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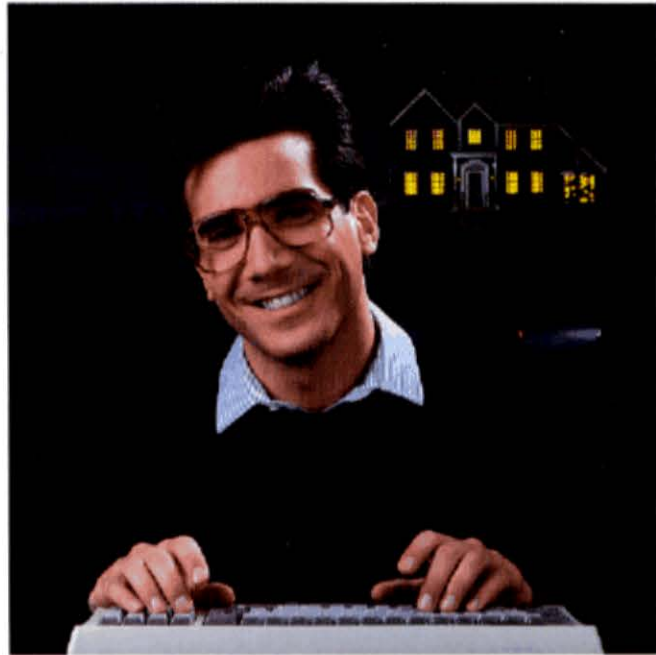
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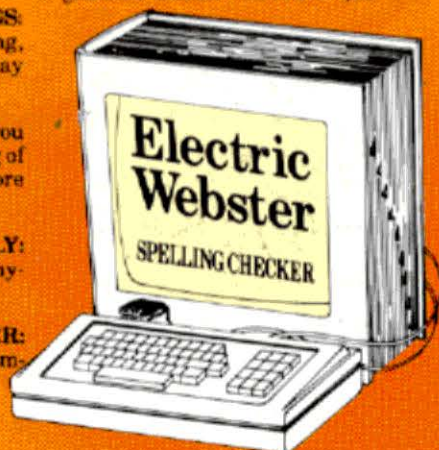
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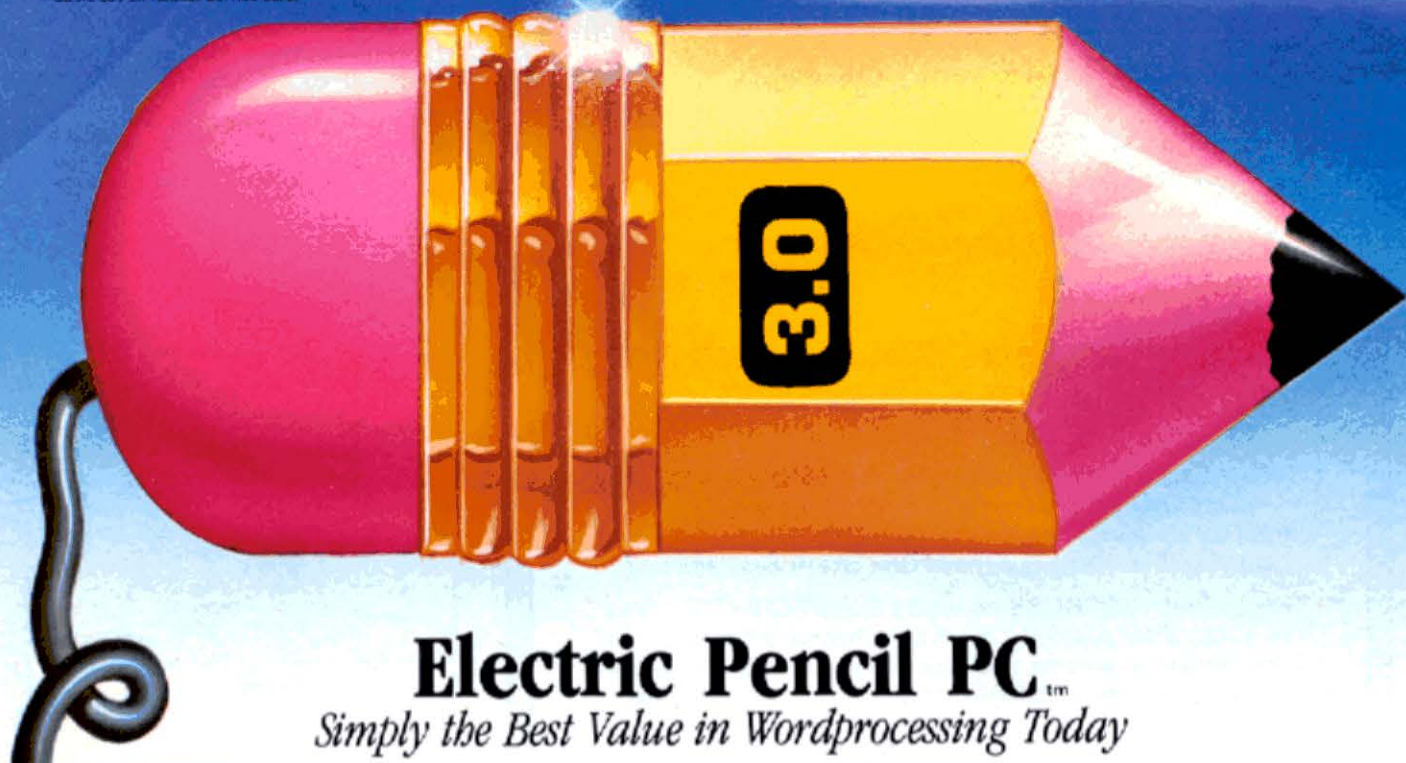
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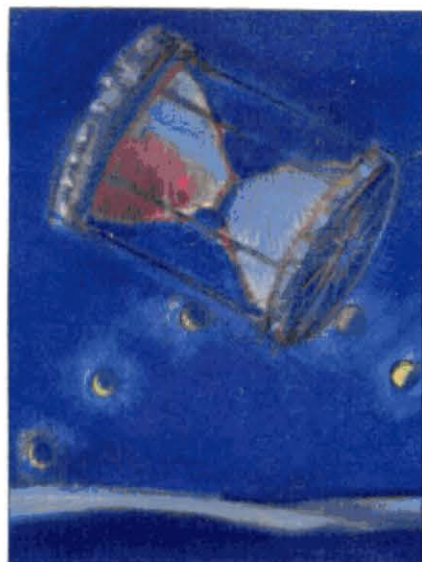


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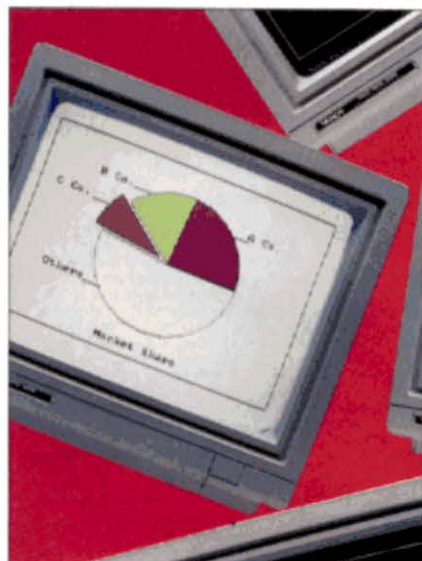
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Is Brand Loyalty Dead?

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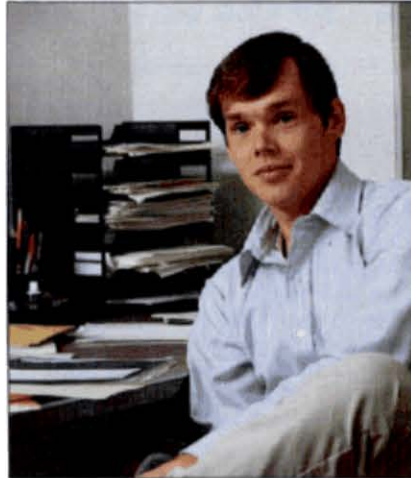
My purchases of audio and video equipment are typical. In my living room I've got a Toshiba television and a Zenith VCR. My stereo system comprises a Denon receiver, a Technics turntable, a Scott compact-disc player, two Sony cassette decks, and a pair of EPI speakers. In the bedroom I have a Montgomery Ward TV, an Hitachi receiver, an old Garrard turntable (used only for 78s and 45s), and even older Radio Shack Solo 3-A speakers.

I also own a Panasonic tape deck in my car, a cheap Claricon stereo in my office, an early 1960s Seeburg 100 Selectomatic juke box, an old Silvertone floor-model radio, a similar Philco, a set of BSR MacDonald headphones, and a Boston Red Sox transistor radio shaped like a can of California Acrylic House Paint.

It used to be that microcomputer users were different. In the early days, when the IBM PC was but a gleam in Armonk's great red eye, users displayed a ferocious chauvinism for their systems. Commodore, Heath, Apple, Atari, and Radio Shack people were as righteous about their computers as sports fans are about their home teams.

Of all the groups of computer owners, the TRS-80 people were the most loyal. The computers were ugly, the DOS intolerable, the manufacturer graceless. But that was all right, because TRS-80 people loved adversity and the challenge of making the computer do tricks the Shack said it wasn't meant to do. They relied on each other to find out what they needed to know.

The zealotry could become overbearing at times. I always thought that giving a computer a pet name or referring to it as "she" was a bit annoying. And I never understood readers who wrote to claim without qualification that their I's, II's, and CoCos were easily



equal to or better than the then-new IBM PC. Loyalty was one thing; lunatic raving was another.

But the spirit that such devotion engendered was what made computing fun. When you bought a TRS-80 you bought into a community that saw computing as part of its lifestyle. And while that community eventually became invisible to the rest of the computer world, it wielded a significant amount of power. Were it not for all those faithful customers staying with Tandy when everyone else was buying PCs, Apples, and Macintoshes, Tandy's computer line would not have survived into the late 1980s.

Regrettably, the halcyon days of idiosyncratic machines and their diehard devotees are nearly over. IBM's homogenizing effect has overwhelmed the market, forcing competitors to trade in their individualistic visions for more practical strategies. The quaint neighborhoods of the computing community are being replaced by high-rise apartments and tract housing projects.

Ironically, Tandy, with its legions of TRS-80 aficionados, was the first to get out the bulldozers. The Model 1000 signaled Tandy's ardent endorsement of IBM's scheme for urban redevelopment. The Model 4, once the staple of the line, teetered on the brink of extinction. Improvements to the system were few and largely cosmetic; support was kept to a minimum.

Tandy has done an admirable job of exploiting the PC's success and has ensured its future as a micro computer manufacturer. I wish, however, that

Tandy had found a way to reestablish itself without sacrificing the old TRS-80 community. The I/III/4 neighborhoods look like a mill town without a mill: abandoned buildings, broken windows, buckling sidewalks. The excitement is gone, and with it a lot of the fun of being a TRS-80 user.

The other major computer manufacturers are now following Tandy's course. Commodore has its PC10-1 and PC10-2 clones and Atari a low-end MS-DOS machine. You can run IBM software on an Apple or Macintosh. It soon won't make much difference where you shop for a computer; if you want PC compatibility, you can have it.

Of course, what separates Atari, Commodore, Amiga, and Apple from Tandy is that they've held on to a piece of the old dream. Apple, Tandy's old nemesis, has fought particularly hard to maintain its identity as an alternative to IBM, with a fair amount of success. You've got to wonder why they could do it but Tandy couldn't. Does Apple have better computers than Tandy? Better marketing strategies? Or simply more guts? Whatever the reasons, I admire Apple's staying power. It'll be a sad day when the flag of PC compatibility flies alone over Cupertino.

The possibility exists that the Models 1000 SX and EX will stimulate the same kind of community that the TRS-80 did. Certainly many current 1000 owners are long-time Radio Shack customers. The number of people who own three or more Tandy or TRS-80 computers is remarkable. But the community can never be as large or as enthusiastic as it was. The more Tandy slavishly pursues PC compatibility, the more its customers' loyalties will dwindle. And soon people will buy Tandy equipment for the same reasons they buy any other piece of electronic gear: availability, price, a neighbor's recommendation.

So computers have become commodities and their users mere consumers. Ah, well, these are the prices we must pay if we are to reap the benefits of having a burgeoning, successful industry. It's a small price for companies such as Tandy whose concerns must be survival and profitability, but a large one for those who remember when being the owner of a Radio Shack computer was something a little special. ■

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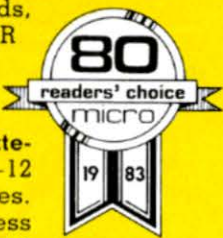
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Inquiries about T-BUG should be directed to me c/o MEDX Inc., 1500 Hicks Road, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008. Readers can call me at 312-665-7215 in the evening.

After March 15 Roger Carlson will take over as president and membership chairman. Readers can write him at 1406 Colwyn Drive, Schaumburg, IL 60194. His telephone number is 312-843-1886.

*Ellen D. Weinstein, President
T-BUG
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Warning!

I purchased a Tandy 1000 in September 1985 and then, in January and February 1986, purchased an internal modem, memory board, and a mouse/calendar.

When I tried to operate the computer after installing the three boards, it locked up and would not reboot. My local Radio Shack was unable to fix the problem, but charged me \$100 for trying. They then called Fort Worth and were told that the three boards could not be used simultaneously.

After I filed a complaint, Tandy wrote me a letter stating, "Our computers have several expansion and upgrade options available. We do not state, nor is it reasonable to expect, that they can all be used in the computer at the same time".

I urge future Tandy customers to pay close attention not only to what the company's ads say, but also to what they don't say.

*James C. McCord
Fairbanks, AK*

A Quick Question

I find that my Basic programs are easy to compile in Quickbasic, but I would like to know more the language. Is there any chance that 80 Micro will publish a Quickbasic tutorial?

*Darrell Sherrin
Kelowna, BC*

We are planning a tutorial on Quickbasic for an upcoming issue.—Eds.



Bigfoot

Ever since I first saw a picture of the 1000 EX, I've wondered about the odd placement of its disk drive. I have never used the machine, but it seems that having the opening on the side precludes the possibility of placing anything to the immediate right of the computer. The actual footprint of the 1000 EX is, then, considerably larger than its stated dimensions.

The 1000 SX, on the other hand, appears to be such a promising machine that I should be kicking myself in the pants for having bought a 1000A in 1986. Do you know if Tandy will come up with a replacement motherboard kit to update my machine?

*Yoe Itokawa
Birmingham, AL*

We haven't heard of any such upgrade from Tandy.—Eds.

A Sweeping Complaint

Why couldn't we foreigners participate in the 80 Micro Sweepstakes? Many of us are good and faithful customers.

*Fernando Convers
Bogota, Colombia*

Unfortunately, Fernando, we could not extend eligibility for the Sweepstakes to foreign readers because of federal customs laws. It was not a policy decision by us.—Eds.

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Unfair to the Fixers

Mark D. Goodwin's review of Profix IV and Proaid 4+ in your January 1987 issue (p. 38) does a disservice to two excellent programs and might dissuade Profile 4 users from buying them.

The Small Computer Co., which created Profile 4, neglected to follow up with Forms-, Lookup-, or Profix-type programs. Profix IV and Proaid 4+ fill the gap admirably and are, I feel, necessary in order to use the power of Profile to the fullest. These fine programs deserve four stars.

*Charles Harris, MD
Toms River, NJ*

Beating the Bugs

In conjunction with Lewis Rosenfelder's excellent article in the October 1986 issue ("The Complete Guide to Basic Debugging," p. 34), I want share some of my infamous Basic bugs.

Entering the following line:

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10 TOTAL = 0
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results in a syntax error because TO is a reserved word in Basic.

If your program includes

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100 FOR I=1 TO N:IF X(I)<0 THEN  
X(I)=0:NEXT I
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watch out. The program will only work if all X(I)s are less than zero.

I also don't like to include many IF P% < 0 THEN PRINT P%:STOP statements. I prefer to add GOSUB 1000 as follows:

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1000 IF P% < 0 THEN PRINT ...  
1010 IF INKEY$ = " " THEN 1010 ELSE  
RETURN
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It is quicker to enter GOSUB 1000 than a longer statement and quicker to hit the space bar than to enter CONT.

*Jacques Weill
Veigne, France*

Pros and Cons

I want to comment on Mr. Herbst's letter in the December 1986 issue (p. 10) concerning the relative merits of Superscript and Scripsit Pro. I purchased my Model 4 because of Superscript's ability to prepare complex documents. I found problems with the block-action commands; composing files from pieces of others was very slow. Because of these problems and Terry Kepner's review

(September 1986, p. 27), I bought Scripsit Pro.

Scripsit Pro did improve block action, and its system of windows lets you build new files quickly. Some of the features Mr. Kepner mentioned, such as column creation, are actually transferred unchanged from Superscripts. Mr. Kepner neglected to mention that Scripsit Pro uses space more efficiently than Superscripts does.

The greater efficiency (a full Superscripts disk becomes two-thirds of Scripsit Pro disk) is made possible by Scripsit Pro's module system. (Mr. Herbst's statement that you must name the successive modules is incorrect—conversion programs do that for you.) Since a module can contain 32K of memory space and one side of a disk can contain up to six modules (in fact it will not contain more than four after a conversion), you should not have any naming problems.

When you are creating new text, you can set up a system of file naming (such as Book/An, where n can run from zero-99) that can link as much text as you can possibly produce. The system of modules also allows you to scan text much faster in Scripsit Pro than you could in Superscripts.

Unfortunately, if you are scanning backwards with the up-arrow-P command and come to the beginning of the module, the keyboard locks and you must reset your computer to unlock it. When you do this you lose all of your unsaved text. You can, of course, recover it with the Rescue utility.

Other bugs in Pro Scripsit include problems deleting text with F2, disappearance of the cursor on the tab line when you turn off the view mode, and trouble with the block-action print command.

*Saul Moskowitz
Marblehead, MA*

A Step Beyond

Apparently the primary intention of Hardin Brothers' The Next Step column in the November 1986 issue (p. 94) was to illustrate some of the more sophisticated abilities of Misosys's Pro-Create and MRAS assemblers by creating a Model 4 command-line editor. He did this expertly, accomplishing nearly 80 percent of the assembly with a set of conditional macros. His listing is neat and finely crafted.

Mr. Brothers did, however, use just over eight sectors (2,080 bytes) for an intrinsically simple job. I was sure that the job could be done with less code by avoiding the complex macros. My editor includes insert and delete functions, as Hardin suggested, as well as a few extra

goodies, and is under 1,000 bytes long. I did leave out the screen display; including it adds fewer than 500 bytes.

In Model 4 file structure 1,536 bytes is one granule. If you go over that figure, you use two granules. Since the editor is intended to be a SYS13/SYS file, it must go on the boot disk where granule space is scarce.

There is usually a trade-off when you use highly structured programming techniques. A program can be beautifully logical at the language level, but the object code can waste a lot of space. This is a serious consideration in view of the the Z80's 64K addressable memory limit and 180K of disk space.

Many thanks to Mr. Brothers. If I had not played around with his program and gotten mad, I never would have written my own. I suspect that getting folks going was just what Hardin had in mind!

*James Hawes
New Orleans, LA*

I strongly object to Bruce Tonkin's ridiculous contention that Basic is superior to Pascal in all respects.

Pro Bruce

Bruce Tonkin's assessment of the relative merits of Basic, C, and Pascal seems right on the money to me (Art of Programming, January 1987, p. 96). Bruce focused on languages for MS-DOS computers, however. I want to point out an alternative to his Microsoft Quickbasic compiler for the Model I/III/4 crowd.

The ZBasic 3.0 compiler is reasonably priced and first-rate. With ZBasic and a little knowledge of assembly language you can compile just about any program you can conceive of.

I bought Alcor C, and after years of study, am still trying to figure out how to accomplish tasks that are simple in Basic. Alcor C's cmd files are, if anything, larger than Basic's.

*Pat Anderson
Fall City, WA*

Pro Pascal

In Bruce Tonkin's January The Art of Programming column (p. 96), he stated that "Basic is clearly superior" to Pascal

and C regarding data types. Mr. Tonkin either chose to ignore the strongest point in favor of Pascal or else is ignorant of the rich variety of data types available in the language.

There is more to data types than internal string storage. Mr. Tonkin did not mention record types, pointer types, sets, user-defined types, or any of the other types alien to Basic. A programmer can create and manipulate stacks, queues, linked lists, binary search trees, and other data structures in Basic, but not as easily or efficiently as with pointers in Pascal or C. Readers should not be dissuaded from trying Pascal or any other language by Mr. Tonkin's article.

*Don Gray
Dalton, GA*

Language wars are silly, and as I tell my students, the best language is probably the one that you know best (unless a specific programming situation warrants a change). Each language has its strengths and weaknesses.

I have no quarrel with Bruce Tonkin's preference for Basic. I do, however, strongly object to his ridiculous contention that Basic is superior to Pascal in all respects. He raises only two valid objections to Pascal. The first is that the semicolon as a statement-separator is annoying, and the second is the lack of double-precision reals in some applications of Turbo Pascal. He ignores many of Pascal's strengths, including its consistent syntax, ability to self-document, powerful data-structure possibilities, and overall efficiency.

*Joel R. Villa
Worcester, MA*

I am one of those readers who would welcome more information in your magazine about CP/M. I am mostly interested in Turbo Pascal, which John B. Harrell III introduced me to in the November 1986 issue ("A Language of Choice," p. 40). It has advantages such as portability between 8-bit CP/M and 16-bit MS-DOS.

I read Bruce Tonkin's The Art of Programming column in the December issue (p. 106). Mr. Tonkin clearly prefers Basic, while Mr. Harrell appears to be quite a Turbo Pascal buff. The diversity of opinion among your writers helps me determine what best fits my needs.

*Frank Billington
Saint John, NB*

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Wanted: Hi-Res Software

Q. I have Microlab's Graphyx Solution for the Model 4P. I'm interested in buying the software and documentation that comes with Radio Shack's high-resolution graphics board. I'd like to obtain the BasicG and the Fortran subroutine library along with the documentation. (*John Dehalian, Mt. Clemens, MI*)

A. Radio Shack doesn't sell the software without the high-resolution board. You might find someone who will sell you his or hers, though.

Better Text Display

Q. I'd like to improve the resolution of my Model 4's monitor for displaying text. Are there any products on the market that might help? (*Mark Roeder, Sioux City, IA*)

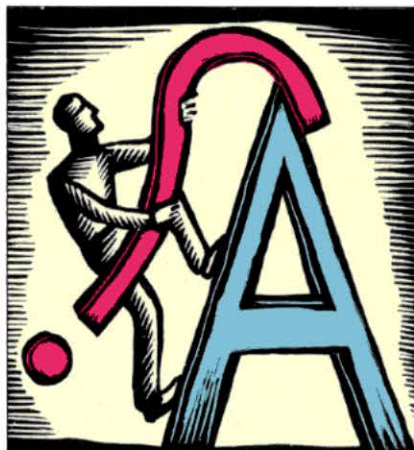
A. Your choices are limited. You can buy a different CRT tube, such as the amber phosphor ones sold by Langely-St. Clair Instrumentation Systems (132 W. 24th St., New York, NY 10011, 800-221-7070). Many people prefer the amber CRTs, saying they are easier on the eyes. Getting one might help enough.

Or you can buy a high-resolution graphics board. However, software for the board is limited; you can't run word-processing programs such as Scripsit with it.

Bar-Code Label Woes

Q. I have a Model 4 with 64K, two disk drives, and a DMP 200 printer. I am looking for software that will let me print bar-code labels in accordance with the MIL-STD-1189A and MIL-STD-129J standards. (*Stan Kistner, Hilliard, OH*)

A. We published a tutorial on bar codes, along with a program to print labels for the Model III, in our October 1984 issue ("Fine Lines," by Davey S. Thornton, p. 45). It covered Code 128 and Tandy-code. I'm not familiar with the MIL-STD codes, but you might be able to change



the program to suit your needs.

The Need for Backups

Q. I am considering purchasing a Tandy 1000 SX system, but I live in Mexico and the electrical supply here is erratic. I plan to power the computer through a voltage regulator and use spike and interference filters, but knowing the power will fail at some time, I worry about my software disappearing from my disks or showing up with all sorts of errors.

Most MS-DOS software is copy-protected, and a 500-mile trip to the Texas border and spending several days replacing damaged software would be most expensive. Are there any programs available that will back up protected software? (*Robert W. Bruggemeyer, Zatecas, Mexico*)

A. You seem to be taking all the right precautions in terms of protecting your computer. However, most MS-DOS software isn't copy-protected any more, and you can make multiple backups for your own use (and protection).

For the programs that are copy-protected, Copy II PC (Central Point Software, 9700 SW Capitol Highway, Suite 100, Portland, OR 97219, 503-244-5782; \$39.95) helps you make archival backups of protected software. Just remember to have backups available for all your data and programs, and you should weather your electrical problems in fine shape.

4P Cassette Port

Q. Is there any way to add a cassette port to my Model 4P? Also, are there any add-on boards that would let me run MS-DOS on my computer? (*Mark Hershberger, El Dorado, AR*)

A. I don't know of anyone who has installed a cassette port in a Model 4P. While there have been a few attempts to make MS-DOS add-on boards for Model 4's, they didn't work particularly well, and the companies that made them have gone out of business. It would be cheaper to buy an MS-DOS computer.

The CM-5 That Wouldn't

Q. I just purchased a new Tandy 1000 SX and have noticed two things that I suspect are problems. First, an area in the left center of the video screen (on the CM-5 monitor) has a different color than the rest of the screen, especially when I run game programs or colored text. Using the MS-DOS command Colormap shows the difference clearly. Could this be a defect in the tube's phosphor?

Second, I hear a very high-pitched tone whenever the video is being accessed. It is frequent and annoying. I'd appreciate any help. (*Gary Spielman*)

A. Run (do not walk) to the store where you bought your computer and monitor. It looks like you received a bad monitor. Have them check out the high-pitched tone also. It shouldn't make that sound.

Mod 4 Upgrade for the 1000

Q. Is anyone developing a Model 4 emulator board for the Tandy 1000? I am interested in upgrading, but I would like to have the best of both worlds. (*Gene McCormack, Lynn Haven, FL*)

A. I've heard that a couple of companies might be attempting such a board, but nothing definite yet. Once we hear something, we'll let our readers know. Watch New Products for such information.

Printer Driver for the BGAP

Q. I bought the Business Graphics Analysis Program (BGAP) for my Model III four years ago. Later, I bought a DMP 2100 printer but couldn't use it with the BGAP because a driver wasn't available (according to the local Radio Shack store).

I've tried unsuccessfully to get a driver for my printer (as well as for the CGP 220 color printer) through the stores in San Juan and Mayaguez. Several months ago, I wrote to Radio Shack's main office in Texas but received no response. Are these drivers available, and if so, how do I obtain them? (*Adolfo Perez-Comas, Mayaguez, PR*)

A. You have version 1 of BGAP. Upgrade to version 2, which has the drivers for the DMP 2100 and the CGP 220. The

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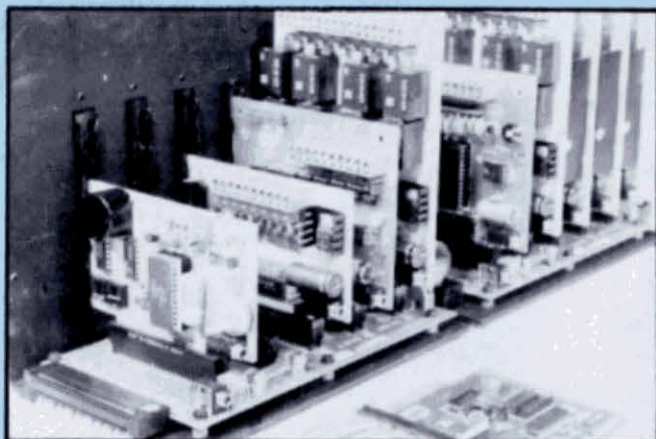
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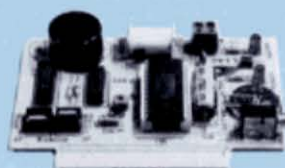
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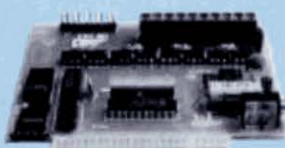
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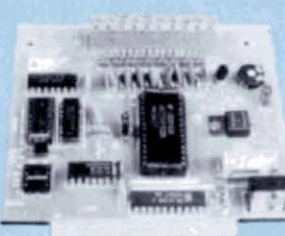
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Program Listing. Demo for high-intensity colors on the Tandy 1000.

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1000 CLS:SCREEN 0          ** 1037
1010 FOR BACKGROUND=0 TO 7 ** 1616
1020 COLOR 0,BACKGROUND:LOCATE ,15 ** 2146
1030 PRINT"Background =" ;BACKGROUND; ' NO BLINK ** 2664
1040 NEXT BACKGROUND     ** 1316
1050 FOR BACKGROUND=0 TO 7 ** 1620
1060 COLOR 16,BACKGROUND:LOCATE ,15 ** 2205
1070 PRINT"Background=" ;BACKGROUND; ' BLINK ** 2636
1080 NEXT BACKGROUND     ** 1320
1090 COLOR 3,0           ** 792
1100 LOCATE 20,20:PRINT"1 HIGH INTENSITY BACKGROUND" ** 3373
1110 LOCATE 21,20:PRINT"2 BLINK (NORMAL) MODE" ** 2840
1120 LOCATE 22,20:PRINT"3 QUIT DEMO" ** 2228
1130 AS="":WHILE AS="" :AS=INKEY$:WEND ** 2156
1140 IF AS="1" THEN OUT &H3D8,9 :GOTO 1130 'RESET BIT 5 ** 2349
1150 IF AS="2" THEN OUT &H3D8,41:GOTO 1130 'SET BIT 5 ** 2363
1160 OUT &H3D8,41        'NORMALIZE FOR EXIT ** 942

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End

it's not possible to specify a background color value higher than 7 with the Color statement. While this is true, you can display background colors above 7 by resetting bit 5 of port 3D8H, which controls the blink attribute.

With bit 5 set, foreground color values greater than 15 produce blinking characters. However, resetting bit 5 disables blinking, and foreground values greater than 15 set the background to high intensity. The Program Listing demonstrates this effect.

Make It Perfectly Clear

David Goben of Mansfield Center, CT, sent the following complaint/suggestion, "Several readers, myself included, respond to other's problems published in Feedback Loop with patches to programs, such as the Superscript patch by Robert B. Ormsley of Newhall, CA (January 1987, p. 18).

"The problem is that this patch already exists on the Model 4's Superscript version 1.01.01, but in a different disk location, and Ormsley's patch is incompatible with it, because other patch code exists where he intends his patch.

"What version was Ormsley's patch for? Is it compatible with other patches? There have been two Radio Shack updates since then, creating versions 1.01.02 and 1.01.03, and it isn't compatible with them.

"When things like this occur in columns like Feedback Loop, they can hinder rather than help those who do not enjoy performing exploratory surgery on their programs. Once a patch is installed, that should be the last the user should have to worry about it.

"As a way around such problems, I suggest that anyone who has a question or a solution to submit to Feedback Loop include the following information: the proper program name, its version number, and the computer it is operating on. Also include any non-standard system configuration (which, in some cases, can be the cause of a problem or why a par-

ticular solution works)."

I agree with David wholeheartedly! Let me add a few more items to include: the DOS version you are using, your telephone number (not for publication, unless you request it), and a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Help for PC-2 Users

Tim Worcester's December 1986 request for a technical reference manual for the Radio Shack PC-2 pocket computer prompted several responses. Sharp manufactured the PC-2 for Radio Shack, and the machine is functionally identical to the Sharp PC-1500, which has a complete reference manual available. Send \$15 and a request for the *PC-1500 Technical Reference Manual* to Sharp Electronics Corp., Sharp Plaza, Mahwah, NJ 07430, Attn: Product Literature, Box DD.

Sharp also offers peripherals for the PC-2 and PC-1500: an RS-232 module (\$239), a cassette interface and printer/plotter combination (\$259), an 8K RAM chip (\$119), a 16K RAM chip (\$179), and a mathematics ROM chip (\$65). Thanks to Frank Billington of St. John, New Brunswick (Canada); N. Wenri of Great Falls, VA; and Jim Dawkins of Caldwell, TX.

Jeffery S. Foy of Puget Sound Computer, Programming Service, 14509-8th N.E., Seattle, WA 98155, says he has written a 700-page manual for the PC-2. Send him \$75 for a source-code listing, the manual, and a brochure describing other PC-2 products.

Jeff Shoaf of Winston-Salem, NC, says back issues of Radio Shack's publication, *TRS-80 Microcomputer News*, also contain information on the PC-2. They ran a series of articles on assembly language for the PC-2 that spanned several issues in 1983 and 1984.

Radio Shack has put the issues for each year in book form and sells the bound editions for \$9.95 each. Order copies (catalog no. 26-2241) through any Radio Shack store or Computer Center. Specify the year.

Gate-Array Update

I thank Will Ramsey Jr. of Gainesville, FL, for correcting my answer in the January 1986 (p. 14) issue concerning a gate-array 64K to 128K RAM upgrade for the Model 4. Mercedes regrets any confusion the incorrect information might have caused our readers. Here is the correct procedure for that upgrade:

In addition to plugging the eight RAM chips into sockets U67-U74, use a low-power (25-35-watt) soldering iron to disconnect the jumper wire connected to the lower lead of capacitor C39 and resolder it to pin 16 of chip U33. Don't attempt this upgrade unless you know how to use a soldering iron.

SEEKING HELP

Help Wanted

► Roger Desai (97 Stratton St. South, Piscataway, NJ 08854) wants to know how to get graphics on a Tandy DMP 200 printer using an IBM PC.

► Tom Jerrard, RR #2, Erin, Ontario NOB 1T 0, would like to know if anyone in the Toronto area can repair non-standard Radio Shack computers.

► George C. Lysy, 2120 E. Orangehill Ave., Palm Harbor, FL 33563, is running a program using Newdos/80 2.0, on an LNW-80 Model I (a TRS-80 Model I clone) with a Percom Doubler. His program uses the Z80 Halt instruction to cause the system to reboot after a one- or two-hour period of inactivity from a disk drive.

When he runs the program on a single-density Newdos/80 system disk, the program reboots with no problem and the DOS Boot command works properly. When he runs the program on a Newdos/80 double-density system disk (boot sector #0 is single-density), the system freezes as soon as it executes a Z80 Halt instruction or Newdos/80 Boot command.

When George presses the reset switch (two keys labeled RST on the keyboard) to initiate a hardware reset, the system boots up with no problem. Does anyone have any advice?

► Stan Kilmer, 6088 SW 2nd, Laverne, OK 73848, is looking for a printer driver to use with the Formation program on his Model 4 with a Citizen MSP-25 printer (an Epson FX work-alike.)

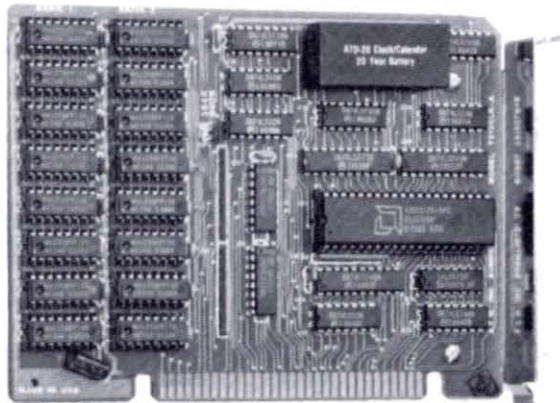
► William Engelhardt, 2243 Rumble Road, Modesto, CA 95350, is looking for two programs: Paharo, by RDS Software, and AIT Lisp, by Artificial Intelligence Tech.

► Nancy McKown, 1587 Oak Drive, Allegan, MI 49010, is looking for a tractor drive for her DWP 210 printer, Radio Shack catalog no. 26-1443. ■

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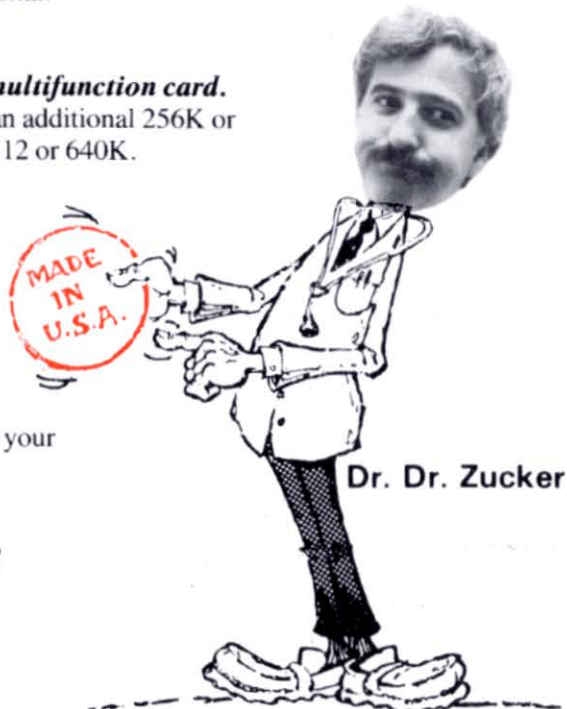
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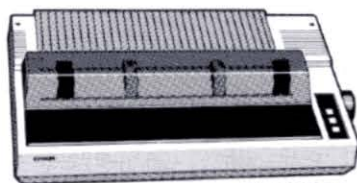
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Tandy's Green Christmas

Tandyland

Christmas 1986 was, in many ways, a repeat of the previous one, as Tandy racked up impressive Tandy 1000 sales and then promptly lowered prices on several machines during the new year.

Holiday business was "great . . . exceptionally good. . . better than last year," said Ed Juge, Tandy's director of marketing information. Company officials wouldn't give out numbers to show just how exceptionally better "great" was, except to say that fourth-quarter computer sales exceeded the previous year's 32-percent jump.

Juge said Tandy came close to a complete sellout of the 1000 EX and that the 1000 SX was back-ordered for up to six weeks. Tandy assigned extra production shifts and moved up parts originally scheduled for April to meet the demand.

If all that excitement wasn't enough, the price of Tandy's stock jumped 49 percent between September and January, and the *New York Times* noted "the 1000 SX has reaffirmed Tandy's status as a durable contender in the personal computer business."

Barely a week after Tandy had enticed consumers into buying an SX or EX by throwing in a monitor for free came news of significantly lower prices for three of its machines. Both the SX and the EX dropped \$200 as of Jan. 1 (to \$999 and \$599, respectively) while the less-than-compatible Tandy 2000 might as well have had a "buy one, get one free" sign on it. The 2000, which was introduced in late 1983 at \$2,750, plummeted to \$699 during a January-only sale.

Tandy Chairman John Roach says he wants his company to remain a price/performance leader, according to Juge, who added, "now that we have our learning curve under control, we can look at cost-reducing the product." Nearly the same thing happened a year



Photo. Tandy worked overtime filling 1000 SX orders.

earlier, when lower production costs for the original 1000 translated into several price cuts.

The price reductions came a month after IBM lowered the dealer price of the PC XT by 42 percent. At the same time, rumors were rampant that IBM was planning to introduce a "clone-buster" 8086-based PC sometime in 1987.

Down to the PX for an SX. . . Starting last fall, military personnel with a hankering for hacking could find Tandy computers sharing the aisles with bread and cigarettes at the PX (post exchange) on base. The new Tandy 1000 models joined Apples, Amigas, and Zeniths in the limited line of microcomputers being sold in 100 Army and Air Force PXes and 35 Navy and Marine BXes (base exchanges). Good news for Tandy: Its discounted machines appeared to be comfortably outselling the competition.

According to *Micro Marketworld*, an Air Force PX buyer said "the post exchanges have been able to sell every 1000 SX they can get their hands on and are selling the EX almost as fast." Competitive pricing must have been a factor, as Tandy offered its we'll-throw-in-the-monitor Christmas deal for less than what the general public paid: \$1,049 for the SX and \$699 for the EX.

Tandy sold 667,500 computers in the U.S. last year, if statistics from International Data Corp., a Framingham, MA, market-research firm, are correct. John Roach agreed last spring to supply select research groups with sales figures broken down by operating system after the *Wall Street Journal* and *Business Week* botched articles mentioning Tandy's competitors (see the Figure).

Tandy's proprietary systems (TRS-80s, Color Computers, Model 16s, and Xenix-based machines) collectively accounted for 41.3 percent of the total, with 276,000 units sold. Close behind were MS-DOS computers (40.7 percent; 272,000 units) followed by pocket computers and portables (17.9 percent; 119,500 units).

Since Tandy officials refuse to say what the numbers mean, it's up to the rest of us to decipher them. Not surprising is the fact that about 58 percent of the computers were sold in the fourth quarter alone. Although Tandy's sales figures were already gaining momentum, such strong fourth-quarter sales can be partly attributed to the Christmas rush and to corporations meeting year-end buying deadlines.

MS-DOS machines outsold those in the other two categories for the first three quarters of the year, further testimony to the importance of IBM compatibles in Tandy's marketing strategy. The Tandy proprietary machines were the biggest fourth-quarter sellers, however, which was probably the result of strong demand for the new CoCo 3 and marked-down CoCo 2 as holiday gifts.

Tandy doesn't attach dollar amounts to these numbers, but you don't have to be an economist to figure out that the company rakes in far more dough from its line of compatibles than it does from the inexpensive CoCos.

If you want to buy a CM-10 color monitor for your 1000 SX, you might

have wondered why the CM-11 started showing up instead in Radio Shack catalogs and stores. Did Tandy sneak in an upgrade while no one was looking?

Sort of. Juge said that, after buying the first order of CM-10s from a third-party manufacturer, Tandy decided to improve the radio-frequency interference (RFI) shielding by modifying the cases on the next batch of CM-10s. No one (the Federal Communications Commission included) made Tandy change the monitors, according to Juge. It is Tandy's policy to assign new model numbers to modified products.

Update

Fans of Microsoft's Quickbasic 2.0—and there appear to be many of them among serious programmers—shouldn't worry about being able to use the compiled language with the Tandy 1000, SX, and EX keyboard. Microsoft will introduce a Quickbasic update for 1000 owners in the near future, according to John Jenkins, Tandy account manager for the Redmond, WA, based software company. Jenkins wouldn't say when the product would be released, but confirmed that it would be sometime this year.

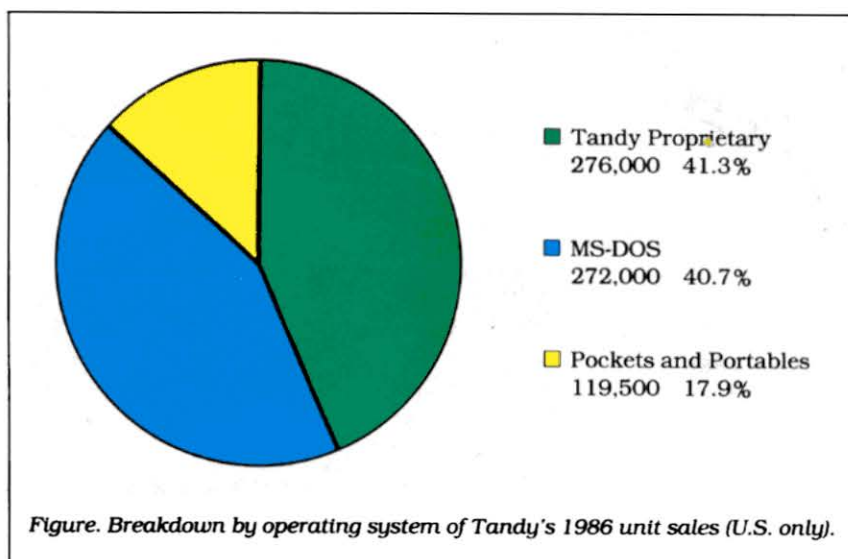
At least one user complained to Microsoft with a list of keystrokes that don't work in Quickbasic 2.0, along with problems in using the Screen command. Function keys 11 and 12 send the 1000 into an infinite Inkey\$ loop, requiring re-booting; control-break doesn't work in the Quickbasic editor; the insert key doesn't do anything; and you must use the numeric keypad for arrow keys. In addition, the Screen 7, 8, 9, and 10 commands won't work with an EGA (enhanced-graphics adapter) card.

David Frager, product manager for the 1000 line, attributed the problems to Microsoft's failure to support the computer's keyboard "enhancements," a situation that Jenkins said will change with the update. Further, the video incompatibilities arise, Frager said, probably because Quickbasic doesn't support some extensions of the 1000's color-graphics adapter (CGA).

Many alternative keystrokes for IBM-compatible programs are already documented in a driver program called KEYCNVRT.SYS that comes with every Tandy 1000, Frager said. In addition, a Readme.DOC file in Quickbasic explains the alternative cursor keys.

Micro Trends

Connectivity, compatibility, and portability are three slogans that all point to the same goal: getting the inhabitants



of Babel to speak a common language. With that goal in mind, a Palo Alto, CA, software company is working on a "portable" version of MS-DOS in C language that will "permit DOS and DOS software to be as portable across computer architectures as are Unix and Unix software."

Hunter Systems has joined forces with Motorola and several hardware and software developers to come up with a high-level "XDOS Standard" that would let users run recompiled PC- and MS-DOS software. Colin Hunter, president of Hunter Systems, said he hoped to demonstrate the product before spring.

"All the software vendors, even the ones that write in high-level languages, have written their own assembly-language interface to DOS, the BIOS, and the video RAM," Hunter said. "Moving their code to another architecture, even one with an implementation of DOS, would involve much more than simply recompiling their C code—it would mean rewriting all the low-level routines and then maintaining another parallel version of their products."

Hunter's original plan was to supply makers of non-Intel-based hardware with customized compilers and encourage them to adopt the XDOS standard. But a better alternative presented itself: giving users a means of converting existing programs to run with XDOS.

A major advantage of this approach is that it lets you use advanced features of newer processors, such as Intel's 80386, with old programs. "It frees a lot of PC-DOS software from the rigid constraints of IBM PCs," Hunter said.

Look for more CD-ROM products to be introduced in 1987. Production standards for the laser-based technology were established early last year, but manufacturers were slow to develop mi-

crocomputer applications, partly because they feared CD-ROM would become obsolete before it had a chance to mature. Now it appears the market is ready to grow.

CD-ROM (compact disc, read-only memory) is a data-storage technique that replaces floppies with the same kind of shiny plastic discs used in digital recording. Current CDs can hold 550 megabytes of data, compared with 360K on most floppies. In CD-ROM, data can be read from but not written to disc, a limitation that has led to the invention of even more sophisticated devices. WORM (write-once, read-many) allows just what its name implies, while CD-I (compact disc/interactive) mixes audio and video with text. Many hardware and software developers are so intrigued by CD-I that they are no longer so sure CD-ROM is worth risking millions of dollars in development costs.

Regardless of which system wins out, companies have started bringing CD-ROM applications to the marketplace. Late last year, Microsoft announced MS-DOS extensions that will support CD-ROM drives, and this year several companies are making full- and half-height drives that could start appearing in newer PCs. Grolier Inc. has put all 20 volumes of its *Academic American Encyclopedia* on a disc. Financial, medical, legal, and other information-intensive services are now offering large libraries on CD.

Some analysts think CD-I and CD-ROM represent the next major advances in microcomputing because they put high-volume data retrieval and interactive video within easy reach of the home and business user. The "glamor" applications may be a couple of years away, but you will likely be able to buy an affordable CD-ROM drive and your first monster disc before the year is out. ■

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MS-DOS 3.2 Bug

When I bought a 10-mega-byte hard drive for my Tandy 1000, I upgraded to MS-DOS 3.2 from 2.11 (I originally had MS-DOS 2.10). When I tried load programs under MS-DOS 3.2 that had run fine under 2.11, I got the error message "File allocation table damaged." This happened no matter what drive I used. A friend had the same problem with his 1000 SX.

I rebooted the computer with MS-DOS 2.11 and all my disks loaded and ran normally.

On further investigation, I found that once I got the error message, every disk I tried to load thereafter would give the same message. I had to reboot to clear the condition. I also found that the trouble disks had not been formatted under either MS-DOS 2.11 or 3.2.

To solve the problem, I first formatted a couple of disks under MS-DOS 3.2. I then booted the computer with MS-DOS 2.11. Next, I put a 3.2-formatted disk in drive B and put a troubled disk in drive A. I then used the wildcard prompt, *.* , to copy all files from drive A to drive B. The resulting disk was readable by either MS-DOS 2.11 or 3.2.

Using Diskcopy to transfer files doesn't work. You must use the COPY*.* command.

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Too Much Protection

TRSDOS 6.x Disk Basic's Save command has an option that protects the file from prying eyes: SAVE"file name".P. Unfortunately, if you lose the original, unprotected file, you must retype or re-create the file.

When you save a file normally, the value of the first byte is FF hexadecimal (hex); the program follows it exactly as it was stored in memory. When you use the P option, the value of the first byte is FE hex, and the rest of the file is saved on disk in encrypted form. This prevents anyone from listing it from Basic.

Type in and run the Pro-

gram Listing under Disk Basic 1.01.00 or later. It creates a file called Decode/CMD, which can recover an encrypted program.

To use Decode/CMD, enter Basic and load the target encrypted file. Then return to DOS via the System command and enter DECODE filespec, where the filespec is an unused file name with the BAS extension, since the file will become an unencoded Basic file.

When the TRSDOS Ready prompt returns, enter Basic and load the newly created file.

David Goben
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Program Listing. Basic code that creates Decode/CMD.

```
10 CLEAR:OPEN"O",1,"DECODE/CMD":RESTORE      ** 2489
20 READ AS:IF AS="END" THEN CLOSE 1:END        ** 2320
30 PRINT#1,CHR$(VAL(AS));:GOTO 20              ** 1963
40 DATA 1,81,0,48,17,79,48,62,78,239         ** 1849
50 DATA 48,9,246,192,79,62,26,239,62,21     ** 1993
60 DATA 239,33,111,48,6,0,62,59,239,40      ** 1933
70 DATA 243,62,58,239,32,232,33,72,128,54   ** 2088
80 DATA 255,229,35,126,35,182,40,7,43,126   ** 2086
90 DATA 35,102,111,24,244,35,193,237,66,197 ** 2187
100 DATA 227,193,197,78,35,62,4,239,32,196  ** 2152
110 DATA 193,11,120,177,32,242,62,60,239,32 ** 2167
120 DATA 187,24,191,2,2,0,48,END            ** 1689
```

Foolproof Forms

The following patches let you set the Model 4 forms filter, Forms/FLT, to the requirements of your printer and paper size:

```
PATCH FORMS/FLT.FILTER
(D02.7C = xx 00 yy:F02.7C = 42
00 42)
PATCH FORMS/FLT.FILTER
(D02.84 = zz:F02.84 = 00)
```

The xx is the page length, yy is the lines per page, and zz is the number of characters. Calcul-

ate these values in hex.

Alternatively, you can build a FIX file to do the job:

```
BUILD FORM/FIX
D02.7C = 42 00 42 00 00 00 00 04
00
F02.7C = xx 00 yy 00 00 00 00 04 zz
```

Press the break key to save the file and then type:

```
PATCH FORMS/FLT.FILTER USING FORM/FIX
```

Rene Verbruggen
Ranst, Belgium

The Invisible File

Debbie Cooper's file-protection utility for the Tandy 1000 from the August 1986 issue ("File Safe," p. 74) is great, but I've found a better way.

Her program appends a CHR\$(255) to the last byte of the file name to create the password. This is invisible to the user, but not the computer. You can do the same task using the alternate key and the numeric keypad.

Use the Rename command to add the invisible character, CHR\$(255), to the end of the file name by holding down the alternate key and pressing 255 on the keypad. A CHR\$(255) is sent to the screen when you release the alternate key. For example:

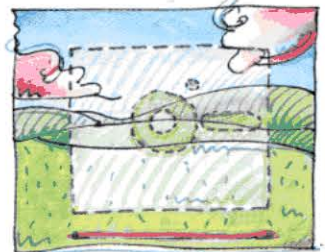
```
A > RENAME SAMPLE.DOC
SAMPLE.D0alternate-2-5-5
```

You can remove the invisible character by renaming it back to the original filespec. Access invisible files by using the visible name and a CHR\$(255). For instance:

```
A > TYPE SAMPLE.D0alternate-2-5-5
```

With this technique, you can access protected files using most DOS commands. You can use a different CHR\$; check an ASCII chart for other unprintable characters. Be sure that you keep track of the characters that you use.

Jack E. McCoy
Texarkana, TX



Lining Up with Allwrite

You don't have to see underlining on your screen to make effective use of it with Allwrite on the Model 4. You can use control words to set print-time tabs.

It is easy to draw lines between tabs by turning underlining on at one end and off at the other. The line length is limited only by your printer, not by how you set your screen width.

I have used the control words ;SE, ;AR, and ;IF to make music manuscript paper. (By the way, the ;IF statement does work as Allwrite's manual says, but not as the example on p. 273 shows. In that example, the line ;IF 4>9 should have been ;IF @@4>9.) I call the file Clefrite, and I numbered the lines for easy reference. Omit the line numbers when entering the file:

```
1:PI10
2:LM9:LL76:LI12
3:SE1=5
4:LB staff
5:TB +2.66
6+@$+@%
7:AR 1-1
8:IF @@1>0
9:AP clefrite:2.staff
10:IF
11:SK5
12:SE1=5
13:AP clefrite:2.staff
```

The first line sets pitch, which really isn't important. Line 2 sets the left margin, maximum line length, and line spacing. I had to set the left margin at nine and the first tab at two to get underlining to start at 10. Tabbing at position 1 doesn't work (printing normally begins there, so tabbing isn't necessary).

Line 3 sets variable 1 to five. Line 5 sets tabs at positions 2 and 66. Line 6 turns underlining on at the first tab and off at the second. The tab setting at 66 causes the line to stop at position 65, the result being a six-and-a-half-inch line drawn across the page, 1 inch in from the left edge of the paper.

Line 7 decrements vari-

able 1 by one. Line 8 appends the file to itself beginning at the label "staff" if variable 1 is greater than zero. I couldn't use the ;GO LABEL statement because the test follows the label in this case and ;GO only searches forward.

Line 9 puts the file on a Memdisk, drive 2, to minimize drive wear. After five lines are drawn, the routine skips five lines (line 11), resets variable 1 to five (line 12), and begins the process again. Don't leave this running unattended, as it is an endless loop. You can specify at run time how many pages you want with the ;PGn,n statement. For example, ;PG1,4 gives you four pages of manuscript paper.

You can put this technique to use in other ways. For example, you can create blank address labels with underlining.

Patrick A. Garner
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More on Memdisk, Part I

I found Don Coffin's Memdos/JCL file (January 1987, p. 69) to be very useful, but I have a faster way to load it.

I format a disk with the command `FORMAT :1 (D=1)` to locate the directory on cylinder 1. I then do a mirror-image backup of the Memdisk to the physical disk.

Each time I use Memdos, I just create the Memdisk and do a mirror-image backup of the physical disk to it using the following JCL file:

```
SYSTEM (DRIVE=2,DRIVER=
"MEMDISK")
D
D
Y
BACKUP :1 :2
Y
SYSTEM (SYSTEM=2)
```

I removed password protection from my disk using the patch:

```
PATCH SYS2/SYS.LSIDOS
(D02,33=18:F02,33=00)
```

Doug Hayworth
Birmingham, AL

(Ed. note: Thanks also to Jim Shepherd of Winnemucca, NV, for submitting a similar idea.)

More on Memdisk, Part II

Richard Kunc said in the January 1987 Reader Forum (Superscript + Memdisk = Fast, p. 25) that you cannot place all of Superscript in Memdisk due to space limitations. I've put Superscript (except for Move/CTL, which seems to work best on a data disk) and two printer drivers on Memdisk with 13.5K to spare. The following JCL file, Memstart, does the trick (The Figure shows drive 2's directory after executing Memstart):

```
BUILD MEMSTART/JCL
SYSTEM (DRIVE=2,DRIVER=
"MEMDISK")
D
D
Y
BACKUP SCR$/CTL:0 :2
BACKUP SCRIP$IT/CMD:0 :2
COPY DMP105/CTL:0 :2
COPY DWP210/CTL:0 :2
```

See Steve Woicik's "Storage to Spare" (June 1985, p. 54).

Don Coffin's "Set Drive Zero Free" (80 Micro, January 1987, p. 69) left out one piece of information that could get

the new Memdisk user into trouble. If you have created a configuration file using Sysgen, particularly if it is a large one enabling outside drives, KSM/FLT, Forms, and so on, it will overload Memdisk. To avoid moving configuration files to Memdisk, use the wildcard backup:

```
BACKUP SYS$$/SYS:0 :2
```

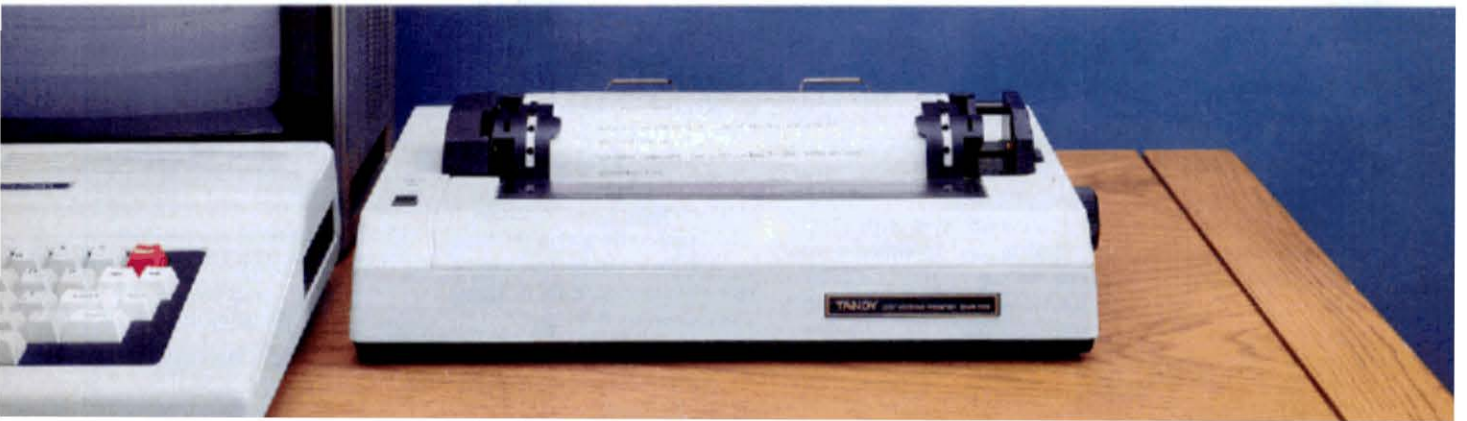
This puts all 13 system files into Memdisk.

Tom Trigg
Fort Riley, KS

```
Drive :2 MEMDISK 14 Cyl, DDEN, Free = 13.50K / 63.00K, Date 08-Dec-86
BOOT.SYS SIP DIR/SYS SIP DMP105/CTL DWP210/CTL
SCR16/CTL SCR17/CTL SCR18/CTL SCR19/CTL
SCR32/CTL SCR33/CTL SCR35/CTL SCR38/CTL
SCR50/CTL SCRIP$IT/CMD SCRIP$IT/CTL
```

Figure. Drive 2 directory after executing Memstart.

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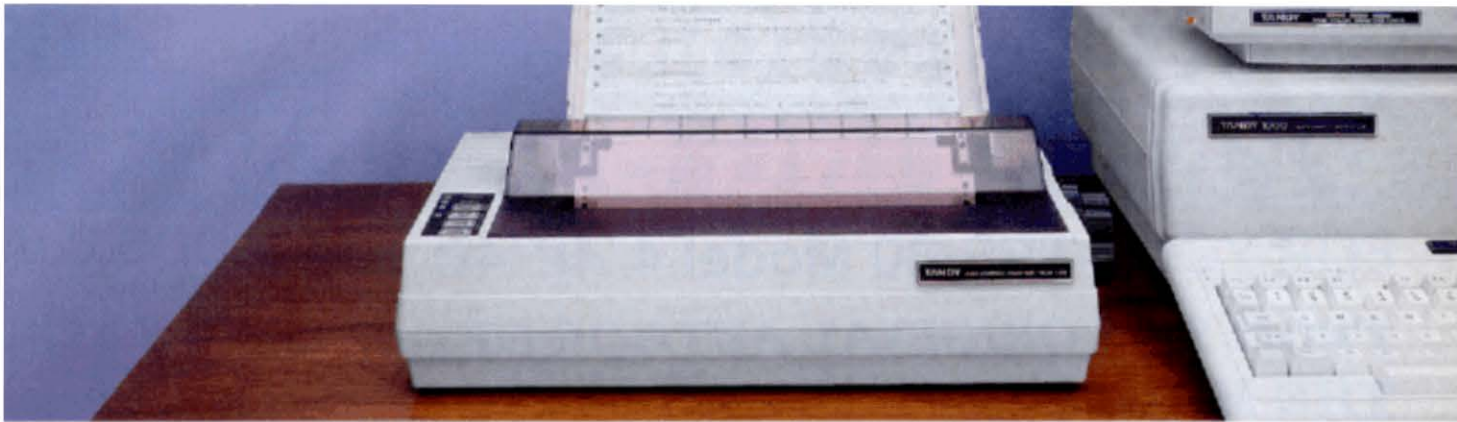
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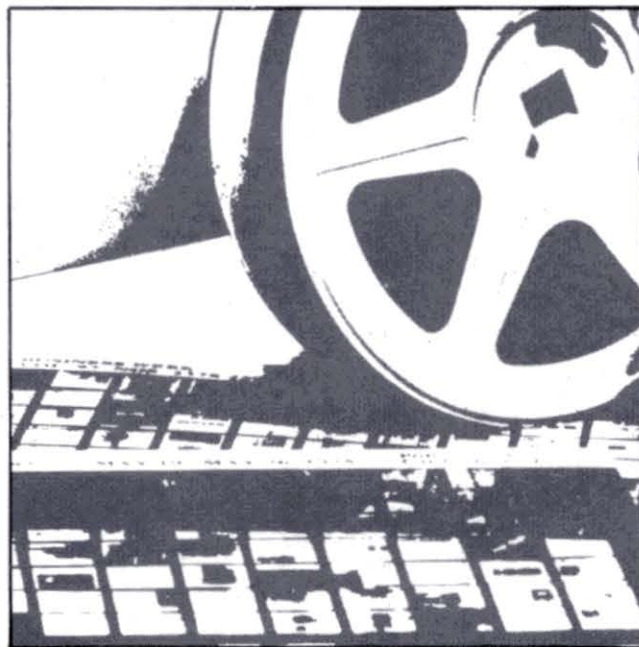
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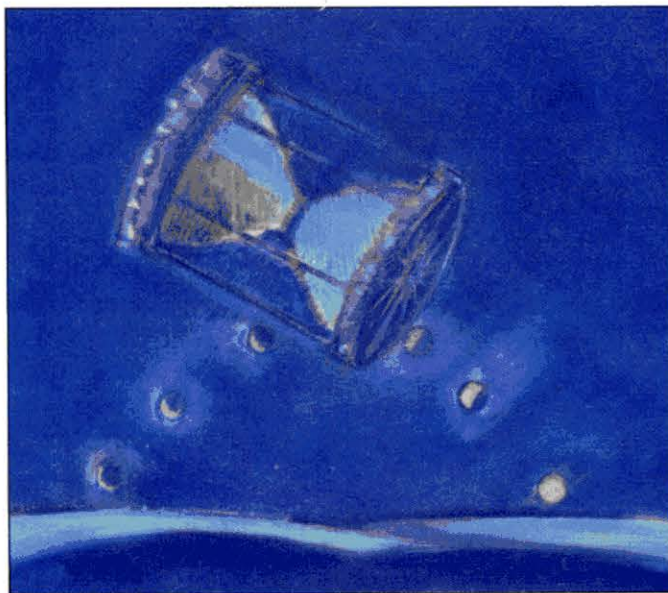
LS-DOS 6.3 runs on the Model 4/4P/4D and requires one disk drive. Logical Systems Inc., P.O. Box 55235, Grand Junction, CO 81505. 303-243-7070. \$29.95.

Most Model 4 users have experimented with their computers enough to discover a disturbing fact: The date prompt that appears whenever they boot TRSDOS 6 will not accept any date past Dec. 31, 1987. This limitation is not caused by a conspiracy at Radio Shack to make the Model 4 obsolete by the end of this year. Rather, it is a result of the way in which the date was stored in the disk directory when the first versions of TRSDOS for the Model I were written.

LS-DOS 6.3 is an upgrade to TRSDOS 6 that extends the date command, and the possible dates of disk files, to December 31, 1999. If it only added extended dates, LS-DOS 6.3 would be little more than a series of patches. However, Logical Systems has created a major upgrade of the Model 4 operating system—one that is worth far more than its modest selling price. I'll discuss some of the enhancements in this version of the Model 4 operating system.

All files have a modification time stamp as well as a date stamp. At first, this might seem like an annoyance, since you are asked to enter the time as well as the date when you boot up the computer. However, with the time stamp you can tell which of several versions of a program or data file you've created or modified most recently. Also, some useful programming tools might become available either commercially or in this magazine that make use of the time stamp for each file.

A convert utility can change any TRSDOS 6 data or system disk to the LS-DOS 6.3 time and date format. You can use older disks in their unconverted form, but even new files on them will not have



a time stamp until you run the convert program.

A disk-copy program makes an exact copy of any 5-inch, double-density, floppy disk in a single pass. You no longer have to run Format and Backup separately if you want to copy an entire disk.

A text editor, Ted/CMD, includes full-screen cursor movement, forward and backward paging, search and replace, block movements and block-delete functions, and insert and overstrike modes. This is not a full-featured word processor, but it is a vast improvement over the TRSDOS Build command for creating JCL files, patch files, and the like. It is useful for some kinds of programming, as well.

Additions to Basic

LS-DOS 6.3 also has many new additions to Basic. Essentially, LSI has added

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their Beep extension package to the Basic supplied with TRSDOS 6.2 and 6.2.1. Included are single-letter synonyms for Auto, List, Edit, and Delete; a renumbering utility that can work on a block of lines in the middle of a program; a line-copy command; a block-move command that moves a group of lines to a new location in a program; a command to find all references to a line, variable, or keyword; a command to search for such references and display the lines containing them one at a time; a command that gives Basic programs full access to the operating system supervisory

calls (SVCs); and greatly enhanced Load and Save speeds for tokenized files.

A cross-reference utility for Basic runs from LS-DOS Ready and produces a complete cross-reference of all variables or line references in a Basic program.

Two new SVCs are included for programmers. @HEXD is similar to the existing @HEXDEC SVC but doesn't require a full 5-byte buffer to receive the ASCII value of a binary number. @VDPRNT performs a screen print without requiring that you press control-asterisk (*).

Manual Update

The 16-page manual is meant as an addendum to the TRSDOS 6.2 manual. To save on publication costs, LSI assumes that you already have the 6.2 manual (and technical manual, if you are interested in using the SVCs). The LS-DOS 6.3 documentation clearly explains disk upgrading, the text editor, enhancements to Basic, the cross-reference utility, and the new SVCs.

A new library command, ID, displays a unique identification number that will be registered for each purchaser of LS-DOS 6.3. Logical Systems will provide support to everyone, but will use the identification number to make sure they don't have to give support to those who steal a copy.

LS-DOS 6.3 has some trade-offs that you might dislike. The most important

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might be that files will no longer have both a user and an owner password. If you rely heavily on TRSDOS's system of dual passwords, you will have to find a new way of working.

Also, although this new DOS can work with disks created with older forms of TRSDOS, the reverse is not true. Once you create a disk with or convert it to LS-DOS 6.3, the new time and date stamp replaces the user password. If you then try to use the disk with TRSDOS, the time stamp will be interpreted as a password and you might be unable to gain access to any files.

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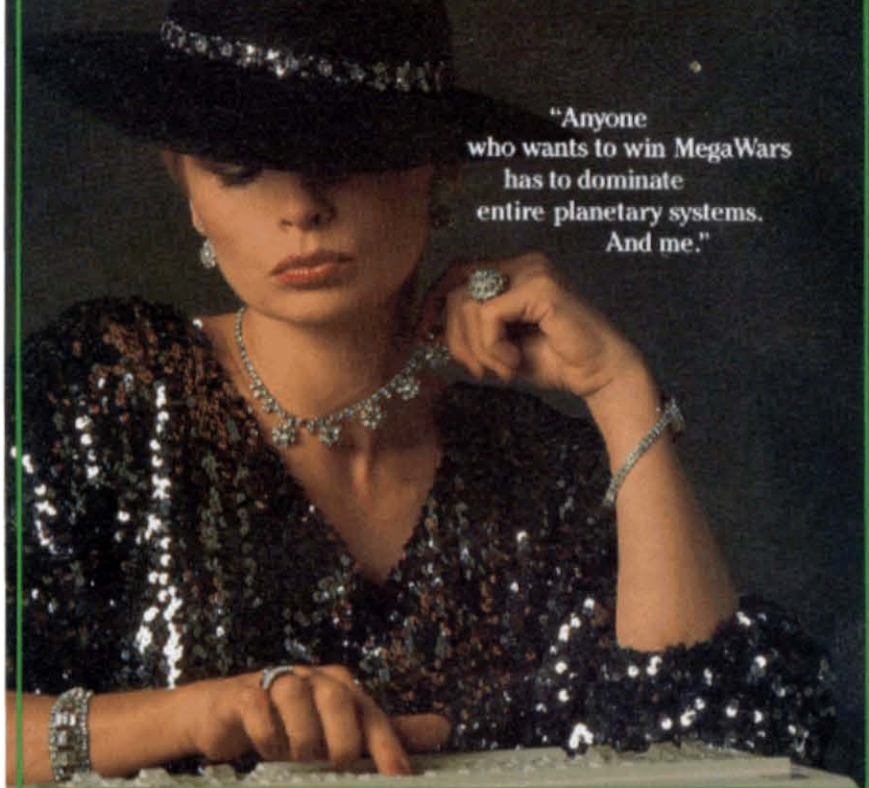
age other than Beep on your Model 4, you might not want to give up the commands you already know for the new commands in this Basic. However, you don't need to change versions of Basic—you should be able to use your present version of Basic without any problem under LS-DOS 6.3.

The text editor, Ted, is adequate but not great. For example, it doesn't have any way to distinguish between multiple marked blocks during block-move operations, nor can it print a file. If you want a printout of something you've created with Ted, you must first save the file, then return to LS-DOS ready, and finally send the file to your printer with the List command.

Overall, however, this is an excellent package. The documentation is clear, and it is easy to install this new operating system on your present floppies and on a hard disk. You will not have to reformat your hard disk but merely copy new system files onto it. If your Model 4 is useful to you, you don't have to discard it in favor of a newer computer, and LS-DOS 6.3 should keep it working productively for you until the end of this century.

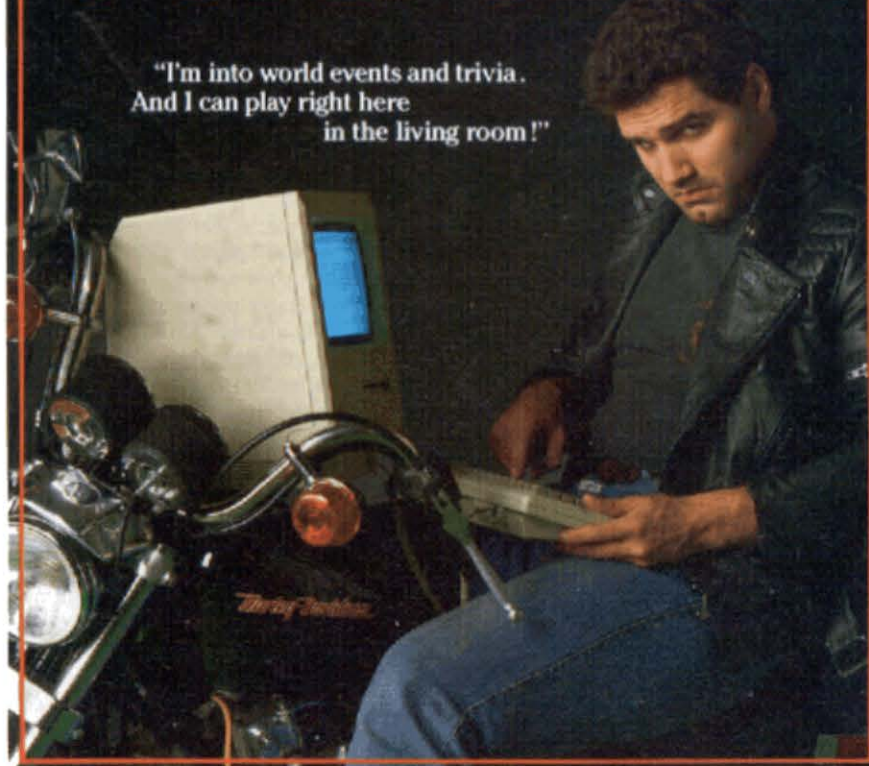
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Checking Out the Library

by John B. Harrell III

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Wordperfect Library version 1.0 requires two disk drives (a hard drive preferred) with 384K of RAM running DOS 2.1 or later. It supports Lotus/Intel/Microsoft expanded memory. Wordperfect Corp., 288 W. Center, Orem, UT 84057. 801-225-5000. \$149.

I have been using Wordperfect's word processor for years and marveled over each upgrade, wondering how it could possibly get any better. Although this extraordinary word processor satisfies most of my needs, I always wanted a few desktop tools as well, such as a calculator, calendar, and so on. You could resort to Sidekick or some other memory-resident utility to accomplish these tasks, but now Wordperfect Corp. also has an answer in its Library.

Inside the Library

Library is a collection of utilities specifically designed to run with the Wordperfect word processor and Mathplan spreadsheet. These utilities consist of a menu shell, calendar, calculator, file manager, macro editor, program editor, notebook, and game.

The shell is a menu for simple, quick access to programs. But it also integrates the Wordperfect package and a "clipboard" for transferring data between applications. The shell comes preinstalled for a standard configuration of all your Wordperfect software. All you do is change each entry to reflect your system. Simply push a key; type the program name, default directory, and a few other parameters; and exit.

Once you install the shell, you can execute any application from the shell menu by pressing a key. You can interrupt Wordperfect and leave it resident while you return to the shell to perform other tasks. It takes only 29K of memory and lets you switch rapidly between any applications.

Applications

Calc is a powerful calculator with memory storage that also writes a "tape" of each mathematical entry. You actually get five calculators in one: a basic four-function calculator plus percentages, a programmer's calculator with Boolean math functions, a scientific calculator with the most popular transcendental functions, a financial assistant, and a statistical analyst.

You can enter numbers in decimal,

hexadecimal, octal, and binary. Calc can display real numbers with a precision of zero to 8 fractional digits or in scientific notation. Displays include commas for easy reading with the European mode of using decimals as an option.

You can save the tape to a disk file or to the shell clipboard for later use or print it out as a permanent record of your transactions. You can also save individual results on the clipboard and later place them in your word-processing documents.

No desktop utility is complete without a calendar, and Wordperfect Library has a fine one. Like Sidekick's calendar, the Library screen displays the current month with one day highlighted and can contain additional indicators for items pertinent to that day (memos, a to-do list, or appointments). Calendar automatically displays them when it highlights each day. On the other side of the screen is a list that you can switch from a to-do list to an appointment schedule. The to-do list is prioritized. The appointment schedule lets you format your day any way you like. You can enter an entire day's appointment outline schedule with a single keystroke. The to-do items and appointments can be longer than one line of text (up to 255 characters).

A small resident part of the calendar schedules alarms for the day's appointments and rings the alarm a preset number of minutes prior to the appointment. You can also schedule ending times for each appointment, and Calendar automatically tracks the appointment block and highlights conflicting appointments.

File Manager displays two columns of files down the screen with two status lines at the top depicting the subdirectory and wild-card path, subdirectory size, and free disk space. A simple command menu is at the bottom of the screen, and files are in alphabetical order with the file size and last modification date. You can select the starting directory and sort options with simple command-line parameters.

File Manager performs all the normal file-manipulation functions, such as copying, renaming, and deleting. You can also manipulate blocks of files for copying, deletion, and encryption. File Manager searches the disk for files matching a wild-card pattern or containing a certain word pattern. You can also "lock" a file by encrypting it.

File Manager lets you select files by wild-card pattern. You can also select files that you revised before, after, or on a particular date. You can sort files by name, extension, or time and date.

One of the most useful programs in the Library is the Notebook. Notebook is a simple list manager that will organize

your addresses and phone numbers. It is powerful enough to perform several other tasks. If you have a modem, you can also use Notebook to dial your phone.

Notebook integrates exceptionally well with Wordperfect. The data records are stored as Wordperfect secondary merge files and can be used as direct input for merge-printing letters and envelopes. Once you set up the fields using Notebook, you can read the file with Wordperfect and format the display screen for each record by using the word processor's sophisticated line-draw functions.

That leaves the editors—the Program Editor and the Macro Editor. One of the most annoying aspects of Wordperfect is the inability to change a macro definition. If you make a mistake keying it in, you either attempt to correct the error by more strokes or reenter the entire macro.

Macro Editor reads your macro definition and displays it in the familiar Wordperfect format. It highlights special key functions and displays regular keystrokes in normal intensity. Macro Editor recognizes macros for itself, the word processor, the program editor, Mathplan, and the shell, and uses the special key definitions pertinent to each application package.

Program Editor also provides the familiar Wordperfect interface for writing programs or text files. This is a powerful text editor that incorporates most of Wordperfect's best features storing ASCII text files without special control characters. You can also specify an auto-indentation mode for writing structured code.

The most important feature of this powerful collection is the feeling of uniformity. Each application maintains a high degree of keystroke compatibility with the others. You do not have to learn a completely different set of function keys for each product (including Mathplan).

Library comes in a standard IBM-style binder and contains a sample introduction, reference section, and index for each utility in Library. The manual is well written and contains excellent illustrations. The only part of the manual that is disappointing is the discussion of setting up the modem under Notebook. I found it somewhat confusing and had to read it several times.

Conclusion

If you are using Wordperfect's word processor, Library makes the perfect companion. Library integrates the Wordperfect software packages and provides utilities that overshadow many on the market. I have little need for any other popular desktop utilities. What's more, the Library utilities do not continually fight over your hardware as do some of the others available. ■

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Split Image

by Harry Bee

★★★

Switch-It runs on the Models 1000/1200/3000 (256K) and requires one disk drive. Vusoft Inc., 248 Tower Road, Lincoln, MA 01773. 617-259-0686. \$49.

Switch-It is a simple idea, nicely done. The memory-resident utility divides your computer's available memory into two partitions that you can treat, in a limited way, as two computers running independently.

The limit is that Switch-It does not run a second application in the background. Rather, while you work with a program in one partition, whatever you're running in the other remains suspended at the point you left it.

When you use Switch-It's default "hot key" or a key combination you establish, movement from one program (partition) to the other is virtually instantaneous.

With the operating system and other memory-resident programs installed, dividing 640K RAM about in half will give you two partitions of less than 300K each, enough to run two ordinary applications.

Split Memory

I found it more effective to allocate less memory to the secondary partition in order to give a heavier program the room to operate efficiently in the primary.

The smallest partition you can establish is 64K, but you can't run many applications in such tight quarters. Most require 128K, minimum.

The first time you enter the secondary partition, Switch-It looks for and runs a file called AUTOSW.BAT, just as DOS executes Autoexec.BAT on boot-up. You can use AUTOSW.BAT to set up a discrete environment in the secondary partition, an obviously useful component of which is a distinct prompt.

An auxiliary program takes the place of the hot key within batch files. Intended to let you automate Switch-It's initialization, the program also speeded up many other batch processes.

Documentation

If anything, Switch-It's documentation is overdone. Vusoft is so careful to explain concepts, issue caveats, provide solutions for potential problems, and suggest uses that they've buried the unadorned instructions you need to install and implement the program.

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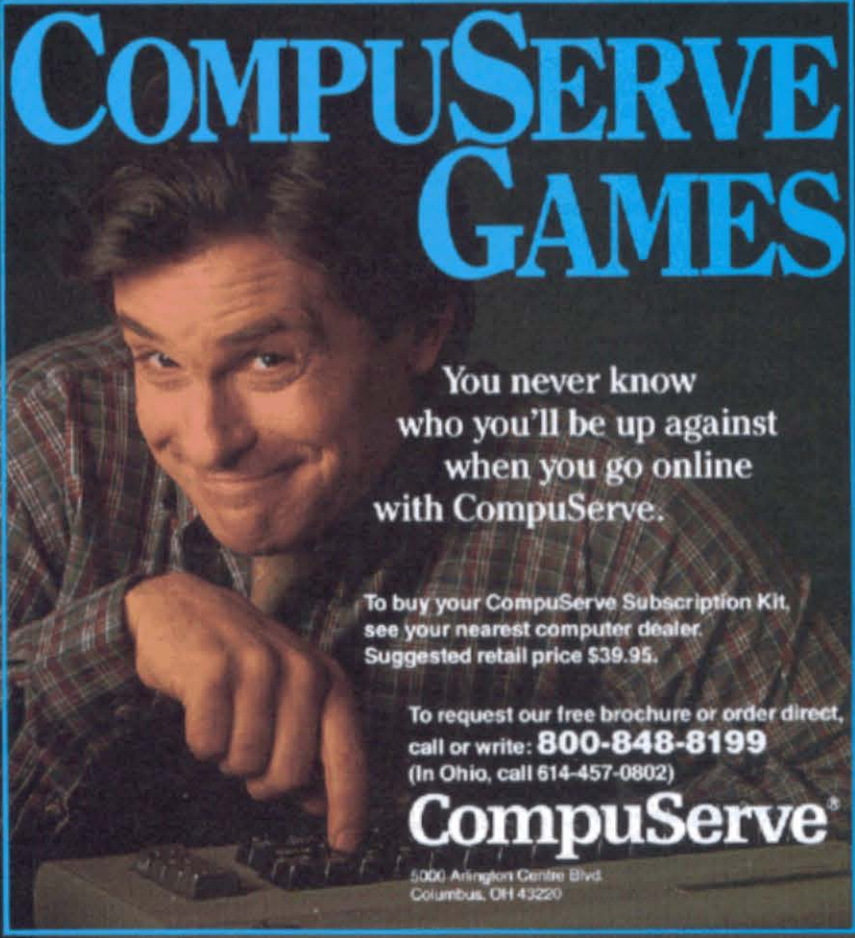
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which Switch-It might fail. More attention to organization would better serve the user. In fact, I had few real problems running under Switch-It.

Like many memory-resident utilities, this one wants you to load it last. Whether or not this is critical, whether Switch-It will peacefully coexist with other memory-resident programs the way you're used to positioning them, you discover by experimentation.

Likewise, you have to experiment to

While more ambitious programs are available. . . , Switch-It keeps it simple.

find out which of your applications work best in which partition and which won't work at all.

As a minimum, you'll need to know how much memory your applications need to operate; the more you know about them, the quicker you'll reach a happy accommodation.

Those programs that bypass DOS to take direct control of hardware, especially the video display, stand the least chance of working with Switch-It. Where no compatibility exists, you can remove Switch-It without rebooting your system.

Other Uses

Although running two different programs is the most obvious use for Switch-It, the manual suggests others. For example, running the same program in both partitions let me compare the contents of files and transfer data between them more quickly than the program's native functions permitted.

What I found most consistently valuable, however, was to maintain a minimal secondary partition for direct access to DOS.

I encountered no conflicts using Switch-It this way, not even with programs running under interpreted Basic, and it answered such fundamental questions as "What do you do when you're ready to save data and you don't have a formatted disk?"

Conclusion

While more ambitious programs are available that depend on expanded memory and hard disks to maintain several applications simultaneously, Switch-It keeps it simple. The benefits of its simplicity are worth considering. ■

Sideviews And Banners by Jack Feldman

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Twist and Shout run on the Model 4 under CP/M and the Models 1000/1200/3000 under MS-DOS. They require one disk drive and a dot-matrix printer. Spectre Technologies Inc., 22459 Ventura Blvd., Suite E, Woodland Hills, CA 91364. 818-716-1655. \$34.95.

Twist and Shout are two programs combined on one disk by someone who obviously has a sense of humor. The two programs are unrelated; Twist will print your spreadsheet files sideways, and Shout is a banner program. However, combining them allows an upbeat name for the package and use of the same printer driver for both programs.

The program disk comes in several formats: Kaypro, Osborne, and Morrow for CP/M, and MS-DOS. The Model 4 running CP/M can read all three CP/M formats. Inside the package I found a well-thought-out manual and two nice programs.

The manual is the clearest that I have read since the Multidos documentation. The explanations are easy to follow and cover every question you might have about how the programs operate. Updates are in the Read.me file. For those who always have questions, there are several ways to get help from the company. In addition to a hot line, Spectre also maintains electronic-mail numbers on CompuServe, The Source, and Easylink.

All that you need for installation is to find the name of the printer file that works with your printer and change the name of that file to "Printer." If you have MS-DOS, you must rename the appropriate Twist file for your version. If you don't find your printer, let Spectre know and the company will try to add your printer to the list. When you have installed the printer, you are ready to run Twist.

The program's author knows that users are an impatient lot, and the section for each program starts with instructions "For the Impatient User." You simply type TWIST followed by the ASCII file name of the spreadsheet file you wish to Twist, and off you go. However, if you want or need to change the defaults, entering TWIST brings you to a menu that lets you change and save the default options.

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Operating System:	YES	YES	NO	YES
Disk BASIC:	MS-DOS 3.2	EXTRA	MS-DOS 2.11 (3.2)	MS-DOS 3.1
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into sheets for pasting. It takes a lot more effort to read the manual than to use the program. Once you are happy with the options, all you ever have to do is type Twist followed by a file name and you will have your sideways printout.

Shout requires more effort to get going. When you call the program, it presents you with a menu. The menu lets you choose print-head cooling, 8½- or 14½-inch-wide paper, double strike, quick output, and auto-centering. When



Figure. Typefaces for banners include Times Roman and Olde English.

you choose the quick output, the program asks you to choose to print the banner either using all asterisks or a single character. Otherwise, it automatically prints the banner character using its normal-size character. Automatic centering comes into play when you plan to have more than one line on your banner. You can have a banner with one large line or with four smaller lines (six on 14½-inch paper). It is unlikely that all the lines will have the same number of characters, so automatic centering centers each line in relation to the longest one.

Once you make these choices, you can get to the banner. You enter the information one line at a time and follow it with a choice of typeface: Times Roman, Olde English, or Sans Serif. (See Figure.) When you have entered the line as you wish it, the program shows it to you on the menu. At this point, you are ready to print your banner by selecting "P" on the menu.

Twist and Shout are two nice utilities. The manual is clear, and the programs are easy to use. Twist is foolproof. Shout takes a little more effort to use, since you have to go through several steps in order to set a line to print in the banner. The largest criticism I have is that the shape of the banner letters is rather crude, with curves done in blocks rather than in smoothly rounded shapes. It is the one mar in an otherwise nicely done banner program. However, I considered the banner program a pleasant extra in a low-cost package. ■

Improve Your Computer Literacy

by David Engelhardt

★★★★

Guide to Training for IBM PC-DOS runs on the Tandy 1000 (128K) and requires at least one disk drive. Cdex Intelliance Corp., 1885 Lundy Ave., San Jose, CA 95131. 800-982-1213. \$124.95.

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Guide to Training for IBM Basic runs on the Tandy 1000 (128K) and requires at least one disk drive. Cdex Intelliance Corp. \$99.95.

If you are just starting out with MS-DOS Basic or PC-DOS, you can understand your system without poring over dozens of arcane technical manuals. Try a disk-based training program. Cdex Intelliance provides many such training packages that let you learn at your own pace. Courses cover MS-DOS Basic, PC-DOS, Dbase III, and others. I reviewed the training courses for learning IBM PC-DOS and MS-DOS Basic using a Tandy 1000 computer.

Both courses provide the concepts needed to understand the subject along with lessons for hands-on experience. System requirements for both training courses are at least one disk drive and 128K bytes of memory.

Cdex wrote and distributes the PC-DOS training course. It consists of two lesson disks. Areas of instruction covered in this course are disk preparation and copying, tree-structured directories, use of a fixed-disk system, print options, the PC-DOS shell, advanced DOS commands, batch files, and the Sort and More filters.

This program starts by asking for co-residency installation, your name, and whether you have a color or monochrome monitor, manual or auto mode, and sound. Once you enter your name, the main menu containing all subject categories appears on the right side of the screen.

A unique and useful feature of this course is co-residency. It lets you switch back and forth instantly between the training course and DOS. You can learn about a feature or command, then switch back to DOS for hands-on experience.

Once satisfied, you can re-enter training with one keystroke. You must have a minimum of 192K of memory for this feature. Before installation, you are warned that it might conflict with other memory-resident programs.

As an option, you can set the program

to auto-execute each screen without waiting for an input prompt. You can set this feature at start-up or anytime during the course. This is handy for quick review. The auto feature lets you set the time delay from 1 to 99 seconds.

During the course, the left side of the screen is reserved for the topic header and question/procedure prompt information for the specific subject being covered. As each topic starts, the session gives a short description of the last

Both courses provide the concepts to understand along with hands-on lessons.

topic covered and what the current one is about.

Course feedback uses sound and color-display prompts, which I found pleasing. Each lesson provides many examples while prompting you for feedback to view the next screen or answer questions.

If you answer a question and make a mistake, the program informs you of your error and sometimes gives helpful hints. If you can't guess the correct answer after a few tries, the course selects it for you.

In most cases, an option bar or line at the bottom of the screen tells you the commands that are appropriate to the current screen.

Some of the option commands let you move backward to the previous screen or menu, move forward, and select auto/manual. This feature is helpful if you want to review the previous screen or start over with the same or a new subject.

The Guide to Training for IBM Basic was written by another firm but is distributed by Cdex. This training course contains three disks; two are lesson disks. The third disk contains sample programs, some of which are the same as those in the course.

The seven topics covered are variable usage, saving/loading programs, loop control, decision making, arrays, and disk-file control. An introduction topic covers the keyboard layout and key designations for an IBM PC. It's not exactly the same as a Tandy 1000 keyboard, but you can relate the information to your Tandy without much difficulty.

The course gets you involved in the

material by making you answer questions or having you press any key to move on to the next screen. All lessons prompt you to enter lines to create a program pertaining to the subject covered. Once you enter the program, the lesson runs it so you can see the actual results. The lesson also teaches you the use of the function keys for such commands as Run and List.

The course uses simple screen pictures throughout to help you understand the current subject along with related lesson material included in the manual. Some of the lessons in the manual contain helpful flowcharts.

Topics are divided between the two lesson disks. If appropriate, the course instructs you to insert the proper disk for the selected subject. To run the lesson on the other disk, you must select the same lesson number again. It should be unnecessary to make the same selection twice.

When the lesson instructs you to enter program lines, you must enter them exactly as shown throughout the course or an error results. The course insists that you enter the program line correctly before you can proceed.

I found this frustrating, since the course does not limit the number of errors you can make. You could conceivably make the same error forever.

Many of the prompted program lines contain a mixture of upper- and lowercase letters. This causes you to spend more time paying attention to what you're typing than to the lesson itself. One upper-/lowercase error in a line causes the lesson to make you reenter the line.

The training course is set to use a monochrome monitor; it comes out gray and white on a color one. I was disappointed by the lack of sound and color usage throughout the lessons. I also found that the installation procedures in the manual are out of date and do not apply to the program's current version.

The manuals for both courses were of good quality, short but to the point. They are mostly lesson aids, as they let you put to use the concepts covered on the computer.

I was satisfied with the PC-DOS course. It was exciting to use and incorporated good feedback to keep the topics interesting. The coresidency feature is a useful addition, and other training courses could benefit from this concept.

The Basic-training course was informative, slightly frustrating, and dull. Sound and color would enhance the program considerably.

I recommend these courses, since they contain information useful to start you on a selected subject. The Basic-training course, however, should be improved. ■

End Run Around Dbase

by Richard Green

★★★★

VP-Info 1.09 runs on the Tandy 1000/1200/3000 and requires two disk drives. Paperback Software International, 2612 Eighth St., Berkeley, CA 94710. 415-644-2116. \$99.95 (non-copy-protected disk, an additional \$10 plus licensing agreement).

My first impression of VP-Info was that the program is simply a low-cost clone of Dbase II. This is not so. VP-Info, although it has a certain resemblance to Dbase, is a very different program. VP-Info has improved upon its Dbase beginnings by including a built-in report generator, program compiler, advanced commands, and the ability to generate pull-down windows that can include explanatory information or menus.

Dbase Compatibility

VP-Info's similarity to Dbase is no accident: the program's introduction says, "Its language is based on Dbase II. . . ." Despite this confession, VP-Info is not compatible with Dbase program files. VP-Info cannot execute programs written in Dbase, nor can Dbase execute programs written in VP-Info. This is not entirely true of data-base files. You can format files to be compatible with Dbase or only for VP-Info. Files formatted unique to VP-Info can have up to 256 fields per record. If you use multiple files, a total of up to 512 fields are allowed for all the files being used.

The default format of VP-Info is for Dbase II-compatible files. However, even here there is not complete compatibility. VP-Info does not use date or memo fields. Date fields in a Dbase file are converted in VP-Info to character fields; memo fields are effectively ignored. VP-Info cannot read any index file created with Dbase III, although it can read Dbase II indexes.

Installation

VP-Info requires a minimum 256K of memory (384K on the Model 1000) and at least two drives, one of which can be a RAM drive. Putting VP-Info into the RAM disk and using a floppy for data lets the program run on single-drive systems if they have at least 512K of RAM. Program speed increases appreciably when it is resident in a RAM drive—so much so that I used it in this manner despite having a 20-megabyte fixed disk on my system.

VP-Info is copy-protected in that it requires a key disk, the original program

disk, to be resident in drive A for the program to start. Once the program has started, you can remove the disk. This lets you install and run VP-Info on fixed-disk systems. For \$10 and a signed license agreement, you can buy an unprotected disk directly from Paperback Software. Installation is as simple as copying the distribution disk to either a fixed disk or RAM disk. Two-floppy systems without enough memory to create a RAM disk must use the original distribution disk in drive A.

Documentation

VP-Info is packaged in a paperback book, with the disks in a pasteboard carrier glued into the back of the manual. The program resides on a single disk; a second disk contains the help and example files. The manual is divided into 20 chapters, six appendixes, and one index. At the back of the book are pages that you are supposed to cut out to register the program and to order a back-up disk or an unprotected disk.

The first 16 chapters consist of explanatory and tutorial information. The tutorial is based on the information needs of a mythical video-tape rental business, that is called Video Visions. As you work through the tutorial, you create programs to track tape check-outs, check-ins, daily cash flow, and overdue customers. Finally, all these are tied into a single system using the menu and windowing features of VP-Info.

Additionally, the manual has a topical reference section and an alphabetical reference to commands and functions. Index A is a discussion and tutorial of compiling program files, and index C is a reference to networking VP-Info.

The form of the manual, a tightly bound book, is quite inconvenient. The disk carrier in the back soon breaks free, leaving the back cover loose. The only way to get the book to lie open to any reference section is to bend the back. This soon causes pages to detach from the binding glue.

Ease of Use

VP-Info is enough like Dbase that learning it is simple if you are already familiar with Dbase. If you have not used Dbase, however, learning VP-Info is not a trivial task. Like Dbase, VP-Info is a full programming language. To use it as more than a simple file-card program requires considerable programming expertise.

You create a data base by typing the command Create, followed by a file name for the data base to be created. This brings up the create/modify screen with prompts for defining the file structure. You must name each field and specify its type (character, numerical, or

logical), length, and number of decimal places. Once you create a file structure, you can enter data.

You can index files on any field, and you can establish fields as keys to create relations among files. You can establish relations among several files, with the provisions that you have no circular references and that no more than one master file reference the same look-up (or subsidiary) file.

Although VP-Info is neither menu-driven nor has an application generator, it does include a report generator. You can reference up to six files at one time. You can generate simple columnar reports by typing the command Fields, followed by a hyphen and a list of the fields to be included in the report in the order that they are to print. You can include column headings of unlimited length and specify subtotals and totals. VP-Info can also create more elaborate reports, including borders and boxes, to emphasize important data.

The Language

The programming language is much like that of Dbase. It includes looping commands such as While, If, and Case statements. It has program-flow control statements that allow the use of subroutines. VP-Info contains many commands that neither Dbase II nor III have. Specifically, 118 commands and functions in VP-Info are lacking from Dbase II, and 104 are not contained in Dbase III.

Among these commands is Post, which automates the updating of a master file from a transaction file. This command greatly simplifies programming accounting applications such as the linking of a daily sales journal to the sales and accounts-receivable ledgers. The command Append To lets you copy a record in the current file to a different file.

On Error lets you include an error-handling routine in a program. This can be especially helpful during program development, when errors often happen. If you use it correctly, it can specify the error encountered and continue the program execution. Write brings up a built-in text editor that you can use to create and modify program and report-definition files.

Debugging

VP-Info has a built-in debugging tool called Debug. This command works much like a display command. In effect, it is a dump that lets you chart the progress of the program as it runs. You can put Debug commands anywhere in a VP-Info program, followed by the fields that you might like to see. During program execution, if you select the Debug On option, the contents of the designated fields

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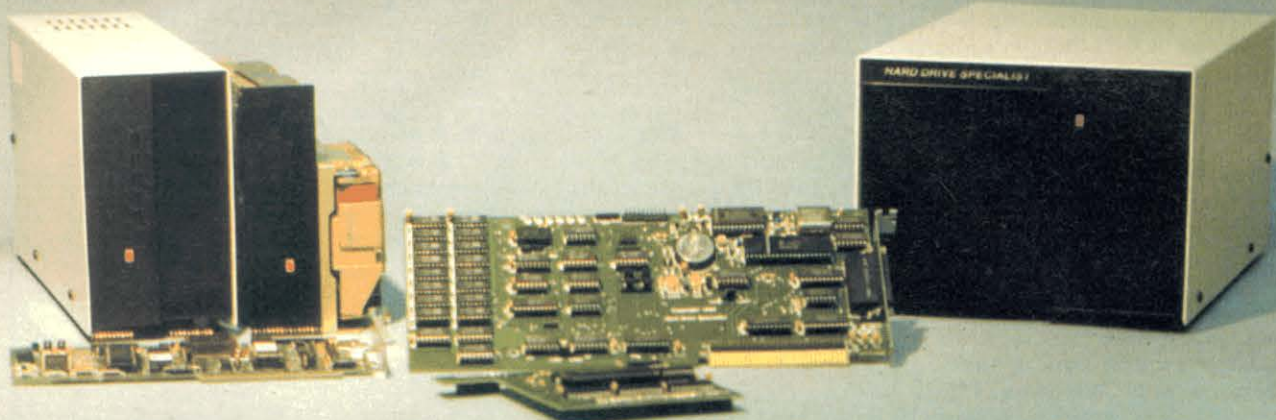
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UNDERSTANDING TANDY 1000 GRAPHICS

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Figures and designs that you create on your screen are at the mercy of engineers and programmers who design computers and video displays. What you think you are drawing is seldom what actually appears on the screen. Therefore, you must have a thorough understanding of your video display, common coordinate systems, GW-Basic screen modes, and GW-Basic graphics commands to effectively control the graphics displays of your Tandy 1000 computer.

We will cover several factors that contribute to graphics distortions, giving examples in the form of short Basic listings. These listings provide starting points for you to write graphics routines of your own.

Screen Modes and Colors

The Screen and Color commands set video-screen resolution and available colors for graphics on the Tandy 1000. Table 1 (see p. 48) shows the six possible graphics screen modes. We do not discuss screen mode zero because it is a text mode. The examples use medium-resolution graphics (screen mode 1) for simplicity, but the concepts apply to the other screen modes as well.

The colors that you can use depend on the screen modes. The palette which you select determines the colors that are available for screen mode 1. Table 2 (see

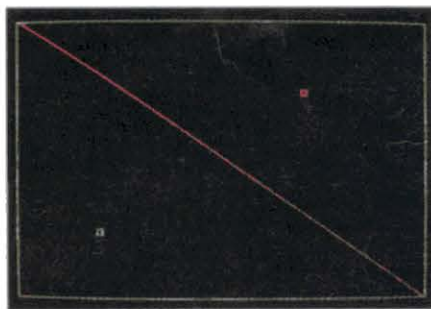


Photo 1. Plotting demo.

p. 48) shows these colors.

The background can be any of the 16 colors:

- black (0)
- blue (1)
- green (2)
- cyan (3)
- red (4)
- magenta (5)
- brown (6)
- gray (7)
- dark grey (8)
- light blue (9)
- light green (10)
- light cyan (11)
- light red (12)
- light magenta (13)
- yellow (14)
- white (15)

You can select the screen mode and color set as the following examples show.

```
110 SCREEN 1.0 'screen mode 1: color on  
120 COLOR 0.1 'black background: palette 1
```

or

```
110 SCREEN 1.0  
120 COLOR 9.0 'light-blue background: palette 0
```

Screen mode 1 produces a graphics dis-

play consisting of 200 rows of picture elements, or pixels (see Fig. 1, p. 44). Each row consists of 320 pixels in the medium-resolution screen mode.

Before you can construct an object on the video display, you must have an orderly way of numbering these rows and columns of pixels. That method of designating individual points is called a coordinate system. We discuss two commonly used coordinate systems: screen coordinates and real-world coordinates.

Screen Coordinates

Computer designers invariably number graphic screens in the same order that they number text screens. Since the first row of text is at the top of the screen, the first row of graphics is numbered from the top of the screen. Row numbers increase as you move down the screen. This is the opposite way from how we number things in real life. If you bought a ticket for row 1 on the 50-yard line at a stadium designed by a computer engineer, you would find yourself sitting with Bob Uecker at the top of the stands.

The normal origin of the 1000's screen-coordinate system is the upper-left corner of the video screen. Pixels number horizontally from left to right (columns) and top to bottom (rows; see Fig. 2, p. 44).

Pairs of coordinates locate points on the screen. The letters X (horizontal) and Y (vertical) usually designate the coordinate pair. The first coordinate pair (X) measures the number of pixels to the right of the origin. The second (Y) measures the number of pixels down from the origin (see Fig. 3, p. 46).

Program Listing 1 (see p. 50) demonstrates the orientation of the screen-coor-

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dinate system by dividing the screen with a diagonal line from the screen's minimum coordinates (0,0) to its maximum coordinates (319,199).

It then draws a small square in each area (lower left and upper right). The program turns off the key definitions at the bottom of the screen, sets graphics mode 1, sets black as the background color, selects color palette zero, and clears the screen (lines 110-130).

Line 210 draws a brown line diagonally across the screen from point (0,0) to point (319,199). Line 220 plots a small green box in the lower-left portion of the screen and a small red box in the upper-right portion of the screen. Line 230 draws a green rectangle to enclose the graphics area (see Photo 1, p. 42). Notice that the border area is not used for graphics. All lines in this program are drawn using the following form, sometimes using the B option.

```
LINE (RIGHT1,DOWN1)-(RIGHT2,DOWN2),
COLOR,B
```

The B option (indicated by letter B in the line above) uses the coordinates as opposite corners of a rectangle.

To find a point on the screen, go right for the number of units specified left of the comma and go down the number of units to the right of the comma. For example, to find coordinate (60,150) go right 60 units, then down 150 units.

Screen positions number from (0,0) in the upper-left corner. The lower-right corner is (319,199) in screen mode 1. Notice that positive Y is down instead of up. If you do not carefully select screen coordinates for drawing, your picture might be displayed upside-down. If you want to draw objects as they appear in the real world, you must write Basic statements that draw in the same direction that you observe things. This requires a real-world-coordinate system.

Real-World Coordinates

As you look at an object, you measure its width from left to right and its height from bottom to top. When you draw objects as they appear, the origin of the video display should be at the lower left of the screen as shown in Fig. 4 (see p. 46). We call this the real-world-coordinate system to distinguish it from the computer's normal screen-coordinate system.

Your 1000 is very good at performing detailed tasks. It can transform points from the real-world-coordinate system to the screen-coordinate system. It does not have to change the X coordinate, but it must reflect the Y coordinate around an imaginary horizontal line halfway down the screen. One way to produce this transformation is to flip-flop the Y coordinate of each point

with the simple Basic statements:

```
YSCREEN = 199 - YWORLD : XSCREEN =
XWORLD
```

Figure 5 (see p. 46) illustrates this.

Imagine that you want to plot a triangle whose real-world coordinates are (0,0), (50,50), and (100,0). If you draw the triangle with these coordinates, the computer normally interprets them as screen coordinates. The triangle is displayed upside-down in the in the upper-left corner of the screen.

Program Listing 2 (see p. 50) draws the triangle as it appears in screen-coordinate. Lines 210-250 assign the following values:

```
YWORLD(1)=0, YWORLD(2)=50, and
YWORLD(3)=0
```

These are the Y coordinates for the vertices of the triangle. Line 230 sets YScreen coordinates equal to these values. Line statements draw the triangle (lines 310-340). Notice the abbreviated form of Line in lines 330 and 340.

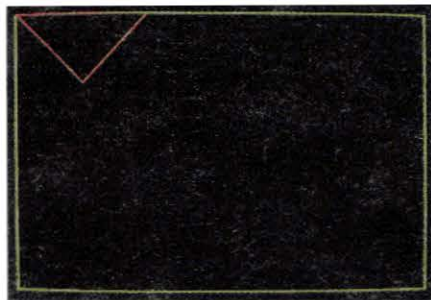


Photo 2. Triangle in screen coordinates.

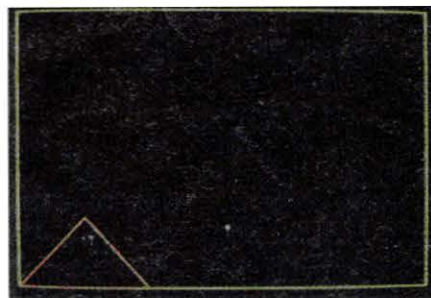


Photo 3. Triangle transformed to real-world coordinates.

Since the first coordinate pair is omitted, this statement draws a line to (100,YSCREEN(3)) from the last point that line 320 referenced (50,YSCREEN(2)).

Line 340 draws a line to (0,YSCREEN(1)) from the last point that line 330 referenced (100,YSCREEN(3)).

This short form of the Line statement is handy when you are drawing a series of connected lines. Photo 2 shows the product of Listing 2.

You can reflect the vertices of the triangle with the equations in Table 3 (see p. 48). The triangle is then displayed as you envisioned it in real-world coordinates. It is drawn in the lower-left corner of the screen as Photo 3 shows. You can make the transformation by changing line 230 of Listing 2 to:

```
YSCREEN (N)= 199 - YWORLD
```

This "brute force" method of transforming coordinates produces right-side-up drawings, but requires much thought and planning. Fortunately, Microsoft provided a GW-Basic statement to do the transformation for us.

Window to the Real World

The GW-Basic Window command lets you look through a window and see pictures in whichever coordinate system you want: the right-side-up world of real-world coordinates or the upside-down world of screen coordinates. The Window command looks like this for screen coordinates:

```
WINDOW SCREEN(X1,Y1)-(X2,Y2)
```

and like this for real-world coordinates:

```
WINDOW (X1,Y1)-(X2,Y2)
```

The coordinates (X1,Y1) and (X2,Y2) specify the minimum and maximum limits of the display window. If you use the full limits of the 1000 in screen mode 1, the minimum and maximum coordinates would be (0,0) and (319,199). These coordinates are at opposite corners of the display, as Fig. 6 (see p. 46) shows.

If you use the Screen option, the positive Y direction is down (screen coordinate). If you omit the Screen option, the positive Y direction is up (real-world coordinate). For example:

```
WINDOW SCREEN(0,0)-(319,199) 'screen coordinate
WINDOW(0,0)-(319,199) 'real-world coordinate
```

Program Listing 3 (see p. 50) demonstrates the Window command, first with the Screen option, then without it. It draws arrows by combining a rectangle and a triangle. The lower-left corner of the rectangle is at (95,10). The screen-coordinate arrow is red, and the real-world-coordinate arrow is green (see Photo 4, p. 44).

The Line statement, in its minimal form, specifies the end points of a line segment and draws a line between them. For example:

```
LINE(95,10)-(145,50)
```

If you add the B option, the computer draws a box (rectangle), which has the points you specify as opposite corners. For example:

```
LINE(95,10)-(145,50),1,B
```

Listing 3 uses the Line statement with

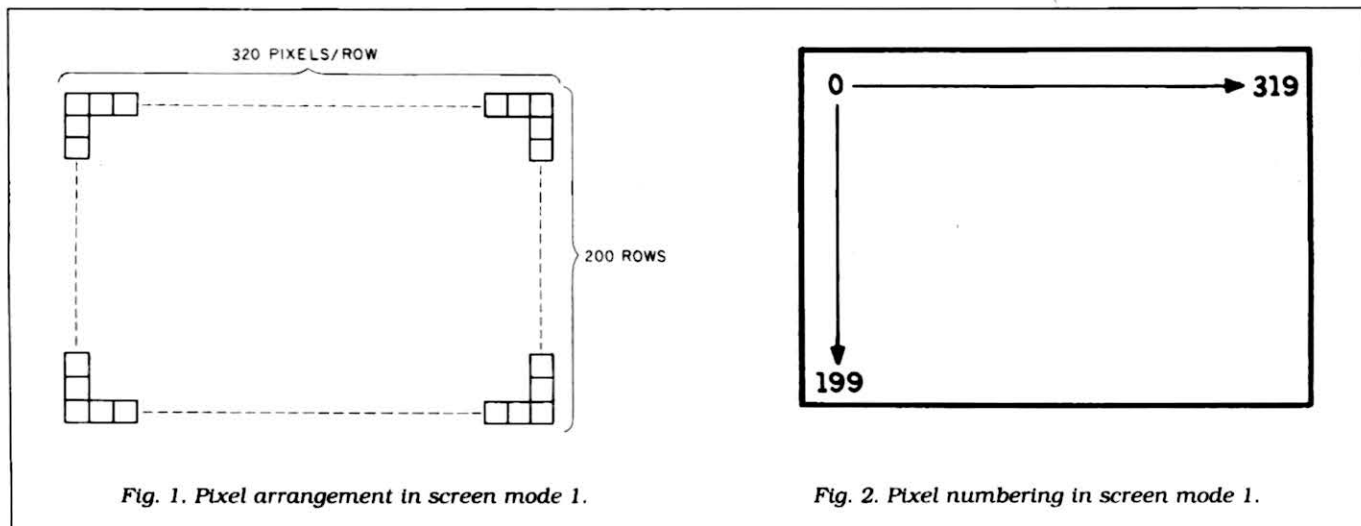


Fig. 1. Pixel arrangement in screen mode 1.

Fig. 2. Pixel numbering in screen mode 1.

the B option (lines 330 and 510), and it also uses the Step option in front of the second coordinate pair. These instructions tell the computer to use the first coordinate pair as one corner of the rectangle.

The Step option tells the computer to use the second coordinate pair as an increment to the first in order to locate the opposite corner. This gives the computer realistic parameters for drawing a rectangle in real-world coordinates. For example, in line 510 110 and 10 are the corner coordinates. -STEP(20,40) instructs the computer to increase 110 by 20 and 10 by 40. C tells the computer you've chosen color C. Lines 220 (C = 2) and 320 (C = 1) set the value of C. B tells the computer to draw a box.

Lines 520-540 add the triangle. Line 520 tells the computer to start at (70,50) and move 100 units to the right. Line 530 tells it to move left 50 units and up 40 units, and line 540 tells it to move left 50 units and down 40 units.

The program draws the arrow pointing down the screen in red (set by line 220) using screen-coordinates. A Window statement changes the format to real-world coordinate and draws the same arrow in green. The new Window statement does not affect the red arrow. Window statements only affect graphics statements that follow them. A Window stays in effect until you execute a new Window statement.

Limitations of Window

When you execute a Window statement, it interprets graphics commands to conform to its limits until you enter a new Window statement or the program ends. Images always conform to the Window statement under which they are drawn and are not affected by subsequent Windows.

A Window statement does not affect the commands in Draw statements (graphics-definition-language commands). Draw commands conform to screen coordinates and are oriented to a full screen ((0,0)-

(319,199)) in screen mode 1.

Text appears in rows and columns and is not affected by Window statements.

Program Listing 4 (see p. 50) performs the following operations:

- Uses Window (50,50)-(269,149)

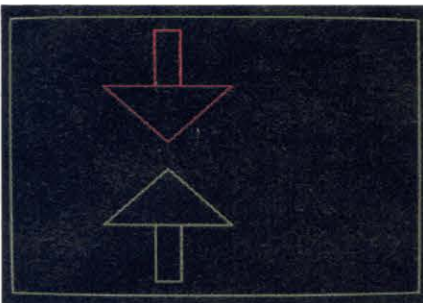


Photo 4. Arrows in screen coordinates and real-world coordinates.



Photo 5. Squares in a window.

- Draws a 50- by 50-pixel cyan square with a Draw statement
- Draws a 50- by 50-pixel magenta square with a Line statement
- Draws dotted lines enclosing the window.

The Draw statement's movement commands in line 220 are as follows:

- C1 is color number 1 (cyan in palette 1).
- BM 20,20 is a blank move to position (20,20). It does not draw a line.
- R50 draws right 50 units.
- D50 draws down 50 units.

- L50 draws left 50 units.

- U50 draws up 50 units.

Other Draw commands are:

- En moves diagonally up and right n points.
- Fn moves diagonally down and right n points.
- Gn moves diagonally down and left n points.
- Hn moves diagonally up and left n points.

Since Window statements do not affect Draw commands, the cyan square is drawn as if on a full screen ((0,0)-(319,199)) in screen coordinates.

Because the Window statement affects the Line statement in line 230, it draws its magenta square in real-world coordinates using a window whose lower-left corner is at (50,149). The window boundaries are expanded to fill the screen. Most of the square (whose lower-left corner is at (20,20) in real-world coordinates) lies outside the window and is not visible. Photo 5 shows the squares.

Line 240 draws a dotted white line around the window's boundaries. Notice that it coincides with the graphics area of a full screen. A new option (&HCCCC) at the end of this Line statement creates the dotted line. &H tells the computer that a hexadecimal (hex) number follows. The four hex digits (CCCC) set the format of the line style.

The line style is formed by the 16 bits of a binary number equivalent to the four hex digits. This is illustrated in Fig. 7 (see p. 48).

The dotted white line ((50,50)-(269,149),3,&HCCCC) encloses the entire graphics area. This expands the window to fill the entire screen.

Scaling

Since the screen pixels are taller than they are wide, a figure that you draw with an equal number of vertical and horizontal units appears vertically elongated. If you

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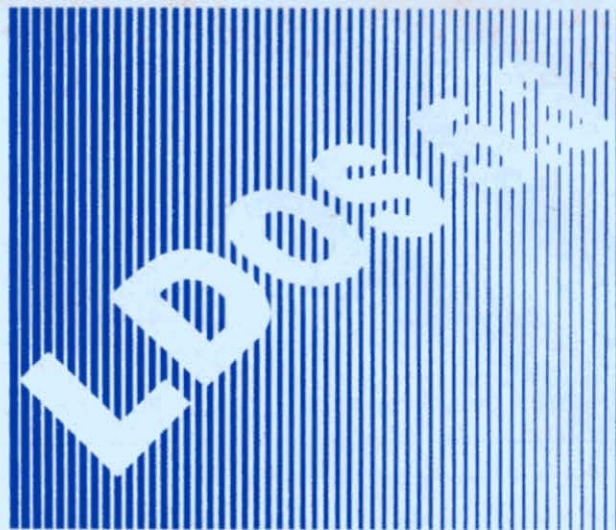
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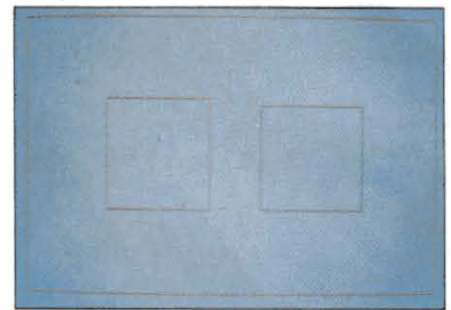
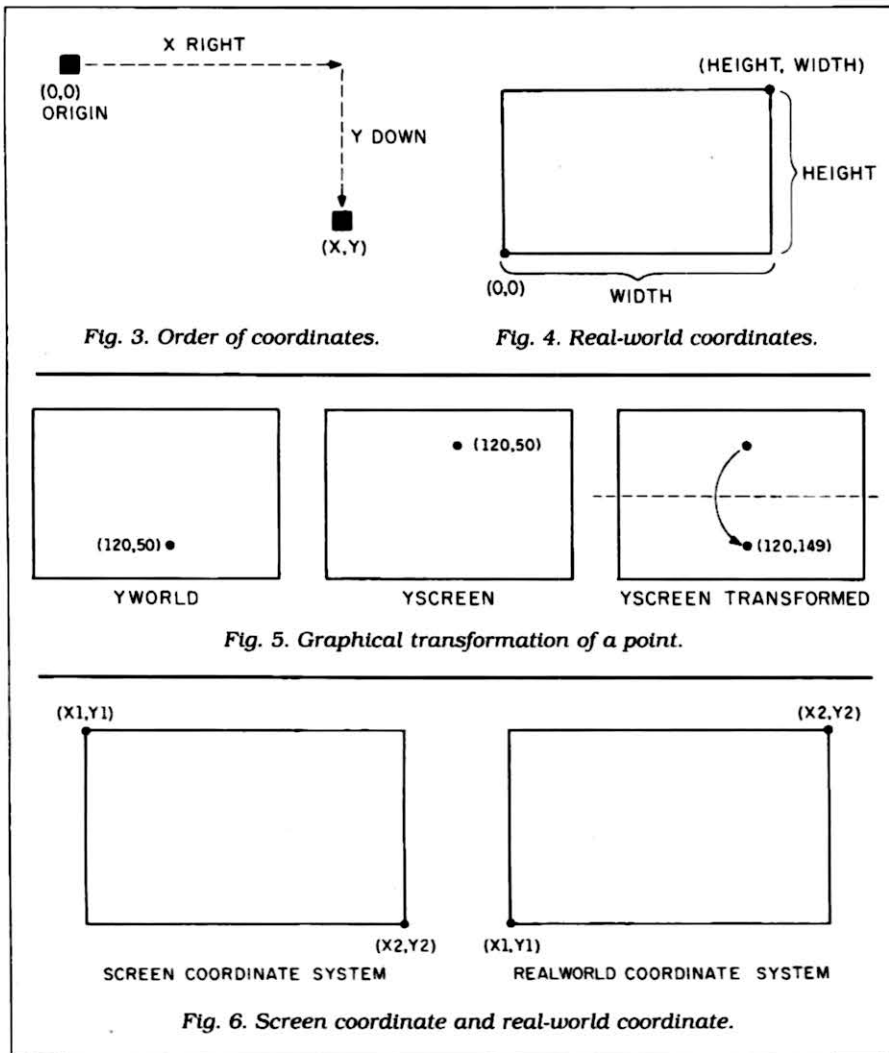


Photo 6. Unscaled and scaled squares.

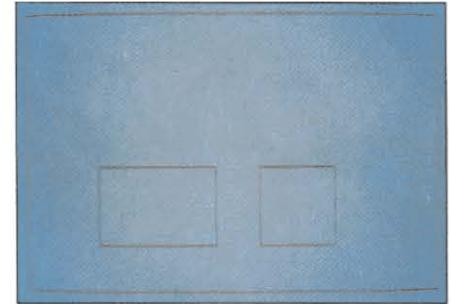


Photo 7. Scaling with Window.

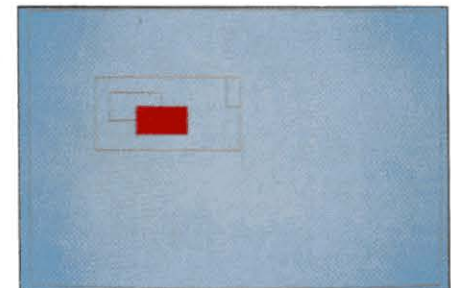


Photo 8. Viewport (50,50)-(160,100).

want a square to look square you can use a scale factor to change the number of either horizontal or vertical units in the screen.

Two factors contribute to scaling changes:

- The ratio of horizontal pixels to vertical pixels in the display screen. For example: in screen mode 1 there are 300 horizontal pixels and only 200 vertical pixels.
- The aspect ratio of the display monitor.

To correct for the first factor, multiply all points plotted on a full, medium-resolution screen by 200/320 (5/8).

The second factor (aspect ratio) occurs because a television or display monitor is wider than it is high. To determine aspect ratio, measure the screen area of your monitor you are using. It is likely to have a width-to-height ratio of 4/3, or 1.33. Our Tandy CM-4 measures approximately 11 inches by 8.1 inches. This gives it an aspect ratio of 1.35, which is within measuring accuracy of 4/3.

The 1000 uses part of its display area as a border (see Fig. 8, p. 49). The actual area that it uses to plot points on a graphics screen is, therefore, smaller in width and height than the display area. You

should use the aspect ratio of the actual plotting area when you are calculating the scale factor.

Check the aspect ratio of your monitor before you use a scale factor by drawing a rectangle using the screen's maximum and minimum coordinates as in this example:

```
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0
120 COLOR 7,0: CLS
130 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),,B
140 GOTO 140
```

Run these lines and measure the width and length of the rectangle that they draw. Remember, our CM-4's display has an aspect ratio of 1.35. The rectangle we drew with the screen's minimum and maximum coordinates is approximately 10 inches by 6 2/3 (6.67) inches. This gives the graphics area an aspect ratio of:

$$10 \div 6.67 = 1.5$$

The final scale factor is therefore:

$$5/8 \times 3/2 = 15/16.$$

We checked this scale factor with Program Listing 5 (see p. 51). If you arrive at a different scale factor than we did, use your scale factor in line 120 to check your monitor. Line 210 draws an unscaled red

box in the left part of the window. The Step option draws the box with sides 80 units long. Line 130 draws a scaled green box in the right part of the screen (see Photo 6).

The scale factor works on the vertical component of the green box in line 310. The green box appears square, while the red box appears to be higher than it is wide.

If you send a screen print of the display to your printer, you'll discover another scaling problem. You might have to experiment with the scale factor to discover the correct value for printing equivalent horizontal and vertical units. A scale factor of 65/72 (slightly less than our screen factor of 15/16) produces a square with equivalent sides on our printer.

Using Window to Scale

You can draw an individual image to scale by scaling its vertical component as in Listing 5. You can use the Window statement to automatically scale all figures that you draw after executing it. Consider again the factors that affect scaling:

- Number of pixels. You can use Window to specify an equal number of pixels both

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horizontally and vertically. For example:

Window (0,0)-(179,179) = 180 wide and 180 high

Window (0,0)-(149,149) = 150 wide and 150 high

Window (0,0)-(119,119) = 120 wide and 120 high

● Aspect ratio of your monitor. By reducing the vertical component of the maximum Window values, you can correct for the aspect ratio. For example:

Window (0,0)-(179,179) corrects only for pixels, while

Window (0,0)-(269,179) corrects for pixels and for aspect ratio ($270/180 = 3/2$).

Program Listing 6 (see p. 51) draws two rectangles, one green and one red. Both rectangles have 50-unit sides. The computer draws the green rectangle using Window (0,0)-(179,179), with the lower-left corner at (30,30). It draws the red rectangle using Window (0,0)-(269,179), with the lower-left corner at (120,30). The red rectangle appears as a true square, since the Window statement corrects for both pixel and aspect ratios. The Window for the green rectangle only corrects for the pixel ratio, as Photo 7 (see p. 46) shows.

Table 4 shows typical values for the maximum coordinates of a Window using an aspect ratio of 3/2 (assuming the Window has a minimum coordinate of (0,0)).

A Window View

A viewport is a rectangular viewing region on the screen. The viewport limits for graphics mode 1 are initially the limits of a full screen (0,0)-(319,199). You can write a View statement that will make the viewport larger or smaller than the Window limits. You can even make several small viewports on the screen. The following statement controls viewport placement:

VIEW [screen] (X1,Y1)-(X2,Y2)[,color,boundary] in which (X1,Y1) and (X2,Y2) designate opposite corners. Optional parameters are enclosed in square brackets. Screen, color, and boundary are all optional. Screen controls mapping, color designates the color that fills the viewport (background), and the boundary parameter sets the boundary color of the viewport frame.

The View command's Screen option works differently than Window's Screen option. If you use the View command with the Screen option, it sets the corners of the viewport this way:

```
VIEW SCREEN (X1,Y1)-(X2,Y2)
```

The upper-left corner of the viewport is (XMIN,YMIN), where XMIN is the minimum of X1 and X2, and YMIN is the minimum of Y1 and Y2. The lower-right corner of the viewport is (XMAX,YMAX), where XMAX is the maximum of X1 and X2, and YMAX is the maximum of Y1 and Y2.

Lines are drawn according to their absolute values rather than relative to the

Screen-mode number	Colors available	Screen resolution	Text width	Memory needed to fill one screen
1	4 (2 palettes)	320 x 200	40	16,384
2	2	640 x 200	80	16,384
3	16	160 x 200	20	16,384
4	4	320 x 200	40	16,384
5	16	320 x 200	40	32,768
6	4	640 x 200	80	32,768

Table 1. Screen modes.

Color number	Palette 0	Palette 1
0	current background color	current background color
1	green	cyan
2	red	magenta
3	brown	white

Table 2. Colors for screen mode 1.

(0,0) to (0,199)	(50,50) to (50,149)	(100,0) to (100,199)
XSCREEN = 0	XSCREEN = 50	XSCREEN = 100
YSCREEN = 199 - 0 = 199	YSCREEN = 199 - 50 = 149	YSCREEN = 199 - 0 = 199

Table 3. Transformation equations.

(269,179)
(224,149)
(179,119)
(134,89)

Table 4. Upper limit of scaled window.

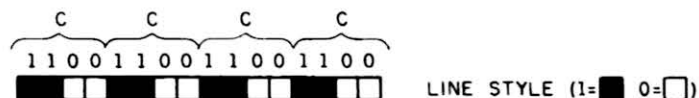


Fig. 7. How the line style is formed.

viewport. Points outside the viewport are not shown.

If you omit the screen option, the minimum coordinates take on the minimum values of the upper-left corner of the screen. The maximum values equal the difference between the specified view coordinates. Fig. 9 (see p. 49) gives an example of:

```
VIEW (20,20)-(160,100),2,1.
```

Try entering and running these two sequences of statements; first:

```
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1.0: COLOR 7.0: CLS
120 LINE (0,0)-(319,199),B
130 VIEW SCREEN (20,20)-(160,100),0,3
140 LINE(30,30)-(40,40),1,B
150 LINE(30,60)-(180,80),2,B
160 GOTO 160
```

Second, change line 130 in the previous

sequence to:

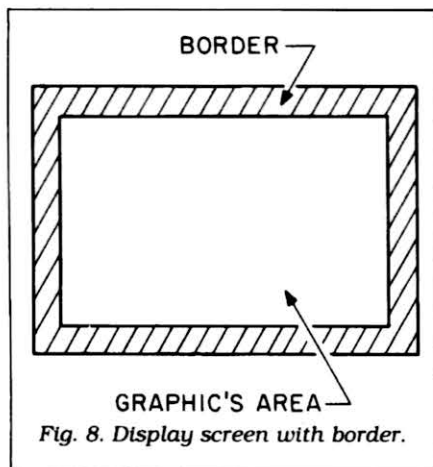
```
130 VIEW (20,20)-(160,100),0,3
```

The first sequence produces a viewport with limits of (20,20) and (160,100) within a (0,0)-(319,199) window. When you change line 130 for the second sequence, the minimum values of the viewport convert from (20,20) to (0,0) and the (160,100) maximum values become (140,80). Anything you draw outside the viewport is clipped.

Program Listing 7 (see p. 51) demonstrates how to place objects inside a viewport (see Photo 8, p. 46). Default provides a full window for the display screen (no Window statement). Line 120 defines the viewport by the screen coordinates (50,50) and (160,100). White (color zero is the current background) is the viewport

Company	Market share
A	24
B	15
C	9
others	52

Table 6. Market share.



fill color, and brown (color 3) is the boundary color.

The Line statement (line 210) draws a green rectangle, the left corner of which lies inside the viewport. Line 220 draws an unfilled red rectangle that lies entirely within the viewport. Line 230 draws an overlapping filled rectangle that also lies entirely within the viewport. Line 240 changes the viewport to full screen, and line 250 draws the display-screen boundaries.

Multiple Views

Program Listing 8 (see p. 51) demonstrates how viewports display three different types of graphs depicting the same data. Each graph is in a different viewport so that you can select the graph that best represents the data.

The program uses a full (0,0)-(319,199) window to create the graphs. It draws graphics as they would appear on a full screen in real-world coordinates. View statements transform them to fit the screen-coordinate viewports. Figure 10 is an interpretation of the first viewport of Listing 8. The drawings are full-scale in real-world coordinates. You see them, as shown in Fig. 10, reduced in size through a viewport. Photo 9 (see p. 50) shows the graphs in their appropriate viewports. Table 5 shows the structure of Listing 8.

Circles and Ellipses

The Circle command draws an ellipse, the center and radius of which you specify. If an ellipse is round, it's called a circle. You control the roundness of an ellipse with the aspect option of the Circle command. You can use the GW-Basic Circle

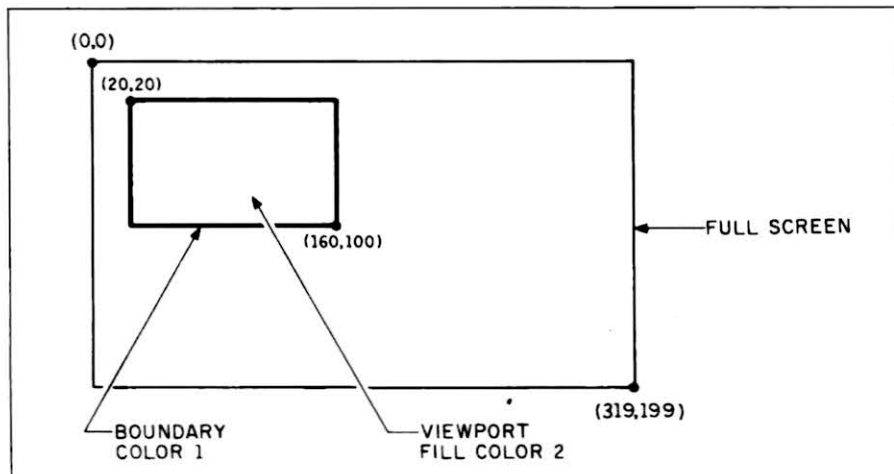


Fig. 9. Viewport (20,20)-(160,100).

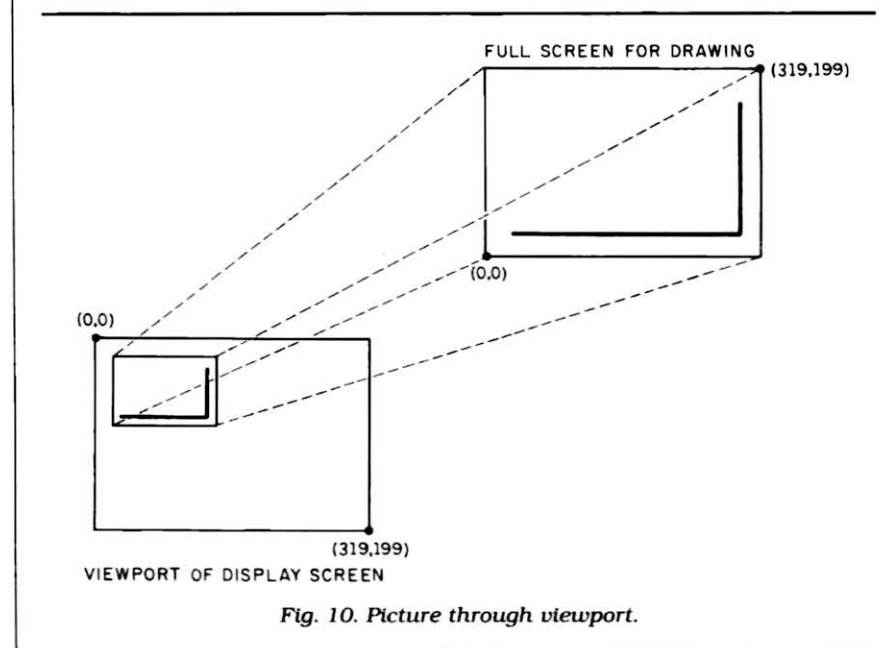


Fig. 10. Picture through viewport.

- Lines 100-199— define the graphics screen and a full-size window in real-world coordinates. They draw the window boundaries.
- Lines 200-299— provide and read in the data for the graphs.
- Lines 300-399— define the first viewport (upper-left part of the screen) in screen coordinates. They draw the axes and plot the line graph in reduced size to fit the viewport.
- Lines 400-499— define the second viewport (upper-right part of the screen) in screen coordinates. They draw axes and plot the high/low/close graph reduced in size to fit the viewport.
- Lines 500-599— define the third viewport (lower-left part of the screen) in screen coordinates. They draw the axes and plot the bar graph reduced in size to fit the viewport.
- Lines 600-699— print the title in the lower-right part of the screen. (Notice that Window and View have no effect on printing, which is done according to normal row and column positions.)
- Lines 2000-2999— contain a subroutine to draw axes.
- Lines 3000-3999— contain a subroutine to plot the line graph.
- Lines 4000-4999— contain a subroutine to plot the high/low/close graph.
- Lines 5000-5999— contain a subroutine to plot the bar graph.

Table 5. Structure of Program Listing 8.



Photo 9. Graphs in three viewports.

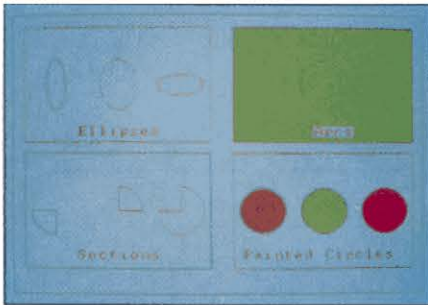


Fig. 10. Picture through viewport.

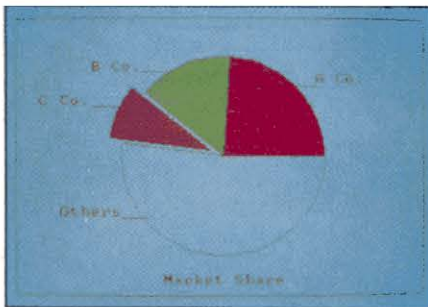


Photo 11. Pie graph.

command to make pie charts. The Circle command looks like this (options in square brackets):

CIRCLE [STEP] (X,Y),R [,color [,start,end [,aspect]]]

in which X and Y are the center coordinates, R is the radius, color designates the drawing color, start and end are the end points of the partial circle (arc), and aspect controls shape. The Step option designates the center coordinates relative to the last referenced graphics point. You could attach an ellipse to the end of a line by using a statement like this:

```
210 LINE(20,100)-(80,100)
220 CIRCLE STEP(20,0),20
```

in which (20,0) designates the circle's center as (80+20,100+0), and 20 gives it a radius of 20.

If you omit the Step option, the center of the ellipse lies at the absolute coordinates that you specify as (X,Y). For example:

```
220 CIRCLE(20,20),20
```

in which (20,20) puts the circle's center at (20,20), and 20 gives it a radius of 20.

The radius is the distance from the cen-

Program Listing 1. Demonstration of the screen-coordinate system's orientation. See p. 132 for information on using checksums in Listings 1-10.

```
1 REM --- PLOTTING DEMO --- * 1753
2 REM --- PROGRAM 1 --- * 1421
99 '
100 REM --- SET SCREEN --- * 1615
110 KEY OFF * 662
120 SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 0,0 * 1445
130 CLS * 486
199 '
200 REM --- DRAW BROWN LINE (0,0) TO (319,199) --- * 2879
201 REM --- DRAW GREEN & RED SQUARES --- * 2585
202 REM --- BOX THE GRAPHICS AREA --- * 2330
210 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),3 * 1281
220 LINE(60,150)-(64,154),1,B: LINE(220,50)-(224,54),2,B * 2877
230 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),1,B * 1391
299 '
300 REM --- PRESS ANY KEY TO QUIT --- * 2377
310 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 310 * 1772
320 END * 396
```

End

Program Listing 2. Screen-coordinate triangle.

```
1 REM --- TOPSY-TURVY TRIANGLE --- * 2319
2 REM --- PROGRAM 2 --- * 1422
99 '
100 REM --- SET SCREEN --- * 1615
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 0,0: CLS * 2334
199 '
200 REM --- READ YWORLD COORDINATES --- * 2524
210 FOR N=1 TO 3 * 988
220 READ YWORLD(N) * 1200
230 YSCREEN(N) = YWORLD(N) * 1766
240 NEXT N * 611
250 DATA 0,50,0 * 782
299 '
300 REM --- DRAW TRIANGLE --- * 1833
310 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),1,B * 1390
320 LINE(0,YSCREEN(1))-(50,YSCREEN(2)),3 * 2351
330 LINE(-100,YSCREEN(3)) * 1462
340 LINE(0,YSCREEN(1)) * 1364
399 '
400 REM --- PRESS ANY KEY TO QUIT --- * 2378
410 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 410 * 1774
420 END * 397
```

End

Program Listing 3. Demonstrations of the Window command.

```
1 REM --- SCREEN AND WORLD COORDINATES --- * 2777
2 REM --- PROGRAM 3 --- * 1423
3 REM --- DRAW ARROW IN EACH SYSTEM --- * 2621
99 '
100 REM --- SET SCREEN --- * 1615
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 0,0: CLS * 2334
199 '
200 REM --- USE SCREEN COORDINATES --- * 2444
210 WINDOW SCREEN (0,0)-(319,199) * 1874
220 C = 2: GOSUB 510 * 1078
299 '
300 REM --- USE REAL WORLD COORDINATES --- * 2745
310 WINDOW (0,0)-(319,199) * 1395
320 C = 1: GOSUB 510 * 1878
330 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),1,B * 1392
399 '
400 REM --- PRESS ANY KEY TO QUIT --- * 2378
410 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 410 * 1774
420 END * 397
499 '
500 REM --- SUBROUTINE: DRAW ARROW --- * 2506
510 LINE(110,10)-STEP(20,40),C,B * 1751
520 LINE(70,50)-STEP(100,0),C * 1598
530 LINE-STEP(-50,40),C * 1323
540 LINE-STEP(-50,-40),C * 1369
550 RETURN * 666
```

End

Program Listing 4. Demonstration of the relationship of Window and Draw statements.

```
1 REM --- DRAW AND LINE STATEMENTS IN A WINDOW --- * 3268
2 REM --- PROGRAM 4 --- * 1424
99 '
100 REM --- SET SCREEN --- * 1615
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 0,1: CLS * 2335
199 '
200 REM --- DRAW IN THE WINDOW --- * 2146
210 WINDOW(50,50)-(269,149) * 1467
220 DRAW "C1; BH 20,20; R50 D50 L50 U50" * 2106
230 LINE(20,20)-STEP(50,50),2,B * 1690
240 LINE(50,50)-(269,149),3,B,&HCCCC * 1921
299 '
400 REM --- WAIT HERE FOR KEYPRESS --- * 2460
410 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 410 * 1774
420 END * 397
```

End

Program Listing 5. Verification of scale factor.

```

1 REM - - - SCALING THE VERTICAL - - -          '* 2207
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 5 - - -                    '* 1425
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN AND SCALE - - -        '* 2250
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS       '* 2341
120 SCALE = 15/16                             '* 916
130 WINDOW(0,0)-(319,199)                    '* 1363
140 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),,B                   '* 1342
199 '
200 REM - - - UNSCALED RED BOX - - -           '* 2007
210 LINE(60,60)-STEP(80,80),2,B              '* 1702
299 '
300 REM - - - SCALED GREEN BOX - - -          '* 1995
310 LINE(180,60)-STEP(80,SCALE*80),1,B       '* 2155
399 '
400 REM - - - WAIT FOR A KEY PRESS - - -       '* 2265
410 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 410              '* 1774
420 END                                         '* 397

```

End

Program Listing 6. Demonstration of scaling.

```

1 REM - - - SCALING WITH WINDOW - - -         '* 2168
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 6 - - -                   '* 1426
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN - - -                '* 1615
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS       '* 2341
120 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),,B                   '* 1340
199 '
200 REM - - - DRAW BOX; TWO DIFFERENT WINDOWS - - - '* 3090
210 START = 30: LIMIT = 179                  '* 1560
220 FOR C=1 TO 2                              '* 897
230 WINDOW(0,0)-(LIMIT,179)                  '* 1716
240 LINE(START,30)-STEP(50,50),C,B           '* 2137
250 START = 150: LIMIT = 269                 '* 1743
260 NEXT C                                    '* 602
299 '
400 REM - - - WAIT FOR A KEY PRESS - - -       '* 2265
410 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 410              '* 1774
420 END                                         '* 397

```

End

Program Listing 7. Demonstration of placing objects inside a viewport.

```

1 REM - - - VIEW DEMO - - -                   '* 1443
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 7 - - -                   '* 1427
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN - - -                '* 1615
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS       '* 2282
120 VIEW SCREEN (50,50)-(160,100),0,3        '* 1986
199 '
200 REM - - - DRAW GREEN RECTANGLE MOSTLY OUTSIDE VIEWPORT - - - '* 4061
201 REM - - - DRAW UNFILLED RED RECTANGLE INSIDE VIEWPORT - - - '* 3922
202 REM - - - DRAW FILLED RECTANGLE INSIDE VIEWPORT - - -      '* 3509
210 LINE(150,30)-(250,70),1,B                '* 1476
220 LINE(60,60)-(100,80),2,B                 '* 1428
230 LINE(80,70)-(120,90),2,B                 '* 1505
240 VIEW SCREEN(0,0)-(319,199) 'DRAW THE     '* 1688
250 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),,B 'SCREEN BOUNDARY '* 1344
299 '
300 REM - - - PRESS ANY KEY TO QUIT - - -     '* 2377
310 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 310              '* 1772
320 END                                         '* 396

```

End

Program Listing 8. Demonstration of how viewports display graphs.

```

1 REM - - - 3 VIEWPORTS - - -                 '* 1609
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 8 - - -                   '* 1428
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN AND WINDOW - - -     '* 2362
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS       '* 2341
120 WINDOW(0,0)-(319,199)                    '* 1394
130 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),1,B                  '* 1390
199 '
200 REM - - - READ DATA - - -                '* 1498
210 FOR N=1 TO 8                              '* 913
220 READ HI(N),LO(N),CLO(N)                   '* 1647
230 HI(N)=3*HI(N): LO(N)=3*LO(N): CLO(N)=3*CLO(N) '* 2885
240 NEXT N                                     '* 611
250 DATA 28.8,25.8,27.5, 27.3,25.1,26.1     '* 1965
260 DATA 26.6,24.6,25.6, 26.6,22.4,26.6     '* 1965
270 DATA 26.9,22.4,23.8, 25.9,23.5,25.8     '* 1970
280 DATA 25.9,22.1,22.6, 24.6,21.8,24      '* 1858
299 '
300 REM - - - FIRST VIEWPORT - - -            '* 1965
310 VIEW (10,10)-(150,90),0,3                 '* 1458
320 GOSUB 2000                                  '* 791
330 GOSUB 3000                                  '* 793
399 '
400 REM - - - SECOND VIEWPORT - - -           '* 2018
410 VIEW(170,10)-(310,90),1,3                 '* 1481

```

Listing continued

ter of an ellipse to either of its furthest points. The color option lets you specify the color of the ellipse. The start and end points let you draw a partial ellipse (an arc) between them.

The computer draws ellipses counter-clockwise with zero at 3 o'clock. If you use a negative value for either or both end points of an arc, the computer adds a line from the end points to the center of the arc. This is a great help when you draw pie charts.

The aspect option sets the ratio of the Y axis (height) to the X axis (width). If this ratio is greater than 1, the radius lies along the Y axis. If the aspect ratio is less than 1, the radius is along the X axis.

Program Listing 9 (see p. 54) combines many options of the Circle command with the concepts of viewports. Photo 10 illustrates this using four viewports.

The start and end points let you draw a partial ellipse (an arc) between them.

Line 210 of Listing 9 displays the first viewport in the upper-left corner of the screen. From left to right, the aspect ratio changes from 2.5 (line 2010) to 1.3 (line 2020) to 0.4 (line 2030). Notice that in lines 2010-2030, the extra commas hold the places of the omitted start and end points. When you omit these points, the computer draws a complete ellipse rather than an arc. If you do not provide the commas, however, the computer interprets the aspect option as a start or an end point.

The subroutine at lines 3000-3999 draws arcs in the second viewport, which line 310 places in the upper-right part of the screen. From left to right, the start and end points of the arcs are zero and $\pi/2$, $\pi/2$ and $3\pi/2$, and $3\pi/2$ and $\pi/2$.

The subroutine at lines 4000-4999 draws sections of circles by using negative values for the start and end points. Line 410 places these sections in the third viewport (in the lower-left part of the screen). From left to right, the start and end points are $-\pi$ and $-3\pi/2$, -2π and $-\pi/2$, and $-\pi$ and $-\pi/2$.

The last subroutine (lines 5000-5999) draws and paints three circles with an aspect ratio of 0.89. This aspect ratio produces a round-looking circle on our display. The Paint command colors the circles. Its form is:

PAIN (X,Y),f,b

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in which (X,Y) designates the point from which the computer is to paint, f designates the fill color, and b designates the boundary color.

You must make sure that point (X,Y) is within the closed area that you specify. If it is not, paint spills all over your drawing. The painted circles are in the fourth viewport in the lower-right part of the screen. From left to right, the computer draws the circles in green, red, and brown. It then paints them brown to the green boundary, green to the red boundary, and red to the brown boundary.

Using Circle

Businesses often use circle graphs (pie charts) to represent percentages or market shares. Our final program draws and labels a simple pie chart.

The graph shows the percentage of market share of three companies as well as a catch-all category that lumps all the other companies in the market together. One company's slice of the market is pulled away from the pie. Table 6 (see p. 49) shows the companies' market shares. Photo 11 shows the pie graph.

Program Listing 10 (see p. 54) sets a real-world coordinate window in lines 100-199. The circumference of a circle equals $2 \cdot \pi$ radians. Lines 200-299 calculate the percentages of the circumference necessary for each section of the graph. Lines 300-399 draw and paint the sections.

This block of the program also draws a line from each section to its label. The pie section that is pulled away displaces its center to the left above the center shared by the other sections (line 330). Lines 400-499 print the labels and title using Locate statements to place each label at the appropriate row and column.

Further Exploration

GW-Basic provides such a rich resource of graphics techniques that it is impossible to provide an in-depth discussion in such a short article. Use the information we give in this article as a stepping-off place for further exploration on your own. Experiment with all the graphics commands until you feel comfortable with them.

We have demonstrated only one graphics mode. Try modifying our programs to run in other modes. Try changing palettes and colors. Experiment! ■

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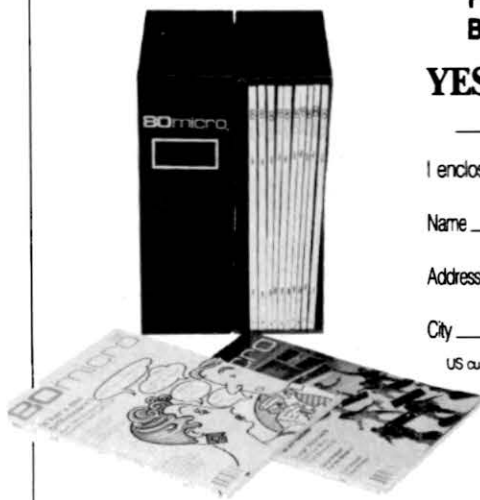
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Listing 8 continued

```

420 GOSUB 2000
430 GOSUB 4000
499 '
500 REM - - - THIRD VIEWPORT - - -
510 VIEW(10,100)-(150,180),0,1
520 GOSUB 2000
530 GOSUB 5000
599 '
600 REM - - - TITLE - - -
610 LOCATE 16,24: PRINT "STOCK PRICES"
620 LOCATE 18,25: PRINT "FOR 8 DAYS"
630 GOTO 630
699 '
2000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW AXES - - -
2010 LINE(310,20)-(310,180)
2020 LINE(20,20)-(310,20)
2030 RETURN
2999 '
3000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW LINE GRAPH - - -
3010 FOR N=1 TO 7
3020 COL = 40*(N-1)+20
3030 LINE(COL,CLO(N))-(COL+40,CLO(N+1))
3040 LINE(COL,17)-(COL,23)
3050 NEXT N
3060 RETURN
3999 '
4000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW HI/LO/CLOSE GRAPH - - -
4010 FOR N=1 TO 8
4020 COL = 40*(N-1)+20
4030 LINE(COL,LO(N))-(COL,HI(N))
4040 LINE(COL-3,CLO(N))-(COL+3,CLO(N))
4050 LINE(COL,17)-(COL,23)
4060 NEXT N
4070 RETURN
4999 '
5000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW BAR GRAPH - - -
5010 FOR N=1 TO 8
5020 COL = 40*(N-1)+20
5030 LINE(COL-8,20)-(COL+8,CLO(N)),,BF
5040 NEXT N
5050 RETURN

```

End

Program Listing 9. Demonstration of Circle command options.

```

1 REM - - - VIEWPORTS WITH CIRCLES - - -
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 9 - - -
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN AND WINDOW - - -
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS
120 WINDOW(0,0)-(319,199)
130 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),1,B
140 PI = 3.14159
199 '
200 REM - - - FIRST VIEWPORT - - -
210 VIEW(10,10)-(150,90),0,3
220 GOSUB 2000
299 '
300 REM - - - SECOND VIEWPORT - - -
310 VIEW(170,10)-(310,90),1,3
320 GOSUB 3000
399 '
400 REM - - - THIRD VIEWPORT - - -
410 VIEW(10,100)-(150,180),0,1
420 GOSUB 4000
499 '
500 REM - - - FOURTH VIEWPORT - - -
510 VIEW(170,100)-(310,180),0,2

```

Listing continued

Listing 9 continued

```

520 GOSUB 5000
599 '
600 REM - - - TITLE - - -
610 LOCATE 11,7: PRINT "Ellipses"
620 LOCATE 11,30: PRINT "Arcs"
630 LOCATE 22,7: PRINT "Sections"
640 LOCATE 22,23: PRINT "Painted Circles"
650 GOTO 650
699 '
2000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW ELLIPSES - - -
2010 CIRCLE(50,100),40,1,,,2.5
2020 CIRCLE(160,100),40,2,,,1.3
2030 CIRCLE(270,100),40,3,,,1.4
2040 RETURN
2999 '
3000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW ARCS - - -
3010 CIRCLE(50,100),40,2,0,PI/2
3020 CIRCLE(160,100),40,2,PI/2,3*PI/2
3030 CIRCLE(270,100),40,3,3*PI/2,PI/2
3070 RETURN
3999 '
4000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW SECTIONS - - -
4010 CIRCLE(50,100),40,1,-PI,-3*PI/2
4020 CIRCLE(160,100),40,2,-2*PI,-PI/2
4030 CIRCLE(270,100),40,3,-PI,-PI/2
4070 RETURN
4999 '
5000 REM - - - SUB: DRAW CIRCLES - - -
5010 CIRCLE(50,100),40,1,,,89
5020 CIRCLE(160,100),40,2,,,89
5030 CIRCLE(270,100),40,3,,,89
5040 PAINT(50,100),3,1: PAINT(160,100),1,2: PAINT(270,100),2,3
5050 RETURN

```

End

Program Listing 10. Pie chart representation of market share.

```

1 REM - - - PIE GRAPH - - -
2 REM - - - PROGRAM 10 - - -
99 '
100 REM - - - SET SCREEN - - -
110 KEY OFF: SCREEN 1,0: COLOR 7,0: CLS
120 WINDOW(0,0)-(319,199)
130 LINE(0,0)-(319,199),,B
199 '
200 REM - - - SET CIRCLE PARAMETERS - - -
210 PI = 3.14159
220 A = 2*PI*.24: B = 2*PI*.15+A: C = 2*PI*9.0000001E-02+B
299 '
300 REM - - - DRAW AND PAINT CIRCLES - - -
310 CIRCLE(160,100),80,-2*PI,-A,.89
320 CIRCLE(160,100),80,,A,-B,.89
330 CIRCLE(150,104),80,-B,-C,.89
340 CIRCLE(160,100),80,-C,2*PI,.89
350 PAINT(170,120),2,3: LINE(235,150)-(215,150)
360 PAINT(140,120),1,3: LINE(95,160)-(115,160)
370 PAINT(130,115),3,3: LINE(50,135)-(70,135)
380 LINE(80,55)-(100,55)
399 '
400 REM - - - PRINT LABELS - - -
410 LOCATE 6,30: PRINT "A Co."
420 LOCATE 5,8: PRINT "B Co."
430 LOCATE 8,3: PRINT "C Co."
440 LOCATE 10,5: PRINT "Others"
450 LOCATE 24,15: PRINT "Market Share";
490 GOTO 490

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End



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Payroll programs should save time and allow for easy modification. My Barefoot Basic Payroll program (Listing 1) does just that. It calculates and prints both current and month-to-date payroll reports for most small businesses. I call it Barefoot Basic because of its simplicity. The program calculates and prints, in less than 20 minutes, an accounting firm's payroll that used to take four hours to prepare.

The program has few instructions. I made the user interface a priority. The syntax and command structure is direct, making the program easy to read and modify. I wrote it for a Model 4, but I list changes for the Tandy 1000 later.

You can correct any of the stored variables and print or reprint reports of the corrected data. You can change any of the three types of data stored in the program: basic employee data, current paycheck, and month-to-date payroll. The variables list in the Table shows the records that you need to store data and indicates the precision of the numeric variables. It also gives the names of the variables and the space that the variables require.

While many payroll programs use a question-and-answer format to let the user update variables such as state or federal withholding formulas, this program requires changes to its code. Using Barefoot Basic means that you do not need to know advanced programming techniques to make these changes.

The program retains its tailor-made qualities, and only the formulas that you need are included in it. This improves speed, requires no dedicated keystrokes, and asks no vague questions.

What the Heck Is Barefoot Basic?

Program Listings 2 and 3 show the difference in command structure between Basic and Barefoot Basic. Both listings calculate the federal withholding for gross pay equal to or less than approximately \$500 per week. Listing 2 is ingenious Basic. The computer understands it, and it saves code and improves speed. Listing 3 uses Barefoot Basic and works the same as Listing

2, but it is easier to read and modify.

Imagine reading a page of a book on which there are three references: "See paragraph 200," "See paragraph 14," and "See paragraph 300." Flipping back and forth between pages makes difficult reading. In a Basic program the use of GOSUB or GOTO makes the code hard to read. In a single page of some listings it is necessary to flip back and forth between pages 20 times to follow the program's logic, identify the changes required, and ensure that any additions to the code are inserted at the right points in the sequence.

The rules of Barefoot Basic are simple: Do not be afraid to repeat a command rather than use a GOSUB or GOTO; when you define a function explain what it does; avoid nonsense strings like PCADSBMX with the INSTR command; and sprinkle the program with remarks. Most of the values that the program needs are included in the code as constants rather than stored as variables that you provide. The program maintains data files, so you can reprint a report after changing payroll data.

The program's "tailor made" qualities keep it simple. For example, the program is written for a weekly payroll. Instead of having to enter changes to accommodate bi-weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly payrolls, just change the program listing.

For a biweekly payroll you would put new values from the *Employer Tax Guide* into the tax tables. The program makes no special provisions for salaried employees, since you can easily include them by using a 40-hour week and the corresponding hourly rate.

For a small business, the trouble of loading, lining up, and test printing paychecks probably outweighs the advantage of a paycheck-writing option. This program doesn't have one, but you could add a short paycheck-writing routine after the `paystub`-printing code.

The program does not print 941-A, unemployment tax, or W-2 forms, which would require quarter-to-date and year-to-date payroll information. Although you can get the raw data from the `Payroll/DAT` file that Barefoot Basic Payroll creates, I suggest that you use a separate program



System Requirements

Model 4
(Tandy 1000 with changes)
Disk Basic
32K RAM
Printer

to transfer the data to a new file, obtain the necessary cumulative totals, and print the reports. You can insert code to call the program from the payroll main menu. An easy way to store and subtotal information on quarter-to-date and year-to-date payrolls is to enter monthly totals into a spreadsheet template.

Using the Program

After you save this program on a system disk as Payroll/BAS, press the caps-lock key, as all entries must be in uppercase. Then, set the maximum number of lines per page (Model 4 users only); while still at TRSDOS Ready, enter the following commands:

```
SET *FF TO FORMS/FLT
FILTER *PR *FF
FORMS (LINES = 60)
```

These commands tell TRSDOS to print four paycheck stubs (60 printed lines) on 8½- by 11-inch paper, then scroll six lines to start a new page. If you enter SYSGEN after these commands, TRSDOS records them on disk; thereafter, your system will boot in uppercase mode with the number of lines per page set to 60.

Finally, while still at TRSDOS Ready, enter:

```
AUTO BASIC PAYROLL/BAS
```

You can now enter the program by rebooting. It requests the name of your company, which it prints on the paycheck stub (see Fig. 1). Entering the name sends you to the menu. At the menu, type A to add employees and enter data as the prompts request. I didn't disable the break key. If you break the program, type and enter CLOSE to ensure that you don't leave the file open.

After you enter all employees, enter P from the menu to calculate a payroll. Do not use the break key or the reset button before you complete the payroll and are back at the menu.

The program lists each employee and provides prompts for hours worked and other information. If, for any reason, you enter the wrong information, continue entering until the prompt says "Press C for changes." Then make corrections.

When the program prints a paycheck stub, it records the data on disk. There is no convenient way to reenter information on a particular employee. Complete the payroll for all employees and, when the program returns to the menu, enter C to change mistakes and print a new paycheck stub. If for any reason you do not complete the payroll, reenter the program from the beginning after copying the Payroll/DAT file from your back-up copy.

The month-to-date payroll that is stored on disk contains cumulative totals not including the last paycheck. If you change month-to-date figures, remember to enter the correct figures based on the month-to-

date prior to the current paycheck.

Program Description

The first 250 lines initialize the program. The rest are divided into seven modules. The information that the program needs is initialized beginning with line 30. Lines 40 and 50 define the program's functions after clearing, dimen-

sioning, and defining integers.

Line 40 is required because the Print Using command rounds off the printed value of any specified number, but does not change the value of that number stored in RAM. For example, \$12.444 + \$12.444 is usually printed as \$12.44 + \$12.44. With Print Using, however, \$24.888 (the total) is printed as \$24.89.

Type	Number in array	Variable name	Bytes reserved in record
%	1	employee no.	2
\$	2	employee name	19
\$	3	street	20
\$	4	city, state, zip	20
\$	5	Social Security no.	11
\$	6	marital status	1
\$	7	active (Y or N)	1
%	8	exemptions	2
!	9	hourly pay rate	4
!	10	overtime pay rate	4
!	11	federal withholding dependency deduction	4
!	12	state withholding deductions (subtotal)	4
\$	13	date	112
!	14	regular hours	12
!	15	overtime hours	4
!	16	current gross	4
!	17	tips as wages	4
!	18	current FICA	4
!	19	current federal withholding	4
!	20	current state withholding	4
!	21	other deductions	4
!	22	net pay (subtotal)	4
#	23	month-to-date gross	8
!	24	month-to-date FICA	4
!	25	month-to-date federal with.	4
!	26	month-to-date state withhold.	4
!	27	month-to-date tips as wages	4
!	28	month-to-date tips	4
#	29	month-to-date net pay	8
			36
		total memory reserved:	200

Working variables

CNS	company name
DA\$	date of check
FT	federal taxable wage
FL	flag (paycheck correction)
GP	gross wages
LF	last of file
MT	Missouri taxable wage
MO	state withholding check deductions
MT(X)	company total (month to date)
OP	overtime pay
RP	regular pay
TG	wages plus tips
TP(X)	company total (current)
X	record number

I used several other temporary variables such as I\$ and E\$, but their use is self-explanatory in the program.

Table. Variables list.

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This looks like a one-cent error to employees. FNR(Y) rounds off calculated values and prevents apparent errors in the paycheck stub.

Line 100 checks to see if the line printer is turned on. If not, it prints "Printer not ready" and returns to the "Enter company name" prompt. This process repeats until you turn on the printer.

Lines 130-250 open the Payroll/DAT file and set up subroutines to define the fields, convert string data in the buffers, and set data in the buffer as required.

Module 1 (lines 1000-1250) stores information concerning each employee. Missouri withholds taxes by deducting the federal tax, a standard deduction and a dependency deduction from gross pay. The program multiplies the remainder by an appropriate factor to determine the withholding tax for the period. You must enter the sum of the standard deduction and the dependency deduction as the employee reported on form MO-W2.

You enter this sum as an annual deduction. The program converts it to a weekly deduction by dividing it by 52. To convert to another pay period, change the divisor to correspond to that period (line 1160). If your state does not require a deduction, change line 1160 to B(12)=0.

Line 1180 calculates a deduction for federal withholding. It is based on a weekly salary. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) circular E lists the corresponding allowance for other pay periods.

Module 2 begins with line 2000. Lines 2060-2130 check to see if you are entering the first payroll of the month. If you are, they set both current payroll and month-to-date totals to zero. If you are not, they add current payroll to the cumulative totals for the month and zero the current payroll.

This happens whenever you begin a new payroll. It lets you open a file at any time, make corrections, and print a new payroll summary or month-to-date report that reflects those changes. If the program listed an update function on the menu, you could add the current payroll to the month-to-date totals more than once. To prevent this from happening, the program maintains current payroll data until it is time to calculate a new one.

In line 2160, B\$(7) determines whether an employee is active. The program skips over inactive employees.

The first part of line 2170 converts the check date to B\$(13) and records it as A\$(13). The program does not use the date record on the disk. It occupies 12 spaces in the record that the program can use for something else.

Line 2200 asks about tips that employees receive. If none of your employees receive tips, ignore the entry or alter it to show other income (commissions, bonuses, and so on). Be sure to change line 2600 by substituting TG (total gross) for

Barefoot Basic can easily convert the annual deduction to the weekly deduction.

GP (gross pay).

For restaurant use, the program calculates tips as wages (the portion of an employee's tips that the employer counts as wages). It uses \$3.35 per hour as a mini-

mum wage, and calculates tips as wages as that portion of the tips required to meet the minimum wage. Line 2280 calculates this and rounds the result to dollars and cents.

Line 2290 uses 7.15 percent of gross pay to calculate Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) withholding. Change this value when the tax law changes.

Lines 2300-2440 calculate the federal withholding tax based on the 1987 calendar year. Modify these tables in accordance with IRS circular E for changes in the tax law and for pay periods other than weekly.

Lines 2470-2590 calculate Missouri withholding tax. Since each state has its own tax structure, change this calculation for other states. Some states have simple tax tables, others are complicated. If writing the code for your state is too difficult, replace these lines with: 2590 INPUT "EN-

Program Listing 1. Barefoot Basic Payroll. See p. 132 for information on using checksums in Listing 1-3.

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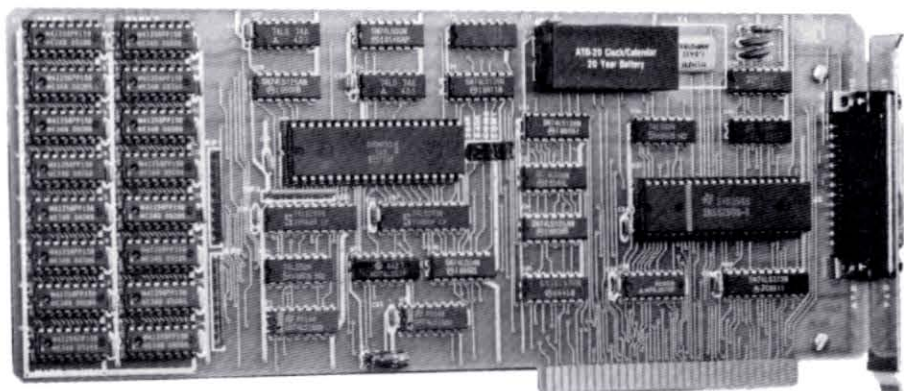
10 ' -----PAYROLL/BAS-----REV. JAN. 1 1987
20 ' ---Written by G. S. Bradshaw, P. O. Box 1112, Branson, MO. 656
16
30 CLEAR: DIM A$(30), B$(30), B(30): DEFINT J, L, X
40 DEF FNR(Y) = INT((Y*100)+.5)/100 '---ROUND OFF FUNCTION
50 CLS: PRINT @ (2,25), "P A Y R O L L P R O G R A M "
60 PRINT @ (4,0), "DOLLAR figures such as TIPS must be entered in
the adding machine mode, i.e.400 is entered and the computer r
eads it as $4.00. HOURS WORKED must be in the decimal mode
, ie. 23-1/4 is entered as 23.25"
70 PRINT @ (8,0), "Data from this program is stored in a disc fil
e named 'PAYROLL/DAT' in drive:0. Entering <B> from the menu wi
ll make a backup copy of this data on drive:1"
80 PRINT: PRINT "Before continuing, check to make sure a formatted
data disc is in drive one, the printer is turned on
, and the paper is lined up"
90 PRINT @ (14,15), "ENTER COMPANY NAME FOR THIS PAYROLL: "; INP
UT CNS: IF CNS="" THEN 60
100 J=INP(248): IF (J AND 240) <> 48 THEN CLS: PRINT @ (16,25), "PR
INTER NOT READY": GOTO 80
110 GOTO 7010
120 ' SUBROUTINES TO FIELD, CONVERT STRING DATA, AND LSET VARIABLE
S
130 OPEN "R", 1, "PAYROLL/DAT:0",200: LF=LOF(1)
140 FIELD 1, 2 AS A$(1), 19 AS A$(2), 30 AS A$(3), 30 AS A$(4), 11
AS A$(5), 1 AS A$(6), 1 AS A$(7), 2 AS A$(8), 4 AS A$(9), 4 A
S A$(10), 4 AS A$(11), 4 AS A$(12)
150 FIELD 1, 112 AS D1$, 12 AS A$(13), 4 AS A$(14), 4 AS A$(15), 4
AS A$(16), 4 AS A$(17), 4 AS A$(18), 4 AS A$(19), 4 AS A$(20)
, 4 AS A$(21), 4 AS A$(22), 4 AS A$(23)
160 FIELD 1, 164 AS D2$, 8 AS A$(24), 4 AS A$(25), 4 AS A$(26), 4
AS A$(27), 4 AS A$(28), 4 AS A$(29), 8 AS A$(30): RETURN
170 LSET A$(1)=MKIS(B(1)): LSET A$(2)=B$(2): LSET A$(3)=B$(3): LSE
T A$(4)=B$(4):LSET A$(5)=B$(5): LSET A$(6)=B$(6): LSET A$(7)=B
$(7): LSET A$(8)=MKIS(B(8)): LSET A$(9)=MKSS(B(9)): LSET A$(10
)=MKSS(B(10)): LSET A$(11)=MKSS(B(11)): LSET A$(12)=MKSS(B(12)
SS(B(12))
180 LSET A$(13)=B$(13): LSET A$(14)=MKSS(B(14)): LSET A$(15)=MKSS(
B(15)): LSET A$(16)=MKSS(B(16)): LSET A$(17)=MKSS(B(17)): LSET
A$(18)=MKSS(B(18)): LSET A$(19)=MKSS(B(19)): LSET A$(20)=MKSS
(B(20)): LSET A$(21)= MKSS(B(21)): LSET A$(22)=MKSS(B(22))
22)
190 LSET A$(23)= MKSS(B(23))
200 LSET A$(24)=MKDS(B(24)): LSET A$(25)=MKSS(B(25)): LSET A$(26)=
MKSS(B(26)): LSET A$(27)=MKSS(B(27)): LSET A$(28)=MKSS(B(28)):
LSET A$(29)= MKSS(B(29)): LSET A$(30)= MKDS(B(30)): RETURN
220 B(1)=CVI(A$(1)): B(2)=A$(2): B(3)=A$(3): B(4)=A$(4): B(5)=
A$(5): B$(6)=A$(6): B$(7)=A$(7): B(8)=CVI(A$(8)): B(9)=CVS(A$(
9)): B(10)=CVS(A$(10)): B(11)=CVS(A$(11)): B(12)=CVS(A$(12))
230 B$(13)=A$(13): B(14)=CVS(A$(14)): B(15)=CVS(A$(15)): B(16)=CVS
(A$(16)): B(17)=CVS(A$(17)): B(18)=CVS(A$(18)): B(19)=CVS(A$(1
9)): B(20)=CVS(A$(20)): B(21)=CVS(A$(21)): B(22)=CVS(A$(22)):
B(23)=CVS(A$(23))
250 B(24)=CVD(A$(24)): B(25)= CVS(A$(25)): B(26)= CVS(A$(26)): B(2
7)=CVS(A$(27)): B(28)= CVS(A$(28)): B(29)=CVS(A$(29)): B(30)=
CVD(A$(30)): RETURN
1000 ' ENTER BASIC EMPLOYEE DATA
1010 OPEN "R", 1, "PAYROLL/DAT:0", 200: X=LOF(1)+1
1020 CLS: PRINT @ 20, " A D D N E W E M P L O Y E E S": PRINT
1030 B(1) = X
1040 PRINT @ (3,5), "NAME: ";TAB(32); STRING$(19,160)+STRING$(5,32);
TAB(62); "EMPLOYEE NO. " B(1): PRINT @ (3,31),: LINE INPUT
B$(2): IF LEN(B$(2))>19 THEN 1040
1050 IF B$(2)="" THEN CLOSE: GOTO 7010
1060 PRINT @ (5,5), "STREET ADDRESS: ";TAB(32); STRING$(30,160)+S

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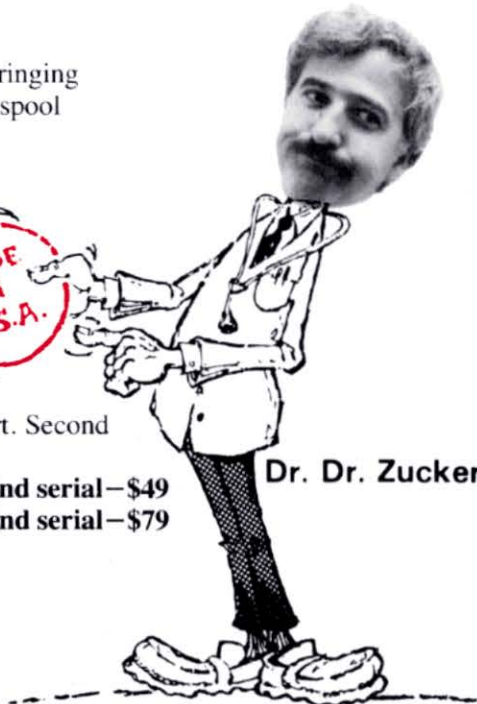


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TER STATE TAX FROM TABLES"; B(21).

Lines 2600-2740 complete the calculations, display the results on the screen, and enable you to make any necessary corrections before storing on disk or printing the paycheck information. Line 2790 checks to see if the correction you are entering is for a single paycheck. If so, the menu reappears on screen. If not, the program goes on to calculate a paycheck for the next employee.

Lines 2840 and 2850 set up elongated print on a Radio Shack DMP-120 dot-matrix printer, print the company name on the paycheck stub, and return the printer to normal print. If you are using any other dot-matrix printer, use your own printer codes or delete the codes and leave the printer in normal print.

Lines 2860-2980 print a paycheck stub, automatically suppressing tips as wages if not needed.

The program prints a payroll summary listing current data for each active employee.

Module 3 (lines 3000-3080) prints the employee data record (see Fig. 2) using condensed print to produce about 132 characters per line. If you do not have a DMP 120 or similar 132-column printer, substitute your own printer codes.

Module 4 (lines 4000-4520) provides the correction routines you need to change employee data, current paycheck information, and month-to-date payroll. The first routine can change employee data by changing a line, storing the change on disk, displaying the entire record on screen, and changing additional lines until you enter 11 to exit the routine.

The second routine changes current paycheck information by entering the paycheck calculation module and exiting to the menu after calculating, printing, and saving the new information.

The third routine changes month-to-date information by listing the data that is on the disk on the screen and asking you to supply new information for an employee. You must reenter all the information that does not change for that employee. The routine changes data on the disk when you verify all entries.

Module 5 (lines 5000-5140) prints the payroll summary (a listing of each active employee and the data from his or her current paycheck; see Fig. 3). It also prints a weekly total of all employees. This total is

PAYROLL INFORMATION

Week ending July 15 1986 Paycheck information for JUNE LOWRY

HOURS - REGULAR	37.50	REGULAR PAY	\$ 84.75
HOURS - O/T	4.00	OVERTIME PAY	11.40
WAGES	\$ 97.75	WAGES	97.75
TOTAL TIPS	\$ 45.00	SOCIAL SECURITY DEDUCTIONS	10.21
TOTAL GROSS	\$ 142.75	FEDERAL WITHHOLDINGS	6.15
TIPS AS WAGES	\$ 41.25	STATE WITHHOLDINGS	1.14
		OTHER DEDUCTIONS	14.80
		NET PAY	\$ 65.68

Fig. 1. Sample pay stub printout.

MONTH TO DATE PAYROLL

REPORT DATED 00/00/00

Employee No.	WAGES	TIPS	FICA	FED W/H	ST W/H	NET PAY	TIPS/WAGES
1	286.59	140.00	30.50	18.24	3.29	192.40	120.45
2	108.75	47.00	11.14	17.39	2.29	74.43	16.89
3	129.68	56.00	13.28	18.77	2.95	62.68	22.75
4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	197.50	40.00	16.98	15.02	4.02	149.48	0.00
Mo to date	722.52	283.00	71.90	69.42	12.65	478.99	160.68

Fig. 2. Sample month-to-date payroll printout.

WEEKLY PAYROLL FOR 80 Micro

REPORT DATED 00/00/00

EMP #	NAME	HOURS	O/T HRS	WAGES	TIPS	FICA	FED W/H	ST. W/H	OTHER DED	NET PAY	TIPS/WAGES
1	JUNE LOWRY	34.50	4.00	91.00	50.00	10.98	5.94	1.11	14.00	59.90	77.95
2	TERESA BLACKBURN	37.50	1.00	108.75	47.00	11.14	17.39	2.29	3.50	74.43	16.88
3	DOROTHY DAVIS	45.50	8.00	129.68	56.00	13.28	18.77	2.95	32.00	62.68	22.75
5	BETTY APPLETREE	35.00	1.00	197.50	40.00	16.98	15.02	4.02	12.00	149.48	0.00
6	WEEKLY TOTAL	152.50	18.00	526.96	193.00	51.48	57.12	10.37	61.50	346.49	77.58

Fig. 3. Sample weekly payroll printout.

1	JUNE LOWRY	M.C.R. 4 BOX 1221	HOLLISTER, MO. 65672	111-22-3333							
STATUS	M	ACTIVE	Y	EXEMPT.	2	P/R 2.25	O/R 3.25	FED W/H DED	41.54	STATE W/H DED	78.85
2	TERESA BLACKBURN	P.O. BOX 1986	BRANSON, MO. 65616	222-33-4444							
STATUS	S	ACTIVE	Y	EXEMPT.	0	P/R 2.90	O/R 0.00	FED W/H DED	0.00	STATE W/H DED	44.23
3	DOROTHY DAVIS	M.C.R. 2 BOX 2222	BRANSON, MO. 65616	333-44-5555							
STATUS	S	ACTIVE	Y	EXEMPT.	1	P/R 2.85	O/R 0.00	FED W/H DED	20.77	STATE W/H DED	55.77
4	PENNY SINGLETON	1221 WESTBROOK DRIVE	HOLLISTER, MO. 65672	444-55-6666							
STATUS	M	ACTIVE	N	EXEMPT.	2	P/R 2.15	O/R 0.00	FED W/H DED	41.54	STATE W/H DED	78.85
5	BETTY APPLETREE	GENERAL DELIVERY	KIRBYVILLE, MO. 65676	555-66-7777							
STATUS	M	ACTIVE	Y	EXEMPT.	3	P/R 5.00	O/R 7.50	FED W/H DED	62.31	STATE W/H DED	86.54

Fig. 4. Sample employee-listing printout.

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TRINGS(5,32);: PRINT @(5,31);:LINE INPUT BS(3): IF LEN(BS(3)
)>30 THEN 1060
1070 PRINT @(7,5), "CITY, STATE, ZIP: ";TAB(32); STRINGS(30,160)+S
RING$(5,32);: PRINT @(7,31);: LINE INPUT BS(4): IF LEN(BS(4)
)>30 THEN 1070
1080 PRINT @(9,5), "SOCIAL SECURITY # "; TAB(32); STRINGS(11,160)+S
TRINGS(5,32);:PRINT @(9,31);: LINE INPUT BS(5): IF LEN(BS(5)
)>11 THEN 1080
1090 PRINT @(11,5), "IS EMPLOYEE ACTIVE (Y or N)";:INPUT B$(7): IF
B$(7)="N" THEN 1210 ELSE IF B$(7)<"Y" THEN 1090
1100 PRINT @(13,5), "HOURLY PAY RATE (eg. 335) ";: INPUT B(9): B(9
)=B(9)/100
1110 PRINT @(13,42), "OVERTIME PAY RATE (eg. 502) ";: INPUT B(10)
: B(10)=B(10)/100
1120 PRINT @(15,5), "STATUS (M,S OR <E>xempt)";TAB(36); STRINGS(1,
160)+STRINGS(3,32);:PRINT @(15,35);: INPUT BS(6): IF LEN(BS(
6))>1 THEN 1120
1130 IF BS(6)="E" THEN 1210 ELSE 1135
1135 IF BS(6) <> "M" AND BS(6) <> "S" THEN 1120
1140 PRINT @(15,44), "EXEMPTIONS: ";TAB(62);STRINGS(1,160)+STRINGS
(5,32);:PRINT @(15,61);:INPUT B(8): IF B(8)<0 OR B(8)>9 THEN
1140
1150 PRINT: PRINT " ENTER ANNUAL MISSOURI W/H ALLOWANCE (STAND
ARD + DEPENDENCY ALLOWANCE) SEE EMPLOYERS TAX GUIDE
FOR STANDARD ALLOWANCE INFORMATION. ";
1160 INPUT MO: MO=MO/5200: B(12)=FNR(MO) '---MO W/H DED
1180 B(11)=36.54*B(8) '---FED W/H DED -
1190 PRINT @(20,5), USING "FEDERAL ALLOWANCE FOR CALCULATING W/H T
AX IS $###.## WEEKLY"; B(11)
1200 PRINT @(21,5), USING "STATE ALLOWANCE FOR CALCULATING W/H TAX
IS $###.## WEEKLY"; B(12)
1210 PRINT @(22,20), "ARE ALL ENTRIES CORRECT (Y or N)";: INPUT IS:
IF IS="Y" THEN 1230
1220 IF IS="N" THEN 1020 ELSE 1210
    
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1230 GOSUB 140 '-----RECORD ON DISC--          ** 795
1240 LSET A$(1)=MKIS$(B(1)); LSET A$(2)=B$(2); LSET A$(3)=B$(3); LS
ET A$(4)=B$(4); LSET A$(5)=B$(5); LSET A$(6)=B$(6); LSET A$(7)
=B$(7); LSET A$(8)=MKIS$(B(8)); LSET A$(9)=MKSS$(B(9)); LSET A$
(10)=MKSS$(B(10)); LSET A$(11)=MKSS$(B(11)); LSET A$(12)=MKSS$(B
(12))                                          ** 13847
1250 PUT 1, X: CLOSE: GOTO 7010              ** 1825
2000 ' INPUT CURRENT PAYROLL
2010 CLS: PRINT @ (2,18), "CALCULATE CURRENT PA
YROLL"                                       ** 4072
2020 PRINT @ (4,9), "Check that the printer is set to the top line
on the paper"                               ** 6460
2030 PRINT @ (6,3), "The date can be entered as any letters or num
bers so long as the space required is not more than 12 charac
ters - we suggest as an example, July 15 1986" ** 14477
2040 PRINT @ (10,10), "Check date: "; TAB(32); STRING$(12,160)+STRI
NG$(5,32);: PRINT @ (10,31);:LINE INPUT DA$: IF LEN(DA$)>12
THEN 2040                                     ** 8072
2060 PRINT @ (12,10), "Is this the first paycheck for the month <Y
> OR <N>"; INPUT IS: IF IS="Y" THEN 2070 ELSE 2080 ** 8098
2070 PRINT @ (14,0), "This is the first payroll for the month, and
will set all monthly totals to zero": PRINT @ (16,25), "CONT
INUE <Y> OR <N>"; INPUT KS: IF KS="N" THEN 2060 ** 12892
2080 PRINT @ (18,20), "One minute, while I update the records ":GO
SUB 130: FOR X = 1 TO LF: GET 1,X: GOSUB 230 ** 7567
2090 IF IS="Y" THEN 2100 ELSE 2110 '-----UPDATE MTD FIGURES-
** 1856
2100 B(24)=0: B(25)=0: B(26)=0: B(27)=0: B(28)=0: B(29)=0: B(30)=0
: GOTO 2120 ** 3917
2110 B(24)=B(24)+B(17)-B(16): B(25)=B(25)+B(19): B(26)= B(26)+ B(2
0): B(27)=B(27)+ B(21): B(28)=B(28)+B(18): B(29)=B(29)+B(16):
B(30)=B(30)+B(23) ** 7142
2120 B(14)=0: B(15)=0: B(16)=0: B(17)=0: B(18)=0: B(19)=0: B(20)=0
: B(21)=0: B(22)=0: B(23)=0 ** 4618
2130 GOSUB 180: PUT 1,X: NEXT ** 1760
2140 '-----INPUT NEW PAYROLL DATA--
2150 FOR X=1 TO LF: GET 1,X: GOSUB 220 ** 2247
2160 IF B$(7)="N" THEN 2000 ELSE 2170 '---SKIP IF NOT ACTIVE ** 1985
2170 B$(13)=DA$: CLS: PRINT @ (5,10), "Payroll for ..." B$(2);: PR
INT @ (5,50), "Employee # " B(1) ** 5854
2180 PRINT @ (7,10), "Hours worked: (eg. 37.5)": INPUT B(14): PRI
NT @ (7,55), "Overtime hrs. ":: INPUT B(15) ** 7100
2190 IF B(14)>65 OR B(15)>25 THEN CLS: GOTO 2170 ** 2697
2200 PRINT @ (9,10), "Total Tips: (eg.6000) ": INPUT B(16): B(16
)=B(16)/100 ** 4497
2210 PRINT @ (11,10), "Other deductions: ": INPUT B(22): B(22)=B(
22)/100 ** 4593
2220 RP=B(9)*B(14): OP=B(10)*B(15) ** 1792
2230 RP=FNR(RP) '---ROUND OFF REG PAY ** 927
2240 OP=FNR(OP): GP=RP+OP '---ROUND O/T PAY - GET WAGES ** 1620
2250 TG = GP + B(16) '---GET GROSS (ADD TIPS) ** 1821
2260 B(17)=FNR(TG) '---ROUND GROSS ** 1812
2270 IF B(16)=0 OR B(9)=3.35 THEN B(18)=0: GOTO 2290 ** 2890
2280 W=(B(14)*3.35-B(9)*B(14)): B(18)=FNR(W) '---CALC & ROUND TIPS
AS WAGES ** 2296
2290 W=B(17)*.0715: B(19)=FNR(W) '---CALC FICA & ROUND ** 1763
2300 FT=B(17)-B(11) '---FED TAXABLE INCOME ** 985
2310 IF B$(6)="M" THEN 2340 ** 1416
2310 IF B$(6)="H" THEN 2340 ** 1416
2320 IF B$(6)="S" THEN 2390 ** 1460
2330 IF B$(6)="E" THEN B(20)=0: B(21)=0: GOTO 2600 ** 2643
2340 IF FT<=36 THEN B(20)=0: GOTO 2470 '---MARRIED FED TAX ** 2149
2350 IF FT<=93 THEN B(20)=(FT-36)*.11: GOTO 2460 ** 2675
2360 IF FT<=574 THEN B(20)=(FT-93)*.15+6.27: GOTO 2460 ** 2983
2370 IF FT<=901 THEN B(20)=(FT-574)*.28+78.42: GOTO 2460 ** 3088
2380 IF FT<=1767 THEN B(20)=(FT-901)*.35+169.98: GOTO 2460 ** 3200
2385 IF FT>1767 THEN B(20)=(FT-1767)*.385+473.08: GOTO 2460 ** 3250
2390 IF FT<=12 THEN B(20)=0: GOTO 2470 '---SINGLE FED TAX ** 2148
2400 IF FT<=47 THEN B(20)=(FT-12)*.11: GOTO 2460 ** 2664
2410 IF FT<=335 THEN B(20)=(FT-47)*.15+3.85: GOTO 2460 ** 2974
2420 IF FT<=532 THEN B(20)=(FT-335)*.28+47.05: GOTO 2460 ** 3074
2430 IF FT<=1051 THEN B(20)=(FT-502)*.35+102.21: GOTO 2460 ** 3152
2440 IF FT>1051 THEN B(20)=(FT-1051)*.385+283.86: GOTO 2460 ** 3219
2470 MT=B(17)-B(12)-B(20) '---CALC MO TAXABLE INCOME ** 1291
2480 IF MT<=0 THEN B(21)=0: GOTO 2600 '---CALC MO TAX ** 2100
2490 IF MT<20 THEN B(21)=MT*.015: GOTO 2590 ** 2449
2500 IF MT<40 THEN B(21)=.3+(MT-20)*.02: GOTO 2590 ** 2755
2510 IF MT<60 THEN B(21)=.7+(MT-40)*.025: GOTO 2590 ** 2817
2520 IF MT<80 THEN B(21)=1.2+(MT-60)*.03: GOTO 2590 ** 2814
2530 IF MT<100 THEN B(21)=1.8+(MT-80)*.035: GOTO 2590 ** 2917
2540 IF MT<120 THEN B(21)=2.5+(MT-100)*.04: GOTO 2590 ** 2907
2550 IF MT<140 THEN B(21)=3.3+(MT-120)*.045: GOTO 2590 ** 2964
2560 IF MT<160 THEN B(21)=4.2+(MT-140)*.05: GOTO 2590 ** 2917
2570 IF MT<=180 THEN B(21)=5.2+(MT-160)*.055: GOTO 2590 ** 3037
2580 IF MT>180 THEN B(21)=6.3+(MT-180)*.06 ** 2288
2590 W=B(21): B(21)=FNR(W) '---ROUND OFF MO TX ** 1429
2600 B(23)=GP -B(19)-B(20)-B(21)-B(22) '---CALC NET PAY ** 1895
2610 '-----SCREENPRINT PAYCHECK-----
2620 CLS: PRINT: PRINT "DATE.....";B$(13): PRINT ** 2925
2630 PRINT B$(2); TAB(22) "EMP. #";B(1);TAB(34) "STATUS?";B$(6); TA
B(47) "EXEMPTIONS";B(8);TAB(63) "RATE:";B(9): PRINT ** 6669
2640 PRINT USING "HOURS - REGULAR ##.##";B(14);: PRINT TAB(35);
PRINT USING "REGULAR PAY $###.##";RP ** 6712
2650 PRINT USING "HOURS - O/T ##.##";B(15);: PRINT TAB(35);
PRINT USING "OVERTIME PAY ###.##";OP ** 6540
2660 PRINT USING "WAGES $###.##";RP+OP;: PRINT TAB(38)
;: PRINT USING "WAGES ###.##";RP + OP ** 6432
2670 PRINT USING "TOTAL TIPS $###.##";B(16);: PRINT TAB(35);
PRINT USING "SOCIAL SECURITY DEDUCTIONS ###.##";B(19) ** 7256
2680 PRINT USING "TOTAL GROSS $###.##";B(17);: PRINT TAB(35);
PRINT USING "FEDERAL WITHHOLDING: ###.##"; B(20) ** 7049

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Listing continued

calculated during the print cycle and is not written to disk. The routine uses condensed print, and then returns the printer to normal.

Module 6 (lines 6000-6120) prints a listing of all employees (active and inactive) as well as month-to-date totals for each employee (see Fig. 4). It keeps running totals in each category for you much as Module 5 does.

Module 7 (lines 7000-7150) is the menu. It begins with the command LPRINT CHR\$(6), which resets the printer line counter before each printout. You can also use LPRINT CHR\$(12) to automatically advance the paper to the top of a form. The menu is self-explanatory.

The program ends with two system commands. Line 7160 makes a back-up copy of the data file on drive 1, and line 7170 returns to TRSDOS.

Tandy 1000 Changes

Barefoot Basic Payroll will run on the Tandy 1000 with the following changes: First, change all Print@ statements to Locate statements. Remember, though, that Print@ statements start at 0,0 and Locate statements start at 1,1. Therefore, add 1 to each Print@ location. For example:

```
60 CLS:PRINT@ (2,25), "Payroll Program"
```

becomes

```
60 CLS:LOCATE 3,26:PRINT "Payroll Program"
```

In this program, however, it makes little difference whether you add to the Print@ values, unless a zero location is used.

Change the PRINT@ 20 in lines 1020 and 4100 to LOCATE 1,20:PRINT. Change the PRINT@ 820 in lines 5010 and 6005 to LOCATE 10,20:PRINT.

The STRING\$ command in lines 1040-1140, 2040, and 4370 prints a dotted line for screen input. Change the ASCII value 160 to 45 (or the ASCII value of whatever character you prefer).

Change lines 70 and 80 to:

```
70 LOCATE 8,1:PRINT "Data from this program
is stored in a disk file named PAYROLL.DAT"
```

```
80 PRINT:PRINT "Before continuing, check to
make sure the printer is turned on and the paper
is lined up."
```

Change TRSDOS in line 7080 to MS-DOS.

Delete lines 100, 7075, 7145, and 7160. Delete the CLEAR in line 30.

Change PAYROLL/DAT:0,200 to PAYROLL.DAT,200 in lines 130, 1010, and 4010. Change LF=LOF(1) to LF=LOF(1)/200 in lines 130 and 4010. Change X=LOF(1)+1 to X=(LOF(1)/200)+1 in line 1010.

Finally, enter Basic with the command BASIC /S:200/I to run the program. ■

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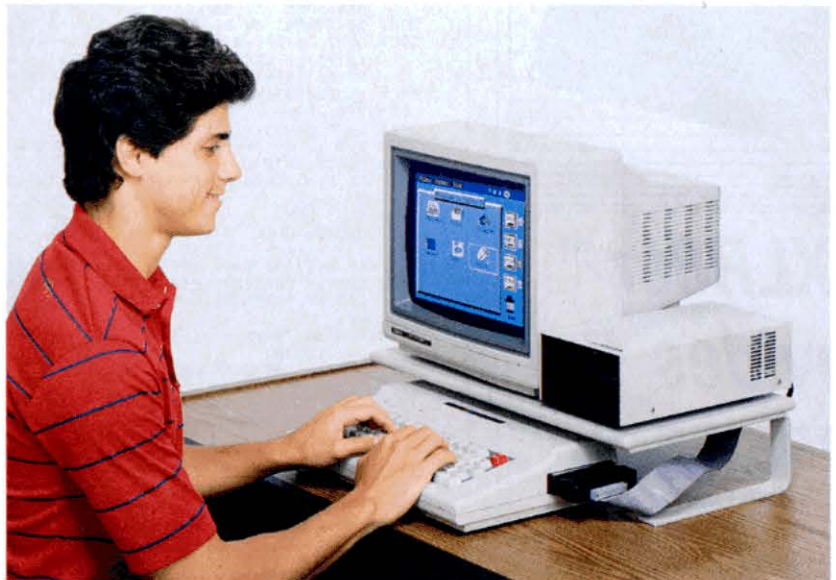
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4230 INPUT B$(3): GOTO 4330
4240 LINE INPUT B$(4): GOTO 4330
4250 INPUT B$(5): GOTO 4330
4260 INPUT B$(6): GOTO 4330
4270 INPUT B$(7): GOTO 4330
4280 INPUT B(8):B(11)=B(8)*36.54: GOTO 4330
4290 INPUT B(9): B(9)=B(9)/100: GOTO 4330
4300 INPUT B(10): B(10)=B(10)/100: GOTO 4330
4310 INPUT " - Annual deduction (standard + dependency)"; MO
4320 MO=MO/5200: B(12)=FNR(MO)
4330 LSET A$(1)=MKIS(B(1)): LSET A$(2)=B$(2): LSET A$(3)=B$(3): LSET
A$(4)=B$(4):LSET A$(5)=B$(5): LSET A$(6)=B$(6): LSET A$(7)
=B$(7): LSET A$(8)=MKIS(B(8)): LSET A$(9)=MKSS(B(9)): LSET A$(
(10)=MKSS(B(10)): LSET A$(11)=MKSS(B(11)): LSET A$(12)=MKSS(B
)=MKSS(B(12))
4340 PUT 1,X: GOTO 4100
4350 CLOSE: GOTO 7010
4360 '-----CHANGE CURRENT PAYDATA
4370 PRINT @ (3,10), "Check date: "; TAB(32); STRING$(12,160)+STRIN
G$(5,32);: PRINT @ (3,31);:LINE INPUT DA$: IF LEN(DA$)>12 T
HEN 4370
4380 GOSUB 140: GET 1,X: GOSUB 220
4390 FL=1: GOTO 2170
4400 '-----CHANGE MTD DATA
4410 GOSUB 160: GET 1, X: GOSUB 250: PRINT: PRINT
4420 PRINT @ (2,5), "This change procedure requires that each corr
ect sum be re-entered. IF ANY TIME you simply press <ENTER
>, the current sum will be replaced with a zero
All sums should be entered without decimal points"
4430 PRINT: PRINT TAB(15) "MO TO DATE";: PRINT TAB(52) "CORRECT":
PRINT
4440 PRINT TAB(9) USING "WAGES #####.##";B(24);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(24): B(24)=B(24)/100
4450 PRINT TAB(9) USING "FICA #####.##";B(25);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(25): B(25)=B(25)/100
4460 PRINT TAB(9) USING "FED W/H #####.##";B(26);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(26): B(26)=B(26)/100
4470 PRINT TAB(9) USING "STATE W/H #####.##";B(27);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(27): B(27)=B(27)/100
4480 PRINT TAB(9) USING "TIPS AS WAGES #####.##";B(28);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(28): B(28)=B(28)/100
4490 PRINT TAB(9) USING "TOTAL TIPS #####.##";B(29);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(29): B(29)=B(29)/100
4500 PRINT TAB(9) USING "NET PAY #####.##";B(30);: PRINT TAB
(50);: INPUT B(30): B(30)=B(30)/100
4510 PRINT: PRINT: INPUT " ARE ALL ENTRIES CORRECT..."; E
$: IF E$="Y" THEN 4520 ELSE 4400
4520 GOSUB 200: PUT 1,X :CLOSE: GOTO 7010
5000 ' PRINT CURRENT PAYROLL SUMMARY
5010 CLS: PRINT @ 820, "Printing weekly payroll summary"
5020 LPRINT: LPRINT "WEEKLY PAYROLL FOR "CHR$(27); LPRINT TAB(50) "RE
PORT DATED " DATE$: LPRINT CHR$(27) CHR$(20)
5030 LPRINT "EMP # NAME HOURS O/T HRS WAGE
S TIPS FICA FED W/H ST. W/H OTHER DES NET PA
Y TIPS/WAGES"
5040 GOSUB 130
5050 FOR X=1 TO LF: GET 1, X: GOSUB 220
5060 IF B$(7)="N" THEN 5110
5070 GP=B(17)-B(16)
5080 SS=" ## \ \ #####.## ###.## #####.##
#####.## \ \ #####.## ###.## #####.##
#####.##"
5090 LPRINT USING SS; CVI(A$(1)), A$(2),B(14),B(15),GP, B(16),B(19
),B(20),B(21),B(22),B(23), B(18)
5100 TP1=TP1+B(14): TP2=TP2+B(15): TP3=TP3+GP: TP4=TP4+B(16): TP5=
TP5+B(19): TP6=TP6+B(20): TP7=TP7+B(21): TP8=TP8+B(22): TP9=T
P9+B(23): TP10=TP10+B(18)
5110 NEXT
5120 A$(2)= " WEEKLY TOTAL": LPRINT USING SS; X, A$(2), TP1, TP2
, TP3, TP4, TP5, TP6, TP7, TP8, TP9, TP10: TP1=0: TP2=0: TP3=
0: TP4=0: TP5=0: TP6=0: TP7=0: TP8=0: TP9=0: TP10=0

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5130 CLOSE: LPRINT CHR$(27) CHR$(19)
5140 GOTO 7010
6000 ' PRINT MONTH TO DATE PAYDATA
6005 CLG: PRINT @ 820, "Printing Month to Date Payroll Summary"
6010 LPRINT: LPRINT "MONTH TO DATE PAYROLL";: LPRINT TAB(50) "REP
ORT DATED "DATE$: LPRINT
6020 LPRINT "Employee No. WAGES TIPS FICA FED W/H S
T W/H NET PAY TIPS/WAGES"
6030 RS= " #####.## #####.## #####.## #####.## #####.##
#####.##"
6040 GOSUB 130
6050 FOR X = 1 TO LF: GET 1,X: GOSUB 230
6070 B(24)=B(24)+B(17)-B(16): B(25)=B(25)+B(19): B(26)= B(26)+ B(2
0): B(27)=B(27)+ B(21): B(28)=B(28)+B(18): B(29)=B(29)+B(16):
B(30)=B(30)+B(23)
6080 LPRINT TAB(3) X;: LPRINT TAB(13) USING RS; B(24), B(29), B(25
), B(26), B(27), B(30), B(28)
6090 MT1=MT1+B(24): MT2=MT2+B(25): MT3=MT3+B(26): MT4=MT4+B(27): M
T5=MT5+B(28): MT6=MT6+B(29): MT7=MT7+B(30)
6100 NEXT
6110 LPRINT "Mo to date ";: LPRINT USING RS; MT1, MT6,MT2,MT3,MT4
,MT7,MT5: MT1=0: MT2=0: MT3=0: MT4=0: MT5=0: MT6=0: MT7=0
6120 CLOSE: GOTO 7000
7000 ' MENU
7010 CLS: LPRINT CHR$(6);: PRINT @ 266, "P A Y R O L L P R O G R
A M"
7020 PRINT: PRINT: PRINT TAB(24) "ENTER <P> TO CALCULATE CURRENT P
AYROLL"
7030 PRINT TAB(30) "<C> TO CHANGE AN EMPLOYEE RECORD"
7040 PRINT TAB(30) "<A> TO ADD EMPLOYEES"
7050 PRINT TAB(30) "<D> PRINT EMPLOYEE DATA FILE"
7060 PRINT TAB(30) "<S> PRINT SUMMARY OF CURRENT PAYROLL"
7070 PRINT TAB(30) "<M> PRINT MONTH TO DATE TOTALS"
7075 PRINT TAB(30) "<B> TO BACKUP DATA TO DRIVE :1"
7080 PRINT TAB(30) "<X> TO EXIT TO TRSDOS":PRINT:PRINT
7090 INPUT "Enter choice: ", E$: IF E$="P" OR E$="p" THEN 2000
7100 IF E$="C" OR E$="c" THEN 4000
7110 IF E$="A" OR E$="a" THEN 1000
7120 IF E$="D" OR E$="d" THEN 3000
7130 IF E$="S" OR E$="s" THEN 5000
7140 IF E$="M" OR E$="m" THEN 6000
7145 IF E$="B" OR E$="b" THEN 7160
7150 IF E$="X" OR E$="x" THEN 7170 ELSE 7010
7160 CLOSE: SYSTEM "COPY PAYROLL/DAT:0 :1": GOTO 7010
7170 CLOSE: SYSTEM

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Program Listing 2. Sample Basic code.

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10 DEF FNR(X)=1+ABS((X->36)+(X->93)+(X->574))
20 INPUT "TAXABLE WAGES "; A: B=FNR(A)
30 ON B GOTO 40,50,60,70
40 TX = 0: GOTO 80
50 TX = (A-36)*.11: GOTO 80
60 TX = (A-93)*.15+.6.27: GOTO 80
70 TX = (A-574)*.28+.78.42: GOTO 80
80 PRINT "TAX =" TX: END

```

Program Listing 3. Sample Barefoot Basic code.

```

10 INPUT "TAXABLE WAGES ";A
20 IF A<36 THEN TX=0: GOTO 60
30 IF A<93 THEN TX=(A-36)*.11: GOTO 60
40 IF A<574 THEN TX=(A-93)*.15+.6.27: GOTO 60
50 IF A=>574 THEN TX=(A-574)*.28+.78.42:GOTO 60
60 PRINT "TAX =" TX: END

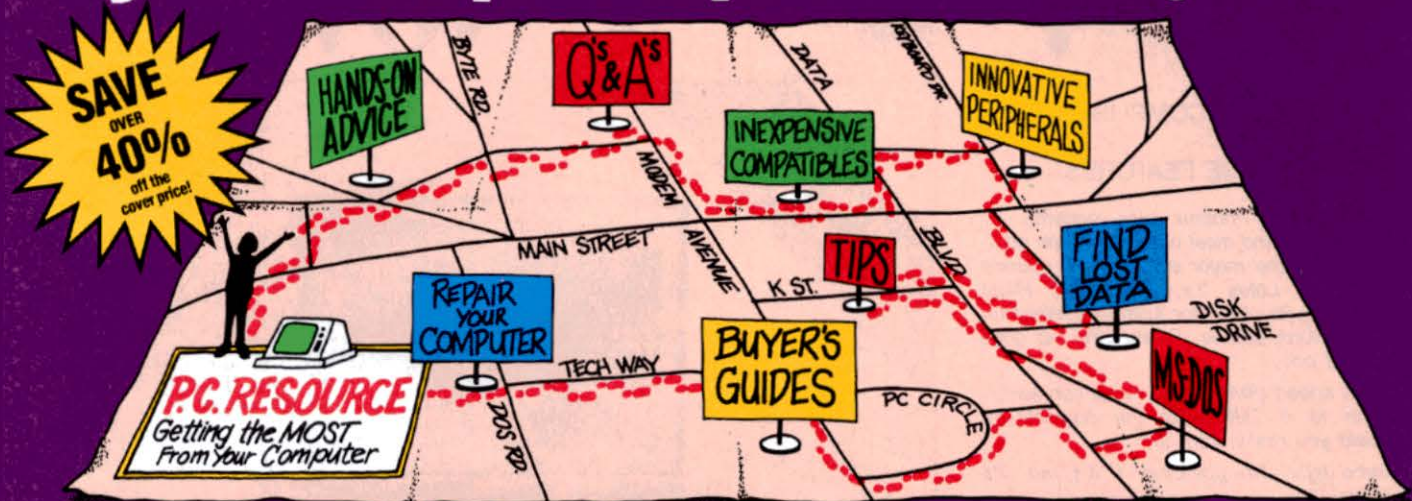
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End

End

End

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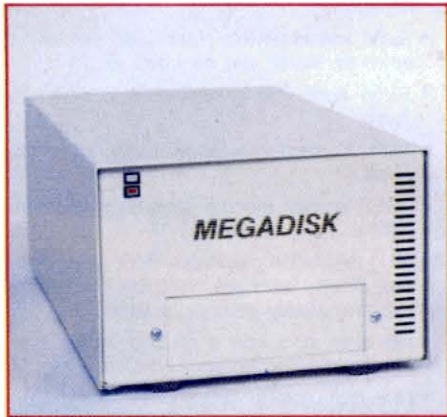
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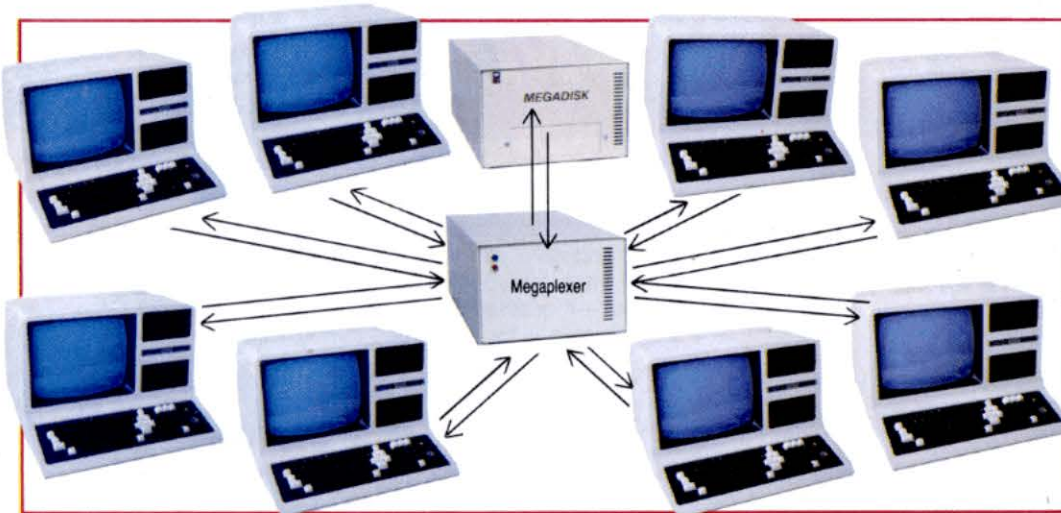
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Not wanting my BBS to be lost in the clutter of a Basic program, I wrote my own RS-232 driver program. With this program, you can put your Model 4 on line and be your own system operator (sysop).

Program Listing 1, BBS Driver, is a machine-language driver similar to Radio Shack's COM/DVR but significantly more advanced. Its features include buffered input/output (I/O), output-character translation, input-character translation (limited), carrier detection, and remote-pause capability. BBS Driver uses just under 3.5K of memory and resides at address F30 hexadecimal (hex). If any filters or drivers are present during installation a "No memory" message appears. You must remove the filters and drivers and install them after setting up BBS Driver.

Assemble the program shown and save it as BBS/DVR. Then type in and save Program Listing 2, a bare-bones BBS program, with the file name Board/BAS. Finally, type the following commands from TRSDOS, entering each one separately:

```
SET *CL BBS/DVR
LINK *KI *CL
LINK *DO *CL
SYSTEM (SMOOTH = OFF)
SYSTEM (DATE = OFF)
SYSTEM (TIME = OFF)
SYSGEN
AUTO BASIC BOARD/BAS
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System Requirements

Model 4
64K RAM
Disk Basic
Editor/Assembler
Auto-answer modem

Program Listing 1. BBS Driver.

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00100 ;OPTION BIT 0, 1=BLOCK CLS CODES 0=DONT BLOCK CLS
00110 ; BIT 1, 1=OUTPUT ON 0=OUTPUT OFF
00120 ; BIT 2, 1=UPPER & LOWER 0=UPPER CASE ONLY
00130 ; BIT 3, 1=CR ONLY 0=CR/LF
00140 ; BIT 4, 1=ENABLE CONTROL MESSAGES 0=CONTROL MESSAGES OFF
00150 ; BIT 5, 1=ENABLE CONTROL MESSAGES 0=CONTROL MESSAGES OFF
00160 ; BIT 6, 1=
00170 ; BIT 7, 1=
00180 ;STATUS BIT 0, CONTROL COMMAND FOLLOWS (1=CONTROL COMMAND FOLLOWS)
00190 ; BIT 1, CONTROL VALUE FOLLOWS (1=FOLLOWS,1ST BYTE)
00200 ; BIT 2, CONTROL CHARACTER FOLLOWS (1=FOLLOW,2ND BYTE)
00210 ; BIT 3, PAUSE SWITCH (1=IN PAUSE MODE)
00220 ; BIT 4,
00230 ; BIT 5, CARRIER DETECT STATUS BIT (0=CARRIER ON)
00240 ; BIT 6, CLS BLOCK BIT (2ND CHAR)
00250 ; BIT 7,
00260 ;RSSTAT RS232 CONTROL REGISTER STATUS (DEFAULT=6FH)
00270 ;CTLVAL CONTROL KEY VALUE (NEW VALUE)
00280 ;IHEAD INPUT BUFFER HEAD
00290 ;ITAIL INPUT BUFFER TAIL
00300 ;OHEAD OUTPUT BUFFER HEAD
00310 ;OTAIL OUTPUT BUFFER TAIL
00320 ;INPBUF INPUT BUFFER (256 BYTES)
00330 ;OUTBUF OUTPUT BUFFER (2K BYTES)
00340 ;CTLTBL CONTROL KEY TABLE
00350 ;
00360 ;
00370 DELAY: EQU 10000 ;(10000/60)/60=3 MIN
00380 USTAT: EQU 0EAH
00390 UCTRL: EQU 0EAH
00400 URSET: EQU 0E8H
00410 MSTAT: EQU 0E8H
00420 UDATA: EQU 0EBH
00430 UBAUD: EQU 0E9H
00440 INTENB: EQU 0E0H
00450 BR300: EQU 55H
00460 BR1200: EQU 77H
00470 BR2400: EQU 0AAH
00480 VIDCTL: EQU 84H
00490 FLAGS: EQU 65H
00500 HIGH: EQU 64H
00510 DSPLY: EQU 0AH
00520 ;BBS/DVR - Bulletin Board System Communications Driver
00530 ;ORG 3000H
00540 INIT: PUSH DE ;Get DCB address
00550 POP IX
00560 LD (DCBPTR),DE ;Save in memory header
00570 LD HL,CPYRHT ;Display copyright
00580 PUSH DE
00590 LD A,DSPLY
00600 RST 28H
00610 POP DE
00620 LD A,FLAGS
00630 RST 28H
00640 BIT 3,(IX+2) ;Check RUN flag
00650 JP I,MSG1 ;Must install via SET
00660 BIT 0,(IX+2) ;Check if HIGH can be changed
00670 JP NZ,MSG2 ;No memory!
00680 LD HL,0 ;Get HIGH memory
00690 LD B,L
00700 LD A,HIGH
00710 RST 28H
00720 LD DE,0FFFFH ;See if max memory avail.
00730 XOR A
00740 SBC HL,DE
00750 JP C,MSG2 ;No memory!
00760 LD HL,MAIN-1 ;Set HIGH memory
00770 LD A,HIGH
00780 LD B,0
00790 RST 28H
00800 INC HL
00810 LD (IX+1),L
00820 LD (IX+2),H
00830 ;
00840 LD A,FLAGS
00850 RST 28H
00860 LD A,(IX+28) ;Get ICNFG op-code
00870 LD (ICNFG),A
00880 LD L,(IX+29) ;Get ICNFG address
00890 LD H,(IX+30)
00900 LD (ICNFG+1),HL
00910 LD HL,PWRUP
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Listing 1 continued

Listing 1 continued

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00920 LD (IY+29),L
00930 LD (IY+30),H
00940 LD A,0C3H
00950 LD (IY+28),A
00960 LD BC,14
00970 ADD IY,BC
00980 LD (IX+00H),07H ;NIL/CTL/PUT/GET
00990 LD (RETINT+1),IY ;Save port 84H image address
01000 LD (FLAG1+1),IY
01010 ;
01020 LD HL,(0038H+1) ;Patch in interrupt routine
01030 LD (CONTIN+1),HL
01040 LD A,(0038H)
01050 LD (CONTIN),A
01060 LD A,0C3H
01070 LD HL,INTRPT
01080 DI
01090 LD (0038H),A ;Patch out old address
01100 LD (0038H+1),HL
01110 EI
01120 LD A,FLAGS
01130 RST 20H
01140 LD A,(IY+22) ;Enable RS232 interrupts
01150 OR 20H
01160 LD (IY+22),A
01170 OUT (INTENB),A
01180 ;
01190 ;initialize uart now
01200 LD A,01H
01210 OUT (URSET),A ;UART Reset
01220 LD A,(RSSTAT) ;Get RS232 status
01230 OUT (UCTRL),A
01240 LD A,BR300 ;300 BAUD
01250 OUT (UBAUD),A
01260 ;
01270 LD HL,0000H ;Signal no errors
01280 RET
01290 ;
01300 MSG2: LD HL,MEMMSG
01310 JR MSG
01320 MSG1: LD HL,SETMSG
01330 MSG: LD A,DSPLY
01340 RST 20H
01350 LD HL,0FFFFH ;Signal an error occurred
01360 RET
01370 MEMMSG: DEFM 'No memory space available'
01380 DEFB 0DH
01390 SETMSG: DEFM 'Must install via SET!'
01400 DEFB 0DH
01410 CPYRHT: DEFM 'BBS/DVR - BBS Communications Driver'
01420 DEFB 0DH
01430 ;-----
01440 ORG 0F300H
01450 MAIN: JR PSTDCB ;IX POINTS HERE FOR INDEXING IF NEEDED
01460 DEFW 0FFFFH ;LAST ADDRESS USED BY MODULE
01470 DEFB DCBPTR-MAIN-5 ;NUMBER OF CHARS IN MODULE NAME
01480 DEFM '$BBS'
01490 DCBPTR: DEFW 0000H
01500 DEFW 0000H
01510 PSTDCB: JP MAIN1
01520 ;
01530 RETINT: LD A,(0000H) ;Restore port 84H
01540 OUT (VIDCTL),A
01550 POP HL
01560 POP BC
01570 POP AF
01580 EI
01590 RETI
01600 INTRPT: PUSH AF
01610 PUSH BC
01620 PUSH HL
01630 FLAG1: LD A,(0000H)
01640 AND 8CH
01650 OR 03H
01660 OUT (VIDCTL),A
01670 IN A,(USTAT) ;Character available in uart?
01680 RLA
01690 JR NC,OUTCAR ;No character, go output a char.
01700 LD HL,DELAY ;Reset timeout counter
01710 LD (COUNTR),HL
01720 LD HL,STATUS ;Get PAUSE status bit
01730 IN A,(UDATA)
01740 CP 13H ;Control S - Pause?
01750 JR NZ,TSTPAU
01760 RESPAU: LD A,(HL)
01770 XOR 08H
01780 LD (HL),A
01790 JP CONINT
01800 TSTPAU: BIT 3,(HL)
01810 JR NZ,RESPAU
01820 OR A
01830 JR Z,PUTCAR
01840 CP 0DH ;Dont convert 0D
01850 JR Z,OFLUSH
01860 LD HL,OPTION ;Test for convert control chars.
01870 BIT 5,(HL)
01880 JR Z,PUTCAR ;Dont convert control chars.
01890 CP 1BH ;Is it a control key?
01900 JR NC,PUTCAR ;Not a control key
01910 CP 08H
01920 JR C,CONVRT ;Convert 01-07
01930 CP 0BH
01940 JR C,PUTCAR ;Dont 08 thru 0A
01950 CP 18H
01960 JR Z,PUTCAR ;Dont 18

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Listing 1 continued

The Set and Link commands load BBS Driver into memory, protect it, and patch it into the Model 4's keyboard and screen routines (more about that later). The Smooth command supports caller type-ahead (the caller can enter data before the computer actually asks for it). Unfortunately, this slows disk access. Entering the Date and Time commands in this manner prevents TRSDOS from requesting them on initial boot-up and on reset. The Sysgen command saves a copy of the current configuration with BBS Driver installed on disk. After completing and debugging the BBS, you can remove the original program, BBS Driver, to save a little disk space. Finally, the Auto command will run your Basic BBS program, Board/BAS, whenever the system is turned on.

When BBS Driver is installed, it is linked to the Model 4's keyboard and screen routines, effectively expanding them to the caller's terminal. Anything shown on the Model 4's screen is also displayed at the caller's terminal, and everything he types appears as if it had been typed on the Model 4's keyboard. This scheme lets you use simple Input and Print commands to send and receive data from the caller, and allows you to design and experiment with your BBS from the Model 4's keyboard and screen before going on line. For example, you could use the following Basic program to request caller identification:

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10 PRINT ("Please enter your ID number")
20 LINE INPUT ID$

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Drive-In(put)

All I/O to and from the RS-232 port is buffered, which means that BBS Driver stores characters until Basic is ready for them. The input buffer (from the modem) holds up to 256 characters, and the output buffer (to the modem) holds 2,048 characters. Input buffering allows the caller to type ahead and helps Basic keep up with high-speed modems or computer-to-computer transmissions. If data is input from the modem faster than Basic can handle and the buffer fills up, all succeeding characters are lost. Output buffering makes a BBS appear very fast since Basic can access a disk or perform computations while the buffer outputs text. It also provides a way for the caller to rapidly skip past long pages of text by erasing the buffer on command. If the output buffer fills because Basic is sending data too fast, BBS Driver waits until there is more room.

Chain of Command

BBS Driver uses single-character commands to select functions. The ASCII code 01 hex must precede all commands. For example, PRINT CHR\$(1)"A" sends the A command. You can chain any number of commands within one command, so a multiple-command statement could be PRINT CH\$(1)"ATJ". See the Table for a

Character filtering lets the sysop match the calling terminal's requirements.

list of BBS Driver commands.

The BBS Driver command set breaks down into three categories: character filtering, driver control, and communications protocol.

The communications protocol commands are A, B, C, V, W, X, and Y. The A, B, and C commands select the system baud rate. Any modem can handle 300 baud, but you must have a special high-speed modem for the higher rates of 1,200 and 2,400 baud. The V and W commands select the number of bits that the computer sends and receives (either 7 or 8). If you select 7-bit word, the most-significant bit of every character becomes zero. The last commands, X and Y, let you choose the desired number of stop bits. Most BBSes use 300 baud, an 8-bit word, and one stop bit. I suggest that you use this protocol for your BBS as well. You can send commands at any time, even during a call. Some modems, however, do not allow such changes.

Character Filtering

Character filtering lets the sysop modify characters being input or output to better match the calling terminal's requirements. The character filter commands are D, I, L, M, P, Q, R, and S. Remember that only the RS-232's characters are filtered, not those typed from the Model 4's keyboard or displayed on its screen.

The D command lets you change the value of control codes that the Model 4 outputs. The syntax for making changes is the command followed by the new key and the old key. For example, suppose a caller's terminal expects a control-P (delete) command instead of a control-H (backspace) to back over and erase a character. To change control-H to control-P, type and enter PRINT CHR\$(1)"DPH". The change stays in effect until you reset the system, and any characters outside the range A-Z are ignored.

To prevent a control key from being output, change its value to an at sign (@). Be careful changing control-A, since it is the code that BBS Driver uses to begin a command sequence. Change control-A only when you want BBS Driver to use a different control code to start commands.

You can clear your screen with the Basic CLS command, but the codes that comprise it, ASCII 1C hex and 1F hex, are also sent to the caller and can possibly cause a

Listing 1 continued

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01970 CONVRT: ADD      A, '@'
01980 LD              (CTLLET),A
01990 LD              BC,CTLMMSG
02000 JF              DMPSTR
02010 CTLMMSG: DEFB   0DH
02020 DEFB           '^'
02030 CTLLET: DEFB   'A'
02040 DEFB           000DH
02050 OFLASH: LD     HL,(OHEAD)
02060 LD              (OTAIL),HL
02070 PUTCAR: LD     HL,OPTION
02080 BIT             2,(HL) ;Lower-case allowed?
02090 JR              NZ,GETBUF
02100 CP              'a'
02110 JR              C,GETBUF
02120 CP              7BH
02130 JR              NC,GETBUF
02140 SUB             20H
02150 GETBUF: LD     HL,(IHEAD) ;Save character in buffer
02160 LD              (HL),A
02170 INC             L
02180 LD              A,(ITAIL) ;Test for crash into TAIL
02190 CP              L
02200 JR              NZ,WRIHED
02210 LD              A,(ITAIL+1)
02220 CP              H
02230 JF              Z,RETINT ;Crashed into TAIL, dont save new HEAD
02240 WRIHED: LD     (IHEAD),HL ;Write input HEAD down
02250 JF              RETINT
02260 OUTCAR: IN      A,(USTAT) ;Transmit uart buffer full?
02270 AND             40H
02280 JR              Z,TESTCD ;Buffer full, go test carrier detect
02290 LD              HL,(OTAIL)
02300 LD              A,(OHEAD) ;See if buffer is empty
02310 CP              L
02320 JR              NZ,OUTBYT ;Buffer has data, output it
02330 LD              A,(OHEAD+1)
02340 CP              H
02350 JR              Z,TESTCD ;Buffer empty, go test carrier detect
02360 OUTBYT: LD     A,(HL) ;Get character from output buffer
02370 CP              13H ;Pause code?
02380 LD              A,(STATUS) ;Get status for testing later
02390 JR              NZ,OUTDAT ;Not pause, go output data
02400 OR              08H ;Pause code, turn pause on
02410 LD              (STATUS),A
02420 JR              SKPOUT ;Dont actually output pause character
02430 OUTDAT: AND    08H ;In pause mode?
02440 JR              NZ,TESTCD ;In pause, dont output right now
02450 LD              A,(HL) ;Output on, get character and send it
02460 OUT             (UDATA),A
02470 SKPOUT: INC    HL ;Increment TAIL pointer
02480 LD              A,H ;Force wrap-around within 8k
02490 OR              0FBH
02500 LD              H,A
02510 LD              (OTAIL),HL
02520 CONINT: POP     HL
02530 POP             BC
02540 POP             AF
02550 JF              0000H
02560 TESTCD: LD     A,(OPTION) ;Should we check carrier?
02570 AND             10H
02580 JR              Z,TIMER ;Dont bother, go check ring indicator
02590 LD              HL,STATUS
02600 IN              A,(MSTAT)
02610 XOR             (HL)
02620 AND             20H ;Mask in only carrier bit
02630 JR              Z,TIMER ;No carrier change, go test RI
02640 AND             (HL) ;Carrier used to be off?
02650 JR              NZ,DSPCON ;Carrier was off, go display CONNECT
02660 SET             5,(HL)
02670 LD              BC,CARSTR ;Carrier was on before
02680 DMPSTR: LD     HL,(IHEAD) ;Dump string to INPUT buffer
02690 LD              (ITAIL),HL ;Flush buffer up til message
02700 DMPCAR: LD     A,(BC) ;Dump message character
02710 INC             BC
02720 LD              (HL),A
02730 INC             L
02740 OR              A
02750 JR              NZ,DMPCAR
02760 DEC             L
02770 LD              (IHEAD),HL ;Save new input head
02780 JR              CONINT
02790 DSPCON: RES    5,(HL)
02800 LD              BC,CONSTR
02810 JF              DMPSTR
02820 CONSTR: DEFB   0DH
02830 DEFB           'CONNECT'
02840 DEFB           000DH
02850 CARSTR: DEFB   0DH
02860 DEFB           'NO CARRIER'
02870 DEFB           000DH
02880 TIMSTR: DEFB   0DH
02890 DEFB           'TIMEOUT'
02900 DEFB           000DH
02910 TIMER: IN      A,(MSTAT)
02920 AND             20H
02930 JR              NZ,CLRTIM ;Clear timer
02940 LD              HL,COUNTR
02950 DEC             (HL)
02960 JF              NZ,CONINT
02970 INC             HL
02980 DEC             (HL)
02990 JF              NZ,CONINT
03000 LD              HL,3600 ;1 MINUTE

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Listing 1 continued

Listing 1 continued

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03010 LD (COUNTR),HL
03020 LD HL,STATUS ;Reset pause bit
03030 RES 3,(HL)
03040 LD BC,TIMSTR
03050 JP DMPSTR
03060 CLRTIM: LD HL,DELAY
03070 LD (COUNTR),HL
03080 JP CONINT
03090 ;----- End of interrupt processing-----
03100 PWRUP: LD HL,(0038H+1) ;Power-up initialization
03110 LD (CONTIN+1),HL
03120 LD A,(0038H)
03130 LD (CONTIN),A
03140 LD A,0C3H
03150 LD HL,INTRPT
03160 DI
03170 LD (0038H),A ;Patch out old address
03180 LD (0038H+1),HL
03190 EI
03200 LD A,FLAGS
03210 RST 28H
03220 LD A,(IY+22) ;Enable RS232 interrupts
03230 OR 20H
03240 LD (IY+22),A
03250 OUT (INTENB),A
03260
03270 LD A,01H
03280 OUT (URSET),A ;UART Reset
03290 LD A,(RSSTAT) ;Get RS232 status
03300 OUT (UCTRL),A
03310 LD A,BR300 ;300 BAUD
03320 OUT (UBAUD),A
03330 ICNFG: JP 0000H
03340 MAIN1: JP C,INPUT
03350 OUTPUT: LD A,C ;Get character
03360 LD HL,STATUS
03370 BIT 1,(HL) ;Control VALUE next?
03380 JR NZ,CTLDAT
03390 BIT 2,(HL) ;Control CHARACTER next?
03400 JR NZ,CTLCAR
03410 BIT 0,(HL) ;Control COMMAND next?
03420 JP NZ,CTLCMD
03430 BIT 6,(HL) ;Block 2nd cls code?
03440 JR Z,MAIN2
03450 RES 6,(HL) ;Here's second char, clear bit regard
03460 CP 1FH ;is this the second CLS code?
03470 JP Z,OUTRET
03480 LD A,1CH ;Not second code, resend original
03490 CALL SAVCAR
03500 MAIN2: LD A,(CTLTBL) ;Get value for control 1
03510 CP C ;Start of command sequence?
03520 JR NZ,TSTCAR
03530 SET 0,(HL) ;Set COMMAND bit
03540 RES 1,(HL) ;Clear VALUE & CHANGE bits
03550 RES 2,(HL)
03560 JP OUTRET
03570 CTLDAT: SUB #'@'
03580 JP C,OUTRET
03590 CP 20H ;Dont allow illegal codes
03600 JP NC,OUTRET
03610 LD (CTLVAL),A
03620 RES 1,(HL)
03630 SET 2,(HL)
03640 JR OUTRET
03650 CTLCAR: RES 2,(HL)
03660 SUB #'@'
03670 JR C,OUTRET
03680 JR Z,OUTRET
03690 CP 20H
03700 JR NC,OUTRET ;Dont allow illegal codes
03710 LD HL,CTLTBL
03720 NXTCTL: DEC A
03730 JR Z,SETCTL
03740 INC HL
03750 JR NXTCTL
03760 SETCTL: LD A,(CTLVAL)
03770 LD (HL),A
03780 JR OUTRET
03790 TSTCAR: LD HL,OPTION
03800 BIT 1,(HL) ;OUTPUT allowed?
03810 JR Z,OUTRET
03820 LD A,C
03830 OR A ;Pass on zero-bytes
03840 JR Z,SAVCAR
03850 CP 20H ;Control character?
03860 JR C,TSTCTL ;Control, get it's equivalent
03870 BIT 2,(HL) ;Lower-case allowed?
03880 JR NZ,SAVCAR ;Lower allowed, save character
03890 CP 'a' ;Upper case letter anyway?
03900 JR C,SAVCAR ;Upper, go save it
03910 CP 7BH ;Graphics character anyway?
03920 JR NC,SAVCAR ;Graphics, go save it
03930 SUB 20H ;Bring upper down to lower-case
03940 JR SAVCAR
03950 TSTCTL: CP 0DH ;Carriage return?
03960 JR NZ,CTLIND ;Index into control table
03970 BIT 3,(HL) ;Add line-feed?
03980 JR NZ,CTLIND
03990 CALL SAVCAR
04000 LD A,0AH ;Now add a line-feed
04010 CTLIND: LD HL,CTLTBL ;Get control table for index
04020 CTLNXT: DEC A
04030 JR Z,GETCTL
04040 INC HL

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problem on his terminal. The H and I commands block these codes from being output to the caller by turning on the CLS filter. Only the 1C and 1F hex codes are blocked. Other combinations of either 1C or 1F hex are passed on normally.

Many remote terminals require the host computer to transmit a line feed with every carriage return. The Model 4, however, does not send line feeds automatically. You can use the L and M commands to tell the Model 4 to send a line feed with every carriage return or to send each carriage return by itself. If you enable line feeds, the Model 4 sends a carriage return before a line feed.

Self-Control

TRSDOS Basic only recognizes the H (backspace), I (tab), J (line feed), M (return), and X (erase line) control keys from the input statement. It ignores the others. This isn't desirable in all applications. You can use the P and Q commands to select an alternative: control-key translation. BBS Driver will then convert a control key to a control string that Basic can recognize. BBS Driver converts control keys to carets (^) followed by the keys' characters. For example, control-C converts to ^C and control-P converts to ^P. Control keys H, I, J, M, X, and S are never translated.

The R and S commands filter out lowercase characters and convert them to uppercase. These commands are useful with terminals that cannot handle lowercase. The R command also filters input characters and changes them to uppercase. You can use this feature to restrict input to uppercase, when entering passwords, for example. These commands do not affect uppercase, control, or graphics characters.

Driver-Control Commands

The driver-control commands (E, F, J, K, N, O, T, U, and Z) control miscellaneous functions of BBS Driver. The E command releases the caller from pause mode so he can continue displaying text on the screen. The F and G commands erase characters from the input and output buffers, respectively. This erases text in the buffer, letting Basic skip by it and display new information to the caller.

Control commands J and K enable or disable output to the caller. This lets you display information on the Model 4's screen without the caller seeing it. You can also use the K command to keep a caller's password from echoing back to his screen where others could see it. If text is in the output buffer when this command is sent, it will output up to the point where the sysop disabled it. All BBS Driver commands work with output disabled.

One of the biggest problems with creating your own BBS is detecting when a caller hangs up. Most large BBSes use intelligent modems that provide response strings. Response strings are message

strings that inform you when certain events occur, displaying, for example, "Connect" when a call comes in or "No carrier" when a caller has disconnected. You can use these modems with BBS Driver, but they are not necessary, since it provides its own message strings. The BBS program must check for this string at every input statement to ensure that the caller is still on the line. The O command turns off carrier detection.

The T and U commands control the RS-232 signals data-terminal ready (DTR) and request to send (RTS) going to the modem. The DTR and RTS signals turn the modem on so that it can answer incoming calls. A BBS can also turn them off to disconnect a caller when he is finished.

The last command, Z, resets all BBS Driver options to their default values; use it at the beginning of the BBS program. The Z command clears and resets the control value of control-A to 01 hex (the begin-command character).

Grind to a Halt

When a caller is displaying text from the Model 4, he can pause the output at any time with control-S. Output immediately halts and resumes when the caller presses any key. You can also include the ASCII code for control-S (13 hex) in output text to pause text automatically at the end of a page. For example:

```
10 PRINT "This is a page of text. . .
20 PRINT "Press any key to continue:
   ;CHR$(19);
```

The output pauses after "continue:" and resumes when the caller presses any key. If necessary, Basic can kick him out of pause mode with the E command. If the caller presses a carriage return while text is being displayed, BBS Driver erases all text in the output buffer as if the Basic program had used the G command. A caller can skip long passages of text by repeatedly pressing carriage return.

Time to Go

Time on a BBS is usually precious, but some callers waste it by connecting but not typing anything for long periods of time. BBS Driver detects this by timing every call, and if nothing happens in three minutes, it displays the message "Time-out." Basic can at this point ask a caller if he requires more time or wishes to disconnect. BBS Driver repeats the message every minute thereafter until the caller either types something or disconnects. This feature is active only when a carrier is present and cannot be turned off.

Downloading Do's and Don'ts

Some BBSes allow callers to download software. You must be careful, however, that Basic does not accidentally send a control code that BBS Driver interprets as a command. BBS Driver recognizes the following control codes:

ODH end command	N carrier detect on
*A 300 baud	*O carrier detect off
B 1,200 baud	P control-key translate on
C 2,400 baud	*Q control-key translate off
D change control code	*R all uppercase only
*E release pause	S upper and lowercase
*F clear input buffer	T modem on (DTR/RTS on)
*G clear output buffer	*U modem off (DTR/RTS off)
H CLS filter off	V 7-bit word
*I CLS filter on	*W 8-bit word
J output enabled	*X 1 stop bit
*K output disabled	Y 2 stop bits
L carriage return only	Z reset all parameters
*M carriage return and line feed	
* = initial boot-up and reset/command-Z defaults	

Table. BBS Driver commands.

01 hex: starts command sequence
 OD hex: carriage return/adds line feeds if that option is enabled.
 13 hex: pause output.
 1C hex and 1F hex: CLS codes (blocked if CLS filter is enabled).

You can change any control key with the D command.

BBS Driver does not filter out the break key (80 hex) or the Model 4 pause key (60 hex). If you do not want break, disable the function with the system command SYSTEM (BREAK = NO) from the TRSDOS Ready prompt. If you select 7-bit word length, no ASCII character greater than 80 hex (including break) can be received.

Board/BAS

The sample Basic BBS program is, as said before, a bare-bones system. Use it to test BBS Driver, or build your own BBS program around it.

Note, however, that the program is set up to access specific text files from disk (lines 500-580). Those files are not included in this article, but you can easily create your own files with any text editor capable of saving in ASCII format.

Security Guards

Although no BBS is completely tamper-proof, every sysop must take certain steps to ensure the integrity of his system. The first and most logical is to disable the break key as shown above. This prevents access to the Basic BBS program. Also, save all programs with the protect option (SAVE "filespec",P), which prevents a user from listing or editing the program.

Some sysops try to prevent a user from breaking into the system by installing a routine that watches for certain keywords from the user that could crash the BBS. These routines check every line entered against a list of "illegal" words. If the routine detects an illegal word, it throws the user off the system. The list includes foul language and words that are harmful to a BBS like new, break, list, kill, remove, system, and debug.

To protect against the possibility of a

user defeating the safeguards and entering TRSDOS, remove Debug from the disk. Debug includes commands to read and write directly to the disk, and a caller can use it to obtain passwords to all of the files or completely wipe out the disk. To delete Debug and its extension, type and enter from TRSDOS Ready: REMOVE SYS5/SYS.LSIDOS, then REMOVE SYS9/SYS.LSIDOS.

The next step is to assign owner and user passwords to all files. After you do this, the BBS program must specify the user password whenever it needs access to a file. The owner password gives access to all files; reserve it for yourself. Try to use passwords that are nonsensical and dissimilar. Avoid common passwords such as colors, states, months, or names. Make up your own words like "garyl," "yoms," or "rast."

Use a different password for owner and user, then set the protector level (with the ATTRIB command) as high as possible for each file. Use "read," for instance, for all programs and permanent text files and "update" for system logs and memo files. Use "write" for all other files and avoid any lower access level. Never give full access to a file or use ATTRIB (LOCK) to protect everything. If a prankster discovered the master password, he would have full access to the BBS.

Finally, minimize the damage that could be done if a user defeated all of the security precautions. On two, three, or four-drive systems, place all programs and permanent files on one disk (preferably in the boot drive) and protect it by placing tape over the write-protect notch. For single-drive systems, enable the software write-protect by typing and entering SYSTEM (WP = YES) from TRSDOS Ready. You can turn the software write-protect off in order to write a file with SYSTEM (WP = NO), but remember to turn it back on when you are finished. ■

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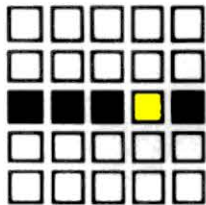
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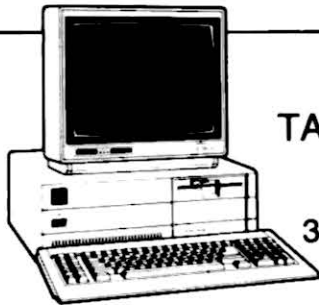
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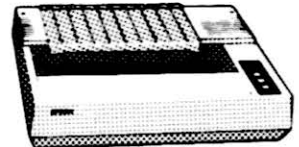
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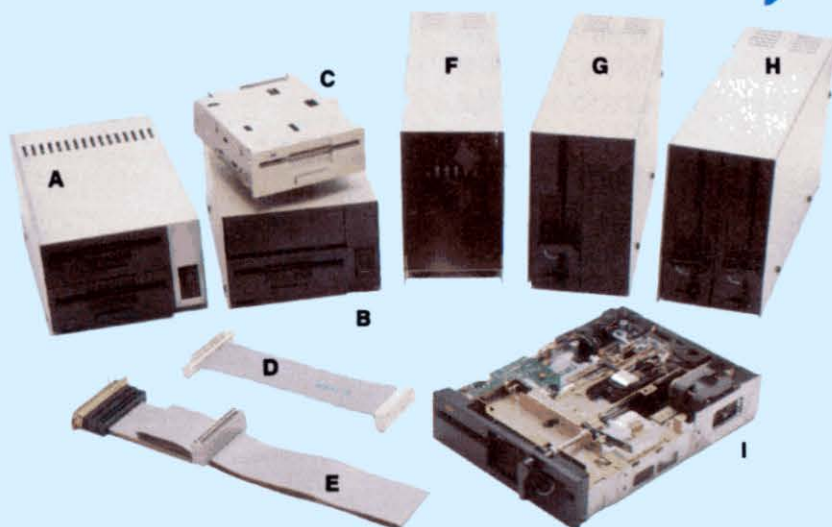


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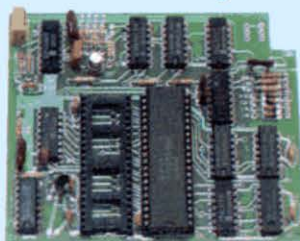
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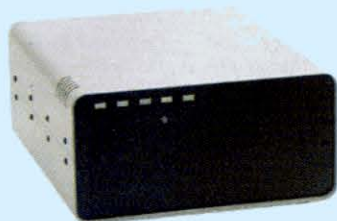
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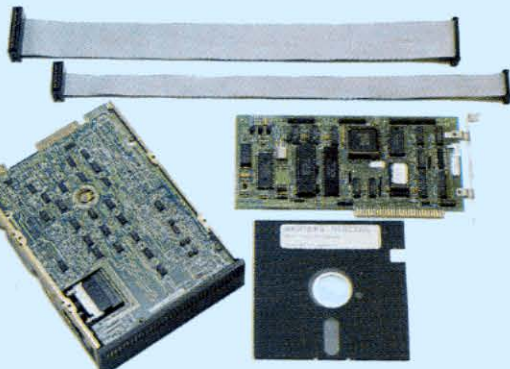
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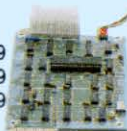
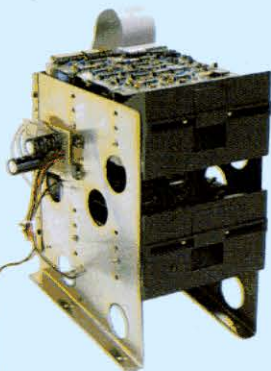
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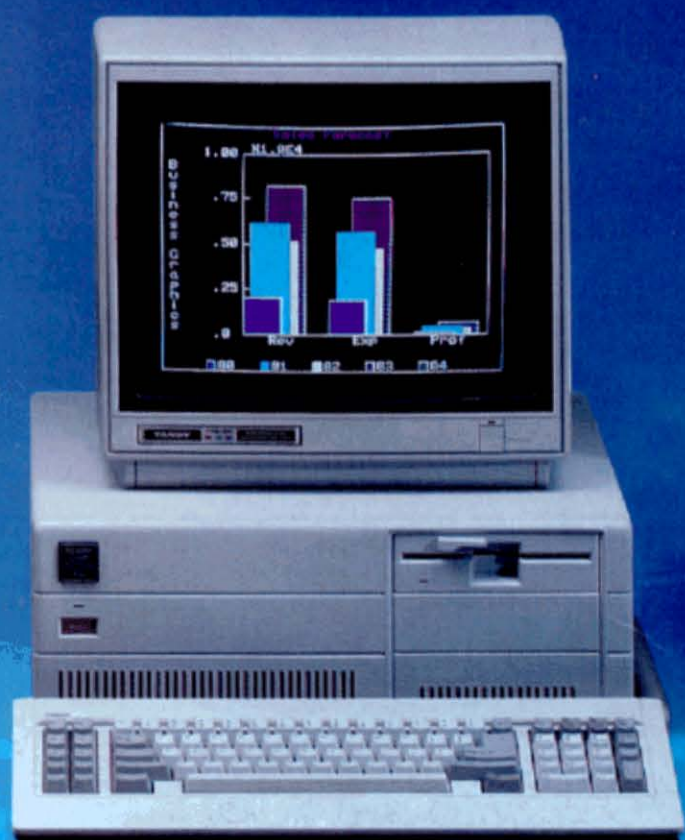
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VM-1 (26-5111)		640 x 400 Text Only	640 x 400 Text and Graphics(3)	640 x 350 Mono Text and Graphics				640 x 400 Text and Graphics(4)	
VM-3 (25-3010)	720 x 348 Text and Graphics(1)			720 x 350 Text 640 x 350 Graphics					
VM-4 (25-1020)	640 x 200 Text and Graphics				640 x 200 Text and Graphics		640 x 200 Text Only		
CM-1 (26-5112)		640 x 400 Text Only	640 x 400 Text and Graphics(3)	640 x 350 Enhanced Graphics 640 x 200 CGA/Mono mode				640 x 400 Text and Graphics(5)	
CM-5 (25-1023)	320 x 200 Text and Graphics				320 x 200 Text and Graphics				
CM-8 (26-3512)									640 x 192 80-Column Text and Graphics
CM-11 (25-1024)	640 x 200 Text and Graphics			640 x 200 Text and Graphics	640 x 200 Text and Graphics				
EGM-1 (25-4035)	640 x 200 Text and Graphics			640 x 350 Enhanced Graphics 640 x 200 CGA/Mono mode	640 x 200 Text and Graphics				
Composite Color	320 x 200 40-ColumnText				320 x 200 40-Column Text		320 x 200 40-Column Text		320 x 192 32/40-Column Text and Graphics
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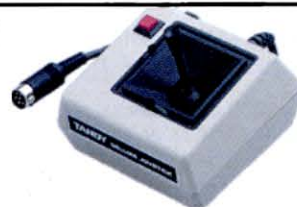


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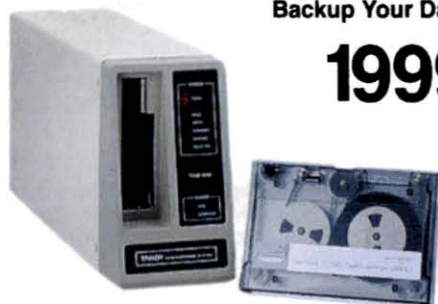
(1) Requires special software. (2) Requires RF modulator. (3) 640 x 200 with standard software. Hi-res modes require special software. (4) Graphics require 26-5140. (5) Requires 26-5140/5141.

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New! 20-Megabyte 5 1/4" Internal DCS. 25-4064 1799.00
10-Megabyte DCS. 26-1245 2195.00
Secondary DCS. Add a 10-megabyte disk kit to create a 10 + 10-megabyte system. 26-1246 999.00*
New! Secondary 20-MB DCS. 25-4065 999.00
New! 8" 20-Megabyte Cartridge. 26-220 119.95
New! 5 1/4" 20-Megabyte Cartridge. 26-221 99.95
New Low Price! 10-Megabyte Cartridge. Was \$89.95 in Cat. RSC-16. 26-1372 79.95

20-Megabyte Hard Disk Card

NEW FOR 87

799⁰⁰

- An Efficient New Way to Get Hard-Disk Storage
- User-Installable Card Saves on Desk Space

Get 20 megabytes of hard-disk storage on a user-installable card. Mounts in a 10" card slot on the Tandy 1000 or a 13" slot on the Tandy 1200, Tandy 3000 HL, IBM PC or PC compatible. Operates as either first or second hard disk and can run a second hard disk drive. Comes with a thorough installation manual and a diskette with special installation software. It's the easiest way yet to get hard-disk storage power!
 25-1029 799.00

External 10-Megabyte Hard Disk Drive

Get 10 Million Characters of Data and Program Storage

699⁰⁰



Expand your Tandy 1000's storage affordably. Add two to the Tandy 1000 or one to the Tandy 1000 HD for 20 megabytes of total system storage (Cable Kit and installation required for secondary unit). Requires Hard Disk Controller Board. 25-1025 699.00

User-Installable Tandy 3000 Expansion Boards and Options

1.2-Meg. Floppy Disk Kit. Requires floppy dual speed controller (25-4036) or hard disk controller board (25-4060). 25-4050 299.95

360K Floppy Disk Kit. 25-4051 199.95

New! Dual-Speed Floppy Disk Controller. Upgrade Tandy 3000 HL to support higher speed and capacity of 1.2 MB floppy drive. 25-4036 129.95

New Low Price! Hard Disk Controller. Lets you add an internal 20- and 40-megabyte hard disk. Was \$499 in Cat. RSC-16. 25-4060 399.95*

20-Megabyte Hard Disk Kit. Use with Tandy 3000 HD to increase internal storage by 20 meg. Or combine with Controller above to convert a 3000 to a 3000 HD. 25-4062 799.00*

New! 40-Megabyte Hard Disk Kit. Ideal for multiuser or networking. Requires HD controller. 25-4061 1799.00

External Hard Disk Cable Kit. 25-4063 59.95*

New! Memory Expansion Board. Add up to 2 megabytes of memory to Tandy 3000. Comes with 1MB. In MS-DOS, use VDISK to set aside portions of RAM memory that simulate disk

storage. 25-4030 499.95

New! 128K RAM Upgrade Kit. Increase Tandy 3000 HL memory from 512K to 640K. 25-4082 49.95

New Low Price! 256K RAM Parity Memory Upgrade Kit. Add 256K to your Tandy 3000 or memory board. Was \$129.95 in RSC-17. 25-3062 99.95

New! 4-User Board. Allows Tandy 3000 to support up to four serial devices. For use with the XENIX System V operating system. 25-4031 299.95

80287 Math Co-Processor. Perform one set of functions while the co-processor simultaneously performs highly accurate mathematical calculations. Programs must be specifically written for this option. 25-4033 399.95

Tandy 1000/1200/3000 Serial Parallel Adapter. Add a second serial/parallel adapter to connect a second printer or increase your communications capability with an additional modem. 25-4034 169.95

New! Dual-Port Serial Adapter. 25-4039 99.95

New! 20-Megabyte Disk Cartridge Interface Kit. For Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-4081 149.95*

*Installation Recommended. Not Included.

UPGRADE & EXPANSION OPTIONS



Add a Disk Drive to Your System

- 5 1/4" 360K External Disk Drive (not shown).** Makes backing up diskettes much easier! 25-1060 249.95
- 3 1/2" 720K External Disk Drive.** Gives twice the storage of a 5 1/4" drive on smaller, more durable diskettes. 25-1061 279.95
- 3 1/2" Disk Drive Kit.** Mounts internally. Installation recommended (not included).
For Tandy 1000 SX and 3000 HL. 25-1064 199.95
- 5 1/4" Disk Drive Kit.** Mounts internally. Installation recommended (not included).
For Tandy 1000. 25-1005 169.95
For Tandy 1000 SX. 25-1063 169.95

1000/1200/3000 Expansion

- New! Memory PLUS Expansion Adapter.** Expands your Tandy 1000 EX to 384K and adds DMA circuit to speed up computer operations. Sockets allow you to expand another 256K. Also provides connectors for addition of two PLUS Upgrade Boards. 25-1062 129.95
- New Low Price! Memory PLUS Expansion for Tandy 1000.** Provides DMA and an additional 256K of memory—bringing your 128K Tandy 1000 to 384K. Add the 256K RAM Kit for a full 640K. PLUS Expansion Boards can be plugged into a special connector, saving a slot for other applications. Was \$319.95 in RSC-16. 25-1011 179.95
- New Low Price! 256K Parity Memory Kit.** Add 256K of memory to your Tandy 1000, 1200 or 3000. Was \$129.95 in RSC-17. 25-3062 99.95
- New Low Price! Memory Expansion Board.** Uses an expansion slot to upgrade a 256K Tandy 1200 to 384K or a 384K Tandy 1000 to 512K. Also provides sockets for an additional 128K. For Tandy 1000/1200/PC/Compatibles. Was \$199.95 in RSC-16. 25-1009 129.95
- New Low Price! 128K RAM Upgrade Kit.** Use to upgrade your Tandy 1000 from 256K to 384K or from 512K to 640K. Was \$129.95 in RSC-16. 26-5162 99.95
- New! 8087 Math Co-Processor.** For Tandy 1000 (25-1000A or 25-1001A only), and 1200. Increase throughput up to 10 times with software that supports a co-processor. Supported by many CAD and spreadsheet programs and many more. 25-1012 229.95
- Digi-Mouse Controller/Calendar Board.** Dual-purpose board includes controller for Digi-Mouse™ (page 10) and perpetual time/date. Never have to enter time and date again. For Tandy 1000/1200 only. 25-1010 99.95

New Low Price! 1200-Baud PC Modem. An auto-dial/auto-answer modem for the Tandy 1000/1200/3000, IBM PC and PC compatibles. Hayes® compatible. Switchable 1200/300-baud. FCC registered. Was \$299.95 in RSC-16. 25-1013 199.95

New! Dual-Port Serial Board. Add two serial ports to your Tandy 1000/1200/3000. Uses DB-9 connectors. 25-4039 99.95

New! Dual Display Graphics Adapter. Combines the function of 3 boards in one. Uses VM-3 and CM-11 monitors. Displays up to 640 x 200 in 16 colors with special software. Features Hercules-compatible graphics mode for use with VM-3 monitor. 25-3045 249.95

Deluxe Text Display Adapter. Allows your Tandy 1000, 1200 or 3000 to display text on the VM-1 Monochrome Monitor or CM-1 Color Monitor. 25-3046 249.95

New Low Price! Deluxe Graphics Display Adapter. Allows your Tandy 1200 or 3000 to display high-resolution graphics (640 x 400) on the CM-1 or VM-1. Was \$499.95 in RSC-16. 25-3047 399.95

New! Enhanced Graphics Adapter. Get 640 x 350, 16-color enhanced graphics on our EGM-1 monitor. Also compatible with the CM-1 monitor, color graphic and monochrome displays. Includes 256K video memory. 25-4037 349.95

Hard Disk Controller Board. Allows you to add hard disk drives for up to 70 million characters of storage. Compatible with most Tandy 1000 software. Includes cable for use with our 10, 15 or 35-Megabyte Hard Disks. 25-1007 299.95

Trackstar 128. Lets your Tandy 1000 SX run software designed for the Apple II-series of computers. Supports Apple DOS 3.3, Pro-DOS® and Apple Pascal. 25-1028 399.95
TRACKSTAR 128/TM Diamond.

New! Universal Keyboard Adapter. Allows you to use a standard PC, AT or Enhanced Keyboard on your Tandy 1000 or 1000 SX. Also supports KeyTronic Keyboards. Software drivers included. 25-1030 99.95

PLUS Upgrade Boards

These boards are specially designed for use with the Tandy 1000 EX or our Memory PLUS Expansion Board. You can also use them with the Tandy 1000 SX or any other PC compatible with the optional PLUS Upgrade Adapter Board (25-1016). All PLUS Upgrade Boards are user installable.

New Low Price! PLUS RS-232C Option Card. Lets your computer talk with other computers and access national information services, when combined with communications software and external modem. Use with high-speed modems or serial plotters and printers. Was \$99.95 in RSC-16. 25-1014 79.95

PLUS Digi-Mouse Controller/Calendar Board. Dual purpose—includes controller for Digi-Mouse™ (page 10) and a perpetual time/date clock. You'll never have to enter time and date again! 25-1015 99.95

New! PLUS 300 Baud PC Modem. Great for use with the DeskMate and on-line services such as Compuserve, Dow-Jones and more! Switchable Tandy/Hayes® compatible modes. FCC registered. Cable included. 25-1017 (Avail. 2/28/87) 99.95

New! PLUS 1200 Baud PC Modem. Hayes™ compatibility lets you run the most popular communications software at higher speeds—reducing the cost of on-line time. FCC registered. 25-1018 199.95

New! PLUS Network 4 Interface. Use the Tandy 1000 EX as a low cost system in an educational network. See network section on page 35 for more information. 25-1019 299.95

PLUS Upgrade Adapter Board. Allows you to use PLUS Upgrade Boards in a standard PC card slot. 25-1016 14.95

1000/1200/2000/3000 SOFTWARE

New! The pfs Professional Series

New enhancements to this popular and easy-to-use series include a sophisticated user interface for direct access to the full range of available features in each application. Advanced data interchange capabilities enable each product to work with other software and hardware in the office. User-defined keyboard macros record and playback keystrokes to automate program functions and improve efficiency. Local Area Network support to share data among computers in the office.

pfs:Professional File

A complete file management and reporting program to quickly organize, update, retrieve, analyze and report information with professional results. Requires 256K and two disk drives.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-1171 195.00

pfs:Professional Write

A complete word processing program to quickly write, edit, proof and print business reports, proposals, memos, letters and other correspondence with professional results. With built-in spelling checker and thesaurus. Requires 384K and two disk drives.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-1172 195.00

pfs:Professional Plan

An advanced spreadsheet analysis program to quickly develop, analyze, graph and print business plans, budgets, financial statements and other planning models with professional results. Requires 384K and two disk drives.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-1173 (Avail. 3/15/87) 195.00

pfs:report. Tandy 1000. 25-1141 125.00

pfs:graph. Tandy 1000/1200. 25-1143 140.00

pfs:report. Tandy 1200. 25-3162 125.00

Database Management

Profile 286

An electronic filing system and applications generator based on the popular Profile 16 database manager. You can change or expand a system at any time without having to re-enter data. Using Profile's menu-driven setup procedure, you can create your own menus. Interacts easily with word processors. Includes a data processing language module that eliminates the need for BASIC, COBOL, C and other interfaces. Requires XENIX System V/286 and 1 meg. of memory.

Tandy 3000 HD. 25-4212 (Avail. 3/15/87) 799.00

dBASE III Plus

An ideal data management system for people who don't want to program, or a programming tool for those who prefer to create their own system. With our built-in Assistant, you'll be provided with new easy-to-use pull-down menus for creating, using and modifying databases. Our new Screen Painter lets you create custom screens as your business dictates. The Advanced Query System lets you build complex query requests just by selecting from pull-down menus. Finally, there's a new Applications Generator that creates entire applications programs without programming! A new Data Catalog and more than 50 new commands and functions help streamline applications development. Requires 384K, 2 floppy drives or floppy and hard drive. LAN requires 384K and 3.1 DOS.

Tandy 1200/3000. 25-3191 695.00

OFFIX

Create "file folders" that can be stored and retrieved from "file cabinet drawers", create documents and forms for folders, and produce reports and form letters based on the contents of the folder. Requires 256K.

Tandy 1000/1200 HD/2000. 26-5325 99.95

Spreadsheet Analysis

Microsoft Multiplan

This popular spreadsheet lets you assign plain English names to any column, cell or area, vary individual column widths, center numbers and text within a column or align decimals. Sorting can be performed in alphabetical or numerical order. Cells can be set up individually, by row, column, block—or globally. Displays up to eight windows on the screen. Includes on-line help.

Tandy 1000/1200/2000/3000. 25-1163 195.00

SCO Professional

A Lotus 1-2-3 "work-alike" for XENIX multiuser systems. SCO Professional gives you an integrated program which includes a spreadsheet, database and graphics. Reports can be generated quickly and easily using macros, data management tools and a graphics chart generator. Beyond the standard Lotus 1-2-3 features, SCO Professional has more query fields available for database operations, a larger worksheet space, full preview character-graphics support for any standard terminal and sparse matrix memory management for optimal spreadsheet storage. Requires 1 megabyte of memory and XENIX System V/286.

Tandy 3000 HD. 25-4214 795.00

Integrated Software

DeskMate II

DeskMate II is an easy-to-use, multifunctional software program that uses the same commands throughout. The system uses the computer's control keys, so there are no complicated commands to memorize. Each day you'll be greeted by a menu that displays a calendar, appointment schedule and a list of files stored for every function. Choose from word processing, spreadsheet analysis, electronic filing, telecommunications, electronic mail and calendar/alarm. Telecom and Mail require modem. A task-switching feature allows the user to alternate between DeskMate II and another program.

Tandy 1000 SX. Included with CPU

Tandy 1000/2000. 25-1164 (Avail. 2/15/87) 199.95

Tandy 1200/PC Compatibles. 25-3167 199.95

Tandy 3000. Included with MS-DOS (25-4103, \$99.95)

Personal DeskMate

An easy-to-use, graphics-oriented program with pull-down menus and "dialogue boxes" for selecting functions. Includes Text, Worksheet, Filer, Calendar, Telecom and Paint, a graphic picture editor. A Phone Directory, Calculator and Notepad may be accessed any time. TELCOM requires a modem.

Tandy 1000 EX. Included with CPU

Tandy 1000/1000 SX. Req. 256K. 25-1165 199.95

Lotus 1-2-3

An easy way to go from spreadsheet to graphics to information management—instantly! Change your spreadsheet data; then graph it in seconds. Search and sort data in your spreadsheet. "Macro" keys let you substitute a single keystroke for a long sequence. One keystroke brings you on-screen help. Features 256 columns and 2048 rows in spreadsheet and 2000 records in database. Requires 256K.

Tandy 2000. Version 1A. 26-5300 495.00

Framework II

This program doesn't just process numbers—it processes ideas. Each operation is placed in a "frame" that separates it from the rest of the program. Each frame is in an outline form, which you can rearrange or modify at any time. Just jot down notes or ideas in one frame, then create sub-frames for databases, spreadsheets, graphics and reports which relate to these ideas. Framework also utilizes a "desktop" format to view several operations at once on the screen. A special "zoom" function lets you instantly expand any frame to fill the entire screen. Requires 384K.

Tandy 1200/3000. 25-3192 695.00

1000/1200/2000/3000 SOFTWARE

Accounting

Quartet

Quartet includes four integrated accounting programs to give you the most up-to-date information on your company's financial health. Track your business records with programs for General Ledger, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable and Payroll. Quartet was designed for ease of use, fast data entry and on-line updating of ledger accounts. Features a convenient search function and automatic look-up of records. Quartet provides easy access to invoices, bills, paychecks, expense checks and ledger transactions and can create user-defined reports for customers, vendors, employees and items. Entries are made only once. Any related data is automatically updated to the General Ledger. Since all Quartet functions are integrated, there is no constant disk swapping as on many systems. Best of all, easy-to-read formatted screens look much like the invoices, check registers and payroll registers you're already using. Quartet can be used to print user-formatted financial statements with or without comparisons to previous years. Prints invoices, monthly statements, payroll checks and expense checks. Includes well defined audit trail. Uniformity of functions throughout the program makes Quartet especially easy to learn. Comes with sample data. Requires 256K and two disk drives or hard disk.

Tandy 1000/1200/2000/3000.
25-1146 399.95

Tandy 3000 XENIX Multiuser Software

Powerful, fully integrated multiuser software. See page 25 for full descriptions.

General Ledger. 25-4301 599.00
Payroll. 25-4303 (Avail. 3/1/87) 699.00
Accounts Receivable. 25-4304 599.00
Accounts Payable. 25-4305 599.00
Order Entry. 25-4307 599.00
Sales Analysis. 25-4308 399.00

Personal Accounting Software

Finance Manager

Helps you gain a better understanding and control over your personal and business financial needs. Create net worth statement and budgets, determine net profit, print checks, account for taxes, monitor your income and expenses and analyze investment opportunities.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000.
25-1148 99.95

Managing Your Money

Andrew Tobias' Managing Your Money is seven programs in one integrated, personal financial management package. Managing Your Money serves as a reminder pad and a complete budget and checkbook program. It helps with tax estimation and can even print out your schedule D. The program evaluates your family's present life insurance needs and suggests how you can improve your coverage. It is a financial calculator which can perform rental property analysis and financial planning. The sophisticated portfolio manager handles as many real or hypothetical stocks, bonds and options as you like, and can also manage collections such as wines, coins or paintings. And it's easy to use. Wherever you are in the program, just press the ESCape key for a HELP message.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000.
25-1159 199.95

Word Processing

SCRIPSIT®

Includes features of a dedicated word processor. Control-key functions can be displayed on the screen for quick and easy

reference. And the built-in spelling corrector and verifier from Houghton-Mifflin not only finds misspellings, but corrects them automatically. Allows merging with dBASE files. And of course you get the features you've come to expect with the name SCRIPSIT: global search function, easy editing features, on-screen format reference and more. Extremely easy to learn and use. Requires 256K and two disk drives.

Tandy 1200/3000. 25-3171 299.95

Tandy 1000/2000. 25-1155 299.95

Tandy 3000 HD. Requires 640K and XENIX System V/286.
25-4213 499.00

Microsoft Word 3.0

Add our optional Digi-Mouse and move text and select commands without even using the keyboard! Word displays up to eight windows at once, so you can move text from one document to the other with ease. Text is displayed in boldface, italics, underlines, super and subscripts, small caps—all without any confusing symbols. Requires 256K.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-1162 450.00

Microsoft Word

Tandy 2000. Ver. 1.0. Requires graphics.
26-5314 375.00

HomeWord Plus

HomeWord is so easy to use, adults or children can start word processing almost immediately! An easy-to-follow manual takes you through the basic functions. And the program's identifiable icons make it a snap to print, edit, delete or move copy. Using the built-in spelling dictionary, HomeWord Plus automatically searches for misspelled words. Correct a misspelled word once and HomeWord Plus corrects it throughout the remainder of your text. HomeWord Plus includes 45,000 words, and you can add up to 5000 more.

Tandy 1000. 25-1161 69.95

New! WordPerfect 4.2

Features full merge capabilities; a phonetic spelling checker with a 120,000-word dictionary; extensive "cut and paste" features, including block highlight; full printer control; and a color-coded template that uses all ten function keys. The color coding corresponds to the color-coded manual. WordPerfect also features expanded footnote and endnote capabilities, date insertion, redline and strike-out printing, table of contents and index generation, and automatic outline and paragraph numbering. Requires 256K. Tandy 1000 requires 384K.

Tandy 1000/1200/3000. 25-1176 (Avail. 3/15/87) 395.00

Graphics

Micro Illustrator

Draw beautiful pictures and designs on your computer. No programming experience needed—all commands are on the icon-driven menu. Just point to choose shapes, colors, patterns, special effects and brushes. Save your pictures on disk and create your own picture show.

Tandy 1000. 25-1120 29.95

VersaCAD Entry-Level

A general-purpose design and drafting program that contains much of the power found in software five times the cost. Menu-driven operation and plain-English prompts guide you through the program as you work. Features include 10 built-in primitive objects; ability to quickly group objects for manipulation; interactive editing; total flexibility of color, linestyle, etc. on any drawing level; unlimited zoom; auto-dimensioning; drawing aids, such as center marker and template lines; snap at any time to an object; grid intersection or user-defined spacing increments; output to pen plotter or graphics printer with user-defined plot specifications. Includes written tutorial and introductory audio tape. Requires 256K, two disk drives, graphics monitor and Tandy GT-2000 digitizer.

Tandy 1000/1200/2000. 26-5282 399.95

Finance Manager/TM Interactive Software. HomeWord Plus/TM Sierra On-Line. Managing Your Money/TM Meca. Micro Illustrator/TM Island Graphics. Microsoft Word/TM Microsoft Corp. Quartet and SCRIPSIT/TM Tandy Corporation. VersaCAD/TM T & W Systems. Word Perfect/TM Word Perfect Corp. Harmony/TM Open Systems, Inc.

TANDY 1000/1200/2000 SOFTWARE

MS-DOS Languages and Communication

Macro Assembler

Assembles symbolic instructions into machine code. Supports an expanded set of conditional directives. 26-5252 . . . 99.95

Lattice "C"

Lattice C compiler is a fast, two-phase compiler. 26-5254 499.00

FORTRAN Compiler

From Microsoft. A subset of FORTRAN-77 for scientific and engineering applications. 26-5255 349.95

PASCAL Compiler

From Microsoft. Compatible with the ISO proposed standard. Generates machine code. 26-5256 299.95

COBOL Compiler

Includes an editor, interactive debugger, CRT control and a single-pass compiler. 26-5257 595.00

OmniTerm 2

Communicate with a mainframe or Tandy XENIX host as a VT100 terminal, access information services, communicate with other micros or auto-answer and file transfer in the unattended mode. 25-1160 129.95

Softerm 2000

A communications and terminal-emulation program to access bulletin boards, information services and mainframes. Emulates over 20 character and block-mode terminals. Requires 256K. 26-5261 149.00

T-1000 Protocol Converter

Lets your computer or terminal access IBM host computers using BSC, SNA/SDLC or Channel Attachment Operations. Emulates an IBM 3278-2 via direct type A coax connection. Requires terminal emulation software, such as Softerm 2000 (26-5261). UL listed. 26-1169 995.00

Tandy 2000 Communications

BIS 3780

Allows a Tandy 2000 to communicate with an IBM bisynchronous protocol host with any IBM S/360, S/370, 30XX and 43XX host or non-IBM hosts using standard IBM SNA/SDLC or IBM bisynchronous protocol. Your computer functions as a remote terminal on a Remote Job Entry (RJE) terminal. MS-Assembler (26-5252) may be required if mode reconfiguration is needed. 26-5258 695.00

BIS 3270

Allows a Tandy 2000 to communicate with a mainframe over point-to-point or multi-point telephone lines (via a synchronous modem or modem eliminator) with any IBM S/360, S/370, 30XX and 43XX host or non-IBM hosts using standard IBM SNA/SDLC or IBM bisynchronous protocol. Emulate an IBM 3271/3274/3275/3276 display station and a 3284/3286 printer. 26-5259 695.00

CLEO-3270 Cluster Controller

Emulate a remote IBM 3276-2 cluster controller with an IBM 3287 printer attached (via a synchronous modem or modem eliminator). Your cluster can consist of up to four other computers emulating IBM 3278 display stations. Requires 256K system and serial Expansion Board (26-5164). 26-5262, 980.00

Tandy 2000 Serial Expansion Board

Connect your Tandy 2000 to a mainframe computer, or hook terminals or additional serial devices to the Tandy 2000. Includes four serial channels with connectors. 26-5164 325.00

Tandy 2000 Programmer's Reference Manual

Contains information for assembly language programmers, including entry conditions for MS-DOS. 26-5403 19.95

Tandy 2000 Hardware Reference Manual

Introduces schematics and theory of operation for troubleshooting, designing interfaces and more. 26-5404 . . . 24.95

Tandy 1000 Learning Programs

Educational

Robot Odyssey*

A science adventure for sharp teens and adults. Robotropolis is an underground city populated by robots that you must escape from. To unlock the secret exit you must design friendly robots, navigate invisible mazes, solve puzzles and sneak past sentries. 25-1135 34.95

Rocky's Boots*

Hailed as a software classic by the New York Times, the award winning Rocky's Boots helps develop skills in logical problem solving, abstract reasoning, and creative thinking. The concepts of electronic circuitry, circuit design and logic are explored in a motivating environment where players invent machines to solve puzzles and win over 30 different games, including games they design themselves. By experimenting with simulated real-world electronic parts and "electricity," players as young as 9 years old can learn basic computer logic. 25-1139 34.95

Below The Root*

Based on Zilph Snyder's recently published Green-Sky Trilogy. Combines the story-building aspects of a text adventure with hundreds of colorful graphics. It also combines fast-paced excitement with a unique text menu—a first in adventure

games. Play as one of five characters—each with different abilities and strengths. 25-1136 29.95

Typing Tutor III*

The fastest, most effective way to learn how to type on your computer. Progressively increases in speed to match your progress—as you get better, it gets faster. Features Letter Invaders™, the arcade game that sharpens your typing skills. 25-1126 49.95

Mastering the SAT*

Comprehensive and self-paced, the program places emphasis on the principles involved in each question and its solution, as well as test-taking strategies. 25-1127 99.95

The FUNdamentals

An exciting and simple introduction to computers, computer vocabulary and computer concepts. FUNdamentals uses tutorials, games and graphics to explain hardware, software, DOS, DeskMate, communications and more. It's the FUN way for everyone—young and old—to become familiar with the Tandy 1000 computer.

Tandy 1000. 25-1124 29.95

Tandy 1000 SX. 25-1166 29.95

Tandy 1000 EX. 25-1167 29.95

* Also runs on PC compatibles. The FUNdamentals/TM Digital Learning System. Mastering the SAT/TM CBS Software. Robot Odyssey and Rocky's Boots/TM The Learning Co. Typing Tutor III/TM Simon & Schuster. BIS 3270 and BIS 3780/TM Micro Integration. CLEO-3270 Cluster Controller/TM Phone I Inc. Fortran Compiler, PASCAL Compiler and Macro Assembler/TM Microsoft Corp. Softerm 2000/TM Softronics. T-1000 Protocol Converter/TM Avatar Tech. Below the Root/TM Windham Classics.

TANDY 1000 HOME SOFTWARE

Star Flight*

Explore strange new worlds and new civilizations. Boldly go where no man has gone before—then figure out how to communicate with the aliens you find there. A state-of-the-art role-playing adventure set in outer space. Develop and play six characters: Captain, Science Officer, Navigator, Medical Officer, Communications Officer, and Chief Engineer. Explore over 20 unique star systems, each displayed in stunning graphic detail. 25-1137 49.95

Rogue*

A college classic, Rogue is so full of unpredictable monsters, ever-changing magic and hidden dangers that it's never the same game twice. 25-1134 29.95

Black Cauldron*

A Walt Disney 3-D animated adventure game. You must find the Black Cauldron and defeat the forces of the wicked Horned King by destroying the cauldron's magical powers. 25-1133 34.95

Winnie The Pooh*

Walt Disney's Winnie the Pooh and his friends will capture your children's imagination while developing necessary skills and building knowledge. A different game is presented each time it is played assuring an endless challenge for any child. Be aware however—it's easy to get lost in the ever-changing Hundred Acre Wood. Improves map skills, reading ability, and logical thinking. 25-1132 34.95

One-on-One

Basketball superstars Larry Bird and Julius "Dr. J." Erving helped design this exciting simulation game. Try 360-degree slam dunks, turn-around jump shots, rebounding for tip-ins and more. For one or two players. 25-1111 34.95

Pinball Construction Set

Comes with five built-in pinball machines, or choose from 32 game parts to build your own. 25-1112 34.95

Lode Runner

To find the stolen treasure, you, the Galactic Commando, must run, jump, drill special passages and outsmart the Bungeling guards if you're to succeed. More than 150 game screens! 25-1113 29.95

New! Mickey's Space Adventure*

Join Mickey and Pluto on a journey through our solar system, in their quest to help some friendly aliens recover lost pieces of valuable memory crystal. Stunning graphics, delightful characters, and challenging activities capture your child's imagination while developing skills and knowledge. Your child will be motivated to learn all about the solar system: the name of each planet, its relative size and position in the solar system, surface temperatures, atmospheric and planet composition and much more. 25-1130 34.95

New! Donald Duck's Playground*

Donald's mischievous nephews, Huey, Dewey and Louie, would love to have a playground of their own. You can help Uncle Donald build them one. Compelling and challenging activities motivate your child to grasp the concepts involved. Your child will enjoy working at four different, entertaining jobs along with Donald, earning the money needed to buy playground equipment. Whether working at the produce stand, stocking toy store shelves, or sorting cargo at McDuck Airlines, your child will be challenged to recognize and match shapes, colors and letters. With each purchase of equipment, your child will develop a better understanding of money-handling. 25-1131 34.95

Flight Simulator*

A real-time flight simulation program. The simulation considers 35 important aircraft characteristics and includes an out-the-window three-dimensional dynamic flight display and extensive flight controls. 26-5379 49.95

F-15 Strike Eagle*

A challenging and exciting air combat from the modern electronic cockpit! You'll fly combat missions, engage enemy aircraft, and destroy enemy ground targets. 25-1125 34.95

Ghostbusters*

Based on the hit movie. Program features the bouncy theme song from the hit movie, voice synthesis and the ever-present danger of The Marshmallow Man. 25-1138 34.95

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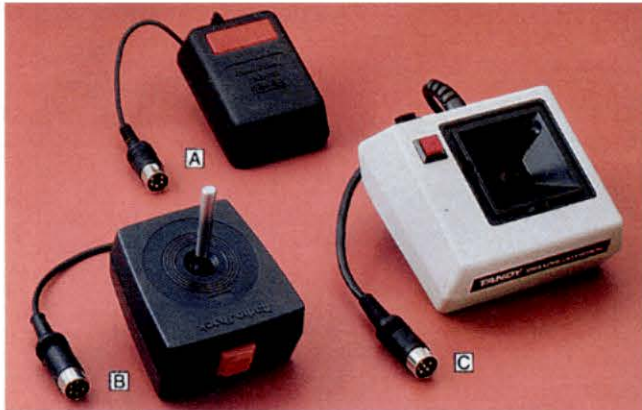
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PAINT—A four-color picture editor to create graphics screens. You can easily create lines, shapes, patterns, fill in areas with color and enter text. Using Paint, you can create colorful charts, graphs, designs, even "doodles" on your screen, then print a copy on a dot-matrix or ink-jet printer.

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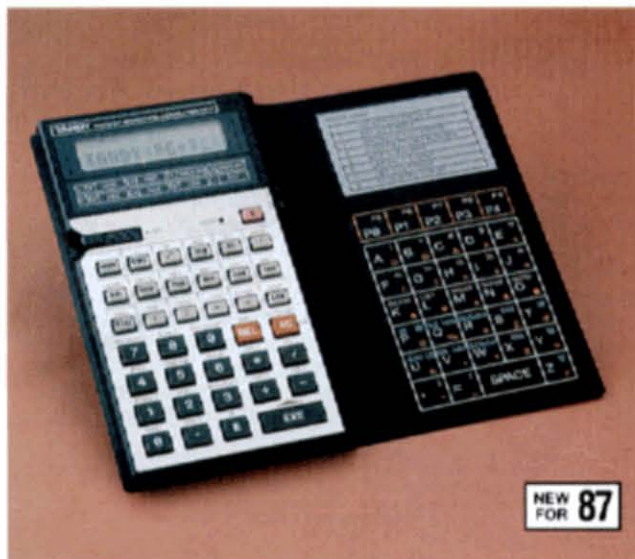


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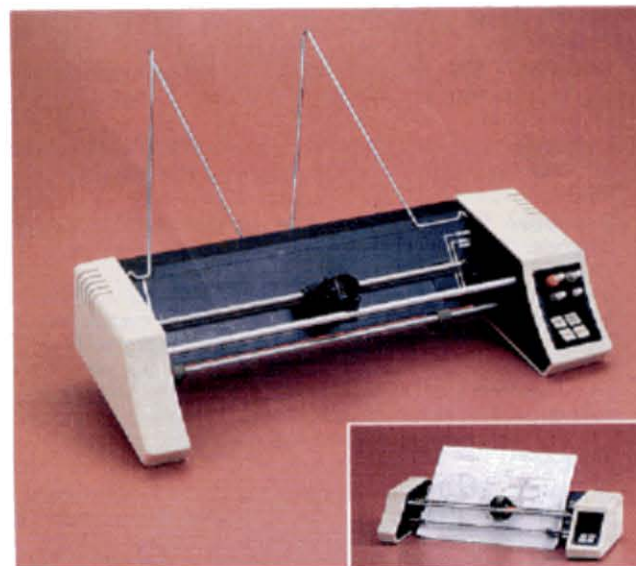
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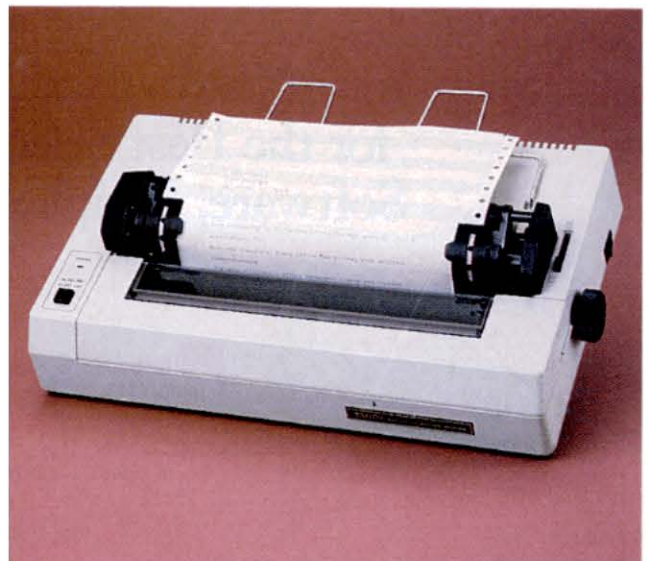
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The Basic/Assembly Interface

Basic communicates with an assembly routine in two ways: the user-service routine (USR) function and the Call statement. The former is provided mainly for compatibility with older versions of Basic. The Call statement is the preferred method for new programs. The syntax is:

```
CALL variable name (argument list)
```

The variable name gives the offset into the current segment where the routine is located. The current segment may be the default Basic data segment, or as defined by a DEF SEG statement as in Quick Print. The arguments, separated by commas, are variables that the program uses to pass data from the main program to the routine and back again. Your subroutine can change the variables' values, but not their type or, in the case of string variables, their length.

When Basic executes a Call, it places a 2-byte pointer on the stack to each variable in the Call statement, followed by the return offset and return segment address.

The Figure shows the stack after the called routine has pushed the base pointer (BP) register. The uses to which Quick Print puts the arguments are shown in parentheses. At this point the subroutine should transfer the contents of the stack pointer (SP) register to the BP register for use in extracting the parameter addresses from the stack.

Your subroutine is also responsible for cleaning up the stack before returning to the main program. You can most easily do this with a RET n instruction, where n is twice the number of arguments in the Call statement. RET n instructions move the SP register back to the starting point, skipping over the variable pointers and the return address.

When the subroutine is entered, the registers for the data segment (DS), extra segment (ES), and stack segment (SS) are set to the address of Basic's data segment. The code segment (CS) register contains the segment address of the subroutine. Your routine must preserve the values that are in all segment registers and in the BP register.

There are several ways to load assembly routines into memory. The calling program can poke short ones into memory.

The easiest method for longer programs is using the BLoad statement. Unless you are pinched for memory, and few are these days, the best place to locate the routine is just above the Basic data segment. The calling program can easily determine where this is, so that the entire routine is independent of DOS and any memory-resident programs. This is one way to construct Basic programs larger than the usual 64K limit.

The assembly routine must be a memory image which you have saved with the BSave command, or else it must contain a header containing the information that BLoad requires. I use the latter approach.

Quick Print

Now I'll put theory into practice. Listing 1 is the source code for Quick Print. The Head segment creates a header to fool the BLoad statement in the calling program into thinking that the file was saved using BSave. The BP register, with the offsets shown in the Figure, is used to extract the variable pointers from the stack and these, when placed in the base register (BX), are used to access the variables themselves.

System Requirements

Tandy 1000
Basic
Assembly Language
Quick Basic optional
Editor/assembler optional

Program Listing 1. Quick Print.

```

HEAD      SEGMENT      PARA PUBLIC 'CODE' ;Header
          DB           0FDH ; for
          DW           0,0 ; file
          DW           LAST - FIRST ;
          ENDS

CODE      SEGMENT      BYTE PUBLIC 'CODE'
          ASSUME      CS:CODE
          PUBLIC      QP
FIRST     EQU          $
QP        PROC
          PUSH        BP ;Save BP
          MOV         BP,SP ;Get stack address
          PUSH        ES ;Save ES
          MOV         BX,[BP+06] ;Get addr of Col variable
          MOV         DI,[BX] ;Put Col number in DI
          DEC         DI ;Change Col # to 0 - 79
          MOV         BX,[BP+08] ;Get addr of Row variable
          MOV         AX,[BX] ;Put Row # in AX
          DEC         AX ;Change to 0 - 25
          MOV         BX,[BP+0AH] ;Get addr of string pointer
          XOR         CH,CH ;Clear CH
          MOV         CL,[BX] ;Put string length in CL
          CMP         CL,00 ;Is it zero?
          JZ          QUIT ;Yes, quit
;Use 02 instead of 01 in following line for use with QuickBASIC
          MOV         SI,[BX+01] ;Put string start addr in SI
          MOV         DX,0050H ;Num of char per row
          MUL         DX ;# rows times 80
          ADD         DI,AX ;Add column number
          SHL         DI,1 ;Multiply by 2
          MOV         AH,0FH ;Read video mode
          QUIT

```

Listing continued

1st Argument Address (String to Print)	SP + 10
2nd Argument Address (Row number)	SP + 8
3rd argument Address (Column Number)	SP + 6
Return Segment Address	SP + 4
Return Offset Address	SP + 2
BP	
Register	SP

Figure. Condition of the stack after the called program pushes BP register. At this point, the SP register is moved into the BP register, and offsets from this value are used to access the variable pointers.

Recall that the SS and DS registers, the segment references for the BP and BX registers respectively, both point to the Basic data segment. The string pointer points to a 3-byte descriptor. The first byte is the string's length, which the routine puts into register CL, and the next 2 bytes contain the address of the first character, which the routine puts into the Source Index (SI). The routine uses the row and column numbers to calculate an offset into the display buffer, which it places in the destination index (DI).

The remainder of the routine copies the string to the buffer starting at the calculated position. INT 10H determines which type of display is in use, and the routine uses separate sections of code for monochrome and color displays. The code for color displays eliminates snow on the screen by writing only during the horizontal-retrace period.

If you have an assembler, assemble the routine, link it, convert the resulting EXE file to a COM file with EXE2BIN, and, finally, rename the file to change the extension to BIN. If you don't have an assembler, the Basic program in Listing 2 creates the necessary file. In either case, put the file in the same directory as the Basic program that calls it.

Using Quick Print

Listing 3 is a Basic program that demonstrates Quick Print. Line 30 locates the top of the Basic data segment and line 40 loads the routine at that location. The variable QP gives the offset from the seg-

Listing continued

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INT      10H
CMP      AL,7           ;Is it mono?
JNE      COLOR
MOV      AX,#B000H     ;Video buffer addr, mono
MOV      ES,AX         ;Put it in ES
CYCLE:   MOVSB         ;Send 1 byte to buffer
          INC          DI ;Skip attribute byte
          LOOP         CYCLE ;Loop until done
          JMP          QUIT
COLOR:   MOV      AX,#B000H ;Video buffer addr, color
          MOV      ES,AX     ;Put it in ES
          MOV      DX,#3DAH  ;Video port address
          TST:      IN       AL,DX ;Read port
          CMP      AL,#FFH
          JZ        WAIT
          TEST     AL,1      ;Test bit zero
          JNZ      TST      ;Wait until it's reset
          IN       AL,DX    ;Read port again
          TEST     AL,1      ;Test bit zero
          JZ        WAIT    ;Wait until it's set
          MOVSB         ;Send 1 byte to buffer
          INC          DI ;Skip attribute byte
          LOOP         TST   ;Loop until done
          POP      ES       ;Restore ES
          POP      BP       ;Restore BP
          RET         6     ;Clean stack and return
QP       ENDP
LAST     EQU          $
CODE     ENDS
END

```

End

Program Listing 2. Basic program that creates the Quick Print QP.BIN file.

```

5 'QPgen.bas
10 OPEN "R",1,"QP.BIN",1
20 FIELD #1, 1 AS A$
30 FOR I = 1 TO 98
40 READ J
50 LSET A$ = CHR$(J)
60 PUT #1
70 NEXT
80 CLOSE : END
90 DATA 253,00,00,00,00,91,00,85
95 DATA 139,236,06,139,94,06,139,63
100 DATA 79,139,94,08,139,07,72,139
105 DATA 94,10,50,237,138,15,128,249
110 DATA 00,116,58,139,119,01,186,00
115 DATA 00,247,226,03,248,209,231,180
120 DATA 15,205,16,60,07,117,12,184
125 DATA 00,176,142,192,164,71,226,252
130 DATA 235,27,144,184,00,184,142,192
135 DATA 186,218,03,236,60,255,116,04
140 DATA 168,01,117,247,236,168,01,116
145 DATA 251,164,71,226,238,07,93,202,06,00

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End

Program Listing 3. Quick Print demonstration program.

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10 'Sample Program DEMO.BAS 9/28/86
20 CLS : CLEAR : DEFINT A-Z : DIM P$(15)
25 'Lines 30 and 40 are for use with interpreter only
30 DEF SEG = 0 : N = PEEK(&H510) + 256*PEEK(&H511) + &H1001
40 DEF SEG = N : QP = 0 : BLOAD "QP.BIN",QP
50 R=1 : C=23 : P$="QUICK PRINT DEMO PROGRAM" : CALL QP(P$,R,C)
60 P$(8) = "Without Quick Print"
70 P$(9) = "The way Quickprint does it"
80 P$(10) = "Quickprint again"
90 P$(11) = "Quit"
100 P$(14) = "Make a Selection"
110 C=20 : FOR R=8 TO 14 : CALL QP(P$(R),R,C) : NEXT
120 LOCATE 14,38,1
130 I$=INKEY$: IF I$="" THEN 130
140 ON VAL(I$) GOTO 150,230,250,360 : GOTO 130
150 CLS : P$ = STRING$(79,"A")
160 FOR I = 1 TO 22
170 PRINT P$
180 NEXT
190 PRINT : LOCATE 24,22,0 : PRINT "Hit any key to continue "
200 I$=INKEY$: IF I$="" THEN 200
210 CLS
220 GOTO 50
230 P$ = STRING$(79,"B")
240 GOTO 260
250 P$ = STRING$(79,"C")
260 CLS : C=1
270 FOR R=1 TO 22
280 CALL QP(P$,R,C)
290 NEXT
300 R=24 : C=22 : P$ = "Hit any key to continue "
310 CALL QP(P$,R,C)
320 LOCATE 24,47,0
330 I$=INKEY$: IF I$="" THEN 330
340 CLS
350 GOTO 50
360 END

```

End

Only minor changes are necessary to use Quick Print with the Quick Basic compiler.

ment address, defined by N, where the assembly program, QP.BIN, will load.

You can load additional assembly routines above the first by specifying the appropriate offsets in other variables. The file name does not have to be the same as the offset-address variable, but making it so helps avoid confusion.

Further examination of Listing 3 reveals that the QP routine is called when you would otherwise use a Print statement. The row and column coordinates, numbered 1-24 and 1-80, respectively, identify the location where the first character of the string will be displayed. You must define R and C, the row and column variables, as integers. The string variable can be an array element as shown in line 110. Note that you must use the Locate statement to move the cursor.

I designed Quick Print to display only string variables. You can use the Print statement to display numbers if you don't have a lot of them, but be sure to locate the cursor first. Alternatively, you can convert numeric variables to strings with the STR\$ function.

Using Quick Print With Quick Basic

Only minor changes are necessary to use Quick Print with the Quick Basic compiler. Delete lines 30 and 40 from the sample program. The name in the Call statement is the name given to the procedure in the assembly source listing, also QP in this case.

You can delete the Head segment from the source listing, but it isn't necessary. Since Quick Basic allows strings up to 32,000 characters long, 2 bytes are needed to specify the string length. This requires a different offset to locate the string starting address as indicated in the listing.

Compile your Basic program using Quick Basic's OBJ (BRUN.LIB) option. Then assemble the subroutine and link the resulting object file (QP.OBJ) with your program object file. ■

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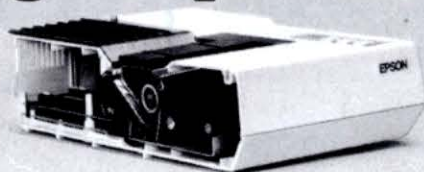
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In Search of Lost Superscript Files

Reconstruct crashed Superscript files with a minimum of fuss.

Superscript file crashes happen in a couple of ways: Bad disk media can cause a sector to become unreadable, or you can exit the program in the midst of writing a file, causing an end-of-file error when you try to reload it. You can recover these files, but first you must understand how they are set up.

Unlike most word processors, Superscript saves files as blocks of text. Each text block consists of four disk sectors. Superscript places data pointers within the first sector of each block, allowing the block to hold almost 1K of data. A single file can hold a maximum of 255 blocks, numbered zero-254, four of which are reserved for header and footer information. Six additional sectors provide the file header. A Superscript file, therefore, has a maximum length of 1,026 sectors, or about 256.5K of disk space.

The first file-header sector contains general information about the text such as the author's comments, the file's printer driver, line-spacing defaults, which blocks contain the header and footer information, and all other information that is displayed when you open the text file. The first byte of this sector is EO hexadecimal (hex), indicating that it is a Superscript file.

The next five sectors house the file's index. Superscript adds one to the value of the first byte of the first sector of the index area to determine how many blocks the file contains. Five-byte clusters of block information follow.

The cluster's first byte gives the block name. The program multiplies this value by four and increases the result by six to

You can recover a lost document by using the index information to rebuild the file order.

determine which relative sector within the block begins the file.

Adding seven to the next byte, which is equal to the first byte in the first sector of the corresponding block, gives you the relative-byte address within the block of the last sector containing data relevant to the text.

The next byte, which corresponds to

the second byte in the first sector of the corresponding block, tells the system how many of the four possible sectors the file occupies. The four sectors are numbered zero-3. The next byte tells the system how many lines of text are in the block. The last byte is a system flag. The list terminates with block FF hex.

Header and footer indexing works somewhat differently. Block names are only reserved for odd-footer, odd-header, even-footer, and even-header sequences that start at relative byte 72 hex in the first file sector. If the first byte in the first sector of a block is zero, it is a header or footer block. Its second byte is always three, and FF hex always terminates its text.

You can recover a lost document either by using the index information to rebuild the file in order (blocks are not always grouped sequentially, which is the reason for the index), or if the index sectors are defective, by creating a sequential listing

Program Listing 1. Recover.

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10 CLS:PRINT"-----"
20 PRINT" SuperSCRIPT File Recovery -"
30 PRINT" Written by: David Goblen -"
40 PRINT" 67 Highland Road -"
50 PRINT" Mansfield Center, CT 05250 -"
60 IF PEEK(5)=0 THEN CLEAR ELSE CLEAR 500
70 PRINT"-----":PRINT
80 DEFINT A-Z:MD=1:IF PEEK(5)<>0 THEN IF PEEK(293)<>73 THEN MD=0
90 GOTO 140
100 IF RB=256 THEN 120 ELSE IF RB<>BR OR RS<>SR THEN D=PEEK(P+RB)
:D$=CHR$(D):RB=RB+1:RETURN
110 RS=0:RB=0:GOSUB 130:IF (RG>LG AND CR=1) OR LP>LG THEN 340 ELSE
GET 1,RG*4+7:ET=0:GOSUB 100:IF D=0 THEN 110 ELSE BR=D+7:GOSUB
100:SR=D:RB=7:GOTO 100
120 RB=0:IF RS=SR THEN 110 ELSE RS=RS+1:GET 1,RS+RG*4+7:GOTO 100
130 IF CR THEN RG=RG+1:RETURN ELSE LP=LP+1:RG=ASC(MID$(LOS,LP,1)):
RETURN
140 FSS="":LINE INPUT"Type in the FILESPEC of the File to RECOVER:
";FSS:IF FSS=""THEN 140 ELSE ON ERROR GOTO 150:OPEN"1",1,FSS:
CLOSE:GOTO 160
150 PRINT FSS" cannot be found!":PRINT:RESUME 140
160 PD$="":LINE INPUT"Type in the FILESPEC of the OUTPUT File :
";PD$:IF PD$=""THEN 160 ELSE D$="":F$=FSS:X=INSTR(F$,":"):IF
X THEN F$=LEFT$(F$,X-1):D$=MID$(FSS,X+1)
170 D1$="":F1$=PD$:X=INSTR(F1$,""):IF X THEN F1$=LEFT$(F1$,X-1):D
1$=MID$(PD$,X+1)
180 IF F$<>F1$ OR (F$=F1$ AND D$<>D1$ AND D$<>"*" AND D1$<>"*")THEN
190 ELSE PRINT"DUPLICATE FILE NAMES! ILLEGAL!":GOTO 240
190 ON ERROR GOTO 200:OPEN"O",2,PD$:GOTO 210
200 PRINT PD$" is illegal!":PRINT:RESUME 160
210 ON ERROR GOTO 430:OPEN"R",1,FSS:FIELD 1,1 AS D$:PI=PEEK(VARPTR
(D$)+1)+256*PEEK(VARPTR(D$)+2):IF PI>32767 THEN PT=PI-65536: E
LSE PT=PI

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Listing continued



System Requirements

Model I/III/4
32K RAM
Basic
One disk drive
Superscript

of the file and then correcting the discrepancies in the text.

Recover

I wrote Recover (Program Listing 1), which operates under Model I/III/4 Disk Basic, to reconstruct Superscript files using whichever method yields the best results. It asks you for the filespec of the defective file and then asks for the output filespec, which is an ASCII conversion of the file. Once Recover receives this data, it tries to build a reconstruction table from the information in the index area of the defective file. If it accomplishes this, Recover rebuilds the file in its proper order. If any of the used index sectors are defec-

To reconstruct files, Recover uses whichever method yields the best results.

ive, Recover tries to reconstruct the file sequentially.

If the index sectors are unreadable, you can still use Recover to gather enough in-

formation about each block to reconstruct the file. Success depends on your knowing the following facts.

- Each block is four sectors long.
- By adding seven to the first byte of each block you can tell where, in the last used sector of the block, the text data ends.
- The value of the second byte of each block is one less than the number of sectors the block occupies.
- The values of the first and second bytes of each block are the same as those of the second and third bytes in the index cluster that references the block.
- Text does not begin until after the seventh byte of the first sector of a block.
- If a block begins with byte value zero (does not give an offset value for the end of data in its final occupied sector), it is a header or footer block. You should ignore such blocks during recovery.
- If blocks are not stored in sequential order, you must move the text into proper sequence after recovery.
- If a sector is unreadable, Recover tries to read it four times before reporting the problem and proceeding to the next sector.

When the program recovers a file, it stores the data in a destination file in ASCII format. Convert the data back to Superscript format as follows.

- Create a new Superscript file with a different name.
- Arrange the file's framework (such as line spacing and margins).
- Select the ASCII conversion option at Superscript's main menu.
- Answer the prompt asking from which format you want to convert with "A" for ASCII.
- Answer the Superscript file-name prompt with the new Superscript file's name.
- Answer the ASCII file-name prompt with the recovered file's name.

When the conversion is complete, edit the new file and insert any special features, such as centering and underlining, that Recover deleted.

A Bonus

Program Listing 2, Convert, is a bonus. It converts Model I or III Superscript files to run under Model 4 Superscript. The files are not normally compatible because Models I and III use small blocks in the first sectors of their files as line markers, and the Model 4 uses underscores. Convert changes the small blocks to underscores. You can reverse the process (allow Models I and III to read Model 4 files) by switching the values of variables B\$ and G\$ at the end of line 90. ■

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Listing continued

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220 ON ERROR GOTO 450:GET 1,1:IF PEEK(PT)=5HE0 THEN 250 ELSE PRINT
  "The SOURCE file is NOT a SupersCRIPSIT File!" * 7641
230 CLOSE:KILL FD$ * 1119
240 ON ERROR GOTO 0:END * 1463
250 CR=0:LP=0:ON ERROR GOTO 460:PRINT:PRINT"Picking up File Block
  Clusters..." :HDS=CHR$(254)+CHR$(253)+CHR$(239)+CHR$(247)+CHR$(
  248)+CHR$(245)+CHR$(242):LOS="":GET 1,2:LG=PEEK(PT):RS=-5:RB=1
  :SR=7:RG=0:BR=257 * 13275
260 X=LG*5+1:Y=X/256:X=X-Y*256:GET 1,Y+2:D=PEEK(PT+X):GET 1,2:IF D
  <>255 THEN PRINT"Index Data Confused. End of File Mixup caused
  here. Correcting..." * 10827
270 GOSUB 100:IF D<255 THEN LOS=LOS+CHR$(D):FOR Y=1 TO 4:GOSUB 100
  :NEXT Y:GOTO 270 ELSE LG=LEN(LOS):IF LG=0 THEN PRINT"Text File
  is Null":GOTO 240 * 9464
280 IF ASC(MID$(LOS,LG,1))*4+7>LOF(1) THEN LG=LG-1:IF LG THEN 280 E
  LSE PRINT"File Totally Unreadable! Aborting":GOTO 240 * 8231
290 PRINT:ET=0:ON ERROR GOTO 440:BR=255:SR=BR:RG=-1 * 3295
300 GOSUB 130:RS=0:RB=0:GET 1,RG*4+7:ET=0:GOSUB 100:IF D=0 THEN 30
  0 ELSE BR=D+7:GOSUB 100:SR=D:RB=12 * 6878
310 GOSUB 100 * 741
320 IF INSTR(HDS,D$) THEN ON INSTR(HDS,D$) GOTO 110,350,370,380,39
  0,410,420 * 4225
330 IF D<32 OR D>127 THEN 310 ELSE PRINT#2,D$;:PRINT D$;:GOTO 310 * 3861
340 PRINT#2,CHR$(0);:CLOSE:PRINT:PRINT:GOTO 240 * 3049
350 PRINT#2,CHR$(13);:PRINT CHR$(140) * 2181
360 GOSUB 100:IF D<239 THEN 360 ELSE 320 * 2357
370 GOSUB 100:IF D=255 THEN 340 ELSE 320 * 2293
380 PRINT#2," ";:PRINT " ";:GOTO 310 * 2101
390 PRINT#2," ";:PRINT " ";:PRINT * 1328
400 IF MD THEN OUT 244,1:GOTO 310 ELSE POKE 14305,1:GOTO 310 * 3538
410 GOSUB 100:GOTO 310 * 1293
420 PRINT#2,CHR$(9);:PRINT CHR$(9);:GOTO 310 * 2654
430 PRINT"There is a problem OPENING "FSS". Check your files befor
  e trying again.":RESUME 230 * 7531
440 ET=ET+1:IF ET<4 THEN RESUME ELSE ET=0:PRINT:PRINT:PRINT"*****
  FOUND A BAD DATA SECTOR. NOW SKIPPING SOME DATA *****":PRINT:I
  F RS=0 THEN SR=3:BR=255:RESUME 120 ELSE RESUME 120 * 11388
450 PRINT"The 1st sector of "FSS" is bombed. Assuming SuperSCRIPSI
  T file.....":RESUME 250 * 6905
460 PRINT"Information in the Index Clusters is CRASHED!":PRINT"Now
  calculating data by PREDICTING pointers.....":PRINT"NOTE tha
  t some editing may be required by YOU after":PRINT"the file is
  converted back to SuperSCRIPSIT format....." * 19839
470 INPUT"Press <ENTER> to continue":D$:CR=1:LG=(LOF(1)-6)/4:RESU
  ME 290 * 5024
```

End

Program Listing 2. Convert.

```
10 'SUPERSCRIPSIT DOCUMENT CONVERSION -- MODEL I/III TO MODEL 4
20 'WRITTEN BY : DAVID GOBLEN
30 '
40 CLEAR:DEFINT A-Z:CLS * 1507
50 PRINT"SuperSCRIPSIT Document Conversion -- Model I/III to Mod
  el 4":PRINT * 6056
60 AN$="":LINE INPUT"Type in the FILESPEC for the file to conver
  t: ";AN$ * 5401
70 IF AN$="" THEN 60 ELSE ON ERROR GOTO 80:OPEN"I",1,AN$:CLOSE:GO
  TO 90 * 4241
80 PRINT ERR$;GOTO 70 * 1423
90 OPEN"R",1,AN$:FIELD 1,255 AS A$:B$=CHR$(8H84):G$=CHR$(8H5F) * 3491
100 ON ERROR GOTO 0:GET 1,1:CS=AS * 1964
110 X=INSTR(C$,B$):IF X THEN MID$(C$,X,1)=G$:GOTO 110 * 3125
120 LSET A$=C$:PUT 1,1:CLOSE 1:END * 2055
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End

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Making the Most of Batch Files

Welcome to my first MS-DOS Column. I hope to follow the trends that Dave set, and I have many ideas to share. I am dedicating this month's column to improving your system's performance with batch files and other tidbits.

First, I recommend that you set up a Config.SYS file with a Buffers statement. I use a BUFFERS = 20 statement to allow MS-DOS a reasonable amount of freedom in buffering disk files. Depending on your available memory, you can use fewer buffers. You should use at least eight, however. This is a vital parameter on a unit with a hard disk, because it allows for faster disk input/output (I/O).

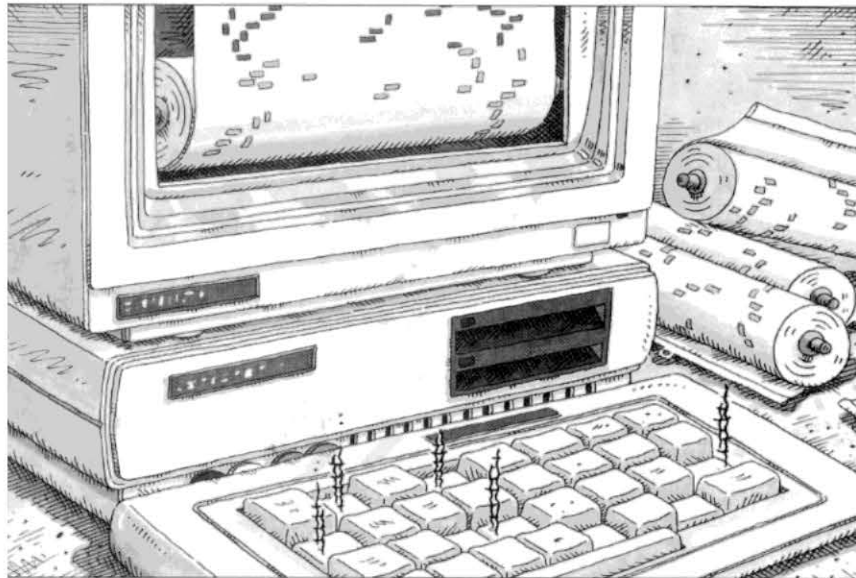
One method of speeding your work is to automate your system with batch files. Even on a floppy-disk system, using batch files can be much faster than typing numerous MS-DOS commands repetitively. On a hard disk, a few batch files can make an even greater improvement.

Among the most severe limitations of system speed is MS-DOS's inability to ask you a question, get an answer, and then act on it. This also limits the effectiveness of batch files, but there is a way around this. The Debug script in Fig. 1 is a short example of a query program with a twist. Follow the instructions in Fig. 1 to create Query.COM. I included comments with many of the machine-language statements, so make sure you do not type any of the information between the semicolon (;) and the end of each line.

Type QUERY at the DOS prompt. Follow it with the question string to which you want a yes or no answer. Query will type out the question string (everything on the command line except for QUERY) and follow it with a "(Y/N)?" prompt. Y and N are the only characters that the program accepts as responses.

You must then use the DOS If statement to test for an Errorlevel condition. DOS provides the ability for a program to return a 1-byte error code on termination. This code can be read by an Errorlevel batch command. Query reports error conditions of zero for yes and 1 for no. Figure 2 contains my Autoexec batch file, in which I use Query to decide whether to load Microsoft Windows or Wordperfect Corp.'s Library Menu shell.

You can easily extend this short program to request a menu selection from a



number of options. To do this, you must make the error condition correspond to the proper selection. The DOS If conditional statement is really a greater-than or equal-to test, so you must test these conditions in reverse numerical order. I'll discuss this further in a future column.

We Interrupt This Batch File

Have you ever wanted to suspend execution of a batch file? Ever wanted to execute another batch file as a procedure and return to the original batch? You can easily do both of these tasks by using the DOS command interpreter. It has several parameters that are not documented in the releases prior to DOS

3.x. Only some of these new command line parameters work in the older DOS versions.

Figure 3 shows an example of a batch file that suspends execution. I use it from Library's Shell menu to set up the environment for my C compiler. After it has initialized all of the environment variables, it changes the directory into the C source directory. Then the batch file executes Command.COM, suspending all batch processing with the new environment intact. The computer enters the DOS command mode so you can use the C compiler.

When you are finished with the C compiler, type EXIT at the DOS prompt

Fig. 1. Debug script for creating Query.COM. You create this script with Edlin or any other text processor that can write an ASCII character file. Do not write the comments to the right of the semicolon (;). Save the script file as Query.SCR and then create Query.COM using the Debug command: DEBUG <QUERY.SCR.

```

a 0100
MOV SI,0080 ;Offset for command line char count
MOV BL,[SI] ;Pointer to command tail string
CMP BL,00
JZ 0118 ;No command tail is present
XOR BH,BH
MOV Byte Ptr [BX+0081],24 ;Terminate string with '$'
MOV AH,09
MOV DX,0081 ;Point to character string in tail
INT 21 ;MS-DOS Write string function
MOV AH,09
MOV DX,0141 ;Yes/No prompt
INT 21 ;Write out string
MOV AH,07 ;Read character with no echo
INT 21

```

Figure 1 continued

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```

AND AL,DF ;Strip out lowercase bit
CMP AL,59 ;Test for 'Y'es response
JZ 0132
CMP AL,4E ;Test for 'N'o response
JNZ 011F ;Get another character
MOV AL,01 ;Error status for response
JMP 0134
NOP
XOR AL,AL ;Error status for Yes response
PUSH AX
MOV AH,09 ;Terminate line with a
MOV DX,014A ; .. CR/LF
INT 21
POP AX ;Get return value
MOV AH,4C ;Set terminate function code
INT 21
DB ' (Y/N)? $'
DB 0D,0A,'$' ;Extra return is required here
n QUERY.COM ;Set program name
rcx
004D ;Length of program goes to CX reg
w ;Write it out
q ;Quit Debug and return to DOS

```

Fig. 2. Autoexec.BAT with sample use of Query.

```

echo off
copy command.com d:
set comspec=d:\command.com
path d:;\rc:\dos;c:\dos\util;c:\dos\norton;c:\dos\masm;c:\wptools
prompt $e[7m {t$H$H$H} $e[0;lm $p$g$e[0m
kbfix /t1 /kt0 /ktd5 /d0 /s1
:whatnow
cls
query Do you want to run Microsoft Windows
if errorlevel 1 goto shell
cd windows
win
cd\
goto whatnow
:shell
query Do you want to run WordPerfect's Shell
if errorlevel 1 goto exit
shell
cd\
goto whatnow
:exit

```

Fig. 3. Example of batch file with extension.

```

echo off
set dummy=
set dummy1=
set path=C:\MSC;%PATH%
set prompt=$e[m [Microsoft C Version 4.0]$_%PROMPT%
set lib=c:\msc\lib
set include=c:\msc\include
set tmp=c:\
cd \msc\source
command
cd \

```

Fig. 4. Sample batch files with subroutine.

```

echo off
cls
echo This is batch file number 1 which sets the environment
echo variable TESTVAR to the string 'Test String from batch #1'
echo and links to batch file #2.
echo .
echo Batch file #2 will attempt to reset TESTVAR and then will
echo return to this batch file. TESTVAR will be displayed on
echo return.
echo .
pause
prompt
set testvar=Test String from batch #1
echo The string was set to %TESTVAR%
command /c batch2
echo .
echo The environment string is now %TESTVAR%
echo .
echo This completes the demo.

Second batch file: store as BATCH2.BAT
echo off
echo I am in batch file number 2 now. After setting TESTVAR,
echo it will be displayed and then this batch file will exit.
echo .
set testvar=Test String in batch #2
echo TESTVAR is set to %TESTVAR%
echo .
pause

```

and press the enter key. This terminates the current command processor, and the batch file resumes execution. After restoring the root directory as the current directory, the batch file terminates and control automatically returns to the shell menu.

This batch file has several other interesting features. You can change the current prompt and path with the DOS Set command. I used to have all my batch files establish the path and prompt to suit their own tasks. I would change one of the subdirectories in the path and, invariably, forget one of the batch files, leaving an invalid subdirectory in the path.

The technique I use here (SET PATH=C:\MSC;%PATH%) references the string currently stored in the path environment variable. This command prepends the string \C:MSC to the beginning of the current path and stores it in the working environment. A word of caution: DOS 2.x requires all capitals in the path. Also note that these changes are temporary and affect only the current environment. If you are operating under a shell of any kind, these changes will not affect the master environment.

Figure 4 shows another technique that allows one batch file to call another. The method uses one of the undocumented command-line parameters from the earlier DOS 2.x releases. This is precisely how menu shells and other programs that allow you to use DOS without exiting work.

Batch file 1 calls batch file 2, which executes a few commands and terminates. Control returns immediately to the preceding batch file. Batch file 1 loads Command.COM, creating a copy of batch file 1's environment for the new version of DOS's command processor. Any changes batch file 2 makes in the environment affect this copy only (not the parent environment from batch file 1). The only way control returns to the first batch file is through the use of the /c (child process) command.

Wrap-Up

Batch files are valuable tools that can make your computer use more efficient. I hope you enjoy these techniques and profit from them.

I encourage you to send me your questions and thoughts regarding the column's content. I welcome any questions about MS-DOS and Tandy computers. ■

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My Tidbit #40 on p. 94 of the January 1987 issue has a bug. You deleted line 15100, a remark line, from the listing, but neglected to correct the subroutine calls in lines 160 and 170 to 15110:

```
160 IF MID$(UP$,1,1)<"0" THEN GOSUB 15110:GOTO 120
170 IF MID$(UP$,1,1)>"9" THEN GOSUB 15110:GOTO 120
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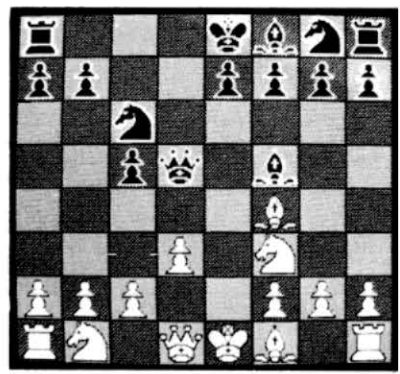
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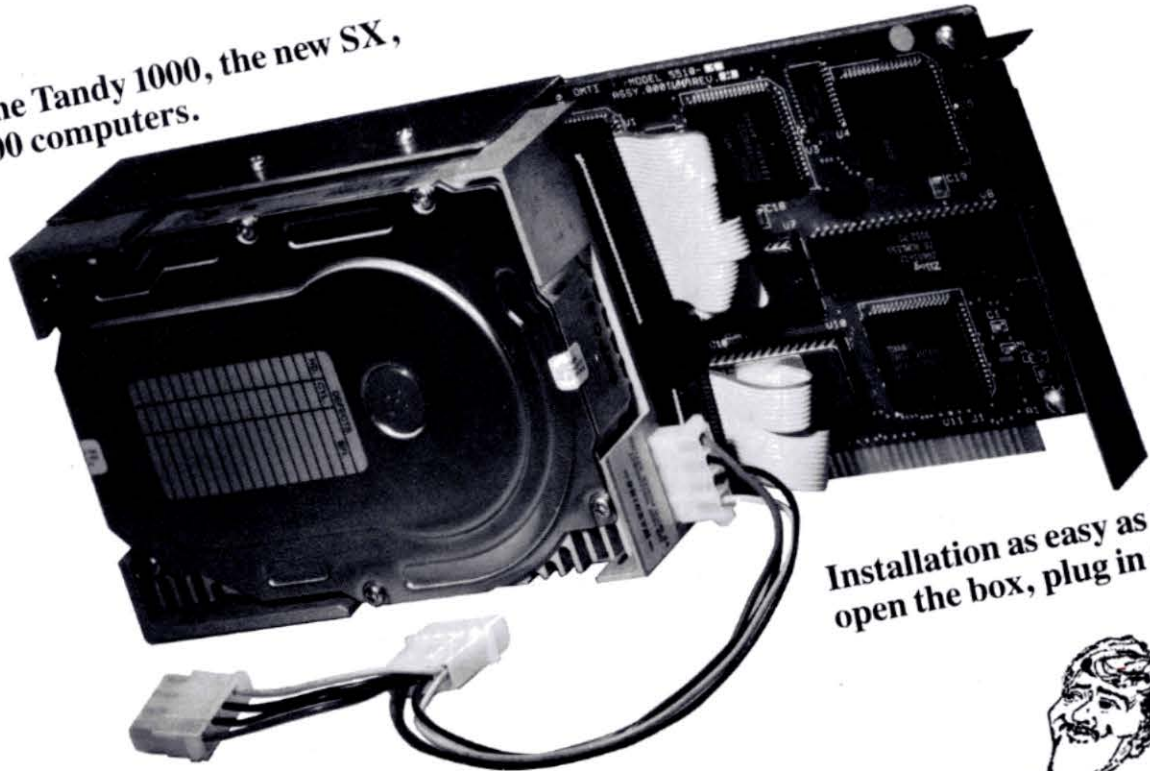
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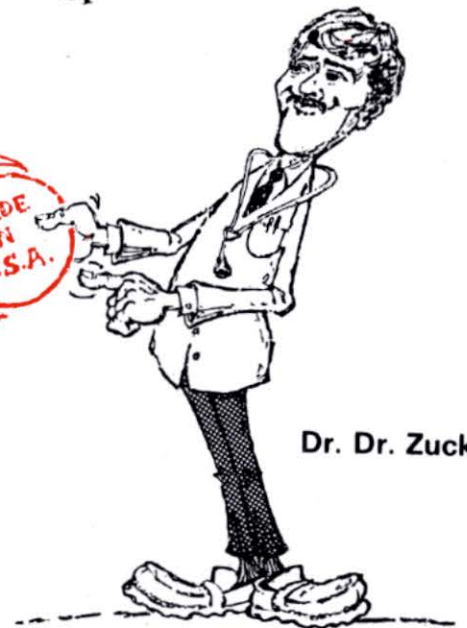
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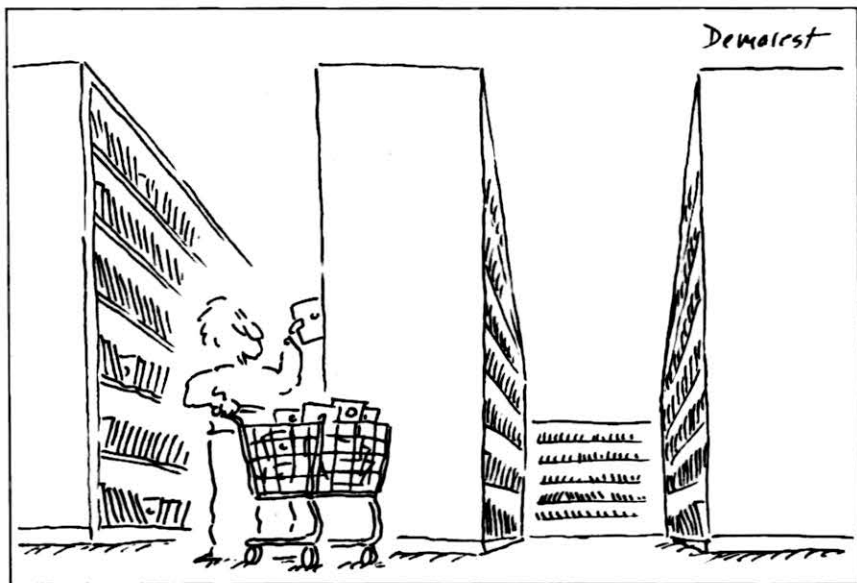
Most of the small companies emphasize that they keep their software up to date, and they urge their customers to make donations to the authors of those programs designated as user-supported (more on user-supported software later). They seem genuinely interested in spreading the wealth of PD software to their customers.

I also heard from a couple of companies that had old versions of some programs. One small company sent me a three-year-old version of a program that has been updated three or four times since. On the other hand, another sent me two current and desirable programs that I had heard about but hadn't been able to find.

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The two major sources of MS-DOS software are the PC-SIG and PC-Blue PD libraries. PC-SIG is by far the largest with over 700 disks chock full of free and user-supported software, and it's growing every day. This amounts to many thousands of programs. PC-SIG is a for-profit organization that distributes software for a minimum charge. Like the other major sources of PD software, PC-SIG keeps the software up to date, replacing older versions of a program with newer ones as they become available.

PC-Blue is the oldest PD software library and has over 200 disks cataloged. PC-Blue is a collaborative effort of two non-profit organizations, the New York Amateur Computer Club and the Amateur Computing Group of New Jersey. Other non-profit organizations that are major sources of PD programs are the Capital-PC Software Exchange, the Long



Island Computer Association, New York Personal Computer, and the Houston Area League (HAL) of PC Users. HAL programs are distributed through The Public (Software) Library.

Keeping Current

Keeping current PD software is not easy. The largest distributors like PC-SIG have full-time staffs to do this task. Non-profit groups rely on volunteers and a few paid persons to maintain the libraries and send out software.

Large distributors get most of their software from the programs' authors and users. As they receive updates to programs, they must replace older versions and note changes in their catalogs. Major distributors usually offer both catalog disks and printed catalogs. The advantage of a catalog disk from a company like PC-SIG is that you can search for programs using keywords.

It is impossible to keep large, printed catalogs as current as disk catalogs due to the time lag for printing. PC-SIG, for example, has disks that catalog up to 700 program disks and their contents. Its latest printed catalog supplement only includes information about 454 program disks. Newsletters take up the void in describing its latest programs.

The majority of the smaller PD distributors purchase their libraries from PC-SIG, PC-Blue, HAL, Capital PC, and other large PD software sources. This al-

lows the small outfits to stay current with their selections with little effort. Since they don't have the overhead of the large distributors, the small libraries can offer program disks at a lower cost. Some small companies simply rent disks purchased from large sources for you to copy and return.

Generally, though, you get what you pay for. You might not get the most up-to-date software from some smaller organizations, but often if you make a donation to the program's author, you get the current version and printed documentation in return. Other small distributors specialize in the most popular programs, and some such as PC Arcade emphasize games and leisure.

While the large outfits do not wish to restrict the distribution of PD software, they do take exception when someone redistributes exact copies of their program disks. They copyright the disks' presentation and cataloging system. Most of the smaller companies comply with this and formulate their own software data-base methods, weeding out the chaff.

Of Special Interest To Tandy Users

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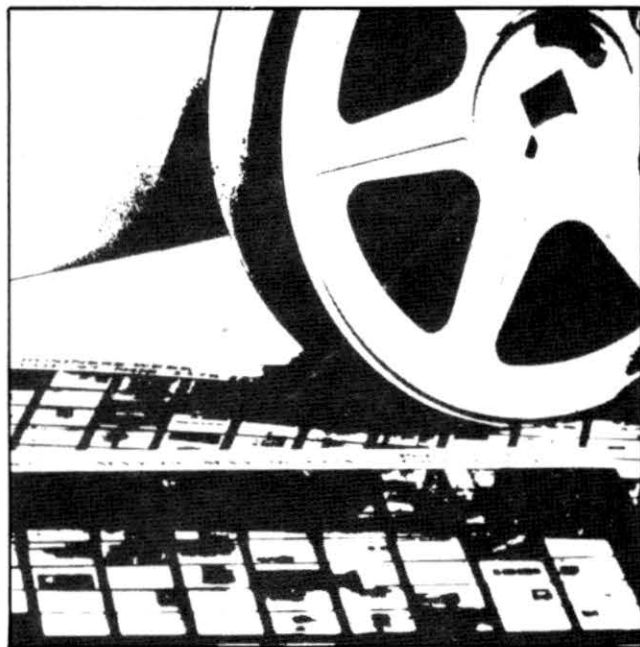
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Of special note to Tandy users are the Boston Computer Society, The Alternate Source, Elliam Associates, Montezuma Micro, Club 100, and the Danville Tigers Club. With the exception of Elliam Associates, these groups focus on the Tandy line of computers.

Elliam Associates is a major source of CP/M PD software, but the company also has some MS-DOS software. Its library includes collections from other main sources of CP/M PD software, including the CP/M Users Group (1651 Third Ave., New York, NY 10028) and the SIG/M Users Group (P.O. Box 97, Iselin, NJ 08830).

Montezuma Micro has a good CP/M software library, as well. This company also sells CP/M 2.2, a commercial version of the CP/M operating system exclusively for the Model 4. Montezuma has recently added MS-DOS PD programs to its library.

The Boston Computer Society is primarily a users' group that also offers PD programs for the Models I/III/4, CP/M, and MS-DOS. They also have a Model

100 special-interest group, but I'm not sure it distributes PD software. The Alternate Source has been around for a long time and once published a magazine, *The Alternate Source*, for the TRS-80 line. Now the company sponsors a newsletter called *Northern Bytes* and offers, in addition to commercial software, PD programs for the Models I/III/4, CP/M, and Tandy 1000.

Model 100/102/200 users have promise of things to come with the expanding activities of Club 100 and the Danville Tigers Club. Both of these San Francisco-area groups offer the same PD software in their small libraries of five disks with 15 programs on each disk. They work closely together, though as separate entities.

Many of Club 100's 400 active members have written much of the prominent public-domain software for these computers and are considered to be the programming and hardware gurus for the Model 100.

As I said last month, by all means become at least a level 1 member of Club

100 if you own a Model 100. It is free and puts you on the club's mailing list, which keeps you up to date on its PD offerings and allows you to direct questions their way through the mail. See last month's Public Works for more information on Club 100 and the Danville Tigers Club.

User-Supported Software

You will often see me refer to user-supported software in this column. Other terms you might hear at times are shareware or freeware. All mean the same thing: You are free to use the program and give copies to your friends with the understanding that, if you find it useful, you send a donation to the author. This encourages the author to improve on the program or write others.

The amounts authors request for donations are small, ranging from \$5-\$45, though some have been higher. Usually the programs with the higher requests give you something of value in return for your donation, such as commercially printed and bound documentation, bet-

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Table. List of PD software distributors.

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Can we talk? CP/M vs TRSDOS

By moving to CP/M on your Model 4 you achieve two things. First you open the door to a wealth of existing software. More 8-bit software runs under CP/M than any other operating system. This includes virtually all of the "big name" programs which have set the standards by which all others are measured. Programs like **WordStar**, **dBASE II**, and **Turbo Pascal** are available for CP/M, but not TRSDOS. Public domain software, almost unknown under TRSDOS, fills hundreds of megabytes of disk space. Valuable public domain programs like the **Small C Compiler** are just a toll-free phone call away. Most importantly, hundreds of applications programs are available from a multitude of vendors. Many include the source code. Wouldn't you like to be able to choose from scores of Accounts Receivable or General Ledger programs, instead of the meager selection you now have? Circle our special Reader Service number 600 on the Reader Service Card to receive our comprehensive free listing of suppliers of application programs that run under CP/M.

What about the future?

When the time comes to move up to another computer it will almost certainly use MS-DOS. That's when CP/M users get a pleasant surprise. Since MS-DOS was a derivative of CP/M it operates in almost the same manner. Even better, most of the same software packages are available in 16-bit form and they operate in virtually the same way that they did under CP/M.

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CP/M hard disk drivers are available for Radio Shack, Aerocomp, and most other popular brands of hard disk drives. These drivers allow the hard drive to be partitioned into one to four logical drives of varying sizes.

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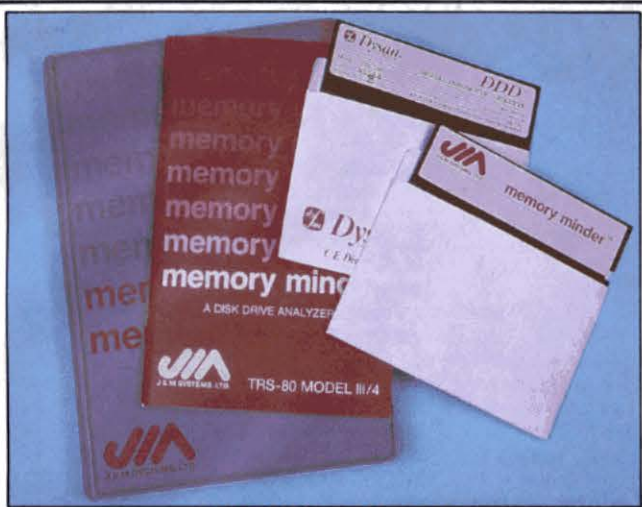
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Tax Alert

With taxes due soon, you might be interested in PD tax programs. In the Washington, DC, area Roger A. Stanley Accounting Ltd. has set up the Tax Assistance BBS as a public service to answer your tax questions. Roger says that he started the BBS to thank those who helped him with his computer.

There is no charge for using Roger's BBS, and he assumes no liability for the advice given. The phone number is 703-237-8430 (300/1,200/2,400 baud, 8-bit words, no parity, 1 stop bit). Turnaround

time for answers is 24 hours, but responses will slow down around tax time since Roger must take care of his paying clients first.

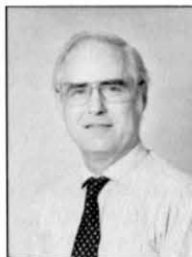
There are a few good PD MS-DOS programs to help you with your taxes. W4.ARC, by Roger A. Stanley, helps you fill out the W-4 withholding form. Roger has also written a Basic program called Rascom.BAS to estimate the effects of the new tax law by comparing your 1986, 1987, and 1988 taxes using the information you provide. Fedtax86.ARC is a 1-2-3, version 1 or 2, spreadsheet template that helps you fill out your tax form and make the necessary computations. Amtax86.ARC is a program that does the same task. These all are user-supported programs.

If you get these programs from somewhere other than the 80 Micro BBS, be sure to get Fedtax86.Bug if the Fedtax86 program is dated around Nov. 22, 1986. The ARC extension means that these

programs are compressed (archived) in a file. You need ARC.EXE (latest version ARC512.EXE) and ARC.DOC to uncompress these files. These are also on the 80 Micro BBS.

Next Month

Next month I'll talk about PD and user-supported word-processing and text-editing software. I'll also include other programs to make your writing chores easier. ■



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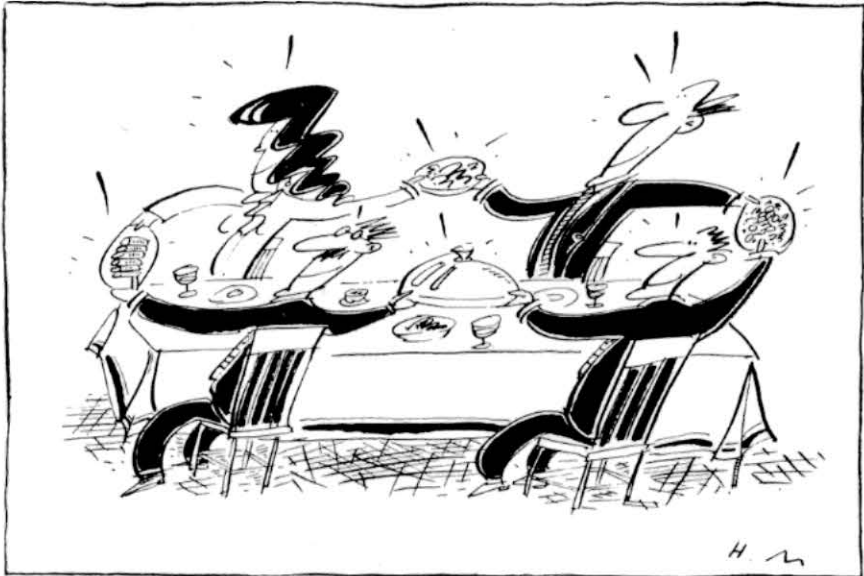
A lot happens when you type a program's name from the TRSDOS Ready prompt. The operating system searches through the disk drives looking for the appropriate CMD file, checks the file's passwords, opens the file, and begins to read it.

One of TRSDOS's last actions before it passes control to a program is setting the BC and HL registers to the TRSDOS command buffer, which still contains the command line that you (or a JCL file) typed. The BC register contains the address of the beginning of the buffer so that a program can determine its own name. The HL register points to the first non-blank character after the program name. If nothing follows the program name, the HL register points to the carriage return, which ends your command.

If a program expects you to add information on the command line—for example, a file name, a drive number, or a list of parameters—it usually starts searching at the address contained in HL when the program starts execution.

Most operating systems provide a program with access to the command line. However, TRSDOS 6.x (and LS-DOS 6.3) go much further. If a TRSDOS program expects a list of parameters, it can request the @PARAM supervisory call (SVC) to parse those parameters for it. This SVC makes a normally tedious programming task almost trivial. It parses the parameters that you have entered, places appropriate values inside the program, and reports the types of parameters used to the program.

TRSDOS recognizes three kinds of parameters. The simplest is a "flag" parameter that you can designate as "on," "off," "Y," "N," "yes," or "no." It assumes that if the parameter name is given without any parameter, you mean "on," and if the name is followed by an



equals sign (=) but no other information, you mean "off."

TRSDOS also understands value and string parameters. A value parameter can use either decimal or hexadecimal (hex) numbers and must be a value that can be represented in 2 bytes. A string parameter can be as long as space on the command line allows and must be enclosed in quotation marks.

To correctly parse the parameter list, TRSDOS makes three requirements of you: The list must begin with a left parenthesis (the closing parenthesis is optional), commas must separate parameters, and no extraneous spaces can be in the parameter list.

With the @PARAM SVC, it is almost easier to use parameters in a program than to enter them on the command line. On entrance to @PARAM, TRSDOS expects the HL register to point to the opening parenthesis or to a space before it. It also expects the DE register to contain the address of a parameter table inside your program.

TRSDOS accepts the parameter table in either of two forms: an older format compatible with LDOS 5.1.3 and a newer form unique to TRSDOS/LS-DOS 6. The latter is more flexible and is used by all the DOS library routines and utilities. It is also the form I used in this month's demonstration program.

The first byte of the TRSDOS-format

parameter table must be 80 hex, and the last byte must be a zero. In between is an entry for each possible parameter. The first byte of this entry contains 4 type bits plus the length of the parameter name.

If bit 7 of this byte is set, @PARAM expects a numeric value for the parameter. Bit 6 signals an expected flag value for the parameter, and bit 5 represents an expected string value. Unfortunately, @PARAM doesn't seem to use these type bits, but rather accepts any type of parameter value that you enter.

If bit 4 is set in the type byte, @PARAM accepts the first letter of the parameter name as an abbreviation. If you want to accept abbreviations, you must be certain that each parameter name begins with a different letter. Finally, the lower nibble of the type byte, bits zero-3, contains the length of the parameter name (no parameter name can be longer than 15 characters).

The next bytes of the table entry contain the actual parameter name in uppercase letters. A response byte follows the name. The @PARAM SVC uses this byte to report whether the parameter was entered; what type of value was given for the parameter; and, if a string was entered as a value, the length of that string. The last 2 bytes of a parameter-table entry point to the address in the program where TRSDOS should store the parameter

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Program Listing 1. Code that directly manipulates the MOD flag.

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00100 ;-----
00110 ; Model 4 Mod-Flag Modifier.
00120 ; Assemble as MODFLAG/CMD
00130 ; Invoke: MODFLAG :d (parm1,parm2,...)
00140 ;
00150 ; Parameters:
00160 ; INV Specifies whether invisible files should
00170 ; be included. Default INV=OFF.
00180 ;
00190 ; SYS Specifies whether system files should be
00200 ; included. Default SYS=OFF
00210 ;
00220 ; MOD Specifies whether files with the Mod flag
00230 ; set should be included. Default MOD=ON
00240 ;
00250 ; UNMOD Specifies whether files with the Mod flag
00260 ; reset should be included. Default UNMOD=ON
00270 ;
00280 ; QUERY Specifies whether user should be asked before
00290 ; each mod-flag change. Default QUERY=YES
00300 ;
00310 ; Abbreviations: I=INV, S=SYS, M=MOD, U=UNMOD, Q=QUERY
00320 ;
00330 ; Assembled with Pro-Create 4.3a. See Listing 2 for necessary
00340 ; macro commands from MACLIB/ASM.
00350 ;-----
00360 ;
00370 *LIST OFF
00380 *GET MACLIB/ASM
00390 *LIST ON
00400 ;
00410 CR EQU 0DH
00420 LF EQU 0AH
00430 ETX EQU 03H
00440 ;
00450 ;-----
00460 ; Sign on
00470 ;-----
00480 ORG 3000H
00490 START @DSPLY HELLO ;Print sign-on message
00500 @CKBRK ;Does user want out?
00510 JR Z,START1 ;Begin if no <Break> key
00520 @EXIT -1 ;Else return error code to TRSDOS
00530 ;
00540 START1 CALL PARSE ;Parse command line
00550 CALL GET_INFO ;Get drive info
00560 CALL MODIFY ;Toggle mod flags
00570 EXIT @EXIT 0 ;And leave
00580 ;
00590 ;-----
00600 ; Parse the command line
00610 ;-----
00620 PARSE LD A,(HL) ;Get 1st non-blank char.
00630 IFNE_JR ':',BAD_DRIVE ;Go if not a colon
00640 INC HL ;Point to drive number
00650 LD A,(HL) ;Get number
00660 SUB #'0' ;ASCII to hex
00670 IFLT_JR 0,BAD_DRIVE ;Go if too small
00680 IFGE_JR 8,BAD_DRIVE ;Go if too large
00690 LD (DRIVE),A ;Drive okay -- save
00700 INC HL ;Move past drive #
00710 @PARAM PARM_TBL ;Parse parameters
00720 RET
00730 ;
00740 BAD_DRIVE:
00750 @DSPLY DRIVE_BAD ;Display error message
00760 @EXIT -1 ;And leave
00770 ;
00780 ;-----
00790 ; Get drive info
00800 ;-----
00810 GET_INFO:
00820 @CKDRV (DRIVE) ;Does drive exist?
00830 @GTDCT ;Yes -- IY ==> drv. code table
00840 LD A,(IY+9) ;Get directory cylinder
00850 LD (DIRCYL),A ;And save it
00860 LD E,3 ;Read sector 3
00870 CALL READ_SEC ;Move sector to buffer
00880 LD A,(IX+20) ;Get sector count
00890 DEC A ;Offset from 0
00900 LD (SECTOR),A ;Save it
00910 RET
00920 ;
00930 ;-----
00940 ; Toggle Modify Flags
00950 ; Outer loop -- repeat for each sector
00960 ;-----
00970 MODIFY LD A,(SECTOR) ;Get highest unmodified sector
00980 CP 1 ;Ignore GAT & HIT sectors
00990 RET Z ;Return if done
01000 LD E,A ;Select this sector
01010 CALL READ_SEC ;Move sector to buffer
01020 ;-----
01030 ; Inner loop -- repeat 8 times for
01040 ; 8 entries per sector
01050 ;-----
01060 LD B,8 ;Setup for loop
01070 MOD2 PUSH BC ;Save loop counter

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Listing 1 continued

value or, in the case of a string parameter, a pointer to the parameter.

MOD Flag Program

Whenever a program writes to a TRSDOS file, a special bit in the directory is set to show that the file has been modified. The only way to turn off that MOD flag is to use Backup to copy the file to another disk or drive. The Backup, DIR, and CAT commands can all use the MOD flag as one of their parameters.

This month's program lets you directly manipulate the MOD flag. It demonstrates one method of using the @PARAM SVC and how to directly access directory entries in assembly language. Listing 1 is the source code for the program, and Listing 2 contains the macro commands necessary for the program to run correctly.

The program begins by displaying a sign-on message and then checking whether you have pressed the break key. If you have, the program exits with an error code so that the break also stops any currently running JCL program.

The program then makes three subroutine calls. The first subroutine parses the command line, the second gets information about the requested disk drive, and the third manipulates the MOD flags. After the third routine returns, the program returns to TRSDOS and reports that no error has occurred.

The parse subroutine (lines 620-760) begins by assuming that the HL register is pointing at either a carriage return or the first non-blank character on the command line following the program name. If that character is a colon, you are probably specifying a drive number. If not, the program aborts with an error message.

Next, the subroutine checks the character following the colon to be sure that it is a legal drive number between zero and 7. The parse routine then ends by calling the @PARAM SVC to read any of the five possible parameters that you might have entered.

Since all five parameters are flags, the program does no checking of the parameter types that you actually entered. This might seem dangerous, but it means that any parameter entry other than "no," "off," or "=" is the same as simply entering the parameter name: The parameter will be turned on.

The second major subroutine, Get_Info, is short but does a lot of work. It begins by asking TRSDOS to log in the requested disk drive. If you have changed disks since the last time the drive was accessed, TRSDOS's tables are updated. If no disk is in the drive or the drive doesn't exist, the program aborts with a TRSDOS error message.

The program then asks TRSDOS for

the address of the drive code table (DCT) for this drive (see The Next Step, June 1986, p 106, for a discussion of the DCT). The DCT contains one vital piece of information for this program: the cylinder on the drive that contains the directory.

Finally, Get_Info reads the directory's third sector (counting from zero), assumes that the first entry on that sector of the directory is for DIR/SYS (the directory itself), and extracts the length of the directory from the disk.

The program can make this assumption because of the structure of a TRSDOS 6 disk directory. The first sector (zero) always contains the granule-allocation table (GAT), the next sector always contains the hash index table (HIT), and the rest of the directory contains individual entries. The first entry on sector 2 must be for Boot/SYS, and the first entry on sector 3 must be for DIR/SYS.

The Modify routine and the subroutines that it calls do the real work of this program. Modify is composed of two loops: The outer loop reads each sector of the directory into a memory buffer by calling a subroutine named Read_SEC. That subroutine also positions IX to point to the beginning of the memory buffer. The inner loop of the Modify routine looks at each of the eight possible directory entries in each sector. When the inner loop terminates, the sector is written back to disk and then returns to the outer loop to get the next sector.

Each time the IX register pair points to a new possible directory entry, the routine One_File is called to determine the characteristics of that entry. The first 2 bytes of a directory entry contain several status flags that this program tests. If bit 4 of the first byte is zero, the directory entry is not in use and the routine ends immediately. If bit 7 is set, this is not a primary directory entry, so the routine ends immediately.

Finally, the program must check other status bits and compare them to parameter values—either those you entered or those the program uses as defaults. The Test_PARM macro command (see Listing 2) loads a parameter value into the DE register, tests whether that value is zero, and sets the Z flag accordingly. Inside the macro is a label for storing a parameter value.

Expanded, the instructions for the first call of Test_PARM look like this:

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PUSH DE
LD DE,0000
SYS$ EQU $-2
LD A,D
OR E
POP DE

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The label SYS\$ refers to the value 0000 that is loaded into the DE register pair. If you turned on the SYS parameter (and

Listing 1 continued

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01080 CALL ONE_FILE ;Work with one entry
01090 @@CKBRKC ;Does user want out?
01100 JR Z,MOD3 ;No -- go
01110 @EXIT -1 ;Else leave
01120 MOD3 LD BC,20H ;Offset to next entry
01130 ADD IX,BC ;Point to next entry
01140 POP BC ;Recover counter
01150 DJNZ MOD2 ;Repeat for all entries
01160 ;-----
01170 ; End inner loop -- terminate
01180 ; outer loop
01190 ;-----
01200 LD A,(SECTOR) ;Get current sector
01210 PUSH AF ;Save sector number
01220 LD E,A ;Select this sector
01230 CALL WRITE_SEC ;Put it back on disk
01240 POP AF ;Recover number
01250 DEC A ;Move down one
01260 LD (SECTOR),A ;Save next sector
01270 JR MODIFY ;Repeat until done
01280 ;-----
01290 ;-----
01300 ; Handle one directory entry
01310 ;-----
01320 ONE_FILE:
01330 BIT 4,(IX) ;File in use?
01340 RET Z ;No -- return
01350 BIT 7,(IX) ;FPDE?
01360 RET NZ ;No -- return
01370 BIT 6,(IX) ;SYS$ file?
01380 JR Z,CHK_INV ;No -- go
01390 TEST_PARM SYS$,0 ;Test SYS$ parameter
01400 RET Z ;If SYS$ off, give up
01410 JR CHK_MOD ;Else check current MOD status
01420 ;-----
01430 CHK_INV BIT 3,(IX) ;Invisible file?
01440 JR Z,CHK_MOD ;No -- go
01450 TEST_PARM INV$,0 ;Test INV$ parameter
01460 RET Z ;If INV off, give up
01470 ;-----
01480 CHK_MOD BIT 6,(IX+1) ;Check MOD flag
01490 JR Z,NO_MOD ;Flag is off -- go
01500 TEST_PARM MOD$,-1 ;Test MOD$ parameter
01510 RET Z ;Go if parameter is off
01520 JR DO_THIS ;Else do this file
01530 ;-----
01540 NO_MOD TEST_PARM UNMOD$,-1 ;Test UNMOD$ parameter
01550 RET Z ;Go if parameter off
01560 ;-----
01570 ;-----
01580 ; Toggle MOD flag of
01590 ; this file
01600 ;-----
01610 DO_THIS CALL SHOW_NAME ;Display file name & status
01620 TEST_PARM QUERY$,-1 ;Ask to toggle?
01630 CALL NZ,ASK ;Yes -- prompt for change
01640 RET NZ ;Go if no toggle
01650 LD A,(IX+1) ;Get MOD flag
01660 XOR 01000000B ;Toggle MOD flag
01670 LD (IX+1),A ;Save new status
01680 CALL TOG_RPT ;Report change
01690 RET ;Done with this file
01700 ;-----
01710 ;-----
01720 ; Read Directory Sector
01730 ; On entry, sector number in E
01740 ; Return with IX=> sector buffer
01750 ;-----
01760 READ_SEC:
01770 RPUSH HL,DE,BC ;Save registers
01780 LD HL,SEC_BUF ;HL=> sector buffer
01790 LD A,(DIRCYL) ;Get directory cylinder
01800 LD D,A ;Set cylinder to read
01810 LD A,(DRIVE) ;Get drive number
01820 LD C,A ;Drive number to C
01830 @@RDSSC ;Read the sector
01840 PUSH HL ;Transfer buffer addr
01850 POP IX ;To IX
01860 RPOP BC,DE,HL ;Restore registers
01870 RET
01880 ;-----
01890 ;-----
01900 ; Write director sector
01910 ; On entry, E = sector to write
01920 ;-----
01930 WRITE_SEC:
01940 RPUSH HL,DE,BC ;Save registers
01950 LD HL,SEC_BUF ;HL=> sector buffer
01960 LD A,(DIRCYL) ;Get directory cylinder
01970 LD D,A ;Cylinder to D
01980 LD A,(DRIVE) ;Get drive number
01990 LD C,A ;Drive number to C
02000 @@WRSSC ;Put sector back in directory
02010 RPOP BC,DE,HL ;Restore registers
02020 RET
02030 ;-----
02040 ;-----
02050 ; Show filename and status
02060 ; of this directory entry
02070 ;-----

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Listing 1 continued

therefore want to manipulate the MOD flags of SYS files), the @PARAM SVC places a value of -1, or OFFFF hex, into that location instead of 0000. If you did not specify the SYS parameter, the @PARAM SVC doesn't change the value

at the label SYSS\$, and 0000 is the default.

If I wanted to specify that the SYS parameter defaults to "on," I would have placed a value of -1 in that location instead of zero and let you turn off that parameter by entering (SYS = NO) as

part of the parameters.

If the program finds bit 6 of the first byte of the directory turned on, it knows that it is looking at an entry for a SYS file. Next, it checks the SYSS\$ parameter to find out whether it should include such files in the MOD flag manipulations. If not, the routine returns so that the next file can be examined. If so, it jumps to the tests for the MOD and UNMOD parameters. Essentially the same test is performed if the program finds bit 3 set, indicating an "invisible" file.

Normally, the program lets you manipulate the MOD flags of all files, whether the current MOD flag is set or not. However, you might decide to skip either those files that already have the MOD flag set or those that do not have the MOD flag set. The second two tests, CHK_MOD and NO_MOD, perform those tests, again by using the Test_PARM macro command. In both of these cases, the parameter is set to default to -1, or "on."

Once a directory entry passes all tests, the routine Do_This prints the file's name on the screen and then tests the last parameter, Query. If this parameter is on (the default), the subroutine Ask lets you specify whether the MOD flag should be flipped. If this parameter is off, the question is never asked, and the program simply changes the MOD flag and reports that change.

The remainder of the program is a series of support subroutines for Modify. Read_SEC and Write_SEC are unusual only in that they use the @RDSSC and @WRSSC SVCs to read and write system (directory) sectors from the disk, which TRSDOS can distinguish from standard data sectors.

The Show_Name routine displays a file name by reading it, one character at a time, from the directory entry, skipping spaces, and inserting the slash (/) separator at the correct place in the name. It also reports whether the MOD flag is currently set to "on" or "off" by checking bit 6 of the second byte of the directory entry.

In the Show_Name routine, the HL register is used as a pointer to the file name and is manipulated by adding values to L; it never checks to see if such an addition should also change the value of H. Normally, this is poor programming and will cause apparently random bugs to occur while a program is running.

In this case, however, the sector buffer is placed on a memory "page," which means that it uses space from address nn00 hex to nnFF hex. It makes no difference what value is used for nn in those addresses, but the program relies on being able to point to any address in the page by manipulating the value in the L register and assuming that the

Listing 1 continued

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02080 SHOW_NAME:
02090 PUSH IX ;Copy entry pointer
02100 POP HL ; to HL
02110 LD A,5 ;Offset to file name
02120 ADD A,L ;Add to pointer
02130 LD L,A ;HL ==> file name
02140 LD B,8 ;8 characters in name
02150 SHOW1 LD A,(HL) ;Get character
02160 IFEQ_JR ' ',SHOW2 ;Skip if a space
02170 @@DSP A ;Else display it
02180 SHOW2 INC HL ;Point to next character
02190 DJNZ SHOW1 ;Repeat for full name
02200 @@DSP '/' ;Print extent separator
02210 LD B,3 ;3 characters in extent
02220 SHOW3 LD A,(HL) ;Get character
02230 IFEQ_JR ' ',SHOW4 ;Skip if a space
02240 @@DSP A ;Else display it
02250 SHOW4 INC HL ;Point to next
02260 DJNZ SHOW3 ;Repeat for full extent
02270 @@DSPLY STAT ;"Mod flag is "
02280 BIT 6,(IX+1) ;Test mod flag
02290 JR Z,SHOWOFF ;Go if off
02300 @@DSPLY ON$ ;"ON "
02310 RET
02320 SHOWOFF @@DSPLY OFF$ ;"OFF "
02330 RET
02340 ;
02350 ;-----
02360 ; Ask to Toggle Mod flag
02370 ; Return Z to toggle,
02380 ; NZ to leave unchanged
02390 ;-----
02400 ASK @@DSPLY QUESTION ;"Change flag (Y/N/Q) ? "
02410 ASK1 @@KEY ;Wait for reply
02420 AND @DFH ;Force to upper case
02430 IFNE_JR 'Q',ASK2 ;Not 'Q' -- go
02440 @@DSP 'Q' ;Show response
02450 CALL WRITE_SEC ;Else save previous changes
02460 @EXIT 0 ;And end program
02470 ASK2 IFNE_JR 'N',ASK3 ;Not 'N' -- go
02480 @@DSP 'N' ;Show response
02490 @@DSP CR ;Move to next line
02500 XOR A ;A = 0
02510 INC A ;Set NZ
02520 RET ;And go
02530 ASK3 IFNE_JR 'Y',ASK1 ;Go if illegal entry
02540 @@DSP 'Y' ;Show response
02550 XOR A ;Set Z flag
02560 RET
02570 ;
02580 ;-----
02590 ; After toggle, report
02600 ; new MOD flag status
02610 ;-----
02620 TOG_RPT @@DSPLY SET$ ;General message
02630 BIT 6,(IX+1) ;Test mod flag
02640 JR Z,TOGOF$ ;Go if off
02650 @@DSPLY ON$ ;"ON "
02660 @@DSP CR ;Move to next line
02670 RET
02680 TOGOF$ @@DSPLY OFF$ ;"OFF "
02690 @@DSP CR ;Move to next line
02700 RET
02710 ;
02720 ;-----
02730 ; Data area & messages
02740 ;-----
02750 HELLO DB 'MOD Flag Modifier',LF
02760 DB 'Written by Hardin Brothers',LF,CR
02770 DRIVE_BAD DB 'Illegal drive specified on command line',LF,CR
02780 STAT DB ' flag is ',ETX
02790 ON$ DB 'ON ',ETX
02800 OFF$ DB 'OFF ',ETX
02810 QUESTION DB ' Change (Y/N/Q) ? ',ETX
02820 SET$ DB ' MOD flag set ',ETX
02830 ;
02840 DRIVE DB 0
02850 SECTOR DB 0
02860 DIRCYL DB 0
02870 ;
02880 PARM_TBL DB 80H
02890 IRP XX,<SYS,INV,MOD,UNMOD,QUERY>
02900 PFLG_ENTRY XX
02910 ENDM
02920 DB 00 ;Mark end of table
02930 ;
02940 SEC_BUF EQU $+255&0FF00H ;Put buffer on page boundary
02950 ;
02960 ; END START

```

End

How to Use 80 Micro Program Listings

Basic program listings in 80 Micro include a checksum value at the end of each line. This value is the sum of the ASCII values of all characters and spaces in the line, excluding remarks. You can use these values to test the accuracy of your typing after you copy listings from the magazine.

To check your typing, follow these steps:

- Type in program code *exactly* as listed, omitting the indentations (when program lines continue to a second or third magazine line). The '*' characters and checksum values, and comments may be omitted.

- Save the program in ASCII format with the command SAVE "file name".A.

- Load and run Checksum (see Program Listing). The program will prompt you for the name of the file to be verified and give you the option of sending the line numbers and checksum values to the printer or to the screen. Enter P for printer, S for screen.

When printing to the screen, Checksum lists 20 lines and then waits for you to press the enter key.

- Compare the displayed line numbers and checksum values with the checksums shown in the listing. Find and correct errors in lines having checksum values that don't match.

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Program Listing. Checksum.

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10 CLEAR 1000:CLS:PRINT@140,"VERIFY CHECKSUMS ON PROGRAM"
20 PRINT:PRINT:INPUT "Enter Name of File to verify";FS
30 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT "List Checksums to:"
40 PRINT TAB(20) "<P>Printer";PRINT TAB(20) "<S>Screen"
50 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT TAB(30);"? ";
60 K$=INKEY$
70 IF K$="P" OR K$="p" OR K$="S" OR K$="s" THEN 80 ELSE 60
80 PRINT K$:IF K$="P" OR K$="p" THEN LP=1
90 OPEN "I",1,FS:BS=CHR$(34)
100 IF EOF(1) THEN CLOSE:GOTO 390
110 LINE INPUT#1,L$:L=VAL(LEFT$(L$,6))
120 IF Z=2 AND L=0 THEN 100 ELSE Z=2
130 A=VARPTR(L$):GOSUB 270:Q=PEEK(A)
140 LS=PEEK(A+1):MS=PEEK(A+2):A=MS*256+LS:GOSUB 270
150 IF INSTR(L$,"") THEN GOSUB 280
160 IF RIGHTS(L$,1)=" " THEN IQ=Q:GOSUB 370
170 FOR K=1 TO Q:P=PEEK(A):CS=CS+P:A=A+1:NEXT K
180 IF CS=0 THEN 100
190 IF CS<100000! THEN DS$="-"
200 IF CS<10000 THEN DS$="- "
210 IF CS<1000 THEN DS$="- "
220 IF CS<100 THEN DS$="- "
230 IF LP=1 THEN LPRINT "Line";L;D$:CS,:CS=0:GOTO 100
240 PRINT "Line";L;D$:CS:CS=0:X=X+1
250 IF X=20 THEN X=0:PRINT TAB(30) "Press <ENTER> to continue."
    ELSE 100
260 K$=INKEY$:IF K$<>CHR$(13) THEN 260 ELSE 100
270 IF A>32767 THEN A=(655361-A)*-1:RETURN:ELSE RETURN
280 I=INSTR(L$,""):IQ=I-1
290 IF LEN(L$)=INSTR(L$,"") THEN 100
300 LQ$=STR$(L):LQ=LEN(LQ$):IF LQ+2=>I THEN 100
310 Q1=INSTR(L$,B$):IF Q1>I OR Q1=0 THEN 370
320 Q2=INSTR(Q1+1,L$,B$):IF Q2>I THEN I=INSTR(Q2,L$,"")
330 IF I=0 THEN RETURN
340 Q3=INSTR(Q2+1,L$,B$):IF Q3>I OR Q3=0 THEN 370
350 Q4=INSTR(Q3+1,L$,B$):IF Q4>I THEN I=INSTR(Q4,L$,"")
360 IF I=0 THEN RETURN
370 FOR I=IQ TO 1 STEP-1:C=ASC(MID$(L$,I,1)):IF C<33 THEN NEXT I
380 RLS=LEFT$(L$,I):Q=LEN(RLS):RETURN
390 PRINT:PRINT"CHECKSUM/BAS now in Memory"
400 PRINT "Reload the PROGRAM that you are working on? (Y/N)";
410 INPUT Q$:IF Q$="Y" OR Q$="y" THEN CLS:LOAD FS

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value in H never changes.

The Ask subroutine prints a prompt, waits for your response, converts that response to uppercase, and takes appropriate action. If you want to quit, the current sector buffer is written back to disk and the program ends. Otherwise, the routine sets the Z flag to indicate whether you want to change the MOD flag of the current file and then returns. If you enter anything other than "Q," "Y," or "N," the program waits for a correct keystroke.

The TOG_RPT routine examines the file after the MOD bit has been changed and reports on the new status of that bit. This gives you a final check to guarantee

that the bit has been set correctly.

Most of the data area at the end of the program is self-explanatory. Most of the message strings end with the ETX character, instead of a carriage return, to leave the cursor on the same line after the string is printed.

The first byte of a TRSDOS-style parameter table must be 80 hex. Instead of following that byte with several lines for each of the five parameters, I've used two macro commands to create the body of the parameter table. The first is one of the in-line repeating macros, IRP. That command repeats everything up to the ENDM in line 2910 for each of the strings shown between angle brackets in line

2890. Each time it does so, it replaces the XX on 2900 with a string from the list.

Inside the repeating macro, I've used another macro, PFLG_Entry, to create the actual entry for a flag parameter. That second macro is defined in line 2080 of Listing 2. It begins by setting the type and length byte by using the macro operator represented by a percentage sign (%), which returns the length of a parameter string. Next, it creates the bytes of the macro name and inserts the response byte. Finally, it adds a dollar sign (\$) to the end of the macro name to create the label of the address at which the macro should be stored.

If I again use the SYS parameter as an example, this macro expands to these assembler instructions:

```
DB 0101000B+3 ;Flag parameter, accept
;abbreviations, name is 3
;characters long
DB 'SYS' ;Parameter name
DB 0 ;Response byte
DW SYS$ ;Location for value
```

The entire parameter table, after all macros have been expanded, ends with a final byte of zero to tell TRSDOS that there are no more parameters.

At the end of Listing 1, the sector buffer must be placed at a page boundary. The easiest way to do so is to manipulate the assembler's location counter, \$. In line 2940, the program adds 255 to the location counter (enough to move to the first unused page), then Ands this value with OFF00 hex to set the last two digits of the new address to zero. The result is that the location of SEC_BUF will be the beginning of the first page of memory after the rest of the program.

The program relies heavily on a separate file of macro commands, which are part of the macro library I've discussed during the last several months. Listing 2 shows the macros that are used in this month's programs. Most of them have been described here before, but a couple are new. If you are building a library of macro commands, you will need to compare the macros already in that library with those shown in Listing 2 and add the new ones to your library. They will greatly simplify the logic of your own programs, as well as keep the length of your source code to a minimum. ■

Program Listing 2. Macro commands required by Listing 1.

```
00100 ;-----
00110 ; Sections of MACLIB/ASM needed for MODPLAGS/ASM (Listing 1)
00120 ; Save this file as MACLIB/ASM or add new macros to your
00130 ; present MACLIB/ASM library.
00140 ;-----
00150 ;
00160 ;-----
00170 ; Invoke a TRSDOS 6 SVC
00180 ; If "check" is specified, take exit
00190 ; through @ERROR when NZ flag is returned
00200 ; from TRSDOS.
00210 ;-----
00220 SVC MACRO #NUM,#CHECK
00230 LD A,#NUM ;;A = SVC number
00240 RST 28H ;;Perform SVC
00250 IFGT %%,1 ;;More than one argument?
00260 JR Z,$1? ;;Go if no error
00270 LD C,A ;;Put error code in C
00280 LD A,1AH ;;@ERROR SVC number
00290 RST 28H ;;Exit through @ERROR
00300 $1? EQU $ ;;Here if no error
00310 ENDIF
00320 ENDM
00330 ;
00340 ;-----
00350 ; DEFINE -- Define a label unless it
00360 ; is already defined.
00370 ;-----
00380 DEFINE MACRO #LABEL,#VALUE
00390 IFNDEF #LABEL
00400 #LABEL EQU #VALUE
00410 ENDIF
00420 ENDM
00430 ;
00440 ;-----
00450 ; @@CKBRKC -- Check & clear <Break> bit
00460 ;-----
00470 @@CKBRKC MACRO
00480 DEFINE @CKBRKC,6AH
00490 SVC @CKBRKC
00500 ENDM
00510 ;
00520 ;-----
00530 ; @@CKDRV -- Check (and log) drive.
00540 ; If drive number not specified, defaults
00550 ; to value in C
00560 ;-----
00570 @@CKDRV MACRO #DRIVE
00580 DEFINE @CKDRV,21H
00590 IFEQ %%,1
00600 LD A,#DRIVE
00610 LD C,A
00620 ENDIF
00630 SVC @CKDRV,CHECK
00640 ENDM
00650 ;
00660 ;-----
00670 ; @@DSP -- Display one character on the screen
00680 ; #char defaults to value in C register
00690 ;-----
00700 @@DSP MACRO #CHAR
00710 DEFINE @DSP,02H
00720 PUSH DE
00730 IFEQ %%,1
00740 LD A,#CHAR
00750 LD C,A
00760 ENDIF
00770 SVC @DSP,CHECK
00780 POP DE
00790 ENDM
00800 ;
00810 ;-----
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Listing 2 continued



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00820 ; @@DSPLY -- Displays line of text
00830 ; LINE defaults to value in HL
00840 ; -----
00850 @@DSPLY MACRO @LINE
00860 DEFINE @DSPLY,@AH
00870 IFEQ %%,1
00880 RPNUSH DE,HL
00890 LD HL,@LINE
00900 SVC @DSPLY,CHECK
00910 RPOP HL,DE
00920 ELSE
00930 PUSH DE
00940 SVC @DSPLY,CHECK
00950 POP DE
00960 ENDIF
00970 ENDM
00980 ; -----
00990 ;
01000 ; @@EXIT -- Exits program
01010 ; $RETCOD defaults to 0 (no error)
01020 ; -----
01030 @@EXIT MACRO $RETCOD
01040 DEFINE @EXIT,16H
01050 IFEQ %%,1
01060 LD HL,$RETCOD
01070 ELSE
01080 LD HL,0
01090 ENDIF
01100 SVC @EXIT
01110 ENDM
01120 ; -----
01130 ;
01140 ; @@GTDCT -- Loads IY with address of drive's DC
01150 ; $drive defaults to value in C
01160 ; -----
01170 @@GTDCT MACRO $DRIVE
01180 DEFINE @GTDCT,51H
01190 IFEQ %%,1
01200 PUSH BC
01210 LD A,$DRIVE
01220 LD C,A
01230 ENDIF
01240 SVC @GTDCT
01250 IFEQ %%,1
01260 POP BC
01270 ENDIF
01280 ENDM
01290 ; -----
01300 ;
01310 ; @@KEY -- Waits for key at *KI device
01320 ; keystroke returned in A
01330 ; -----
01340 @@KEY MACRO
01350 DEFINE @KEY,@1H
01360 PUSH DE
01370 SVC @KEY,CHECK
01380 POP DE
01390 ENDM
01400 ; -----
01410 ;
01420 ; @@PARAM -- Uses TRSDOS to parse parameter string
01430 ; If $Table not specified, uses value in DE
01440 ; Assumes HL ==> command line
01450 ; -----
01460 @@PARAM MACRO $TABLE
01470 DEFINE @PARAM,11H
01480 IFEQ %%,1
01490 LD DE,$TABLE
01500 ENDIF
01510 SVC @PARAM,CHECK
01520 ENDM
01530 ; -----
01540 ;
01550 ; @@RDSSC -- Read directory sector
01560 ; Assumes that all registers are set up
01570 ; -----
01580 @@RDSSC MACRO
01590 DEFINE @RDSSC,55H
01600 SVC @RDSSC,CHECK
01610 ENDM
01620 ; -----
01630 ;
01640 ; @@WRSSC -- Write directory sector
01650 ; Assumes that all registers are set up
01660 ; -----
01670 @@WRSSC MACRO
01680 DEFINE @WRSSC,36H
01690 SVC @WRSSC,CHECK
01700 ENDM
01710 ; -----
01720 ;
01730 ; IFEQ_JR -- Performs a JR if A = $Value
01740 ; -----
01750 IFEQ_JR MACRO $VALUE,$JUMP
01760 CP $VALUE
01770 JR Z,$JUMP
01780 ENDM
01790 ; -----
01800 ;
01810 ; IFGE_JR -- Performs a JR if A >= $Value
01820 ; -----
01830 IFGE_JR MACRO $VALUE,$JUMP
01840 CP $VALUE
01850 JR NC,$JUMP
01860 ENDM
01870 ; -----
01880 ;
01890 ; IFLT_JR -- Performs a JR if A < $Value
01900 ; -----
01910 IFLT_JR MACRO $VALUE,$JUMP
01920 CP $VALUE
01930 JR C,$JUMP
01940 ENDM
01950 ; -----
01960 ;
01970 ; IFNE_JR -- Performs a JR if A <> $Value
01980 ; -----
01990 IFNE_JR MACRO $VALUE,$JUMP
02000 CP $VALUE
02010 JR NZ,$JUMP
02020 ENDM
02030 ; -----
02040 ;
02050 ; PFLG_ENTRY -- Creates parameter-table
02060 ; entry for flag parameter.
02070 ; -----
02080 PFLG_ENTRY MACRO $PARAM
02090 DB @1010000B+$PARAM
02100 DB '$PARAM'
02110 DB 0
02120 DW $PARAM&&$
02130 ENDM
02140 ; -----
02150 ;
02160 ; RPNUSH -- Version 2
02170 ; Pushes 0 to 6 registers onto the stack
02180 ; Example: RPNUSH BC,DE,HL,IX
02190 ; -----
02200 RPNUSH MACRO $R1,$R2,$R3,$R4,$R5,$R6
02210 IFGT %%,0
02220 PUSH $R1
02230 ENDIF
02240 IFGT %%,1
02250 PUSH $R2
02260 ENDIF
02270 IFGT %%,2
02280 PUSH $R3
02290 ENDIF
02300 IFGT %%,3
02310 PUSH $R4
02320 ENDIF
02330 IFGT %%,4
02340 PUSH $R5
02350 ENDIF
02360 IFGT %%,5
02370 PUSH $R6
02380 ENDIF
02390 ENDM
02400 ; -----
02410 ;
02420 ; RPOP -- Version 2
02430 ; Pops 0 to 6 registers from the stack
02440 ; Example: RPOP BC,DE,HL,IX
02450 ; -----
02460 RPOP MACRO $R1,$R2,$R3,$R4,$R5,$R6
02470 IFGT %%,0
02480 POP $R1
02490 ENDIF
02500 IFGT %%,1
02510 POP $R2
02520 ENDIF
02530 IFGT %%,2
02540 POP $R3
02550 ENDIF
02560 IFGT %%,3
02570 POP $R4
02580 ENDIF
02590 IFGT %%,4
02600 POP $R5
02610 ENDIF
02620 IFGT %%,5
02630 POP $R6
02640 ENDIF
02650 ENDM
02660 ; -----
02670 ;
02680 ; TEST_PARM -- Tests a On/Off command-line
02690 ; parameter. Results: Z/NZ for Off/On.
02700 ; Note: parameter storage held inside this code
02710 ; $DEFAULT should be 0 or -1
02720 ; Changes A & flags
02730 ; -----
02740 TEST_PARM MACRO $PARAM,$DEFAULT
02750 PUSH DE ; Save register
02760 LD DE,$DEFAULT
02770 $PARAM EQU $-2
02780 LD A,D
02790 OR E
02800 POP DE
02810 ENDM
02820 ;

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will be shown as they change. You can also separately compile and link subroutines into the main program once you have completely debugged them.

VP-Info makes a distinction between procedures and subroutines. A procedure is a sequence of commands that is wholly contained within a program file. A subroutine is a separate command file that you can call from within a program. The reason for this distinction is the manner in which the program compiler works. Procedures are compiled only once, before the main program is compiled. Subroutines, however, are separately compiled each time you call them. This makes no difference in the actual program operation in the immediate mode, but if programs are compiled and saved in the compiled form, those with multiple calls to subroutines contain redundant code.

VP-Info differs from Dbase in the manner in which it processes commands. Dbase, like Basic, is an interpreted language. Each line of code of Dbase is translated into "tokens," which are then translated into machine instructions. VP-Info compiles, or changes into machine instructions, the entire program file prior to running it. This results in a tremendous increase in the program's execution speed.

Translation

Program lines are translated only once, when they are compiled. In an interpreted language, each line is translated every time that it is used in the program. The difference in speed is most noticeable when you are doing repeated screen access.

One application, a docket-control program for a law firm, uses multiple linked screens to create a menu-controlled program. Running under Dbase, this program has a noticeable pause while it creates each screen. With the screens converted to work with VP-Info, each screen seems to appear instantly.

VP-Info, when running in the immediate mode or when running very small

programs, is only slightly faster than Dbase III. Reading in 3,549 99-byte comma-delimited records took two minutes, 11 seconds with Dbase III and one minute, 50 seconds with VP-Info. Sorting the same file on a 20-character field took Dbase three minutes, 40 seconds and VP-Info three minutes, 18 seconds. Compiling the commands for the sort made no difference in the sort time.

Compiled programs still use the VP-Info program during execution. Unlike many compiled programs, VP-Info does not have a run-time module to allow the application independence from the original program. Thus, like templates for spreadsheet programs, any applications will require that the user have a copy of VP-Info.

Bugs

VP-Info is not bug free. When you give the modify-structure command, a message requiring confirmation is supposed to appear. In actuality, the program briefly flashes the message and immediately enters the modify screen. If, while modifying a file structure, you leave the cursor anywhere within the structure definition when the file is saved, the last field in the definition is lost.

VP-Info also has some problems in the execution of commands. When you give a command to sort to a full disk, the error message, "Disk full or error in writing data to disk," appears. The program then freezes, requiring resetting the computer. Even more aggravating, the copy-protection often prevents the program from starting. It was occasionally necessary to issue as many as six tries to get VP-Info to run. VP-Info's error handling leaves something to be desired. Any disk error, including having a write-protect tab on a floppy disk, usually causes the program to stop and return to DOS.

Conclusion

VP-Info is a fast and powerful data-base management program that has several valuable features not found in Dbase. Among these are some that are only convenient, such as recalling previously typed commands by pressing the up-arrow key; others are of great utility, such as using windows within programs.

VP-Info is somewhat compatible with Dbase files and can read and write to both Dbase II and III format. Dbase does not always recognize files created with VP-Info, returning the message, "not a Dbase file." VP-Info never failed to read a Dbase II file. Although the program is not completely bug free, the bugs I encountered, with one exception, were minor annoyances. Considering its low price, networking capability, and programming features for application developers, VP-Info rates a "must buy." ■

Norton Commander

★ ★ ★ ★

The Norton Commander 1.0 runs on the Tandy 1000/1200/3000 (128K) and requires one disk drive. Peter Norton Computing, 2210 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90403. 213-453-2361. \$75.

If you want to be polite, you can say that the name Peter Norton guarantees quality in MS-DOS accessories; if you want to be cynical, you can say that Mr. Utilities' name is The Norton Commander's main advantage in the glutted hard-disk-manager market.

Both statements apply: The Commander is a smooth combination of a directory navigator (like Bourbaki's IDir) and an application menu (like Delta Technology's Direct Access). It has several fine features for the shy user or someone who sets up systems for novice operators, but those who survive without a DOS shell needn't sacrifice 100K for The Commander.

To be fair, you only need 100K if you want The Commander on deck instantly as you exit an application; if you don't mind waiting for your hard disk, you can cut memory overhead to 14K by having The Commander unload and reload itself between programs. Either way, it supplements the DOS prompt with a deluxe control panel—built, like other shells', around a directory listing that lets you run a program or change to another directory by moving the cursor and pressing the enter key.

You can also "point and shoot" to open a data file, once you've set up an ASCII file that pairs extensions with programs (such as WK1 for Lotus's 1-2-3). Microsoft Windows fans can left-click and double-click through the menus with a mouse.

The function keys create directories or copy, delete, or rename a selected file or files. The insert key toggles individual entries, and the keypad plus and minus select and unselect groups of files with wild cards. You can view a file's contents or create or change text files with a built-in ASCII editor. The DOS prompt's still there, with control-E and -X to scroll through a Superkey-style stack of commands executed since start-up.

The Commander has the handy trick of moving files from one directory to another by renaming them, instead of copying and then deleting the originals. And it juggles files on two on-screen displays, letting you use the tab key to flip between DOS and Dbase or whatever—viewing two directories at once for file swaps, turning one directory panel off, or turning it into a CHKDSK-style status display of free memory and disk space.

For still more convenience, the F2 key pops up a customized menu of normal,

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control, or function keys and descriptions. Instead of in bulky batch files, menu choices are kept in an ASCII file in the current or root directory. (Between one or more menus and an optional summary in each directory, you can fill a bit of disk space with Commander ASCII files.)

The menus, like the other functions, work nicely, at the risk of making The Commander seem a little schizophrenic in trying to appeal to all users. Let the timid novice wander away from the one-keystroke menu and he or she'll be in the middle of an F7 MKDIR or F6 RENMOV, looking at the *. * prompt box.

That ambiguous target audience is my only real complaint with The Commander. The package promises "A control program for power users from Peter Norton;" the truth is that it's not really from Peter Norton ("created independently by John Socha," shout the help screens) and that power users don't use DOS shells.

They might like the ASCII editor but won't want to unload The Commander to change Path and Set variables or load and unload RAM-resident programs. They might admire the Rename/Move trick but can type file names and wild cards even faster than The Commander's quick highlighting. The Norton Commander is a first-class file manager for moderate use, but I'm more excited about my upgrade to DOS 3.2 and the XCopy command.

—Eric Grevstad

Lunar Explorer

★ ★ ★

Lunar Explorer runs on the Tandy 1000/1200/3000 and requires two disk drives. Electric Transit, 501 Marin St., Suite 116, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360. (805) 373-1960. \$39.95.

Wilderness

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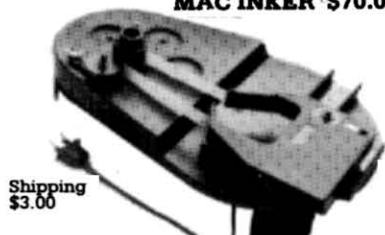
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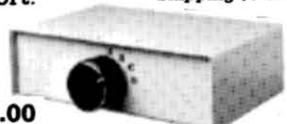
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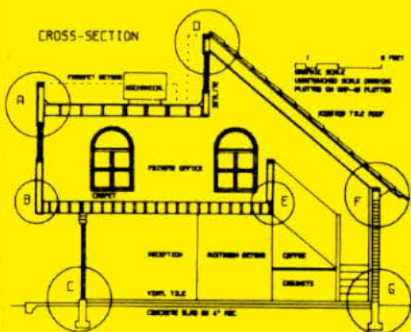
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soft's Flight Simulator, although on a lesser scale. You view everything from the cockpit of a lunar landing vehicle that shows your instrumented data, including an optional radar display at the bottom and scenes of the lunar surface.

Color graphics are good and provide a three-dimensional perspective. Control can be either by keyboard or joystick. You have five play options. Three of them start you off in situations that are best to use for the training exercises. All choices also give you your preference for flying the lunar explorer in solo excursions.

Only about one-third of the 90-page manual is devoted to instruction on using the game. The rest is full of facts about a space-colonization project, including diagrams and charts of lunar orbits, the Dakota space habitat, its lunar mining facility, and other believable information on the space shuttle and other equipment. The information on habitats and lunar exploration is based on facts in publications from The National Aeronautics and Space Administration. One chapter is devoted to using Lunar Explorer in the classroom to study astronomy, physics, and space sciences.

Lunar Explorer lives up to its claim that you can gain insight into the dynamics of space flight and some of the scientific principles and concepts involved in space exploration and colonization. For example, the concepts of inertial forces become evident as you try to slow down the lunar lander or change direction.

Of my two resident game experts, one preferred Lunar Explorer to Wilderness. He thought Lunar Explorer was fun and interesting, although slow: "sort of like watching the grass grow." My other son preferred Wilderness.

Wilderness is a survival-adventure simulation based on information provided by experts in the fields of toxic wild plants, human physiology, navigation, wilderness lore, thermal models, wildlife habitats, meteorology, and terrain models. The game establishes a detailed wilderness environment based on the training manual used by the United States Air Force Survival School; it is essentially an expert system. The degree of randomness with which the computer responds to your choices is based on traditional probabilities from real-life situations.

Wilderness provides three-dimensional color-graphics generation that gives you a 90-degree slice of a complete 360-degree panoramic view. You can turn to the right or left and pan through the entire circle to see where you are. Graphics are somewhat grainy and coarse with vertical lines on my red-green-blue (RGB) color monitor. Otherwise, they are detailed, with terrain in-

cluding trees, mountains, and an occasional animal that might threaten your survival. You can also select a topological map to further determine your location.

Like Lunar Explorer's, Wilderness' manual provides much detailed information: over 100 pages of charts, graphs, and diagrams on survival. A chapter on classroom use is also included.

Solving the adventure is not a one-shot deal. Experienced survivalists can create and select new conditions and describe such information as gender, height, weight, body frame, age, heart pulse rate, time of year, and frequency of weather conditions. All these factors can affect your chances of survival. You can save adventures to disk and resume the game later.

Wilderness is more intellectually stimulating than Lunar Explorer. One of the main complaints that my sons had about both games was that you have to read a lengthy manual. Although you can play both games without reading the manual, you lose many of the educational benefits. In my estimation, you cannot play Wilderness properly without thorough study, as you lose much of your ability to deal effectively with game situations and you nullify the educational benefits that the manual provides.

Both games are thoughtfully and professionally prepared, and both are excellent interactive simulations. They create a learning experience by using factual information as a basis for their models, and they are fun. Wilderness might provide good training toward a Scout badge. Depending on your interests, one of these games is well worth the price.

—Thomas L. Quindry

BasicA Science And Graphics

★★★

The BasicA Science and Graphics Handbook runs on the Tandy 1000/1200/3000 and requires one disk drive. Simplification Unlimited, P.O. Box 654, Menlo Park, CA 94026. 415-859-4244. \$79 (plus \$2 postage and handling).

One of the largest voids in software is personal graphics applications. Most of the time, you have to write your own or contract someone else to do it for you. I've recently found a package that helps fill this void.

BasicA Science and Graphics has a 165-page manual with a data disk containing graphics routines. You must already have Basic.

The software tries to cover a wide range of graphics applications. It is bro-

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ken up into four main categories: graphics techniques, imaging and transforms, probability and statistics, and matrix operations. Each category contains 10 to 12 different routines.

BasicA Science and Graphics contains about 50 routines in all, and each one is written in Basic. The manual contains a description of what each one does, along with the source code and a sample picture of possible results. All graphs use a maximum of four colors to retain IBM compatibility.

You select the routine suitable for your application and then insert it into a Basic program as a subroutine. The manual lists all the necessary variables you have to manipulate to get the graphics function you require. All you do is assign values to the variables and perform a subroutine call.

If you are not sure whether the routine is the right one, you can load and run it without any support programs. All required variables either have default values or request that you assign values by answering input prompts.

This package was not designed as a tutorial. You might need some prior knowledge in graphics techniques. References in the manual at the end of each routine let you do more research. Be aware that the techniques might not be the same as those described in some of the references.

Since all the routines are in Basic, I found some of them slow. The speed depends on the routine's complexity. If this is a problem for you, a Basic compiler can speed up the routines.

I checked each routine as a stand-alone program, and they all appeared to work. This type of software package might be attractive to only a small group of users. If you fall into this group, I recommend BasicA Science and Graphics.

—David Engelhardt

Jumpstart

★★★★

Jumpstart 1.0 runs on the Tandy 1000/1200/3000 (256K); requires one disk drive; and supports Hayes 1200 and 2400 and Hayes-compatible modems,

and Popcom C100 and X100 modems. Ascent Inc., 190 Sobrante Way, Suite 201, Sunnyvale, CA 94086. 408-720-9200. \$66.

It's hard to know from appearances that Jumpstart is communications software. The manual's cover touts ease of use: "Productivity from day one." Inside, the introduction describes "a business software program which combines comprehensive telecommunications with an address book, appointment book, text editor, financial calculator, and file utilities." Given that description, those who use Tandy's MS-DOS computers can think only of Deskmate.

However, the comparison doesn't hold. Although the two programs share some functions, Deskmate is entry-level software that includes telecommunications, while Jumpstart is a potentially powerful terminal package with some nifty extras.

As advertised, the program is exceptionally easy to use. You move among its functions and make decisions from menus or by function key. Message lines explain each menu item; a help line identifies currently active function keys. When the program needs information, you see a clear prompt or a neatly organized data-entry screen. Often, you can choose your response from a submenu. Context-sensitive help screens are abundant, and 300 pages of patient documentation provide walk-throughs of every operation and more troubleshooting information than most people will use.

If you don't have a modem that the program supports directly, ". . . you can still use Jumpstart—Chapter 3 tells you how." Chapter 3 tells you to refer to your modem's manual. It's the one place where Jumpstart's ease of use fails. If you have neither the right modem nor experience with the one you have, you're in for a rough time.

If you get by that pitfall, Jumpstart is impressive. Its broad range of terminal configurations includes support for x-on/x-off, full or half duplex, and high-bit and line-feed filters. A debugging tool can make control characters visible or, alternately, display characters in hexadecimal. In addition to ASCII file transfer, Jumpstart supports x-modem error-checking protocol. You can set up a disk file for data capture. A keystroke toggles it on and off. Similarly, you can send data to a printer at the touch of a key.

Using Jumpstart, I had no trouble with either commercial information services or private BBSes, even over noisy rural phone lines. The program operated efficiently and did everything I asked, whether I was using a properly Hayes-compatible modem or an unsupported device.

What sets this program apart and gives it unusual power are its macros. I can think of no telecommunications operation you couldn't automate with Jumpstart. And they are delightfully easy to use.

The program makes you break up an operation into a series of small steps. Then you create a single-task macro for each step. Some tasks are predefined. For example, Waitnn effects a pause of nn seconds. Jumpstart treats other tasks by type. To set up an exchange of data, for instance, you select Transfer File from a menu; name the macro; select the type of transfer, direction, and protocol; and name the file. The macro is then stored in a special file.

To automate an entire operation, you construct a script by assembling macros in the order you want them performed. Once assembled, each script becomes a macro that you can use within another more complex script.

Jumpstart's other functions are meant to enhance your telecommunicating environment. The address and appointment books emulate their paper counterparts. Each page in the address book has room for a name, company name, address, three phone numbers, and comments. Appointment slips have places for name, date, time, duration, three phone numbers, and a note.

In spite of its limitations, the appointment book has some slick features. The calendar-month display indicates which days are busy. Highlight a date, and the daily display maps your schedule for 24 hours. By pointing to a time, you can look at an appointment, change it, or add another. The program prints your calendar by the year, month, week, or day, in useful formats with room for notes.

Because I started by thinking of Deskmate, the financial calculator surprised me. It is neither a calculator in the usual sense, nor a modified spreadsheet. Instead, it does 19 interrelated calculations of interest, investments, loans, and depreciation.

Although the text editor is a barebones affair with no provision for margins or pagination, it has a good selection of editing functions. Most of all, it's available at a keystroke from anywhere in the program and is especially useful for to-do lists, notes, and quick replies to on-line messages.

Jumpstart is telecommunications software worth anyone's consideration. Its ability to automate complex procedures makes it equal to your most demanding needs; its ease of use makes it fully accessible regardless of your level of experience.

—Harry Bee

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04050 JR      CTLNKT
04060 GETCTL: LD  A, (HL)
04070 OR      A
04080 JR      Z,OUTRET ;Dont allow zero'd characters
04090 CP      1CH
04100 JR      NZ,SAVCAR
04110 LD      HL,OPTION ;Block CLS codes 1C 1F ?
04120 BIT      0, (HL)
04130 JR      Z,SAVCAR ;Dont block cls codes
04140 LD      HL,STATUS ;Flag 1st char of CLS
04150 SET      6, (HL)
04160 JR      OUTRET
04170 SAVCAR: LD  HL, (OHEAD)
04180 LD      HL, A
04190 INC      HL
04200 LD      A, H
04210 OR      #FSH ;Force into range of 8k
04220 LD      H, A
04230 BUFFUL: LD  A, (OTAIL) ;Test for buffer full
04240 CP      L
04250 JR      NZ, BUFEMP ;TAIL doesnt match HEAD, must be empty
04260 LD      A, (OTAIL+1)
04270 CP      H
04280 JR      Z, BUFFUL ;TAIL = HEAD, wait for not full
04290 BUFEMP: LD  (OHEAD), HL
04300 OUTRET: LD  A, C
04310 CP      A
04320 RET
04330 SETURT: LD  A, (HL) ;Set uart control register & return
04340 OUT      (UCTRL), A
04350 JR      OUTRET
04360 ;HL=STATUS at this entry
04370 CTLCMD: CP  #DH ;End command?
04380 JR      NZ, BAUD3
04390 RES      0, (HL)
04400 JR      OUTRET
04410 BAUD3:  SUB  'A' ;A
04420 JR      C, OUTRET
04430 JR      NZ, BAUD12
04440 LD      A, BR300
04450 OUT      (UBAUD), A
04460 JR      OUTRET
04470 BAUD12: DEC  A ;B
04480 JR      NZ, BAUD24
04490 LD      A, BR1200
04500 OUT      (UBAUD), A
04510 JR      OUTRET
04520 BAUD24: DEC  A ;C
04530 JR      NZ, CTLCNG
04540 LD      A, BR2400
04550 OUT      (UBAUD), A
04560 JR      OUTRET
04570 CTLCNG: DEC  A ;D
04580 JR      NZ, FPAUSE
04590 SET      1, (HL)
04600 JR      OUTRET
04610 FPAUSE: DEC  A ;E
04620 JR      NZ, FLUSH1
04630 RES      3, (HL)
04640 JR      OUTRET
04650 FLUSH1: DEC  A ;F
04660 JR      NZ, FLUSHO
04670 LD      HL, (IHEAD)
04680 LD      (ITAIL), HL
04690 JR      OUTRET
04700 FLUSHO: DEC  A ;G
04710 JR      NZ, BLKCLS ;Flush output buffer
04720 LD      HL, (OHEAD)
04730 LD      (OTAIL), HL
04740 LD      HL, STATUS
04750 RES      3, (HL) ;Clear pause bit
04760 JR      OUTRET
04770 BLKCLS: LD  HL, OPTION ;HL now points to OPTION
04780 DEC      A ;H
04790 JR      NZ, UNBCLS
04800 SET      0, (HL)
04810 JR      OUTRET
    
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04820 UNBCLS: DEC  A ;I
04830 JR      NZ, OUTON
04840 RES      0, (HL)
04850 JR      OUTRET
04860 OUTON:  DEC  A ;J
04870 JR      NZ, OUTOFF
04880 SET      1, (HL)
04890 JR      OUTRET
04900 OUTOFF: DEC  A ;K
04910 JR      NZ, CRONLY
04920 RES      1, (HL)
04930 JR      OUTRET
04940 CRONLY: DEC  A ;L
04950 JR      NZ, CRLF
04960 SET      3, (HL)
04970 JR      OUTRET
04980 CRLF:  DEC  A ;M
04990 JR      NZ, ENBRNG
05000 RES      3, (HL)
05010 JP      OUTRET
05020 ENBRNG: DEC  A ;N
05030 JR      NZ, DISRNG
05040 SET      4, (HL)
05050 JP      OUTRET
05060 DISRNG: DEC  A ;O
05070 JR      NZ, ENBCTL
05080 RES      4, (HL)
05090 JP      OUTRET
05100 ENBCTL: DEC  A ;P
05110 JR      NZ, DISCTL
05120 SET      5, (HL)
05130 JP      OUTRET
05140 DISCTL: DEC  A ;Q
05150 JR      NZ, UPONLY
05160 RES      5, (HL)
05170 JP      OUTRET
05180 UPONLY: DEC  A ;R
05190 JR      NZ, UPLWR
05200 RES      2, (HL)
05210 JP      OUTRET
05220 UPLWR:  DEC  A ;S
05230 JR      NZ, DTRON
05240 SET      2, (HL)
05250 JP      OUTRET
05260 DTRON:  LD  HL, RSSTAT ;HL now equals RSSTAT
05270 DEC      A ;T
05280 JR      NZ, DTROFF
05290 RES      1, (HL)
05300 RES      0, (HL)
05310 JP      SETURT
05320 DTROFF: DEC  A ;U
05330 JR      NZ, WORD7
05340 SET      1, (HL)
05350 SET      0, (HL)
05360 JP      SETURT
05370 WORD7:  DEC  A ;V
05380 JR      NZ, WORD8
05390 RES      6, (HL)
05400 SET      5, (HL)
05410 JP      SETURT
05420 WORD8:  DEC  A ;W
05430 JR      NZ, STOP1
05440 SET      6, (HL)
05450 SET      5, (HL)
05460 JP      SETURT
05470 STOP1:  DEC  A ;X
05480 JR      NZ, STOP2
05490 RES      4, (HL)
05500 JP      SETURT
05510 STOP2:  DEC  A ;Y
05520 JR      NZ, RESET
05530 SET      4, (HL)
05540 JP      SETURT
05550 RESET:  DEC  A ;Z
05560 JR      NZ, OUTRET ;Zero out all options
05570 LD      (OPTION), A ;Load a 01H
05580 INC      A
    
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05590 OUT (URSET),A ;Uart Reset
05600 LD (CTLTBL),A
05610 LD A,21H
05620 LD (STATUS),A
05630 LD HL,INPBUF ;Reset input buffer
05640 LD (IHEAD),HL
05650 LD (ITAIL),HL
05660 LD HL,OUTBUF ;Reset output buffer
05670 LD (OHEAD),HL
05680 LD (OTAIL),HL
05690 LD A,BR300
05700 OUT (UBAUD),A
05710 LD A,0EFH ;Set uart control to default
05720 LD HL,RSSTAT
05730 LD (HL),A
05740 JP SETURT
05750 INPUT: LD HL,(ITAIL) ;Input character and save in buffer
05760 LD A,(IHEAD)
05770 CP L
05780 JR NZ,INPCAR
05790 LD A,(IHEAD+1)
05800 CP H
05810 JR Z,INPDON
05820 INPCAR: LD A,(HL)
05830 INC L
05840 LD (ITAIL),HL
05850 CP A
05860 RET
05870 INPDON: OR 1
05880 LD A,0
05890 RET
05900 ;-----CONTROL KEY TABLE-----
05910 CTLTBL: DEFB 1 ;01
05920 DEFB 02H ;02
05930 DEFB 03H ;03
05940 DEFB 04H ;04
05950 DEFB 05H ;05
05960 DEFB 06H ;06
05970 DEFB 07H ;07
05980 DEFB 08H ;08
05990 DEFB 09H ;09
06000 DEFB 0AH ;0A
06010 DEFB 0BH ;0B
06020 DEFB 0CH ;0C
06030 DEFB 0DH ;0D
06040 DEFB 0EH ;0E
06050 DEFB 0FH ;0F
06060 DEFB 10H ;10
06070 DEFB 11H ;11
06080 DEFB 12H ;12
06090 DEFB 13H ;13
06100 DEFB 14H ;14
06110 DEFB 15H ;15
06120 DEFB 16H ;16
06130 DEFB 17H ;17
06140 DEFB 18H ;18
06150 DEFB 19H ;19
06160 DEFB 1AH ;1A
06170 DEFB 1BH ;1B
06180 DEFB 1CH ;1C
06190 DEFB 1DH ;1D
06200 DEFB 1EH ;1E
06210 DEFB 1FH ;1F
06220 RSSTAT: DEFB 0EFH ;EVEN,8 BIT,1 STOP,NO PARITY
06230 CTLVAL: DEFB 00H
06240 OPTION: DEFB 00H
06250 STATUS: DEFB 20H
06260 COUNTR: DEFW DELAY
06270 OHEAD: DEFW OUTBUF
06280 OTAIL: DEFW OUTBUF
06290 IHEAD: DEFW INPBUF
06300 ITAIL: DEFW INPBUF
06310 ;
06320 ; ORG 0F700H
06330 INPBUF: DEFS 256
06340 OUTBUF: DEFS 0800H
06350 ;
06360 ; END INIT

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End

Program Listing 2. Sample Basic BBS program.

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10 CLS:PRINT CHR$(1)"Z" '* 1587
20 PRINT "Press any key to set system time/date " '* 4161
30 FOR A=1 TO 1200:AS=INKEYS:IF AS="" THEN NEXT:GOTO 60 '* 3285
40 LINE INPUT "Time (HH:MM:SS): ";AS:IF AS<>"" THEN AS="TIME="+A '* 4607
$ :SYSTEM AS
50 LINE INPUT "Date (MM/DD/YY): ";AS:IF AS<>"" THEN AS="DATE="+A '* 4556
$ :SYSTEM AS
60 'Set up desired options, hang up for a second, then turn moden back on '* 102
70 PRINT CHR$(1)"Z":FOR A=1 TO 1500:NEXT:PRINT CHR$(1)"HNPT" '* 3663
80 'Wait for incoming call. Clear screen to avoid burning image on CRT '*
90 CLS:LINE INPUT AS:IF AS<>"CONNECT" THEN 90 '* 104
100 'Call came in, tell SYSOP. Enable output and send a couple of returns '* 2800
110 PRINT "NOTICE TO SYSCP - INCOMING CALL!":SOUND 7,0 '* 145
120 PRINT CHR$(1)"J":PRINT:FOR A=1 TO 1500:NEXT:PRINT '* 3450
130 PRINT,"Welcome to InfoNet":PRINT '* 3345
140 LINE INPUT "Can your terminal handle lower-case (Y/N)? ";AS '* 2842
150 IF AS="NO CARRIER" THEN 70 '* 4946
160 IF INSTR("YESyes",AS)=0 THEN 100 '* 1766
170 PRINT CHR$(1)"S" '* 2259
180 'Test caller's terminal for needing line-feed with carriage return, by '* 1151
190 ' sending two asterisks separated by carriage return. If the caller only '* 153
200 ' sees one of them, his terminal did not line-feed and must be sent one. '* 154
210 PRINT CHR$(1)"L":PRINT **:PRINT **:PRINT CHR$(1)"M" '* 146
220 PRINT:LINE INPUT "How many asterisks do you see, 1 or 2? ";A '* 3352
$ '* 1765
230 IF AS="NO CARRIER" THEN 70 '* 4943
240 'Terminal already line-feeds and doesn't need them, shut line-feeds off '* 150
250 IF AS="2" THEN PRINT CHR$(1)"L" '* 1565
260 PRINT "Thank you." '* 1610
270 PRINT:PRINT "Press control S to pause, any key to continue." '* 5382
280 PRINT "Press control X to exit InfoNet and disconnect." '* 5068
290 PRINT "Press control T for the current time." '* 4150
300 PRINT "Press <RETURN> to skip past text." '* 3568
310 PRINT STRING$(5,13):PRINT STRING$(33,**);" InfoNet ";STRING $(33,**):PRINT '* 4965
320 PRINT "1 - Winning Lottery numbers",,:PRINT "6 - TV Listings " '* 5002
330 PRINT "2 - News of the day",,:PRINT "7 - Top news story" '* 4399
340 PRINT "3 - Top 10 Music this week",,:PRINT "8 - Top Movies t '* 5459
his week"
350 PRINT "4 - Stock Report",,:PRINT "9 - Weather Forecast" '* 4410
360 PRINT "5 - Info on InfoNet",,:PRINT "0 - help" '* 5409
370 PRINT:LINE INPUT "Enter your selection (0-9): ";AS:PRINT '* 4440
380 IF AS="NO CARRIER" THEN 70 '* 1771
390 IF AS="X" THEN PRINT CHR$(1)"G":PRINT "Thank you for callin '* 5345
g, ";GOTO 430
400 IF AS="T" THEN 450 '* 1283
410 ON INSTR(" 0123456789",AS) GOTO 370,270,500,510,520,530,540, '* 4122
550,560,570,580
420 PRINT "Invalid entry, try again. Enter '0' for help.":GOTO 370 '* 3509
430 PRINT "please call again.":FOR A=1 TO 2500:NEXT:GOTO 70 '* 4153
440 'Display the current time in one spot on the screen, wait for any key... '* 152
450 PRINT:PRINT,, '* 1125
460 IF AS<>TIMES THEN AS=TIMES:PRINT STRING$(8,8);:PRINT TIMES; '* 3966
470 BS=INKEYS:IF BS="" THEN 460 ELSE 310 '* 2264
480 'These are standard text files that can be created with most text editors '* 156
490 ' or the TRSDOS BUILD command ie. "BUILD LOTTERY/TXT" '* 157
500 SYSTEM "LIST LOTTERY/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2541
510 SYSTEM "LIST DAYNEWS/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2518
520 SYSTEM "LIST TOPMUSIC/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2688
530 SYSTEM "LIST STOCKS/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2452
540 SYSTEM "LIST INFONET/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2513
550 SYSTEM "LIST TVLIST/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2469
560 SYSTEM "LIST TOPNEWS/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2544
570 SYSTEM "LIST MOVIES/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2452
580 SYSTEM "LIST FORECAST/TXT":GOTO 590 '* 2585
590 PRINT:PRINT "Press any key for main menu... ";AS=INPUT$(1): '* 5235
GOTO 310

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End

If the space program had advanced as fast as the computer industry, this might be the view from your office.

And space stations, Martian colonies, and interstellar probes might already be commonplace. Does that sound outlandish? Then bear these facts in mind:

In 1946 ENIAC was the scientific marvel of the day. This computer weighed 30 tons, stood two stories high, covered 15,000 square feet, and cost \$486,840.22 in 1946 dollars. Today a \$2,000 kneetop portable can add and subtract more than 20 times faster. And, by 1990, the average digital watch will have as much computing power as ENIAC.

The collective brainpower of the computers sold in the next two years will equal that of all the computers sold from the beginning to now. Four years from now it will have doubled again.

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The Natural Sound

The solid-state Model VP600 Voice Processor encodes sound digitally and records it on computer disk for superior fidelity and random playback. The single-channel unit is a half-size board, and its accompanying menu-driven software lets you select the sequences for playback in whatever order you want.

The board adjusts standard Electret microphone levels or 1 VRMS cassette levels for analog-to-digital conversion and adaptive differential pulse-code modulation digital encoding, which it then feeds through a buffer, memory, and a second buffer to the bus for disk storage. The Voice Processor reverses the process for playback and feeds the digital code to a digital-to-analog converter.

The 20-Hz to 3.5-kHz unit has a dynamic range of 48 dB and sampling rates of 4 or 8 kHz. One hour of recording at the 4-kHz sampling rate requires 7.2 megabytes (MB) of disk space. Eighty minutes requires 10MB.

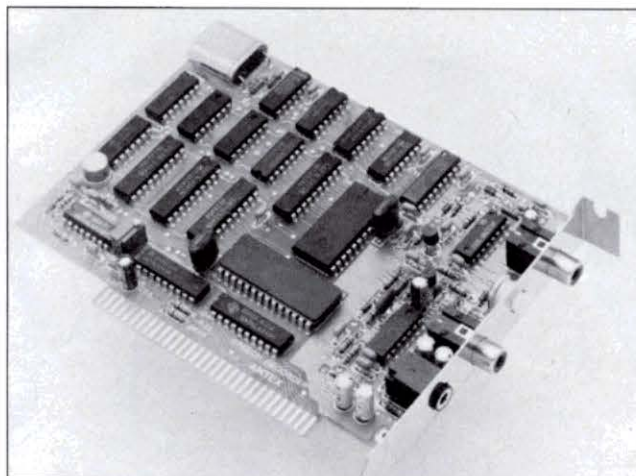
The Voice Processor sells for \$345 from Antex Electronics Corp., 16100 South Figueroa St., Gardena, CA 90248, 213-532-30992.

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CAD Class

New Riders Publishing has introduced three books to help you learn to use the Autocad drafting and design program. The updated edition of *Inside Autocad*, by D. Raker and H. Rice, teaches you how to use the program's more powerful features. New chapters cover advanced editing and three-dimensional drawing. The 320-page *Inside Autocad* is spiral-bound, contains over 325 illustrations, and sells for \$34.95.

Mark Merickel's *Stepping into CAD* is a curriculum



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workbook for use as a companion to *Inside Autocad*. It offers students and teachers a step-by-step approach to computer-aided design. This illustrated, 265-page book is spiral-bound and sells for \$24.95.

Martha Lubow's *Working Out with Autocad* is also a companion workbook to *Inside Autocad*. It was written to give the professional CAD user an understanding of CAD drawing strategies and increase his or her operational efficiency. *Working Out with Autocad* is spiral-bound and contains 300 illustrations and 280 pages and sells for \$27.95.

Contact New Riders Publishing, P.O. Box 4846, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360, 818-991-5392.

Circle 557 on Reader Service card.

Desktop Publishing

The Cybertype Typesetting System offers advanced text manipulation and printing abilities for desktop publishing systems. The program operates from within Microsoft Word to provide sophisticated text-processing functions that let you integrate different typefaces and styles and lay out page formats. Features include multicolumn formatting, proportionally spaced text, centered columns, automatic spelling check, auto-

matic hyphenation, index and table-of-contents extraction, and storing complex formats for future use.

Cybertype uses any of the fonts available for Postscript printers and typesetters and offers many variations of each font. It also prints on Linotronic typesetters with up to 2,540 dots per square inch for true typeset quality. The program can print all graphics and text in any gray level, including white on black (or shaded), and it can scale all text and graphics to print them at any resolution.

The three Cybermerge software packages integrate graphics or halftone images from other software into documents prepared with Cybertype. Cybermerge-Targa uses 512- by 400-pixel images with 256 gray levels captured with a video camera or extracted from other video sources with the AT&T Targa system. Cybermerge-Scanner does the same with images up to 3,300 by 5,100 pixels captured with Datacopy scanners. Cybermerge-HIP inserts graphics from other software into Cybertype text. It translates graphics from any software that drives the Houston Instruments Plotters.

Cybermerge lets you insert up to 10 halftone images and

10 graphic drawings of any size, shape, or rotation on each page of a Cybertype document. You can adjust the contrast, brightness, and number of dots per inch and scale the horizontal and vertical axes to produce pictures of any size or aspect ratio.

The Cybertype and Cybermerge packages are \$495 each. Cybertype requires an IBM PC/XT/AT (or total compatible) with 384K, DOS 2.0 or higher, a Hercules (or compatible) monochrome graphics adapter, at least two floppy drives, and a Postscript-compatible laser printer or typesetter.

Contact Cyber Research Inc., 5 Science Park Center, P.O. Box 9565, New Haven, CT 06536, 203-786-5151.

Circle 553 on Reader Service card.

Printer Enhancement

AMTWindows is a device driver that translates all text and graphics output from Microsoft Windows software applications into the AMT Office Printer's native text and graphics languages.

AMTWindows provides near-letter-quality, letter-, and draft-quality text; font flexibility; and black-and-white and full-color graphics at resolutions from 60 by 60 to 240 by 240 dots per inch. The driver supports all Windows text attributes, graphic modes, fonts, colors, lines, fills, and patterns. It's available for \$15 from Advanced Matrix Technology Inc., 1157 Tourmaline Drive, Newbury Park, CA 91320, 805-499-8741.

Circle 550 on Reader Service card.

Menumate Update

Menumate generates source code for use with Dbase III Plus or the Clipper compiler. You can choose from a full range of colors and specify whether you want menus consisting of boxed menu choices or Sidekick-style menus.

Enhancements to the newest version, 3.0, let you pop menus onto the screen and add password protection to any menu. It comes with the assembly object modules for flipping video pages, saving and restoring screens in RAM memory, and hiding the cursor. The documentation includes examples of each function.

Menumate requires 384K and sells for \$39. There are no application royalty charges or copy-protection schemes. A free demonstration version is available; it is identical to the production version, but it will not write any new code to disk.

Contact Victory Computer Systems, P.O. Box 62227, Sunnyvale, CA 94088, 408-730-0384.

Circle 561 on Reader Service card.

Time Keeper

Computer Communications Specialists' (CCS) Time and Attendance System is a programmable time clock

with menu-driven software.

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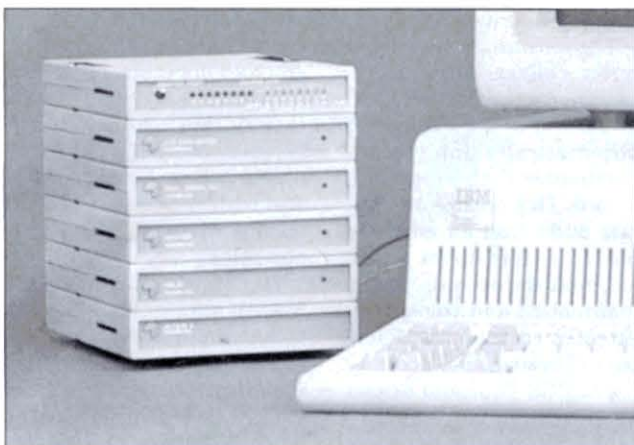
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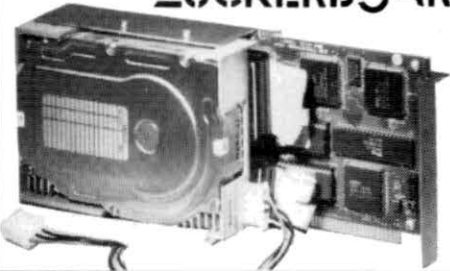
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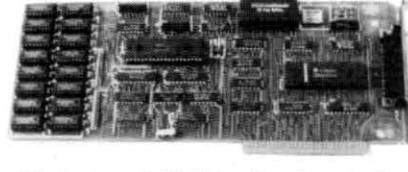
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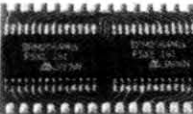
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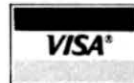
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TRANSFERRING FILES

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
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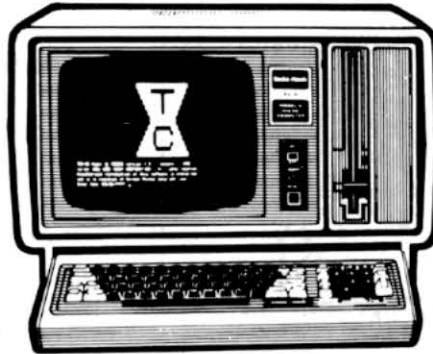
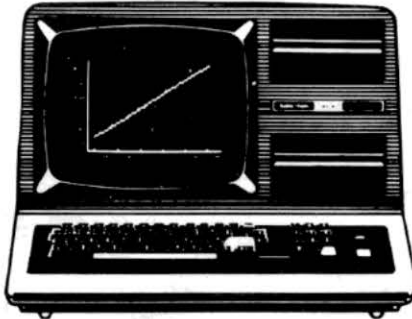


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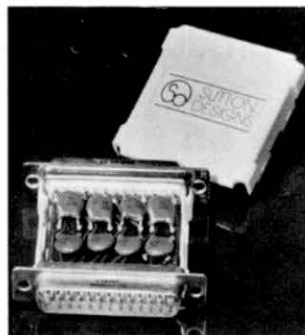
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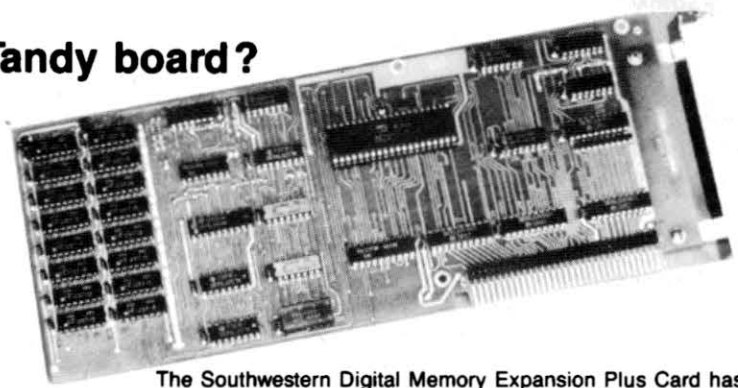
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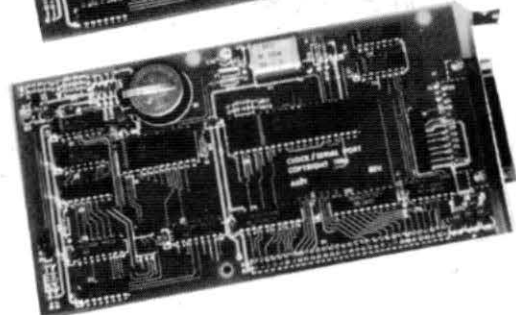
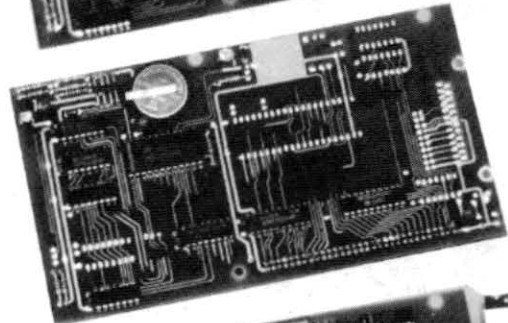
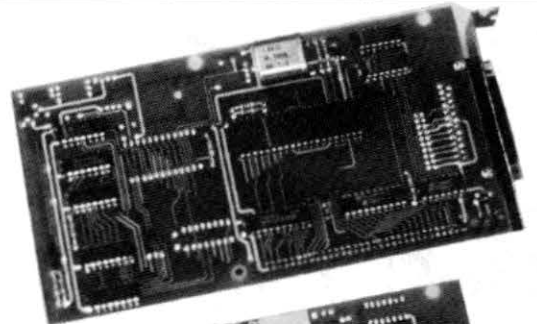
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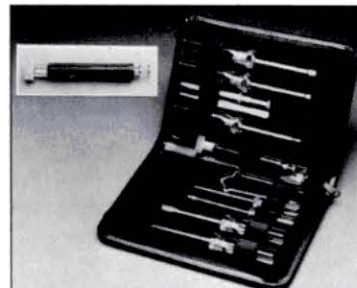
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Diverse Solutions

Before I tell you what you taught me this month, let's recap the puzzle for anyone who has joined us since January. I started with line zero, which stated the program's constants

```
0 A$ = "SEASON'S GREETINGS":Z$ = CHR$(13)
```

and line 3, which displayed the program's results:

```
3 PRINT A$:Z$:B$:Z$:C$:Z$:D$:Z$:E$:Z$:F$:Z$:G$:Z$:H$:Z$:I$:Z$:J$
```

The output (the variable names are for reference) looked like:

SEASON'S GREETINGS	(A\$)
1220	(B)
SEASONGREETINGS	(C\$)
132121141	(D\$)
AEGINORST	(E\$)
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SEA SON TIN	(G\$)
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Season's Greetings	(J\$)

The object of the game was to reconstruct the missing lines, 1 and 2, that produced 3's result from zero's beginning.

Once again, you proved that there are as many ways to solve a problem as grains of sand on the beach. Well, maybe I exaggerate a little, but there were more different solutions than I have room to even mention. Bumper stickers are on the way to everyone who, within the rules, sent us a program that did the job.

After you recognized that H\$ is C\$ backwards, I\$ is C\$ cut in two and interleaved, E\$ and D\$ are the letters in A\$ and their frequency, respectively, and B is the sum of the ASCII values in C\$, you still had to get it all into two lines. Like a cook preparing a meal, you had to do several things at once. You also had to overcome the tendency to do things in alphabetical order.

David Talmage (Denver, CO) and Don Lindsley (Wheaton, IL) sent the fastest and shortest solutions, which took a more direct route to F\$ and G\$ than I had in mind. Good for them! Charlie Bos-

well (Farmers Branch, TX) poked data for D\$ and E\$ into Model I video memory, which gave me something interesting to watch. On a CoCo, Richard McCray (Huntington Beach, CA) showed me that, when turning a single-digit value into a string, HEX\$, unlike STR\$, doesn't have a leading space to get rid of. Clever!

You showed me two general ways to get F\$ and G\$. In Program Listing 1, Gordon Drews (Stoneville, NC) used a digital approach—the tack I favored. He built the strings by formulating progressions 1, 3, 6, 10, . . . (applied to A\$) and 1, 4, 12, . . . (applied to C\$). Julius Nadas (Chicago, IL) went analog in Program Listing 2.

I was surprised to learn that F\$ "contains the first letter and every letter that precedes a subsequent occurrence of the first letter," and that G\$ contains "the first three letters and every subsequent group of three adjacent letters whose first letter is at least as great as the first letter of the previous group." I'm impressed.

To look at either solution more closely, expand them over more than two lines (which you must do anyhow to type line 2 into a Model 4). Replace the MOD functions if you have to.

Weather Report

As I write this, I'm looking at 4 feet of snow on the ground. From my front window, I can't see the road that goes by my house any more. The thermometer outside the kitchen window reads 4 degrees below Fahrenheit's zero.

These days every TV meteorologist boasts a computer, and there are many

interesting possibilities for weather-related programs.

Calculating the wind-chill factor comes to mind for obvious reasons. I also remember, from when I lived in balmy climes, a way to predict moisture and salt loss from heat and humidity. On the coasts, weather reports always mention the tides, which are related to the Moon's rising and setting. Every weatherperson seems compelled to note the times of sunrise and sunset for those of us who live too fast and loose to appreciate them.

That ought to be enough to get you thinking. Keep your programs to two lines of Basic so I can fit the winners on a T-shirt. Meanwhile, I'll load up the woodstove and wait for spring.

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Program Listing 1. Gordon Drews' digital solution for the Model 4.

```
1 DIM N(26),I$(22):L=32:A=LEN(A$):FOR K=1 TO A:X=ASC(MID$(A$,K,1)):P=(X>64 AND X<91):R=(L=32):J$=J$+CHR$(X+32*(P AND NOT R)):L=X:C=C+P:B=B+X*P:C$=C$+STRING$(P,X):H$=STRING$(P,X)+H$:T=P*(X-64):N(T)=N(T)+1:V=K*(K+1)/2:W=(V<15):F$=F$+MID$(A$,V,W):NEXT
2 FOR K=1 TO C:I$((2*K-3)MOD(C-1))+2)=MID$(C$,K,1):D$=K*2*(K-1):E=D$-(INT(D$/C))*C:G$=G$+MID$(C$,-E*(E>0)-(E<=0))-3*(E<>0))+":NEXT:FOR K=1 TO 26:U=-{(N(K)>0):D$=D$+STRING$(U,RIGHT$(STR$(N(K)),1)):E$=E$+STRING$(U,64+K):NEXT:FOR K=1 TO A:I$=I$+I$(K):NEXT
```

Program Listing 2. Julius Nadas's analog Model 4/1000 solution.

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1 DEFINT A-Z:DIM D(255):FOR N=1 TO LEN(A$):X$=MID$(A$,N,1):X=ASC(X$):IF X<65 THEN N J$=J$+X$:J=(1+(X+32))*32 ELSE B=B+X:C$=C$+X$:J$=J$+CHR$(X OR J):J=32:H$=X$+H$:D(X)=D(X)+1:IF X>Y AND MID$(A$,N+1,1)<>" THEN G$=G$+MID$(A$,N,3)+" :Y=X
2 NEXT N:FOR N=65 TO 90:D$=D$+LEFT$(CHR$(D(N)+48),D(N)):E$=E$+LEFT$(CHR$(N),D(N)):NEXT N:C=LEN(C$):X=ASC(C$):F$=CHR$(X):FOR N=1 TO C:I$=I$+MID$(C$,INT((N+1)/2)+C*(1-(N MOD 2))/2,1):F$=F$+MID$(C$,N,-(ASC(MID$(C$+" ",N+1))-X)):NEXT N
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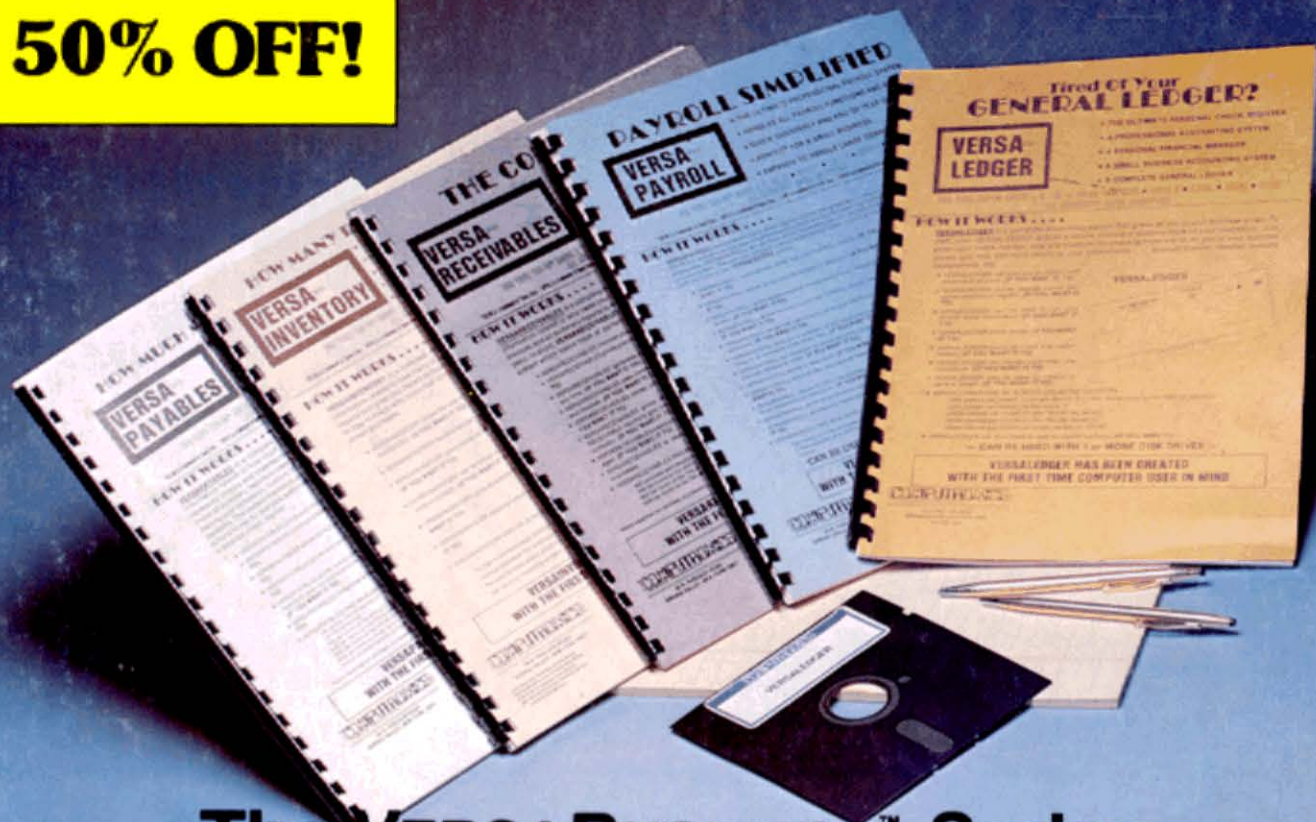
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