         AL, OFH
                               348
                                                AND
F9E1 240F
                                                                          tricky conversion. .
                                                         AL, 90H
                               349
                                                ADD
 E9F3 0490
                                                                                but
                              350
                                                DAA
 E9E5 27
                                                                                it
                                                ADC
                                                         AL, 40H
                              351
 ESEA 1440
                                                                                works!
                               352
                                                DAA
 F9E8 27
                                                                          print the result
                                                         VIDOUT
 F9E9 E8EE02
                               353
                                                CALL
                               354
                                                RET
 F9EC C3
                               355
                                                                  CHECK AL FOR VALID HEX DIGIT; CONVERT TO BIN
                                       HEXCHK.
 F9ED
                               356
                                                                  , IF INVALID RETURN WITH CARRY SET.
                                                SUB
                                                         AL, '0'
 F9ED 2030
                               357
                                                         HRET
                                                                          ;Error..not alphanumeric
                               358
                                                JB
 F9EF 720E
                                                                          ; check for 0-9
                                                CMP
                                                         AL, OAH
 F9F1 3COA
                               359
                                                CMC
                               360
 F9F3 F5
                                                                          return o.k. if 0-7
                                                         HRET
                                                JNB
 F9F4 7309
                               361
                                                         AL, 7
                                                                          adjust for A-F
                                                SUB
                               362
 F9F6 2C07
                                                CMP
                                                         AL, 10
                               363
 F9FB 3COA
                                                                           return error if > F
                                                 JB
                                                         HRET
                               364
 F9FA 7203
                                                CMP
                                                         AL, 16
 F9FC 3C10
                               365
                                                 CMC
                               366
 F9FE F5
                                        HRET:
                                                RET
 F9FF C3
                               367
                               348
                                                         16 BIT HEX VALUE TO BX. BX IS SHIFT REGISTER, ACCEPTS LAST 4
                                        GETPARMB:
                               349
                                                         ON ENTRY CX EQUALS NUMBER OF KEYPRESSES THAT CAN BE ACCEPTED.
 FAOO
                               370
                               371
                                                          UNLESS THE TERMINATOR IS INVALID (NOT EQUAL CR, SPACE OR ', ')
                               372
                                                          IN WHICH CASE AN ERROR IS GENERATED.
                               373
                               374
                                                                           clear BX
                                                 MOV
                                                         BX, O
                               375
 FA00 BB0000
                                                                           ; get a character
                                                         CONIN
                                        LOOPB:
                                                 CALL
                               376
 FA03 E8E6FE
                                                                           ; alphanumeric ?
                                                 CMP
                                                          AL . 'O'
                               377
 FA06 3C30
                                                                           ; NO. . . quit
                               378
                                                 JB
                                                         BEXIT
 FA08 7210
                                                                           ; YES. . . then
                               379
                                                 PUSH
                                                          CX
 FAOA 51
                                                                           shift BX to
                                                          CL, 4
                                                 MOV
 FAOR BIO4
                               380
                                                                           make room for
                                                 SHL
                                                          BX, CL
                               381
 FAOD D3E3
                                                                           ; latest addition
                                                 POP
                                                          CX
 FAOF 59
                               382
                                                                           ; check for valid hex and convert to binary
                                                          HEXCHK
                               383
                                                 CALL
 FA10 ERDAFF
                                                                           ; if invalid then error!
                                                          ERR
                                                 , JP
 FA13 7292
                               384
                                                                           otherwise add it in
                                                          BL . AL
                               385
                                                 ADD
 FA15 02DB
                                                                           skeep looking
                                                          LOOPB
                                                 LOOP
 FA17 FRFA
                               386
                              VIDER
 MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                                        SOURCE
                              LINE
 LOC OBJ
                               387
                                                 RET
  FA19 C3
                                                          AL, ' '
                                                                           ; test for blank
  FA1A 3C20
                                        BEXIT:
                                                 CMP
                                                          BGOOD
  FA1C 740B
                               389
                                                 JE
                                                          AL, ', '
                                                                           i..comma
                               390
                                                 CMP
  FAIE 3C2C
                                                          BGOOD
                               391
                                                 JE
  FA20 7407
                                                          AL, CR
                                                                           ; or carriage return
                               392
                                                 CMP
  FA22 3COD
                                                          BGOOD
                               393
                                                 JE
  FA24 7403
                                                                           ; if none of the above the ERROR
                                                          ERR
                                                 JMP
  FA26 E97EFF
                               394
                                                                            ; save terminator
                                                          AH, AL
                               395
                                        BGOOD:
                                                 MOV
  FA29 BAEO
                                396
                                                 RET
  FAZB C3
                                397
                                                                   ; 16 BIT HEX VALUE TO DX. USE GETPARMB
                                        GETPARMD:
  FA2C
                                398
                                                                            ; save BX
                                                 PUSH
                                                          BX
  FA2C 53
                                399
                                                                            get the parameter
                                                          GETPARMB
  FAZD EBDOFF
                                400
                                                 CALL
                                                                            , put it where it belongs
                                                          DX. BX
  FA30 8BD3
                                401
                                                 MOV
                                                                            restore BX
                                                 POP
                                                          BX
  FA32 5B
                                402
  FA33 C3
                                403
                                                 RET
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GET PARMS IN BX AND DX. ALL PURPOSE PARAMETER GETTER
                           405
                                   SETUP:
FA34
FA34 51
                            406
                                                    CX
                                                                    ; save CX
FA35 B9FFFF
                            407
                                            MOV
                                                    CX, OFFFFH
                                                                    ; allow 64K keypresses
                                                                    get first parameter
FA38 EBC5FF
                            408
                                            CALL
                                                    GETPARMB
FA3B 3COD
                           409
                                            CMP
                                                    AL, CR
                                                                    ; check for carriage return
FA3D 7406
                           410
                                            JE
                                                    SET1
                                                                     ; if so [DX] defaults to [BX]
FASF EBEAFF
                            411
                                            CALL
                                                    GETPARMD
                                                                    ; otherwise get second parameter
FA42 EB0390
                           412
                                            JMP
                                                    SET2
FA45 BBD3
                           413
                                   SET1:
                                            MOV
                                                    DX, BX
FA47 59
                           414
                                   SET2:
                                            POP
                                                    CX
FA48 C3
                           415
                                            RET
                           416
                                                                    : CCX3<--- CDX3-CBX3+1, IFCBX3>CDX3 THEN ERR
FA49
                           417
                                   CLENGTH:
                                           PUSH
FA49 52
                           418
                                                    DX
                                                    DX, BX
                                                                    ; if [BX] > [DX]
FA4A 3BD3
                           419
                                           CMP
                                                    CL1
                                            INB
FA4C 7303
                           420
                                                                    ; then error!
FA4E E956FF
                           401
                                            . IMP
                                                    FRR
                                                    DX, BX
FA51 2BD3
                           422
                                   CL1:
                                           SUR
                                                                    relse determine difference
FA53 BRCA
                           423
                                            MOU
                                                    CX, DX
                                                                    and put in CX
                                                                    ; count = difference + 1
FA55 41
                           424
                                            TNC
                                                    CX
FA56 5A
                                            POP
                           425
                                                    DX
FA57 C3
                                            RET
                           424
                           427
                                   GETPARMAL:
                                                            ; [AL] <-- ASCII HEX FROM CONSOLE
FA5B
                           428
                                                            ; [AL] UNCHANGED IF NO PARAMETER ENTERED
                           429
                                            PUSH
                                                    BX
                                                                    save BX
FA58 53
                           430
                                            PUSH
                                                                    ; save CX
FA59 51
                           431
                                                    CX
                           432
                                            PUSH
                                                    DX
                                                                    ; save DX
FA5A 52
FASB BADO
                           433
                                            MOV
                                                    DL, AL
                                                                    save AL
                                                    CX, OFFFFH
FA5D B9FFFF
                           434
                                            MOV
                                                                    ; 64 keypresses allowed
                                                    GETPARMB
FA60 EB9DFF
                           435
                                            CALL
                                                                    get the parameter
                                                    CX, OFFFFH
                                                                    ; how many parameters entered?
FA63 B1F9FFFF
                           436
                                            CMP
                                                                    ; if greater than zero then continue
FA67 7502
                                                    GQUIT
                           437
                                            JNE
                                                    BL, DL
                                                                    ; if zero parms entered restore old value
FA69 BADA
                           438
                                            MOV
FA6B BAC3
                                                    AL, BL
                                                                    ; otherwise put it where it belongs
                           439
                                   GQUIT:
                                           MOV
                                            POP
                                                    DX
                                                                    restore DX
FA6D 5A
                           440
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                          VID88
LOC OBJ
                          LINE
                                   SOURCE
                                           POP
FA6E 59
                                                    CX
                                                                    restore CX
FA6F 5B
                           442
                                            POP
                                                                    restore BX
FA70 C3
                           443
                           444
FA71
                           445
                                   OUTBX:
                                                           ; [BX] DUTPUT AS FOUR HEX DIGITS
FA71 50
                           446
                                            PUSH
                                                    AX
FA72 BAC7
                           447
                                            MOV
                                                    AL, BH
                                                                    output
                                                                    ; BH
FA74 E857FF
                           448
                                            CALL
                                                    HEXOUT
FA77 BAC3
                           449
                                            MOV
                                                    AL, BL
                                                                    ; and
                                                                    7 BL
FA79 EB52FF
                           450
                                            CALL
                                                    HEXOUT
FA7C 5B
                           451
                                            POP
                                                    AX
FA7D C3
                           452
                                            RET
                           453
                           454 +1 $EJECT
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                          VIDER
LOC OBJ
                          LINE
                                   SOURCE
                           455
                           456
                           457
                           458
                           459
                                        ***
                           460
                           461
                                                COMMAND ROUTINES
                            462
                            463
                                        ************
                            464
                            465
FA7E
                            466
                                    FILL:
                                                            FILL A BLOCK OF MEMORY WITH A CONSTANT
FA7E E8B3FF
                            467
                                            CALL
                                                    SETUP
                                                                   iget start and end
FA81 EBC5FF
                            468
                                            CALL
                                                    CLENGTH
                                                                    compute the count
                                                                    and get the constant
FA84 E8D1FF
                            469
                                            CALL
                                                    GETPARMAL
FA87 8807
                            470
                                    FLOOP:
                                            MOV
                                                    MCBXJ, AL
                                                                    i ... fill it ...
FA89 43
                            471
                                            INC
                                                    BX
                                                    FLOOP
FABA E2FB
                           472
                                            LOOP
FABC C3
                            473
                                            RET
                           474
                                                                    ; VERIFY EQUALITY OF TWO BLOCKS OF MEMORY
FARD
                            475
                                    VERIFY:
                                                                    GET SOURCE START AND END
FABD ERA4FF
                           476
                                            CALL
                                                    SETUP
FA90 E8B6FF
                            477
                                            CALL
                                                    CLENGTH
                                                                    ; and compute the length
                                                                                          Listing 1 continued on page 354
FA93 41
                           478
                                            INC
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Listing 1 continued:

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; save source in S)
                                                 MOV
                                                          SI, BX
FA94 8BF3
                               479
                               480
                                                 PUSH
                                                          CX
FA96 51
FA97 B9FFFF
                                                                            ;64K keypresses allowed ;get the destination
                                                          CX, OFFFFH
                                                 MOV
                               481
                                                 CALL
                                                          GETPARMB
                               482
FA9A EB63FF
                                                 POP
                                                          CX
                               483
FA9D 59
                                                          DI, BX
                                                                             into DX
                               484
                                                 MOV
FA9E BBFB
                               485
                                                 CALL
                                                          CRLF
FAAO EBD2FE
                                                                             save source
                               486
                                                 PUSH
                                                          SI
FAA3 56
FAA4 BE90FB
                                                          SI, OFFSET VHEAD
                               487
                                                 MOV
                                                                             print header
                                                          PRINTMESS
                               488
                                                 CALL
FAA7 EBEEFE
                                                                             restore source
FAAA 5E
                               489
                                                 POP
                                                           SI
                               490
                                        VLOOP:
FAAB
                                                                             :do it!
                                                 CMPS
                                                           DBYTE, DBYTE
                               491
                                          REPE
FAAB F3
FAAC A6
                                                                             ;all done?
                                                 CMP
                                                           CX, O
FAAD B3F900
                               492
                                                                             ; NO. . error
; if done then return
                                                  JNE
                                                           VERR
FABO 7501
                               493
                                                 RET
FAB2 C3
                               494
                               495
                                                           BX, SI
                                                                             get the source addr
                                        VERR:
                                                  MOV
FAB3 8BDE
                               496
                                                  DEC
                                                           BX
                                                                             adjust it
                               497
FAB5 4B
                                                  CALL
                                                           CRLF
                               498
FAB6 EBBCFE
                                                                             output the addr
                                                  CALL
                                                           OUTBX
                               499
FAB9 EBB5FF
                                                  CALL
                                                           BLANK
                               500
FABC EBC6FE
                                                                             get what's there
                                                  MOV
                                                           AL, MEBXI
                               501
FABF 8A07
                                                                             save it in AH
soutput the data
                                                  MOV
                                                           AH, AL
                               502
FAC1 BAEO
                                                  CALL
                                                           HEXOUT
                               503
FAC3 E808FF
                                                  CALL
                                                           BLANK
                               504
FAC6 EBBCFE
                                                  CALL
                                                           BLANK
 FAC9 E8B9FE
                               505
                                                                             get the destination addr
                                                  MOV
                                                           BX, DI
 FACC BBDF
                                506
                                                  DEC
                                                                             adjust it
                               507
FACE 4B
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LOC	CBJ	LINE	SOURCE			
LUC	GBO	E 2111E				22 21 22
FACE	E89FFF	508		CALL	OUTBX	display it
	BA07	509		MOV	AL, MEBXI	get the data
	EBAEFE	510		CALL	BLANK	
	EBF4FE	511		CALL	HEXOUT	; output the data
	EBABFE	512		CALL	BLANK	
		513		XOR	AL, AH	determine bad bits
	3204	514		CALL	BINOUT	; display in binary
	EBDOFE	515		CALL	CTLCHEK	; check for abort
	E84EFE			JMP	VLOOP	continue
FAE.5	EBC4	516		Orn	VEGO!	L. M. M. L. M.
		517	j MOUE.		MOVE	A BLOCK OF MEMORY
FAE7		518	MOVE:	0.41.1	SETUP	get start and end
	EB4AFF	519		CALL	AL, ODH	if not enough data
FAEA	GCOD	520		CMP		, it had enough date
FAEC	7503	521		JNZ	M1	then error!
FAEE	E9B6FE	522		JMP	ERR	otherwise compute length
FAF1	E855FF	523	M1:	CALL	CLENGTH	
FAF4	53	524		PUSH	BX	; save start address
FAF5	E83CFF	525		CALL	SETUP	and get destination
	BBFB	526		MOV	DI, BX	;[DI] < destination
FAFA		527		POP	BX	paramata san destre and destructions destre and destre
	BBF3	528		MOV	SI, BX	;[SI] < source
FAFI		529	REP	MOVS	DBYTE, DBYTE	;,, move it
FAFE						
FAFF		530		RET		
3636		531	7			
FBOO		532	DUMP:		DISPL	AY MEMORY
	E831FF	533		CALL	SETUP	get start and end
100	8 E843FF	534		CALL	CLENGTH	and compute length
	E81900	535		CALL	NULINE2	; set up console
		536	DLOOP1:		AL, MEBX3	; get what's there
	9 BA07	537	DEDUI 1.	CALL	HEXOUT	print it
	BEBCOFE	538		CALL	BLANK	and a blank
	EB74FE	539		INC	BX	
FB11				TEST	BL, OFH	; test for 16 byte boundary
	2 F6C30F	540		JNZ	DNEXT	if not then continue
	5 7503	541		CALL	NULINE	otherwise set up console for new line
	7 E80300	542	make service me		DLOOP1	continue
	A E2ED	543	DNEXT:	LOOP	DECOU! I	7 6 511 6 2 11 6 6
FB10	C C3	544		RET		
		545	į.		O.V. 4	
FB1I	83F901	546	NULINE:		CX, 1	
FB20	7409	547		JE	NUQU1T	
FB22	2	548	NULINE2			E-Carlo Aven
FB22	2 E850FE	549		CALL	CRLF	; go to new line
FB2	5 E849FF	550		CALL	OUTBX	; print address
FB28	B EB5AFE	551		CALL	BLANK	and a blank
FB2I	B C3	552	NUQUIT:	RET		
1000	W 2447	553	i.			
FB20	C	554	INPUT:		; INPUT	FROM A PORT
	C EBO5FF	555		CALL	SETUP	get port address
	F E843FE	556		CALL	CRLF	
	2 8BD3	557		MOV	DX, BX	
	4 EC	558		IN	AL, DX	;read the port
	5 E896FE	559		CALL	HEXOUT	print data in hex
LR3.	J LOTOFE	200		CALL	DI ANK	and

CALL

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LOC OBJ	LINE	SOURCE			
				D Third IT	
FB3B E874FE	561		CALL	BINOUT	; binary
FB3E C3	562		RET		
22272701	563	1			
FB3F	564	OUTPUT:			PUT TO A PORT
FB3F E8F2FE	565		CALL	SETUP	get address
FB42 BAC2	566		MOV	AL, DL	and data
FB44 FEC8	567		DEC	AL	;adjust data
FB46 8BD3	568		MOV	DX, BX	
FB48 EE	569		DUT	DX, AL	; output data
FB49 C3	570		RET		
	571	;			
FB4A	572	GOTO:		EXE	CUTE A PROGRAM
FB4A EBE7FE	573		CALL	SETUP	get the address
FB4D FFE3	574		JMP	BX	, GO!!
	575	3			
FB4F	576	CWRITE:		; WRI	TE TO CASSETTE
FB4F EBE2FE	577		CALL	SETUP	; get the range
FB52 E8F4FE	578		CALL	CLENGTH	compute the length
FB55 EB1DFE	579		CALL	CRLF	
FB58 EB5500	580		CALL	CPROMPT	
FB5B E80F00	581		CALL	CSTART	
FB5E E85600	582		CALL	LENGTHOUT	tell length
FB61 8A07	583	CLOOP:	MOV	AL, MEBXI	get a byte
FB63 E8FEFD	584	CLOUP,	CALL	COUT	output
FB66 43	585		INC	BX	next byte
FB67 E8C9FD	586		CALL	CTLCHEK	check for abort
			LOOP		continue
FB6A E2F5	587		C 200	CLOOP	continue
FB6C C3	588		RET		
	589	,			
FB6D B03C	590	CSTART:		AL, 3CH	istart byte
FB6F E8F2FD	591		CALL	COUT	2.2
FB72 B0E6	592		MOV	AL, OE6H	sync byte
FB74 E8EDFD	593		CALL	COUT	
FB77 BAC5	594		MOV	AL, CH	high length
FB79 E8E8FD	595		CALL	COUT	
FB7C BAC1	596		MOV	AL, CL	;low length
FB7E E8E3FD	597		CALL	COUT	
FB81 C3	598		RET		
	599	3			
FB82	600	READ:		; REA	D FROM CASSETTE
FB82 E8AFFE	601		CALL	SETUP	; get address
FB85 E8EDFD	602		CALL	CRLF	
FB88 E82500	603		CALL	CPROMPT	
FB8B E80F00	604		CALL	READIN1T	
FB8E E82600	605		CALL	LENGTHOUT	prompt when reading
FB91 EBC1FD	606	RLOOP:	CALL	CIN	; get a byte
FB94 8807	607	TLL COLT .	MOV	MEBX3, AL	. 3
FB96 43	60B		INC	BX	next byte
FB97 EB99FD	609		CALL	CTLCHEK	check for abort
FB9A E2F5	610		LOOP	RLDOP	continue
	611		RET	NEUDI	, containe
FB9C C3			MEI		
-nan	612	DEADA	т.		
FB9D	613	READIN		41 4011	(-1
FB9D B010	614		MOV	AL, 10H	reset interface
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LOC	OBJ	LINE	SOURCE			
FB9F	52	615		PUSH	DX	
FBAO	BA6E6E	616		MOV	DX, CSTAT	
FBA3	EE	617		DUT	DX, AL	
FBA4	5A	618		POP	DX	
	EBADFD	619		CALL	CIN	
FBAB	BAE8	620		MOV	CH, AL	get high length
FBAA	EBASFD	621		CALL	CIN	A Committee of A Committee of the Commit
FBAD	BACB	622		MOV	CL, AL	and low length
FBAF	C3	623		RET		
		624	i			
FBBO		625	CPROMPT:		; CASSE	TTE PROMPT
	BEASFS	626		MOV	SI, OFFSET CHE	AD
FBB3	E8E2FD	627		CALL	PRINTMESS	
FBB6	C3	628		RET		
		629	į.			
FBB7		630	LENGTHOU	UT:	; DUTPU	T RECORD LENGTH
FBB7	53	631		PUSH	BX	
FBB8	8BD9	632		MOV	BX, CX	get the count
	E8B4FE	633		CALL	OUTBX	; output it
FBBD		634		POP	BX	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
FBBE		635		RET		Listing 1 continued on page 356
70.000.000		198,05175		100000000000000000000000000000000000000		

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Listing 1 continued:
                              636
                                                                         SEND SYNC STREAM TO CASSETTE
                                      PUTSYNC:
                              637
FRBF
                                               CALL
                                                        CRLF
                              638
FBBF E883FD
                                      SYNCLOOP
                              639
FBC2
                                               MOV
                                                        AL, OE6H
                                                                         sync character
FBC2 BOE6
                              640
                                                        COUT
                                                                          ; send it
FBC4 E89DFD
                              641
                                               CALL
                                               CALL
                                                        KEYSTAT
                                                                          icheck for keypress
FBC7 E858FD
                              642
                                                                          ; zero = no keypress
                                               CMP
                                                        AL, O
FBCA 3COO
                              643
                                                                          so continue
                                                        SYNCLOOP
                                               JE
FBCC 74F4
                              644
                              645
                                                                          ; ignore the keypress
                                               CALL
                                                        KIN
FRCE ERABED
                                                                          ; and quit
                                               RET
                              646
FRD1 C3
                              647
                                                                          COMPARE INPUT FROM CASSETTE WITH MEMORY
                              648
                                      COMPARE:
FBD2
                                               CALL
                                                        SETUP
                              649
FBD2 E85FFE
FBD5 E89DFD
                              650
                                               CALL
                                                        CRLF
                                                        SI, DFFSET COMHEAD
                                                                                  print header
FBD8 BE71F8
                              651
                                               MOV
                                                        PRINTMESS
                              652
                                               CALL
FBDB E8BAFD
                                                        RI ANK
                              653
                                               CALL
FBDE E8A4FD
                                                        CPROMPT
FBE1 EBCCFF
                              654
                                               CALL
                                                        READINIT
FBE4 E8B6FF
                              655
                                               CALL
                                                        LENGTHOUT
FBE7 EBCDFF
                              656
                                               CALL
                                       COMLOOP
FBEA
                              657
                                                                          get char from cassette
                                               CALL
FBEA E868FD
                                                        CIN
                              658
                                                         AL, MEBXI
                                                                          compare with memory
                                               CMP
FBED 3A07
                              659
                                                        COMERR
                                                                          inot equal!! error
                                                JINE
FBEF 7507
                              660
                                                                          ; if equal
FBF1 43
                                       COM1 .
                                                TNC
                                                        BX
                              661
                                                         CTLCHEK
                                                                          icheck for abort
FBF2 E83EFD
                              662
                                                CALL
                                                                          ithen continue checking
                                               LOOP
                                                         COMLOOP
FBF5 E2F3
                              663
                                                RET
FBF7 C3
                              664
                                       COMERR:
                                               PUSH
                                                         AX
FBF8 50
                              665
                                                         CRLF
                                                CALL
FBF9 E879FD
                              666
                                                         OUTBX
                                                                          ; if error output memory address
                                                CALL
FBFC E872FE
                              667
                                                CALL
                                                         BLANK
FBFF E883FD
                              668
                             VIDER
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                                       SOURCE
                             INF
LOC OBJ
                                                         AL, MEBX3
                                                                        get memory data
                              669
                                                MOV
 FC02 BA07
                                                         DH, AL
                                                                          save it too
                                                MOV
                              670
 FCO4 BAFO
                                                                          output what's in memory
                                                         HEXOUT
                              671
                                                CALL
 FCO6 EBC5FD
                                                         BLANK
                                                CALL
                              672
 FC09 E879FD
                                                                          restore cassette data
                                                POP
                              673
 FCOC 58
                                                         HEXDUT
                                                                          output it
                                                CALL
 FCOD EBBEFD
                              674
                                                         BLANK
                                                CALL
                              675
 FC10 EB72FD
                                                                          determine bad bits
                                                         AL, DH
                                                XOR
                               676
 FC13 32C6
                                                                           , and print in binary
                                                         BINOUT
                              677
                                                CALL
 FC15 EB9AFD
                                                                           continue
                               678
                                                JMP
                                                         COM1
 FC18 EBD7
                               679
                                                                           COMPUTE SUM AND DIFFERENCE OF TWO HEX #'S
                               680
                                       HEXMATH:
 FC1A
                                                                           get the numbers
                                                CALL
                                                         SETUP
 FC1A E817FE
                               681
                                                                           ; save
                                                PUSH
                                                         BX
 FC1D 53
FC1E 52
                               682
                                                                           ; them
                                                PUSH
                                                         DX
                               683
                                                         CRLF
                               684
                                                CALL
 FC1F E853FD
                                                         SI, OFFSET MHEAD
                               685
                                                MUN
 FC22 BE86F8
                                                                          print the header
                                                         PRINTMESS
                               686
                                                CALL
 FC25 E870FD
                               687
                                                         CRLF
 FC28 E84AFD
                                                CALL
                                                         BX, DX
                                                                           ssum
 FC2B O3DA
                               688
                                                ADD
                                                CALL
                                                         DUTBX
 FC2D E841FE
                               689
                                                CALL
                                                         BLANK
                               690
 FC30 E852FD
                                                POP
                                                         DX
                                                                           restore
                               691
 FC33 5A
                                                POP
                                                                           numbers
 FC34 5B
                               692
                                                         BX
                                                                           difference
                                                SUB
                                                         BX, DX
                               693
 FC35 2BDA
                                                CALL
                                                         DUTBX
 FC37 E837FE
                               694
                                                 RET
 FC3A C3
                               695
                               696
                                                                  MEMORY TEST
                                        NTEST:
 FC3B
                               697
                                                         SETUP
                                                                           ; get start and end
                                                 CALL
 FC3B E8F6FD
                               698
                                                         CLENGTH
                                                                           ; compute length
                                                 CALL
                               699
 FC3E EB08FE
                                                 CALL
                                                         CRLF
                               700
 FC41 E831FD
                                        MTEST1:
                                                PUSH
                               701
 FC44 53
                               702
                                                 PUSH
                                                         CX
 FC45 51
                                                                           iget what's there
                               703
                                        MTLOOP:
                                                MOV
                                                         AL, MEBXI
 FC46 BA07
                               704
                                                 MOV
                                                         AH, AL
                                                                           ; save it
 FC48 8AEO
                               705
                                                 NOT
                                                         AL
                                                                           icomplement
 FC4A F6D0
                                                                           ; and store it back
                               706
                                                 MOV
                                                         MEBXI, AL
 FC4C 8807
                                                                           read it again
                               707
                                                 MOV
                                                         AL. MEBX3
 FC4E BAO7
                                                                           re-complement
                               708
                                                 NOT
                                                         AL
 FC50 F6D0
                                                                           is it o. k. ?
                                                         AL AH
                               709
                                                 CMP
 FC52 3AC4
                                                                  TERR
                                                                           ; if not then error!
                                                         SHORT
 FC54 750C
                               710
                                                 JNE
                                                                           restore previous value
                               711
                                                 MOV
                                                         MEBXI, AH
 FC56 8827
                                                                           next location
 FC58 43
                               712
                                        TNEXT:
                                                 INC
                                                         BX
                                                                           ; check for abort
                                                         CTLCHEK
 FC59 EBD7FC
                               713
                                                 CALL
                                                                           continue
                               714
                                                 LOOP
                                                         MTLOOP
 FC5C E2E8
 FC5E 59
                               715
                                                 POP
                                                         CX
 FC5F 5B
                               716
                                                 POP
                                                         RX
                                                                           ; test forever
                                                         MTEST 1
 FC60 EBE2
                               717
                                                 JMP.
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FC62 EB10FD
                              719
                                       TERR.
                                               CALL
                                                        CRLF
                                                                         FILL USER ABOUT RAD MEMORY
  FC65 EB09FE
                               720
                                               CALL
                                                        DUTBX
                                                                         output bad address
  FC68 E81AFD
                               721
                                               CALL
                                                        BLANK
                                                                         ; and a blank
  FC6B 32C4
                              722
                                               XOR
                                                        AL, AH
                                                                         ; tell user which
  MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                             VID88
  LOC OBJ
                             LINE
                                       SOURCE
  FC6D E85EFD
                              723
                                               CALL
                                                        HEXOUT
                                                                         ibits are bad in hex...
  FC70 E812FD
                              724
                                               CALL
                                                        BLANK
  FC73 EB3CFD
                              725
                                               CALL
                                                        BINOUT
                                                                         and binary
  FC76 EBEO
                              726
                                               IMP
                                                        TNEXT
                                                                         continue
                              727
 FC78
                              728
                                       ESUBST:
                                                                SUBSTITUTE MEMORY WITH HEX DATA
 FC78 E8B9FD
                              729
                                               CALL
                                                       SETUP
                                                                        iget address
 FC7B
                              730
                                       NUSLOOP:
 FC7B E8F7FC
                              731
                                               CALL
                                                       CRLF
                                                                        and
 FC7E E8F0FD
                              732
                                               CALL
                                                       DUTBX
                                                                        print it
 FC81 B90800
                              733
                                               MOV
                                                       CX. B
                                                                        ; 8 entries per line
 FC84 E8FEFC
                              734
                                      SLOOP:
                                               CALL
                                                       BLANK
 FC87 8A07
                              735
                                               MOV
                                                       AL, MEBX3
                                                                        iget what's there
 FC89 E842FD
                              736
                                               CALL
                                                       HEXOUT
                                                                        ; and print it
 FCBC 50
                              737
                                               PUSH
                                                       AX
                                                                        ; save it
 FCBD BOZD
                              738
                                                       AL, '-'
                                               MOV
                                                                        ; with a prompt
 FC8F E84800
                              739
                                               CALL
                                                       VIDOUT
 FC92 58
                              740
                                               POP
                                                       AX
                                                                        restore it
 FC93 E8C2FD
                              741
                                                       GETPARMAL
                                               CALL
                                                                        get new data
 FC96 EB0890
                              742
                                               JMP
                                                       QTEST
                                                                        ; check for quit
 FC99 8807
                              743
                                      SNEXT:
                                              MOV
                                                       MEBX 1. AL
                                                                        ; otherwise, put new data in memory
 FC9B 43
                              744
                                               INC
                                                       BX
                                                                        and continue
 FC9C E2E6
                              745
                                              LOOP
                                                       SLOOP
 FC9E EBDB
                              746
                                               JMP
                                                       NUSLOOP
 FCAO BOFC20
                              747
                                      GTEST:
                                              CMP
                                                       AH, '
                                                                        ; if blank then
 FCA3 74F4
                              748
                                               JE
                                                       SNEXT
                                                                        continue
 FCA5 BOFCOD
                             749
                                              CMP
                                                       AH, ODH
                                                                        ; if carraige return
 FCA8 7403
                             750
                                              JE
                                                                        ; then we are done
 FCAA ESFAEC
                             751
                                              JMP
                                                       ERR
                                                                        ; otherwise. . error!
 FCAD 8807
                             752
                                      01:
                                              MOV
                                                       MEBXJ, AL
                                                                        ; save that last one!
FCAF C3
                             753
                                              RET
                             754
FCBO
                             755
                                     AENTER:
                                                                       ENTER ASCII TEXT IN MEMORY
FCRO ROFFEE
                             756
                                              MOV
                                                       CX, OFFFFH
                                                                       ; 64K keypresses
FCB3 FB4AFD
                             757
                                              CALL
                                                       GETPARMB
                                                                        get the entry address
FCB6 EBBCFC
                             758
                                              CALL
                                                       CRLF
FCB9 EB30FC
                             759
                                     ELOOP .
                                              CALL
                                                       CONIN
FCBC 3CO4
                             760
                                              CMP
                                                       AL, CTLD
FCBE 7405
                                                                       idone?
                             761
                                              JF
                                                       EEXIT
                                                                       : YES
FCCO 8807
                             762
                                              MOV
                                                      MEBXJ, AL
                                                                       ; NO. . put data in memory
FCC2 43
                             763
                                              TNC
                                                      BX
FCC3 EBF4
                             764
                                              JMP
                                                      ELOOP
FCC5 EBADFC
                             765
                                     EEXIT:
                                              CALL
                                                      CRLF
FCCB BO40
                             766
                                                      AL, '@'
                                              MOV
FCCA EBODOO
                             767
                                              CALL
FCCD EBAIFD
                             768
                                              CALL
                                                      DUTBX
                                                                       output the ending address
FCDO C3
                             769
                                              RET
                             770
FCD1
                             771
                                     KTOGGLE:
                                                                       TOGGLE THE UPPER/LOWER CASE FLAG
FCD1 A052F4
                             772
                                              MOV
                                                      AL, BYTE PTR MEUCFLAG]
                                                                               get the flag
FCD4 F6D0
                             773
                                              NOT
                                                      AL
                                                                                ; toggle
FCD6 A252F4
                             774
                                              MOV
                                                      BYTE PTR MCUCFLAGI, AL
                                                                               ; put flag back
FCD9 C3
                             775
                                             RET
                            776
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                            VIDES
LOC OBJ
                           LINE
                                     SOURCE
                            777 +1 $EJECT
MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                           VIDAR
LOC OBJ
                           LINE
                                     SOURCE
                            778
                            779
                            780
                            781
                                             782
                                             *
                            783
                                             *
                                                              VIDEO DRIVER
                            784
```

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785
                                                       DRIVES TOL VDB VIDEO INTERFACE
                             786
                                              #
                             787
                                                     converted from 8080 Assembler with CUNV-86
                             788
                                              *
                             789
                                              790
                             791
                             792
                                              VIDEO DRIVER
                             793
                             794
                                                       AX
                                      VIDOUT: PUSH
                             795
FCDA 50
                                                       SI
                             796
                                              PUSH
FCDB 56
                                              PUSH
                                                       DI
                             797
FCDC 57
                                                       VIDEO
                                              CALL
                             798
FCDD E80400
                                                       DI
                             799
                                              POP
FCEO 5F
                                              POP
                                                       SI
                             800
FCE1 5E
                                              POP
                                                       AX
                             801
FCE2 58
                             802
                                              RET
FCE3 C3
                             803
                                      ; ****** CONVERTED CODE BEGINS HERE ******
                             804
                             805
                                      ; VDB DRIVER
                             806
                                                       OE1H
                                               EQU
                                      VD
  00F1
                             807
                                               EQU
                                                       OEOH
                                      VC
                             808
  OOFO
                                      XRD
                                               EQU
                                                       OEOH
  OOEO
                             809
                                               EQU
                                                       OE1H
                                      YRD
  00E1
                             810
                                               EQU
                                                       осон
                                      YWR
  ooco
                             811
                                               EQU
                                                        OE2H
                                      MRD
  00E2
                             812
                                               EQU
                                                        BOH
                                      MWR
  0080
                             813
                                               EQU
                                                        8BH
                                      VMODE
                             814
   0088
                                      BMODE
                                               EQU
                                                        98H
                              815
  0098
                              816
                              817
                                                        BX
                                      VIDEO:
                                               PUSH
                              818
FCE4 53
                                                        BX. WORD PTR MEXY
                                               MOV
                              819
FCE5 8B1E50F4
                                                        AL, 7FH
                                               AND
                              820
FCE9 247F
                                                        SHORT L 2
                                               JZ
                              821
 FCEB 7403
                                               CALL
                                                        VOUT
                              822
 FCED E80600
                              823
                                       L 2:
 FCFO
                                                        WORD PTR MEXYJ, BX
                                               MUN
                              824
 FCFO 891E50F4
                              825
                                               POP
                                                        BX
 FCF4 5B
                                               RET
                              826
 FCF5 C3
                              B27
                                                        AL, 20H
                                                CMP
                                       VOUT:
                              828
 FCF6 3C20
                                                        SHORT L 3
                              829
                                                JAE
 FCF8 7303
                                                JMP
                                                        CNTL
                              830
 FCFA EB7490
                              831
                                       L_3:
 FCFD
                             VIDSB
 MCS-86 MACRO ASSEMBLER
                                        SOURCE
                              LINE
 LOC OBJ
                                                         AL, 7FH
                               832
  FCFD 3C7F
                                                JNZ
                                                         SHORT L_4
                               833
  FCFF 7501
                                                RET
                               834
  FD01 C3
                                        L_4:
                               835
  FD02
                                                 OUT
                                                         VD, AL
                               836
  FD02 E6E1
                                                DEC
  FD04 FECF
                               837
                                                         SHORT L_5
                               838
  FD06 7401
                                                 RET
                               839
  FD08 C3
                               840
                                        L_5:
  FD09
                                                         BH, 80
                                                 MOV
                               841
  FD09 B750
                                                 DEC
                                                         BI
                               842
  FDOB FECB
                                                         SHORT L 6
                                                 JZ
                               843
  FDOD 7401
                                                 RET
                               844
  FDOF C3
                               845
  FD10
                                                 INC
                                                         BL
                                        V02:
  FD10 FEC3
                               846
                               847
                                                         BX
                                                 PUSH
                               848
                                        SCROLL:
  FD12 53
                                                         DX
                                                 PUSH
                               849
  FD13 52
                                                         CX
                                                 PUSH
                                850
  FD14 51
                                                          AL, BMODE
                                                 MITU
                               851
  FD15 B098
                                                          VC, AL
                                                 DUT
                                852
  FD17 E6E0
                                                          AL, AL
                                                 XOR
                                853
  FD19 32C0
                                                          VC, AL
                                                 DUT
                                854
  FD1B E6E0
                                                          DX, OC150H
                                                 MOV
                                855
  FD1D BA50C1
                                                          AL, DH
                                                 MOV
                                856
  FD20 BAC6
                                                          VC, AL
                                                 DUT
                                857
                                        51:
  FD22 E6E0
                                                          CH, DL
                                                 MOV
                                858
  FD24 BAEA
                                                          BX, VIDBUF
                                                 MOV
                                859
  FD26 BB00F4
                                                          AL, VD
                                                 IN
                                860
                                        L1:
   FD29 E4E1
                                                          MEBXJ, AL
                                                 MOV
                                861
   FD2B 8807
                                                 LAHE
                                862
   FD2D 9F
                                                          BX
                                                 INC
   FD2E 43
                                863
                                                 SAHF
   FD2F 9E
                                864
                                                          CH
                                                 DEC
   FD30 FECD
                                865
                                                          L1
                                                 JNZ
   FD32 75F5
                                866
                                                          AL, DH
                                                 MOV
                                867
   FD34 BAC6
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FD36 FEC8	868		DEC	AL
FD38 E6E0	869		OUT	VC, AL
FD3A BBOOF4	870		MOV	BX, VIDBUF
FD3D BAEA	871		MOV	CH, DL
FD3F BA07	872	L2:	MOV	AL, MEBX3
FD41 E6E1	873		DUT	VD, AL
FD43 9F	874		LAHF	
FD44 43	875		INC	BX
FD45 9E	876		SAHF	
FD46 FECD	877		DEC	CH
FD48 75F5	878		JNZ	L2
FD4A FECA				
	879		INC	DH
FD4C BAC6	880		MOV	AL, DH
FD4E 3CD9	881		CMP	AL, OD9H
FD50 72D0	882		JB	S1
FD52 BAEA	883		MOV	CH, DL
FD54 B020	884		MOV	AL, 20H
FD56 E6E1	885	52:	DUT	VD, AL
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MCS-86 MACRO	ASSEMBLER	AID88		
LOC DBJ	LINE	SOURCE		
	65.2%			22.7
FD58 FECD	886		DEC	CH
FD5A 75FA	887		JNZ	52
FD5C 59	888		POP	CX
FD5D 5A	889		POP	DX
FD5E 5B	890		POP	BX
FD5F B088	891	SETCAV	MOV	AL, VNDDE
		SETCHV.	00 1 1100	
FD61 E6E0	892	-	DUT	VC, AL
FD63 B050	893	SETCUR:	MOV	AL, 80
FD65 2AC7	894		SUB	AL, BH
FD67 E6E0	895		DUT	VC, AL
FD69 BOD9	896		MOV	AL, 25+0C0H
FD6B 2AC3	897		SUB	AL, BL
FD6D E6E0	898		DUT	VC, AL
FD6F C3	899		RET	
1 001 00	900		IVE I	
ED70 300D		CHITI.	CMD	AL CO
FD70 3COD	901	CNTL:	CMP	AL, CR
FD72 7422	902		JZ	SHORT CCR
FD74 3COA	903		CMP	AL, LF
FD76 7415	904		JZ	SHORT CLF
FD78 3COC	905		CMP	AL, FF
FD7A 741E	906		JZ	SHORT CFF
FD7C 3C08	907		CMP	AL, BS
FD7E 7401	908		JZ	SHORT CBS
				Sau I None
FD80 C3	909		RET	
FD81 B04F	910	CBS:	MOV	AL, 79
FD83 2AC7	911		SUB	AL, BH
FD85 7901	912		JNS	SHORT L_B
FD87 C3	913		RET	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -
FD88	914	L_B:		
FD88 E6E0	915		OUT	VC, AL
FDBA FEC7	916		INC	BH
FDBC C3				BH
	917	F1 F	RET	Tr.
FD8D FECB	918	CLF:	DEC	BL
FD8F 7503	919		JNZ	SHORT L_9
FD91 E97CFF	920		JMP	V02
FD94	921	L_9:		
FD94 EBCD	922		JMP	SETCUR
FD96 B750	923	CCR:	MOV	BH, 80
FD98 EBC9	924	v.ort.	JMP	SETCUR
FD9A B09B		CEE.		
	925	CFF:	MOV	AL, BMODE
FD9C E6E0	926		DUT	VC, AL
FD9E BBD007	927		MOV	BX, 25*80
FDA1 32C0	928	CFF1:	XOR	AL, AL
FDA3 E6E1	929		OUT	VD, AL
FDA5 9F	930		LAHE	A PARTICIPATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERT
FDA6 4B	931		DEC	вх
FDA7 9E	932		SAHF	20
				AL TH
FDAB BAC7	933		MOV	AL, BH
FDAA OAC3	934		OR	AL, BL
FDAC 75F3	935		JNZ	CFF1
FDAE BB1950	936		MOV	BX, 256*80+25
FDB1 EBAC	937		JMP	SETCAV
	938			
	939	ABS_O	ENDS	

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LOC OBJ LINE SOURCE

FBOF 940 END INIT

ASSEMBLY COMPLETE, NO ERRORS FOUND

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Text continued from page 347: followed by a RET (return) statement. Then replace:

ERR

with

F8DE DW **TESTMEM**

Notes on Performance

How does the 8088 stack up in performance versus the popular 8-bit processors of the 1970s? To answer this question, we must develop at least a rough definition of what we mean by performance.

To evaluate performance I use three criteria:

the execution speed for a set of applications,

• the amount of memory required to implement the applications, and

 the amount of software-development effort required for application implementation (as measured by lines of assembly-language code).

An appropriate set of applications will include a mix of mathematics, data-handling and process-control-type programs. In addition, both execution-bound (eg: heavy calculation) and bus-bound (eg: bubble sort) applications should be included.

This article is not meant to be a full-fledged benchmark report. Nevertheless, using my own background, manufacturer's documentation, and other sources, I have come to the following conclusions concerning the 5 MHz 8088, which on the average:

- is 1.5 to 5 times faster than the fastest versions of other popular 8-bit machines (ie: Z80B, 68B09, 6800, 8080A,
- will typically require only 50% to 75% of the memory devoted to code by these other machines for a set of applications, and
- requires substantially less (as little as 50% or less) lines of code to implement a benchmark than these other machines.

Execution speed is the most visible measure of performance. Factors which contribute to the 8088's superiority are:

- The high standard clock rate: The standard 8088 runs at 5 MHz (in fact, possibly faster if you're willing to experiment). Intel claims that, next year, specially selected 8 MHz 8088s will be available. If 5 MHz 8088s are fast, 8 MHz 8088s will be unreal.
- The pipelined architecture: This architecture allows overlapped instruction fetch and execution, eliminating a traditional performance limitation present in other 8-bit machines.
- The 16-bit internal data paths: These enhance data movement and manipulation capability.
- Its rich set of arithmetic instructions: Math-oriented applications are served exceptionally well by the 8088. The 5 MHz 8088 can do most 16-bit integer math (add, subtract, multiply, divide) faster than a 9511 hardware math chip.

• Powerful addressing modes: The 8088 allows up to four address components to be used in calculating an absolute physical memory address. In addition, most instructions can operate directly on a memory location, eliminating the traditional accumulator bottlenck found in other machines

The amount of memory required can have significant cost ramifications for an application. Here again, the 16-bit internal organization and powerful addressing modes of the 8088 reduce memory requirements. In extreme cases (heavily word- or math-oriented) the 8088 can implement applications in as little as 20% to 30% of the memory of other 8-bit machines.

The number of lines of code required to implement an application becomes more and more of an issue each day. For instance, the Department of Defense states that one line of debugged, documented code now costs close to \$60. Programming costs continue to rise, while productivity remains relatively fixed. This suggests a real "software crisis" in the 1980s.

The 8088 can require as little as 50% (average perhaps 75%) of the lines of code as compared to other 8-bit machines. This is because one assembly-language instruction can generate up to 6 bytes of code, and the instructions implemented are very powerful relative to other popular microprocessors.

A summary chart of my findings is shown in figure 3. The relative performance of the 8088 (5 MHz), 6809 (2 MHz) and Z80A (4 MHz) are shown, with an 8086 (true 16-bit machine) thrown in for reference. A differentiation between word- or bus-oriented and byte- or execution-oriented applications must be made here. Note that the bus-oriented versus execution-oriented differentiation does not apply to nonpipelined machines like the Z80A or 6809. The byte-orientation versus word-orientation differentiation does affect the performance of these machines.

Full-speed memories are assumed as shown below:

	Processor	Access Time (approximately)
5 MHz	8088, 8086	480 ns
2 MHz	6809	320 ns
4 MHz	780A	250 ns

As shown above, the 8088 can function at maximum speed but still use slower memory than the other microprocessors. In many cases (especially EPROMs), slower-memory-speed selected parts have much lower prices than faster selections.

Essentially, the 8088 has from 1.5 to 2.5 times the performance of the fastest 8-bit competition. Of course, the performance improvement over older 8-bit processors (ie: 6800s, 8080As, etc) is even higher.

Finale

In the text box on pages 344 thru 346 you will find a full description of each MON88 command. A complete listing of the monitor program is given in listing 1.

The 8088 is not only the highest performance 8-bit processor available, but represents a "bridge" to the new architectures of the 1980s. I hope that you have found the 8088 project as challenging, educating and rewarding as I have. Welcome to the future!

Add Macro Expansion to Your Microcomputer

Part 2

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Last month, I discussed the definition and use of the macro instruction and detailed a set of requirements for a macro processor. Part 1 also gave an overview in the form of text and flowcharts of how this macro processor would operate. Figures 1 thru 11 provide a more detailed flowchart of these processes and roughly correspond to the overview flowcharts in figure 1 of Part 1 of this article (October 1980 BYTE, page 162). Frequent reference should be made back to these overview flowcharts when reading the detailed flowcharts of figures 1 thru 11. A glossary of terms appears on page 371.

This completes the explanation of the macro definition and expansion. In the rest of the article I will discuss the interface of the macro processor to an assembler, as well

as possible enhancements.

Alternate Implementation Approaches

The last hurdle to clear is how to tie this macro facility into your assembler. Basically, there are two ways this can be done, preprocessor or in-line. The approach used

depends upon your situation.

The simplest way to use your macro processor is as a preprocessor. This can be done in two ways. In the first way, the macro processor is a separate program, reading your source program and writing an output file of expanded code to cassette, paper tape, floppy disk, etc; it is this output file that is read into the assembler instead of the original source. While this is the easiest way to use the preprocessor, it is also the worst from the viewpoint of efficiency, requiring an intermediate file and a longer run time. However, if you cannot modify the assembler itself, this may be the only approach you can take.

A second, more efficient, preprocessor approach is to locate the read routine in the assembler and replace it Listing 1: Example of keyword parameters. A change that can be made in the macro assembler involves the use of keyword parameters. These allow the user to specify variable symbol values in any order or by default. The macro definition for MOVE is given in listing 1a: two examples of a macro call and its resulting code are given in listings 1b and 1c. In listing 1b, both &TO and &FROM are assigned the default values given in the prototype statement of the macro definition. In listing 1c, the value for &FROM is specified by default. Note the absence of the ampersand in naming variable symbols within the macro call.

(la)			
1.		MACRO	
2.	&JUMP		&TO = FIELDB, &FROM = FIELDA, &LENGTH =
3.		LXI	B,&TO
4.		LXI	D,&FROM
5.	CITIA	MVI	H,&LENGTH
6.	&JUMP	STAX	D
7.		INX	B B
9.		INX	D
10.		DCR	H
11.		JNZ	&JUMP
12.		MEND	WOM.
	AND RESIDENT		Signatural Confession
(1b)	LOOP	MOVE	LENGTH = 10
		LXI	B,FIELDB
		LXI	D,FIELDA
		MVI	H,10
	LOOP	LDAX	D
		STAX	В
		INX	В
		INX	D
		DCR	H
		JNZ	LOOP
(lc)	LOOP	MOVE	LENGTH = 9,TO = NEW
		LXI	B,NEW
		LXI	D,FIELDA
		MVI	Н,9
	LOOP	LDAX	D
		STAX	В
		INX	В
		INX	D
		DCR	H
		JNZ	LOOP

with a call to the macro processor. This is the direction taken in my flowcharts since it is a compromise between a separate program and making major revisions to the assembler.

Replacing the read routine is not as easy as it sounds, however. Microprocessor assemblers typically use character assembly rather than line assembly. They read the source statement one character at a time and process each character as it is read rather than reading an entire source statement and having the whole statement available to work on. My flowcharts are designed for line assembly in that a model statement is completely expanded before it is passed to the assembler.

If your assembler uses character-assembly processing, it will call the macro processor for each character. This will require the read routine to expand the model statement on the first call and pass it one character at a time to the assembler on successive calls until it is completely transferred, at which point the read routine will expand the next model statement. You can also modify the model-expansion routines to pass the statement a character at a time directly from the expansion routines, but this is a little more difficult.

The worst drawback of either preprocessor approach is that every operation code is looked up twice, once by the macro processor to check for macro calls and once by the normal assembler. This is quite time-consuming. Perhaps the most efficient way to incorporate macro processing is to put the macro processing in-line with the assembler's operation-code-lookup and read routines. This requires

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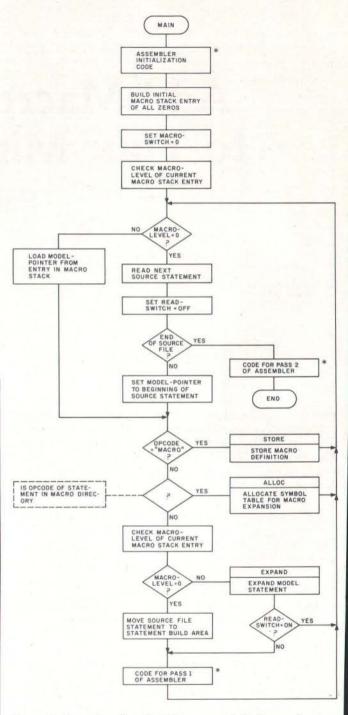


Figure 1: Overview flowchart for macro definition and expansion. This flowchart, MAIN, takes an assembly-language file containing both macro definitions and macro calls, stores the definitions, expands macro calls, and completes the work of a regular assembler. The boxes marked with asterisks represent the code that performs the assembler functions; the remaining boxes represent the code that is added through modification of the assembler's "read source" routine to implement the macro facility. Refer to the flowcharts in figures 2 thru 11 on pages 363 thru 370.

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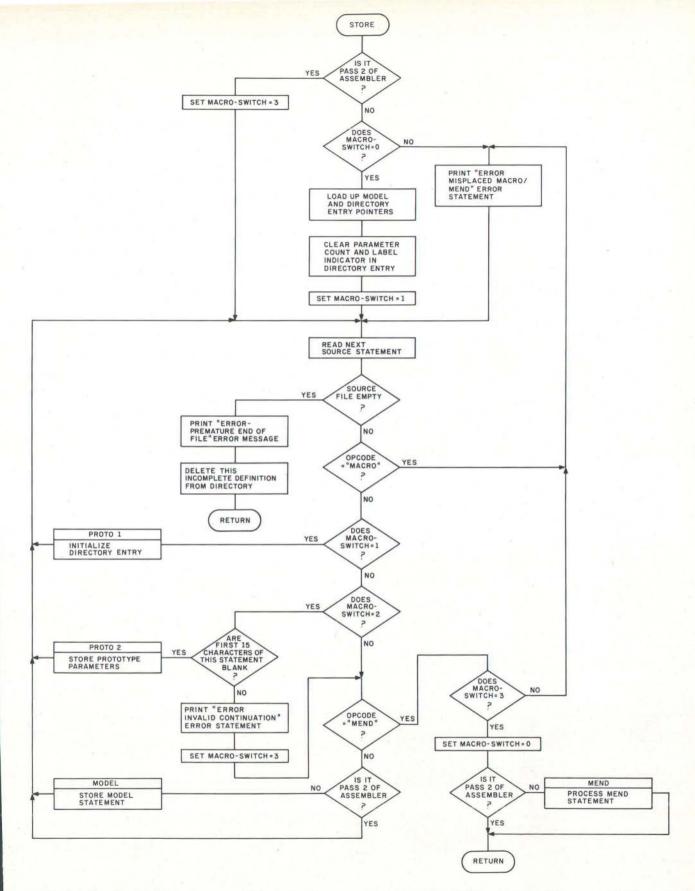


Figure 2: Flowchart for STORE subroutine. This subroutine stores an entire macro definition within the macro-definition storage area. MACRO-SWITCH is a flag that tells the program what kind of line the routine is expecting next. MACRO-SWITCH=0 means that the computer is ready to process a new macro definition. MACRO-SWITCH=1 means that the computer has found a MACRO statement and is looking for the prototype statement. MACRO-SWITCH=2 means that the computer is ready to process the second line of the prototype statement, if there is one. MACRO-SWITCH=3 means the computer is ready to process the body of the macro definition.

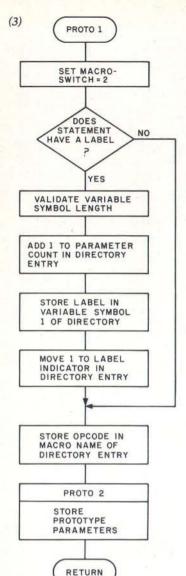
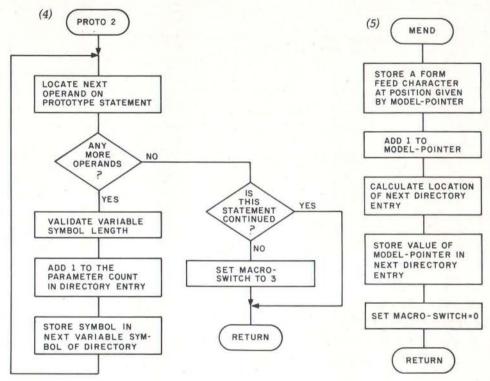


Figure 3: Flowchart for PROTO1 subroutine. This subroutine stores the prototype label, if any, the macro name, and calls PROTO2 to store the prototype variable symbols.

Figure 4: Flowchart for PROTO2 subroutine. This subroutine stores the variable symbols of a macro prototype statement in the directory.

Figure 5: Flowchart for MEND subroutine. This subroutine does several housekeeping chores associated with ending a macro definition.



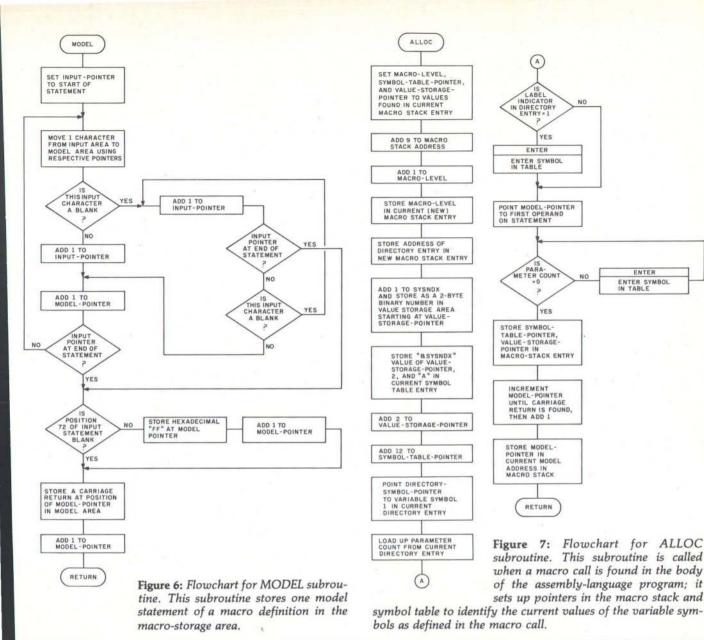
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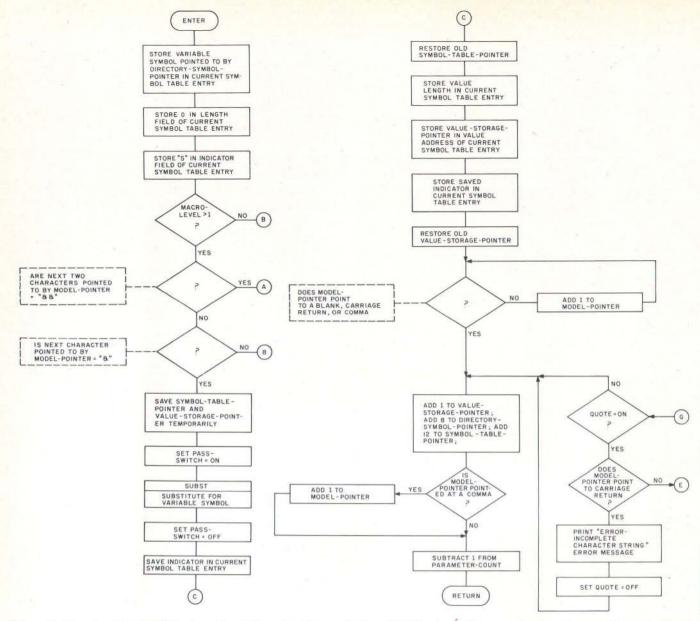


Figure 8: Flowchart for ENTER subroutine. This subroutine, called by ALLOC, stores the current value of a variable symbol in the symbol table.

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source listings for your assembler and enough courage on your part to modify your assembler. The operation-code-lookup routine must be modified to first check for the identifier MACRO, at which point it stores the definition. If the operation code is not MACRO and is not found in the assembler's operation-code table, the assembler must then look it up in the macro directory and expand it if found.

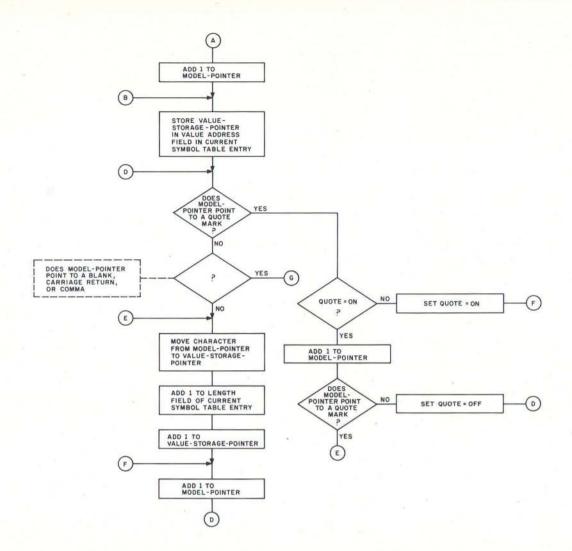
In using this in-line approach, you also have to modify the read routines to make use of the macro-level counter, as is done at the beginning of the flowchart in figure 5. This approach, more ambitious than the others, is the best, and it should be taken if you have the assembler source and can take the time. It will result in an efficient, well-integrated assembler, rather than a patchwork creation. However, if this route cannot be taken, the power of macro facilities is probably worth the inefficiency of the preprocessor technique.

Extensions

If you are really ambitious, there are several other facilities that you can implement. Many of these facilities require modifications to the assembler as well as to the macro processor; but if you are still reading at this point, maybe you feel up to the task.

A large improvement can still be made in print facilities. As detailed so far, the macro call itself never gets to the assembler for printing so that you do not know from looking at the intermediate source listing which statements are generated by the macro assembler and which are in the original source. Ideally, the macro call should print and all generated statements should be identified as such. One solution is to print the macrolevel indicator, since this shows the level of nesting when nested macro calls are used. You can also add an assembler directive that tells the assembler whether or not to print the generated statements.

Another facility that you can implement is conditional



assembly, which was mentioned in Part 1 of this article. This would go along with the ability to define local variable symbols within the body of the macro definition; these local variable symbols would be used for loop control and arithmetic within the macro definition.

Another possible modification is the addition of global symbols and a global symbol table. This would allow you to pass variable symbols from one macro expansion to another. When a global symbol is encountered, you look it up in the global symbol table to get its value. If it is not found there, it is added to the global symbol table. This global table does not have its entries deleted at the end of the macro generation, so the information put there is still present whenever the next macro call is processed.

The method for handling variable symbols and their values detailed in this article is known as positional parameters. This means that the first variable symbol on the prototype assumes the first value on the macro call, the second variable symbol assumes the second operand value, and so on. A more flexible method is keyword parameters. With keyword parameters, the macro prototype might look like this:

&LABEL MOVE &FROM=FIELDA, &TO=FIELDB, &LENGTH=

The macro call would then be coded:

LOOP2 MOVE LENGTH=14,FROM=FIELDC

Keyword operands are distinguished by an equals sign and have several interesting properties. As shown in listing 1a, the &FROM = and &TO = variable symbols in the prototype specify a default value—FIELDA and FIELDB, respectively. If the FROM and TO operands are omitted on the macro call, the defaults are used as in listing 1b; otherwise, the value from the macro call is used, as in listing 1c. The &LENGTH = parameter on the prototype has no default, so it must be specified on the macro call. Also, since you specify the keywords on the macro call, they do not have to be in the same order as specified on the prototype. Otherwise, the keywords are used in the macro-definition statements just like the positional parameters I have been discussing.

Keyword processing requires a more complicated loading of the symbol table when the macro call is encountered; it also requires modifications to the routine that stores the macro definition, since the defaults will have to be stored in the value-storage area and the directory entries will have to be modified to point to the default values. It is a lot of work, but it is much more flexible.

These are just some of the enhancements you can implement. If you have access to the IBM Assembler Language manual (referenced at the end of this article), you will find that it gives much more detailed explanations of these facilities, plus others that I have not mentioned.

To those of you who are still interested, study of the text and flowcharts of this article is all you need do before you can write your own macro assembler. Once you understand the processes involved ("walking through" the flowcharts with pencil and paper will help), there is no reason why you cannot give it a try. After all, there's no magic to system software-it's just another program.

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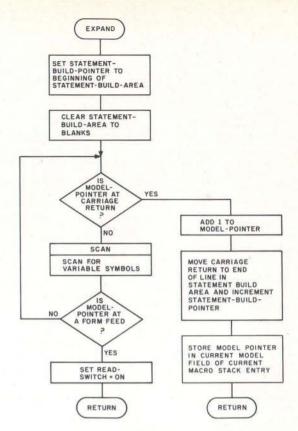


Figure 9: Flowchart for EXPAND subroutine. This subroutine expands a model statement using the current values of the variable symbols as found on top of the symbol table.

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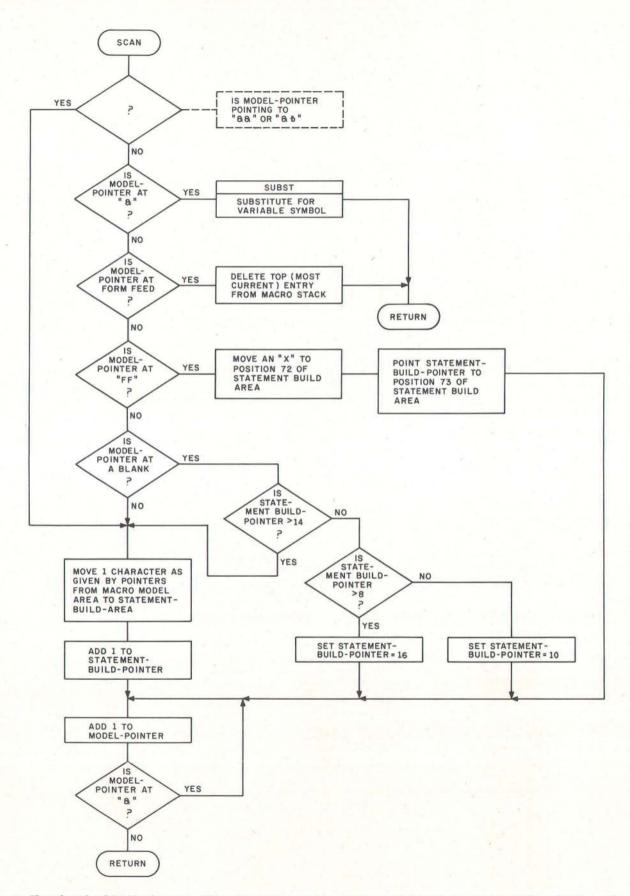


Figure 10: Flowchart for SCAN subroutine. This subroutine scans for variable symbols in the model statement and replaces them with heir most recent values; it also restores blanks that were compressed out of the model statement.

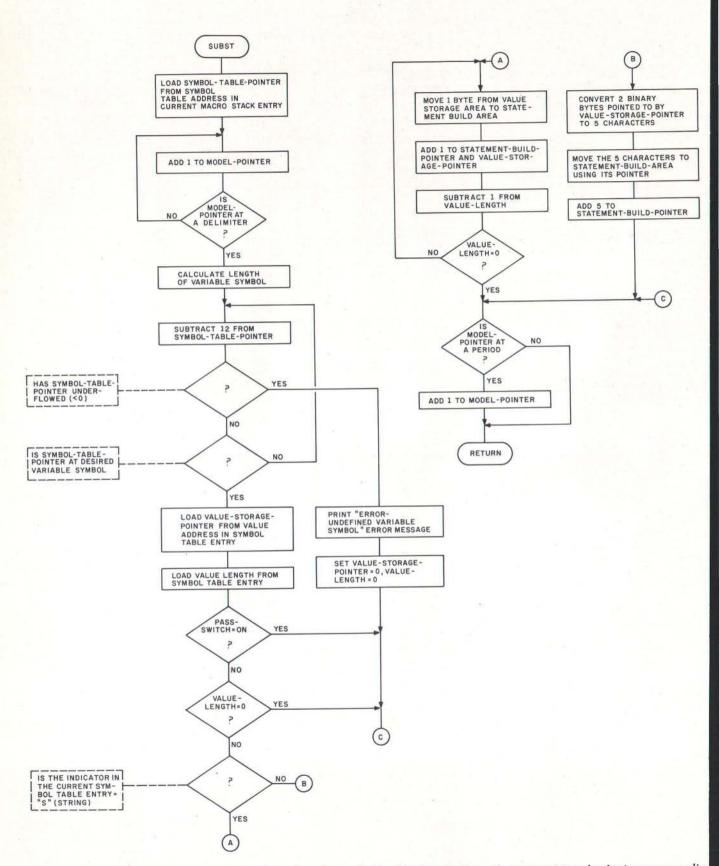


Figure 11: Flowchart for SUBST subroutine. This subroutine, called by SCAN, substitutes the appropriate value for its corresponding variable symbol in a model statement.

GLOSSARY

Conditional Assembly: a feature of macro assemblers that instructs the assembler to generate or leave out certain lines of assembly-language code based on a given condition evaluated at the time of expansion.

Descriptor: useful when working with strings of characters. It is a fixed-length entry containing the length of the string and a pointer to where the string starts in the storage area. (Symbol-table entries can be considered descriptors.) Descriptors are used frequently in assemblers and in high-level language compilers.

Directory: it contains an entry for every macro defined, pointing to the start of the model statements and specifying the variable names (from the macro prototype) that must be entered into the symbol table before the macro is evaluated.

Global Variable: a variable whose value is in effect for the entire assembly and for every macro generation. Use of a given global variable name, even within different macros, refers to the same value (unlike local variable symbols, the values of which are lost at the end of the macro expansion). In this article, &SYSNDX is a global variable.

Inner Macro: a macro call specified within the model statements of another macro. When a macro referred to as the outer macro is generating statements and encounters an inner macro, it must stop, generate the statements from the inner macro call, add them to the statements belonging to the outer macro, then continue generating its own statements.

Keyword Operand: a variable symbol followed by an equals sign; it appears only on the macro prototype and the macro call. Unlike positional parameters, keyword operands can be coded in any order. They also allow the ability to specify default values in the macro prototype.

Local Variable: a variable, the value of which is in effect only for the macro in which it is defined. All variable symbols defined in macro prototype statements are local variables. The same local variable symbol name used in another macro is treated as a separate variable, even though the names are the same.

Macro: a user-defined assembly-language operation code that generates one or more assembler instructions.

Macro Call: a pseudoinstruction within an assemblylanguage program that refers to a macro definition of the same name. The eventual result is the replacement of the macro call statement with the expanded model statements of the macro definition.

Macro Definition: a sequence of statements that tell the macro processor what to generate when replacing the macrocall instruction. It is made up of a MACRO statement that signals the beginning of the macro, a prototype statement that defines the macro name and its operands, a series of model statements that replace the macro call, and a MEND statement that signals the end of the macro definition.

Macro Stack: a stack of certain information about currently incompleted macro calls; it is necessitated by the ability to call a macro within a macro. Each macro-stack entry points to the directory entry, the end of the symbol table, and the value-storage area for the macro.

Model-Storage Area: an area of computer memory set aside for storing the model statements of all macro definitions. The directory entry for each macro points to the start of that macro's model statements in the model-storage area.

Pass 1: the assembler's first reading of source statements. During pass 1, the assembler builds its symbol table, which includes every label in the program, and checks for duplicate symbols.

Pass 2: the assembler's second reading of the source statements. At this point, all symbols are known to the assembler as a result of pass 1, and the equivalent machine code can be generated from the source code.

Positional Operands: when the variable symbols in a macro prototype are defined as positional operands, they are assigned values from the list of operands in the macro-call statement in the order that they are defined in the prototype. The first variable symbol on the prototype gets the first operand value, and so on.

Preprocessor: a routine or program that processes and usually modifies the input before the main program gets it. Macro facilities are often written as preprocessors that replace macro calls with their expanded assembly-language statements before passing the source file to the assembler.

Prototype: the second statement in the macro definition. It defines the label entry, the operation code (macro name), and the allowable operands (in the form of variable symbols) for the macro call.

Recursion: a technique in which a called subroutine calls itself. A recursive function must be designed so that it eventually returns a value rather than calling itself again; otherwise, it calls itself in a loop that never finishes.

Stack: a last-in, first-out list that allows the user to remove only the value most recently placed onto the stack. Stacks are similar to the devices used to dispense plates in a cafeteria. Plates (values) are put on the top of the stack, pushing down all the others, and are removed from the top, causing the others to pop up. A stack in programming works the same way, giving rise to the terms PUSH and POP, which are commonly used when talking about computer stacks.

Symbol Table: a stack containing an entry for each variable in the macro prototype. The symbol-table entry specifies the variable name, the length of its current value, and the address where the value is stored in the value-storage area.

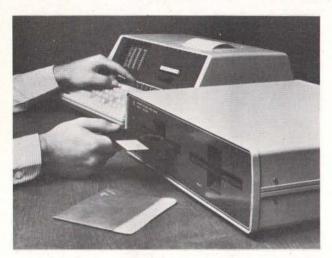
Text Compression: the process of removing all unnecessary blanks from a source statement in order to reduce the amount of space needed to store the text.

Value-Storage Area: an area of memory set aside for storing the values associated with a program's variables. The symbol-table entry for each variable points to the start of that variable's value and specifies the value length.

Variable: a variable (or variable symbol) is a character string that can have many different values assigned to it by either the programmer or the assembler. Variables can be either global or local; most references to variable symbols in this article actually refer to local variable symbols.

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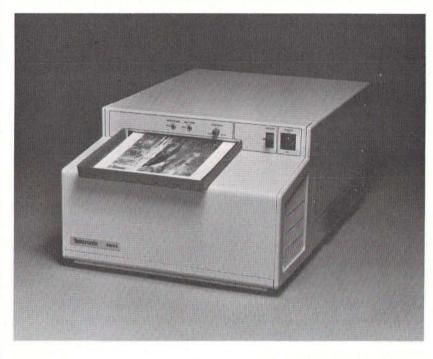
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General Ledger for the

MicroLedger, the Compumax general ledger program, has been converted to run on the Atari 800. The Atari Micro-Ledger performs trial balances and produces profit-and-loss statements and balance sheets. It features updating options, allowing the user to review and update records in the journal or chart of accounts; a running balance column in the journal listing; and error traps. The MicroLedger package retails for \$140, which includes the program, sample data, and a manual. BASIC source code is also included. Minimum hardware reguirements are the Atari 800 with 24 K bytes of memory and a floppy-disk drive; a printer is offered as an option. Contact Compumax Inc, POB 1139, Palo Alto CA 94301, (415) 325-4503.

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Data Manager for the Apple

Information Master is a data manager for use with the Apple and includes the ability to do calculations, totals, subtotals, and more. The program lets the user define, enter, edit, sort, and retrieve data. Printed report formats using the report-generation features can be defined. Other features include screen formatting, error trapping, and the ability to add, multiply, divide, and do exponentiations. A program is included that transfers files from the Management System for use with the Information Master. For further details on the Information Master program, contact High Technology Inc, POB 14665, 8001 N Classen Blvd, Oklahoma City OK 73113, (405) 840-9900.

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Vector Releases COBOL with Program Generator

Vector Graphic Inc has released a version of its ANSI-standard CIS COBOL, featuring program generation capability. Version 4.2 of CIS COBOL implements the eight modules necessary to meet the ANSI Level 1 standard at the low-intermediate level. The FORMS-2 utility generates data-entry screens and can create error-free data input programs without the programmer writing a line of code. It is available from Vector Graphic Inc, 31364 Via Colinas, Westlake Village CA 91361, (213) 991-2302.

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Job-Costing Package Under CP/M

This job-costing package consists of a reporting facility, a job-costing accounts payable, and a job-costing payroll. These programs are designed to run on a Z80 or 8080 processor using the CP/M operating system. Other CP/M-like systems are also supported. The software will run on hard or floppy disks. The business applications are integrated, yet each will run singly. The price is \$700 for a system from Arkansas Systems Inc, Suite 206, 8901 Kanis Rd, Little Rock AR 72205, (501) 227-8471.

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Business Application for the HP-85

Pro-Flow can figure sales analysis, forecast performance for products, evaluate material costs, and perform cash-flow analysis for a year's operation. By mixing initial raw data values with formulas, users can make projections about future operations. Pro-Flow is designed to run on the HP-85 microcomputer. It is available at a suggested retail of \$150 from Scelbi Publications, 20 Hurlbut St, Elmwood CT 06110, (203) 522-5515.

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Disk-O-Tape

Disk-O-Tape is a utility program for the Apple II and Apple II Plus computers. It enables users to transfer the data from a floppy disk to cassette tape and back again. The program features sector-by-sector copy of a DOS 3.2 disk to tape, error detection, and a verification pass for reliability. Each tape produced by the program contains a bootstrap for easy loading on disk. The program allows user-assigned naming of tapes. Disk-O-Tape requires at least 32 K bytes of programmable memory. The program comes on a floppy disk with Testape, a program to aid in adjusting the cassette recorder for optimum performance. Disk-O-Tape costs \$12 from Dann McCreary, POB 16435-B, San Diego CA 92116.

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Lifeboat Supports the Durango F-85

Lifeboat Associates has made available its 8080 software line formatted for the Durango F-85 computer. This software, which includes languages such as BASIC, COBOL, and Pascal; wordprocessing systems, such as Wordstar; communication software, such as BSTAM; and complete accounting packages, is available by the implementation of CP/M. The first version of CP/M supports the F-85 with up to four floppy-disk drives. This is priced at \$170. Later versions will support the 12-megabyte and 25-megabyte hard-disk systems. Contact Lifeboat Associates, 1651 Third Ave, New York NY 10028, (212) 860-0300.

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RECLAIM "Hides" Bad Sectors and Tracks from CP/M

Lifeboat Associates, 1651 Third Ave, New York NY 10028, (212) 860-0300, has announced a CP/M 2.0 utility program that tests floppy-disk and harddisk systems for error-prone parts of the disk and allocates those parts to files that are invisible to the user. RECLAIM maps the bad spots out of the file directory so that they cannot be used again. It safely tests the disk with or without data files. At the completion of the program, it announces the number of blocks hidden from the file system. RECLAIM is available on all CP/M media formats supported by Lifeboat Associates. The cost is \$80.

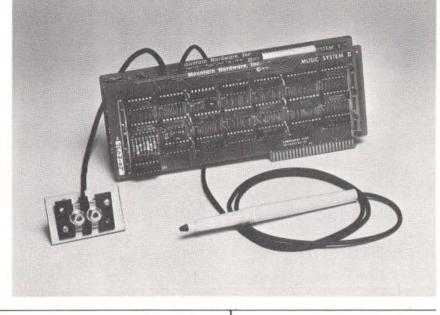
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What's New?

SOFTWARE

Digital Synthesizer for the Apple

Mountain Computer Inc has developed the MusicSystem for the Apple II. This sixteen-voice digital synthesizer permits the creation of the sounds of real musical instruments utilizing the principle of additive synthesis. The generation of sounds is accomplished through programmable waveforms, envelopes, and amplitudes for each musical voice. Software is included for editing and playing of compositions. The editor program permits graphical input of sheet music utilizing standard music notation. The player program permits polyphonic performance of musical compositions. Stereo output is to user's stereo amplifier and speakers or directly off card with stereo headphones. For information, write or call Mountain Computer Inc, 300 Harvey W Blvd, Santa Cruz CA 95060, (408) 429-8600.



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New Business Software for the TRS-80

American Business Systems (ABS) has announced that its line of financial- and business-applications software packages are now available to users of Radio Shack TRS-80 computers. These seven new ABS packages offer the same full-scale features and capabilities as the company's software for larger minicomputers and microcomputers.

The packages include a complete series of financial systems, ranging from Accounts Payable and Receivable through Payroll, Order Entry and Inventory Control to a fully automated General Ledger System. The application systems currently available include Financial Modeling and Real-Estate Sales Management. Additional packages soon to be released will offer a Client Accounting System and a Correspondence Management Package, which includes a letter writter, word processor and mailing-label generator.

Information is available from American Business Systems Inc, 439 Littleton Rd, Westford MA 01886, (617) 486-3509.

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TRS-80 CP/M 2.0 with 12 Megabytes

Lifeboat Associates, 1651 Third Ave, NewYork NY 10028, (212) 860-0300, has announced the release of CP/M version 2.0 for the TRS-80 Model II. The system features extended density format for each of up to four floppy-disk drives. Nearly 2.5 megabytes of storage is possible with floppy-disk drives alone. The Corvus 10 megabyte Winchester hard disk is suggested as a storage system, allowing CP/M to access 12 megabytes of memory. A menu-driven configuration program allows total control of the parallel printer port and both serial ports of the TRS-80.

The printer port software can be set to control a "dumb" printer that has no page control, or the software page control can be disabled for printing checks or mailing labels. The system includes functions to set data rates of from 134.5 to 9600 bps (bits per second) for the serial ports. An ADM-3A emulation program is included which allows the TRS-80 to be used as a terminal through the serial ports. The system is offered with Corvus hard-disk capability for \$250 and floppy-disk capability for \$170.

Software for the Apple II

Softpoint, Dept C, 103 Clinton Ave, Terryville NY 11776, has announced cassette programs for the Apple II including Function Plot, Speed Reading, Road Race, and more. The programs utilize the Apple's high-resolution graphics capabilities. The prices range from \$5.95 to \$9.95.

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Reformat for the TRS-80

Reformat is a programming aid to be used prior to compiling with the Microsoft BASIC compiler. The BASIC compiler allows the use of long variable names which can contain BASIC reserved words, making the format of a BASIC source file and the use of spaces critical. BASIC program files that are written as multistatement compressed lines will be rejected by the compiler in almost all cases. Bluebird's has developed this machine-language program which will reformat any TRS-80 BASIC source file into a format acceptable to the compiler. Reformat is available for \$24.95 from Bluebird's Company 2267 23rd St, Wyandotte MI 48192, (313) 285-4455.

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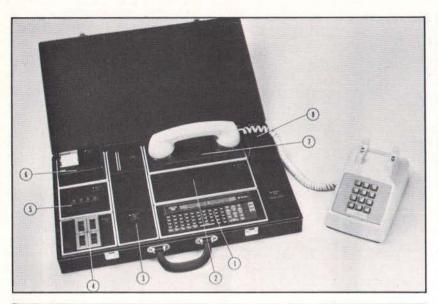
Data-Base Program for Z80 Systems

Condor Computer Corporation, 3989
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48104, (313) 769-3988, has announced
Target/80 DBMS, a data-base system
for Z80 microcomputers. Target/80 is
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with most Z80 systems with at least
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What's New?

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Computer in a Case

The Quasar Micro-Information System consists of a hand-held computer, video display, printer, modem, cassette deck, expandable programmable memory unit, I/O (input/output) driver—and it all fits in a briefcase. The hand-held computer fits in the palm of a hand, weighs less than a pound and con-

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Nine-Voice Synthesizer

Vista Media Products has announced the Music Machine Nine. Using LSI (large-scale integration) technology, the device can produce nine voices on the Apple II computer. The board uses three AY3-8910 integrated circuits and requires one expansion slot. It can use software now available to produce and play back nine-voice music compatible

with other music boards. It will respond to commands for pitch, amplitude, duration, attack, delay, and more. Two high-impedance, low-level outputs are provided with six voices assigned to each channel. It is available through Advanced Computer Products, 1310 E Edinger, Santa Ana CA 92705, (714) 558-8813.

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Logic Timing Recorder from A P Products



A P Products, 1359 W Jackson St, Painesville OH 44077, (800) 321-9668, in Ohio (216) 354-2101-collect, has introduced the Logic Timing Recorder, a device for charting logic timing. The unit is an ABS plastic board with 320 slides arranged in eight horizontal rows. The slides represent the two logic levels of a circuit. After the slides are manually moved into position to represent the logic state in a circuit, the board is checked for proper design, then it can be placed on a copying machine to make a permanent record for your files. The recorder may be used over and over again to chart the logic timing of all circuits. The Logic Timing Recorder, P/N 923758, has a suggested price of \$44.95. Circle 694 on inquiry card.

A/D Converter for S-100 Systems

The AIM-12 is a 16- or 32-channel 12-bit A/D (analog-to-digital) converter designed for laboratory and industrial applications. The card plugs directly into the standard IEEE S-100 bus. Features include an on-board resistor programmable instrumentation amplifier and operation of up to 25 ms with 12 bits of accuracy. The AIM-12 is I/O (input/output) mapped and can be used with either BASIC or assembly-language instructions. The module is designed for direct conversion of voltages from thermocouples, level sensors, pressure transducers, pH electrodes and other low-level signal sources. The device provides thirty-two single-ended or sixteen fully differential inputs; input impedance exceeds one billion ohms. It is fully compatible with North Star, Cromemco, and most S-100 system. Multiple boards can be employed, and BASIC and assembly-language programs are supplied. The price of the AIM-12 is from \$575, depending on options, from Dual Systems Control Corporation, 1825 Eastshore Hwy, Berkeley CA 94710, Circle 695 on inquiry card. (415) 549-3854.

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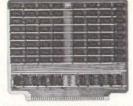


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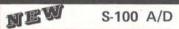
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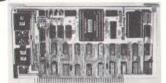
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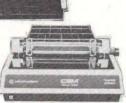
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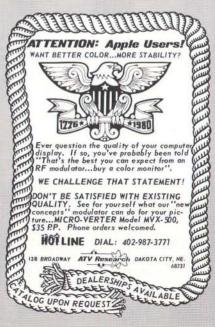
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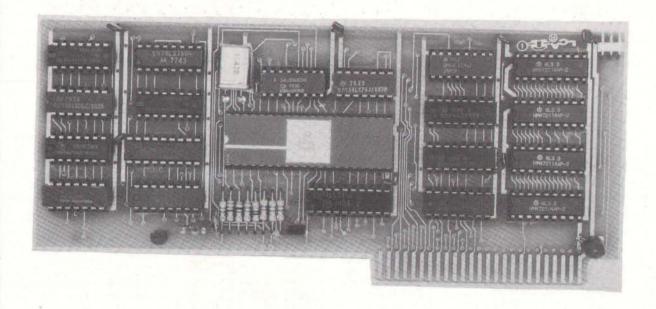


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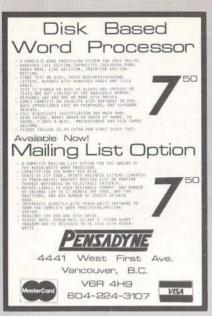
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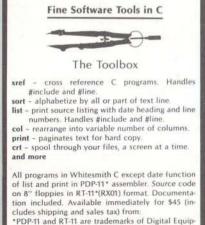
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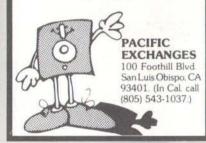
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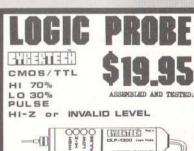
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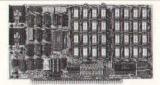


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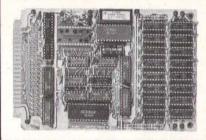
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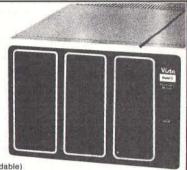




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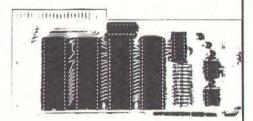
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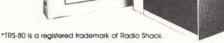
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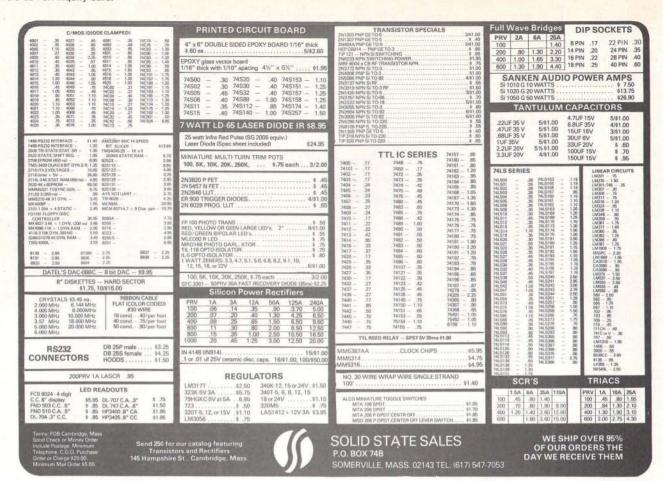
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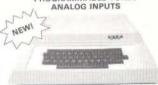
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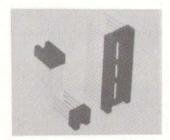
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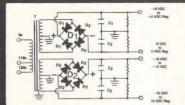
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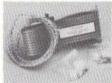
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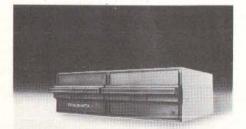
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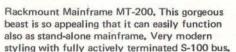


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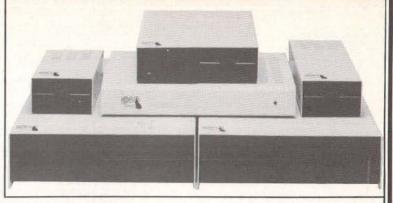
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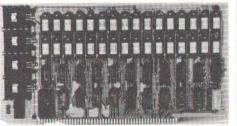
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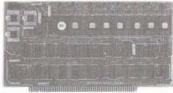
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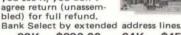
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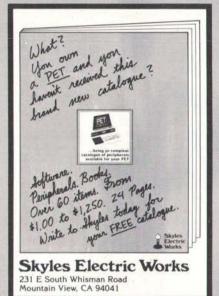
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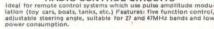
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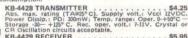
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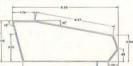
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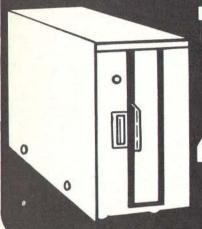
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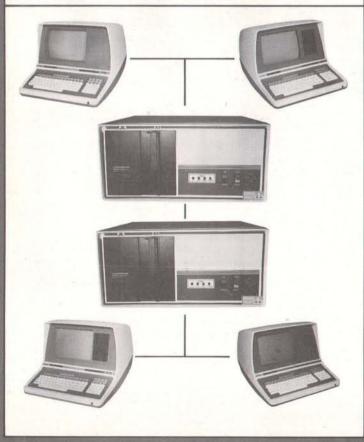
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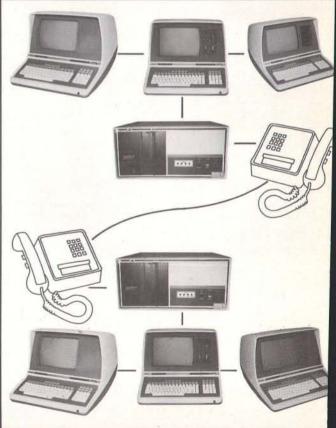
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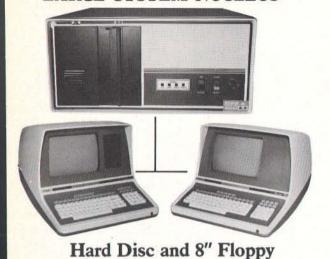
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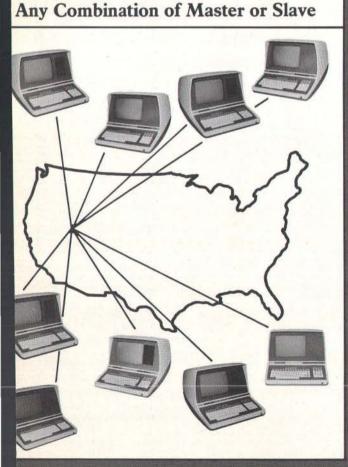
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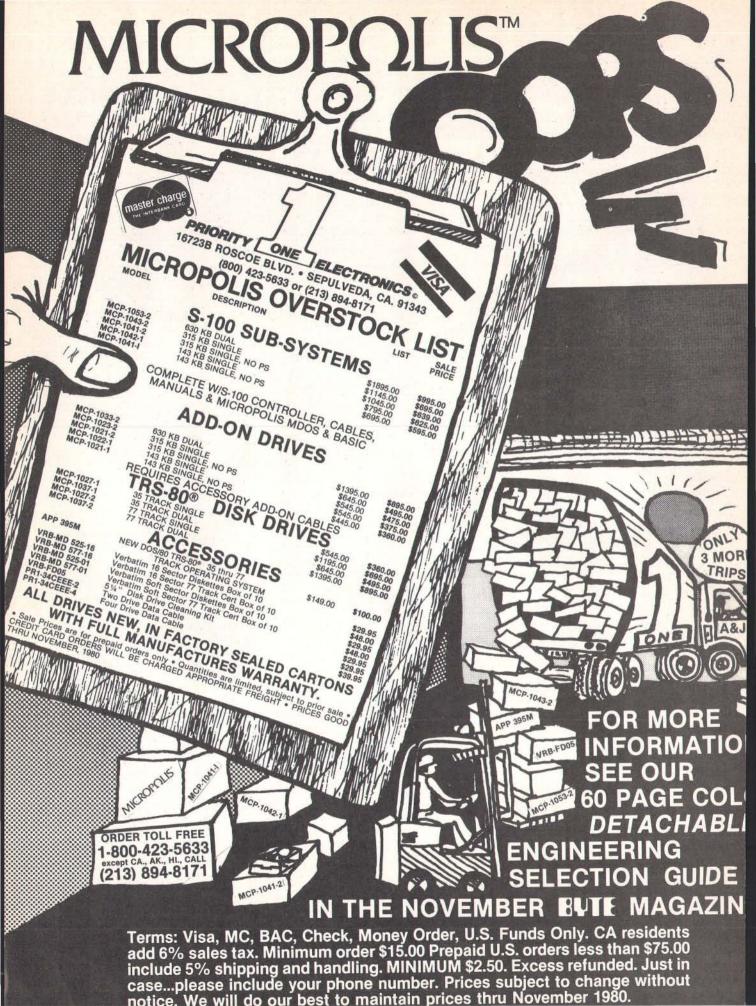
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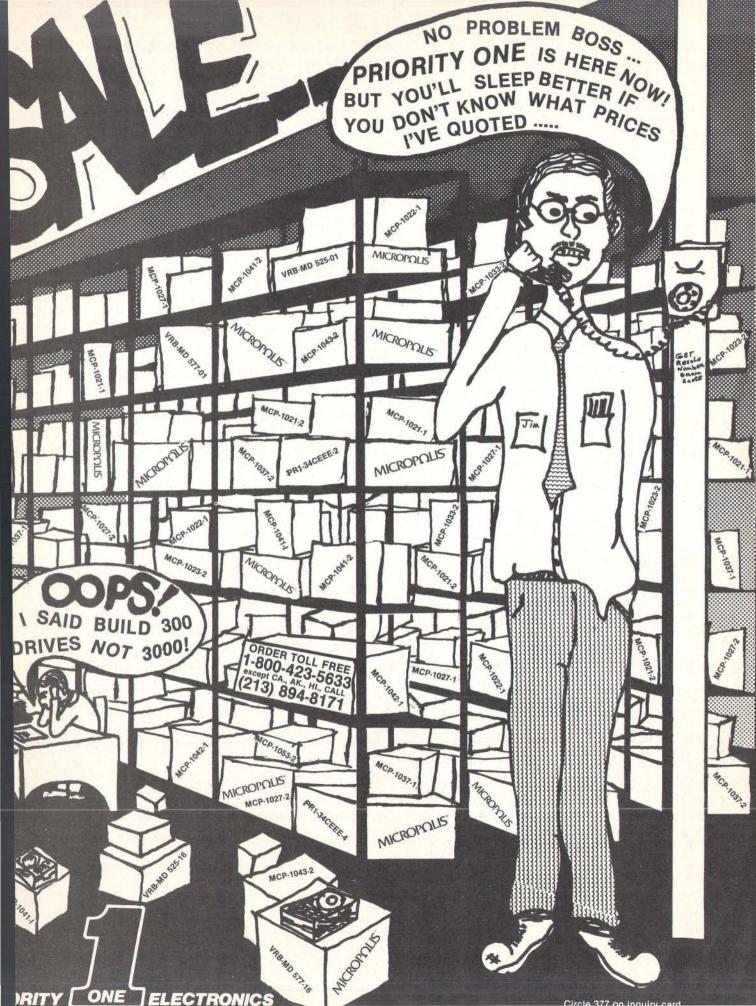
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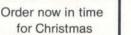
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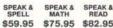
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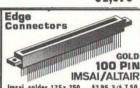
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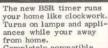
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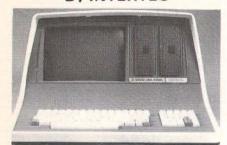


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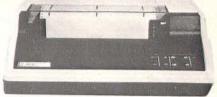
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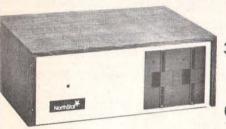
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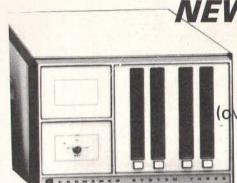
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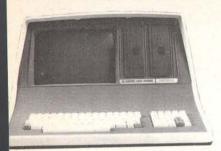
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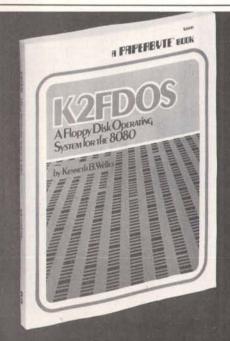
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