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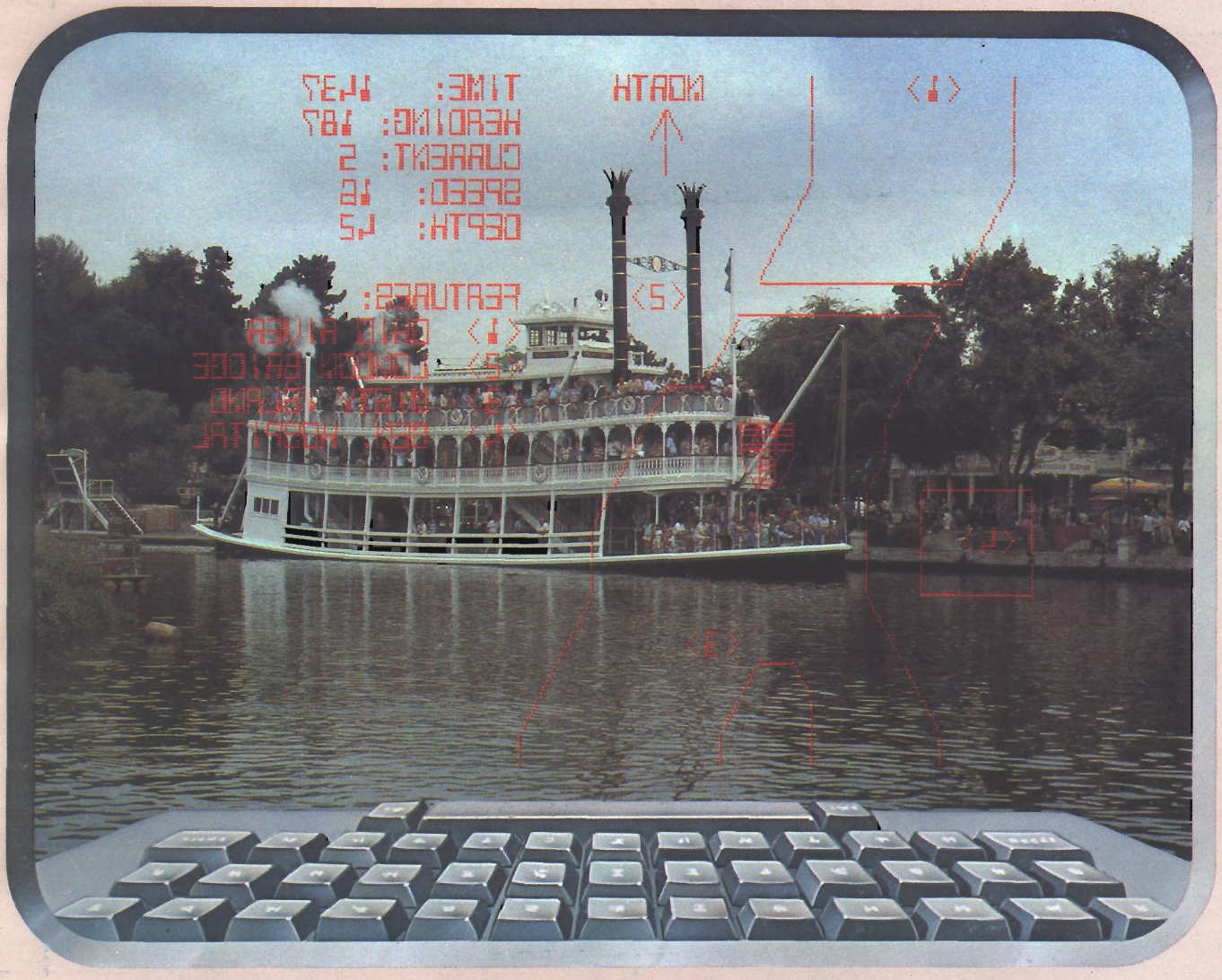

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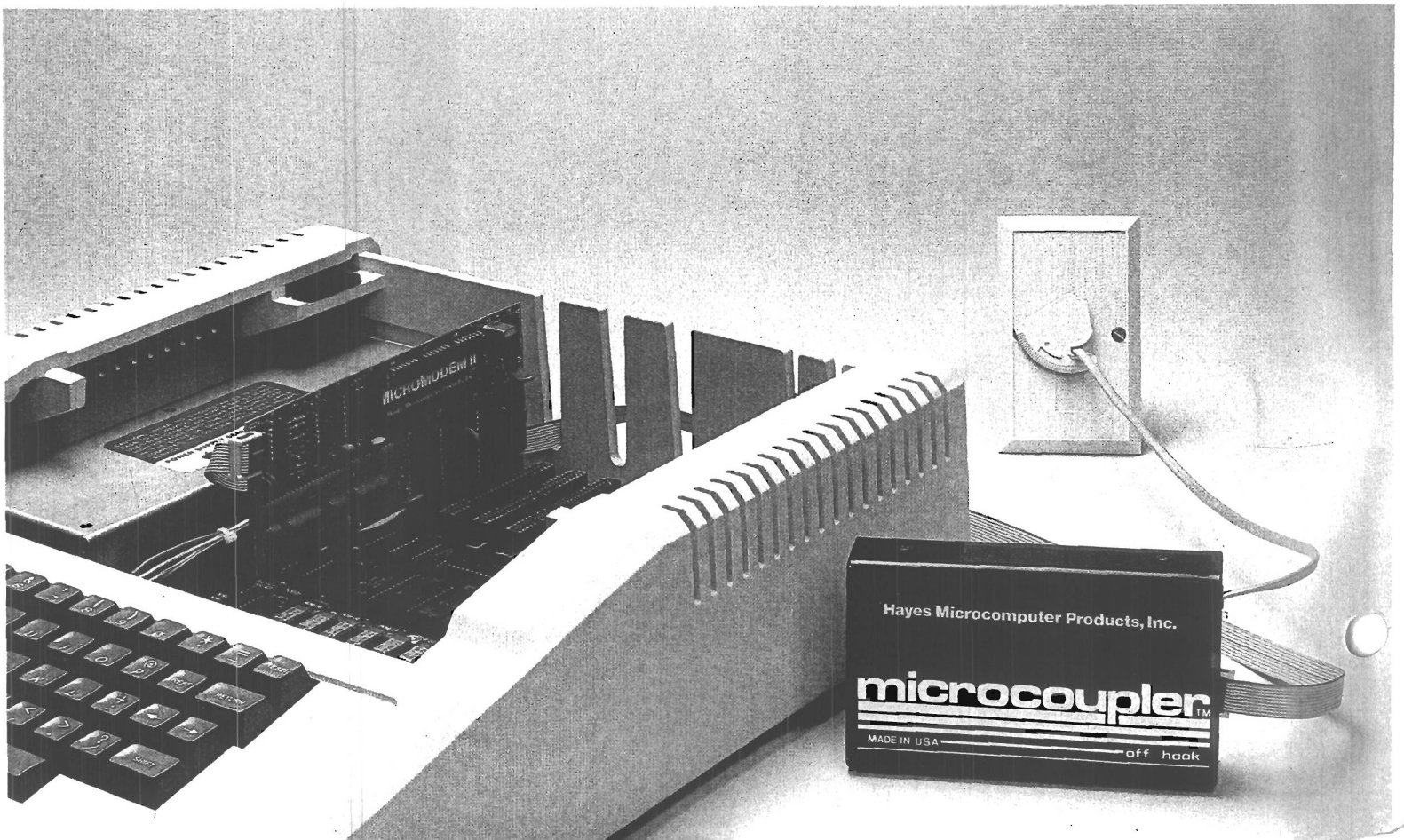

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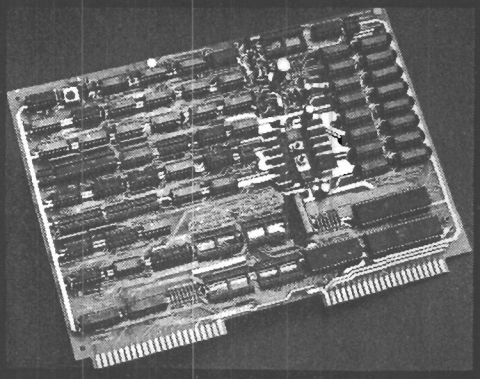

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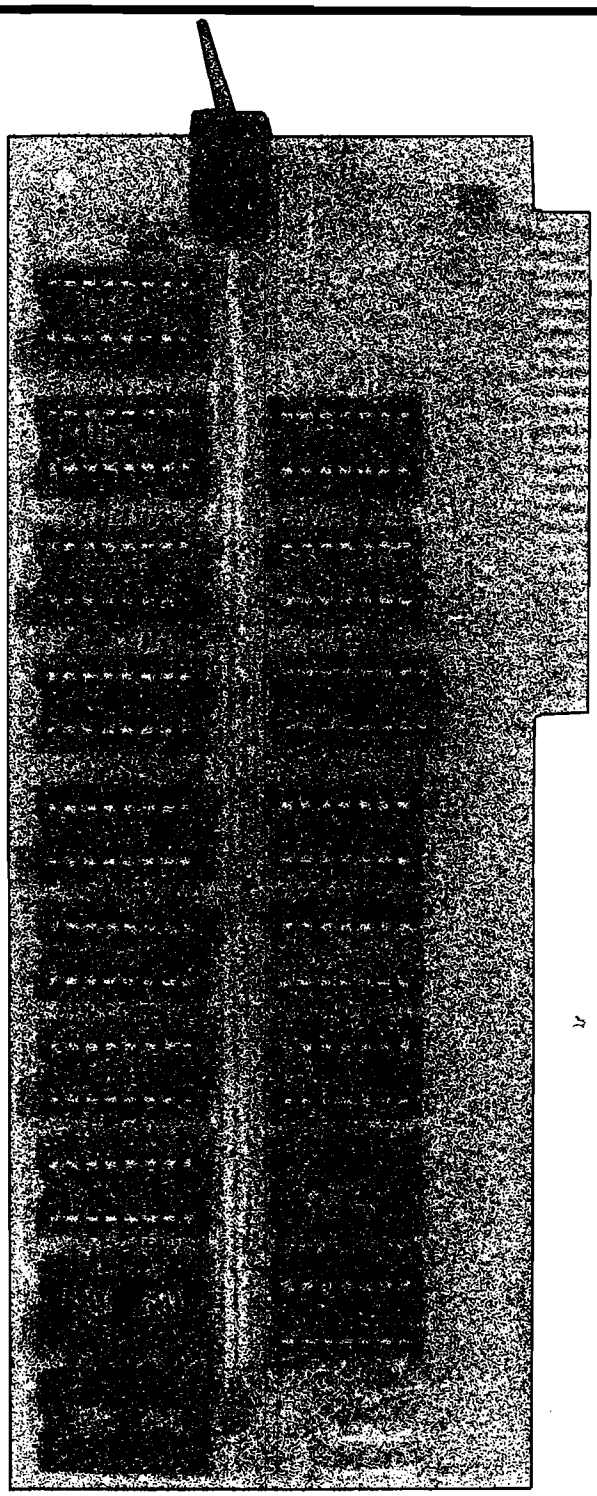

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MICRO Editorial

Staff and Stuff

Most readers probably never read the staff listing on the Table of Contents page, but those who do will note that since the beginning of this volume, (June 1980) we have added an associate publisher, special projects editor, art director, advertising manager, three micro specialists and a typesetter. This improved staffing permits MICRO to deliver a better product each month and to undertake a number of other projects as well.

One major undertaking is book publishing. A series of Apple books is under way, with the first, *MICRO/Apple, Volume 1*, to be released April 1. This collection of Apple articles from past issues of MICRO is intended for the beginner-to-intermediate Apple user. All of the material has been re-edited, re-typeset and many articles have been updated by the original authors and/or the MICRO staff. All programs have been re-entered, listed and tested. They are provided on a diskette which is an integral part of the book. The 224-page book is wire-bound and lies flat when open to make it easy to use.

Other books in the *MICRO/Apple* series will include reprints, original articles, new reference works, and more. This will permit us to present various types of material which do not work well in a magazine format: long articles or listings, good articles of limited scope, and so forth.

We are looking for additional material for other major microcomputers to support similar books for the PET, OSI, AIM, SYM, KIM and Atari. If you have material which you may not have submitted because you felt that it was not suited to a magazine presentation, please consider it for one of the books. If you have a complete manuscript for a 6502-based book, or even just the idea for one, please contact us. We may be interested in publishing it and distributing it to the 6502 world through our dealer network.

An Apple Solution

The February editorial addressed the problem of "Too Many Apples" —more Apple articles on a regular basis than we can incorporate in MICRO without overwhelming the other 6502-based microcomputers. The reader response may be summarized as:

no one favored "no change" or "print the extra Apple material in book form";

only a few wanted to "print the best material without regard to microcomputer";

more wanted to "publish an Apple supplement or quarterly" or "publish a monthly Apple magazine";

most chose to "increase the size of MICRO to accommodate additional Apple material without reducing the coverage of the other micros."

This reader feedback and our in-house staff discussions agree, and the decision has been made to expand MICRO. Starting with the June 1981 issue, there will be "extra" pages devoted to Apple articles and advertisements. The number of pages will be determined partially by the extra advertising required to cover the additional production, printing and postage costs—without requiring an increase in either the single copy or subscription price. There will be at least 16 extra pages, and possibly 32 pages. This expansion will permit us to provide timely Apple coverage while maintaining our policy of serving the entire 6502 community.

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Editor/Publisher

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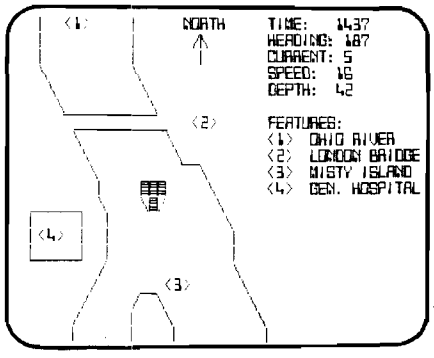

Screen display on this month's cover — from the human point of view.

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Cruising Down the River...

Imagine yourself cruising down the river on the Delta Queen. To navigate rivers you need maps and charts. Currently these are available as printed material, very detailed and very accurate. Accurate? Well, the chart was accurate when it was made, but how long ago was that? And what changes have occurred since then?

How about a computer displayable map —one that could be updated continuously by whatever authority has the charting responsibility, the U.S. Coast Guard or the U.S. Geodetic Survey? A diskette could be generated which contains the latest information along a particular route. It could provide whatever level of detail is required; from an overview as pictured on the cover, to the detail normally provided in navigational charts. As the position of the vessel is entered into the computer, manually in a simple system or automatically in a more advanced one, the display could change to provide the current map information.

In addition to the pure mapping function, the computer could provide a wealth of other information. Time of day, current speed, vessel speed, direction, rate of fuel consumption, estimated time to destination or check point, and other operating parameters could be displayed. Automatic radio tracking equipment could provide accurate positioning information. Depth information in coastal waters could be continuously updated and modified as a function of tide tables. The possibilities for this type of microcomputer application are almost limitless.

But for now, I guess I'll just keep drifting.

MICRO Letterbox

Dear Editor:

First, I don't know of any available printed material that has been as interesting and informative as "MICRO Magazine".

Many little problems related to programming have been removed due to the care and testing that is done, by writers, proofreaders, editors and by the production people. The quality is outstanding as witnessed by the brevity of your "Microbes" pages.

Now, the second part—I feel that I have received more value from this source than it has cost. Therefore, I offer this little tip for Apple II owners fortunate enough to have Disk II. Perhaps I am lazy, but my fingers get tired of constantly typing "catalog" following the end of a program. I know that many programs exist to change the disk command to cat or just plain 'C'. They are good, but why not insert these lines in place of "END" statement in the programs used frequently?

```
XX0  INPUT"WANT DISK
     CATALOG (Y/N) ?";A$
XX1  TEXT:HOME
XX2  IF A$ = "Y" THEN PRINT
     D$;"CATALOG"
```

Your program is still in memory should you choose to re-run it. Or with the catalog menu in front of you, a change to a different program is quite simple.

Another simple little tip is to type "VTAB < 1 THROUGH 20 >" to move the cursor up to the program desired, enter your command, and use the right arrow key to trace over the program listing, hit return, and your command is executed. Be sure that you don't leave any part of the program type or sector information before tracing over the program title. Those little leftovers produce nice error statements.

Thanks again for an excellent publication. I look forward to seeing it each month for it makes the Apple II more enjoyable for this retired telephone man who is pretty much housebound.

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Dear Editor:

I appreciated the letter by Robert V. Davis, MICRO, January 1981, but his letter didn't take full advantage of OSI's BASIC-in-ROM accuracy and he doesn't solve the absence of the PRINT USING command for anything but whole dollars.

That would be trouble if you're working in any accounting program where you need to keep track of pennies. The subroutine I am enclosing will print out amounts in dollars and cents from $0.00 to $167,772.15 with full accuracy and amounts close to one billion with 7+ decimal accuracy before going into scientific notation errors. Since Michigan income tax asks that you don't round off at one place, this program would keep you out of trouble with the taxman. Also by simply changing the value of H in line 20000 by a power of ten, and making the opposite change of T, you can set up for printing in the thousandth place or any other decimal place you wish with 7+ decimal accuracy. This routine will also increase the amount of decimals printed with any other BASIC computer.

```
50    INPUT"AMOUNT OF
      CASH";B: A=B
60    PRINT"BALANCE";:GOSUB
      20000
70    REM REST OF PROGRAM
19999 PRINTING SUBROUTINE
20000 H=100:T=1000:
      G=0:C=A:IF A>T*9
      THEN G=T*INT(A/T):C=
      A-G+T
20010 PLACE=INT(LOG
      (H)/LOG(10)+.5):IF A<1
      THEN 20070
20020 A$=STR$(INT(H* C+.5)):
      AC$= RIGHT$(A$,PL):
      B=LEN(A$)
20030 A$=LEFT$(A$,B-PL)+
      "."+AC$:IF G>0 THEN
      A$=STR$(G/T)+MID$
      (A$,3)
20040 PRINT TAB(20-LEN(A$))"$
      ";A$:RETURN
20060 REM AMOUNTS LESS
      THAN 1
20070 A$=STR$(INT(A*H
      +.5)/H):IF
      LEN(A$)<PL+2 THEN
      A$=A$+"0":
      GOTO20070
20080 GOTO20050
```

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Dear Editor:

I'd like to share the following information in response to your Editorial in the January 1981 issue (MICRO Goes to School).

Our math department was given the job of learning how to operate the computers, then teach our students, then teach any interested non-math teachers. Granted, year #1 was trial and error. We spent many hours on our own time getting our act together.

Several members of the department formed a core group which learned how to program and joined area users groups, and then brought this information back to the rest of the department for general use. We subscribe to the leading magazines for help and greatly appreciate MICRO's help with the Club Circuit.

By using small ads, we have contacted and exchanged ideas, programs, and student booklets with teachers in several states. There is a vast network out there of independent math teachers which the computer will bring together.

This year, in our lab, we are more organized. Lab slots are assigned on a week-to-week basis and we have lab assignments sheets for the students, that they receive before they enter the lab. The sheets contain information as to what programs they should work on, what section of particular programs, what disks to use, which computers to be worked on, if the printer is to be used, etc. Thus, any computer center means preparation by the teachers involved if the center is to achieve its goals in the educational environment. And with the availability of data base programs, the department has its grades, orders, inventory, small supplies, etc., on disk.

Our computer center has taken a lot of effort, but it is well worth it. If any teacher or department requires more information, they may write to Apple Bit'N Pieces Educators Group c/o our school.

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S-C Assembler Modifications

The usefulness of the S-C assembler for the Apple can be enhanced with the addition of a command to automatically generate line numbers for the programmer while he is entering the source code.

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The S-C assembler is one of the many assemblers available for the Apple computer system. The original version of the S-C assembler was cassette-based and performed well for the user with a minimal system. Subsequent versions of the assembler have been disk-based. With the announcement of version 3.2, previous owners were invited to upgrade their assemblers for $12.50. This I did, and along with my upgrade kit came information on how the S-C assembler could be modified to incorporate more features. In this article I will describe modifications to the S-C assembler that allow the S-C assembler to work with the auto-start ROM, automatically generate line numbers for source code entry, and allow the user to change the starting line number and increment for the auto-line numbering mode.

Adding Back the Multiply Routine

In the auto-start ROM, Apple has incorporated some features that make line editing easier and allow the Apple to automatically boot itself when power is applied. In order to give us all of these features, they had to replace some old (and very useful) code in the F8 ROM with their new routines. One of the deleted routines happened to be the Integer multiply routine which is used by the S-C assembler. So, if you have the auto-start ROM, you must patch the assembler and add the multiply code in order to make the

Listing 1

```
                        1000 *
                        1010 *
                        1020 *
                        1030 *
                        1040 *
                        1050 *
                        1060 *
                        1070 *
                        1080 *    ROUTINE TO DO AUTO NUMBERING
                        1090 *
                        1100 *
                        1110      .OR $1D21       AFTER MULTIPLY ROUTINE
                        1120 *
                        1130 *
                        1140 *    DO WE DO IT??
                        1150 *
                        1160 *
1D21- 2C 7D 1D          1170 ANUM BIT FLAG        TEST AUTO-FLAG
1D24- 10 27             1180      BPL EXIT        NOT TURNED ON
1D26- 4E 7D 1D          1190      LSR FLAG        CLEAR THE FLAG
1D29- E0 00             1200      CPX #0          IF NOT IN COLUMN 1
1D2B- D0 20             1210      BNE EXIT        THEN DON'T DO IT
                        1220 *
                        1230 *
                        1240 *    PRINT IT OUT, AND STORE IN
                        1250 *    INPUT BUFFER
                        1260 *
                        1270 *
1D2D- 20 5C 1D          1280      JSR CONV4       CONVERT LINE NUMBER
                        1290 *
                        1300 *
                        1310 *    INCREMENT THE LINE NUMBER
                        1320 *
                        1330 *
1D30- F8                1340      SED             SET DECIMAL MODE
1D31- 18                1350      CLC             CLEAR CARRY
1D32- AD 7A 1D          1360      LDA NUM+1       ADD LSB'S
1D35- 6D 7C 1D          1370      ADC INC+1
1D38- 8D 7A 1D          1380      STA NUM+1
1D3B- AD 79 1D          1390      LDA NUM         ADD MSB'S
1D3E- 6D 7B 1D          1400      ADC INC
1D41- 8D 79 1D          1410      STA NUM
1D44- D8                1420      CLD             SET BINARY MODE
1D45- A9 A0             1430      LDA #$A0        SEND A SPACE TOO
1D47- 20 72 1D          1440      JSR CHO
1D4A- 4C 0C FD          1450      JMP $FD0C       INPUT NEXT CHARACTER
                        1460 *
                        1470 *
                        1480 *    CALL THE MONITOR TO READ KEY
                        1490 *    CHECK IF CONTROL-N.
                        1500 *    IF SO, SET AUTO-FLAG AND
                        1510 *    CHANGE TO CARRIAGE RETURN
                        1520 *
                        1530 *
1D4D- 20 1B FD          1540 EXIT JSR $FD1B       MONITOR KEYIN
1D50- C9 8E             1550      CMP #$8E        CONTROL-N??
1D52- D0 05             1560      BNE RTRN        NO
1D54- A9 8D             1570      LDA #$8D        CHANGE TO CONTROL-M
1D56- 8D 7D 1D          1580      STA FLAG        SET FLAG
1D59- 4C 8B 13          1590 RTRN JMP $138B       RE-JOIN SCAN
                        1600 *
                        1610 *
                        1620 *    CONVERT AND STORE FOUR DIGITS
                        1630 *
                        1640 *
                        1650 CONV4
1D5C- AD 79 1D          1660      LDA NUM         FIRST TWO DIGITS
1D5F- 20 65 1D          1670      JSR CONV2
1D62- AD 7A 1D          1680      LDA NUM+1       LAST TWO DIGITS
                        1690 *
                        1700 *
                        1710 *    CONVERT AND STORE TWO DIGITS
                        1720 *
```

assembler run properly. Bob Sander-Cederlof (the S-C assembler creator) included the patch along with my upgrade kit and I will repeat it here.

Before we can patch the assembler, we have to create some room for the patch. Bob suggested that we move the starting address of the symbol table up a page or two, and make all patches and modifications in this new space. The assembler resides in memory from $1000 through $1BFF, and the symbol table follows, starting at $1C00. The moving of the symbol table is accomplished by changing location $1010 in the assembler. Now, I suggest that we start the symbol table at $1E00 so that we have plenty of room for the enhancements that are to be described later on. The step-by-step instructions for moving the symbol table are:

1. Load the assembler
2. Change contents of $1010 to $1E
3. Re-save the assembler using BSAVE ASMB,A$1000,L$E00

Note that the older versions of the assembler may also be patched in this fashion, but that the address to be patched will not necessarily be the same. In that case, use the Monitor disassembler and examine memory on either side of address $1010 until you find either a $1C or $1D, as that was the default-starting page number of the symbol table.

The multiple routine may now be added, starting at location $1D00 using the monitor insert command.

```
*1D00: A0 10 A5 50 4A 90 0C 18
       A2 FE B5 54 75 56 95 54

*1D10: E8 D0 F7 A2 03 76 50 CA
       10 FB 88 D0 E5 60
```

And finally, we need to change the JSR instruction that points to the multiply routine to point to the relocated code for the multiply routine. You should find a JSR $FB63 at location $1122. The following will change the destination address to $1D00.

```
*1123: 00 1D
```

Now, the assembler may be saved as instructed in step 3 above. This modified version of the assembler will now work properly with the auto-start ROM.

Automatic Line Numbers

The other little goodie that Bob included in my upgrade kit was a routine that allowed the assembler to automatically generate line numbers so

```
                    1730 *
                    1740 CONV2
1D65- 48            1750        PHA             SAVE BYTE ON STACK
1D66- 4A            1760        LSR
1D67- 4A            1770        LSR             GET LEFT DIGIT
1D68- 4A            1780        LSR
1D69- 4A            1790        LSR
1D6A- 20 70 1D      1800        JSR CONV1       CONVERT AND STORE IT
1D6D- 68            1810        PLA             GET BYTE FROM STACK
1D6E- 29 0F         1820        AND #$0F        ISOLATE SECOND DIGIT
                    1830 CONV1
1D70- 09 B0         1840        ORA #$B0        CONVERT TO ASCII
1D72- 9D 00 02      1850 CH0    STA $200,X      STORE IN INPUT BUFFER
1D75- E8            1860        INX             INCREMENT BUFFER POINTER
1D76- 4C ED FD      1870        JMP $FDED       PRINT THE CHARACTER
                    1880 *
1D79- 10 00         1890 NUM    .HS 1000        INITIAL NUMBER
1D7B- 00 10         1900 INC    .HS 0010        INCREMENT
1D7D- 00            1910 FLAG   .HS 00
                    1920        .END


SYMBOL TABLE

ANUM   1D21   EXIT   1D4D   RTRN   1D59
CONV4  1D5C   CONV2  1D65   CONV1  1D70
CH0    1D72   NUM    1D79   INC    1D7B
FLAG   1D7D
```

Listing 2

```
                    1000 *
                    1010 *
                    1020 *
                    1030 *
                    1040 *
                    1050 *
                    1060 *
                    1070 *    THIS ADDS THE AUTO COMMAND TO THE
                    1080 *    S-C ASSEMBLER.  THE AUTO COMMAND
                    1090 *    ALLOWS YOU TO SET THE STARTING LINE
                    1100 *    NUMBER AND THE INCREMENT FOR AUTOMATIC
                    1110 *    LINE ENTRY.
                    1120 *
                    1130 *    THE FORMAT OF THE COMMAND WILL BE:
                    1140 *
                    1150 *    AUTO START,INC
                    1160 *
                    1170 *
                    1180 SPACE .EQ $20      SPACE
                    1190 LBUF .EQ $200      LINE BUFFER
                    1200 COMMA .EQ $2C      COMMA
                    1210 WARM .EQ $1003     WARM START
                    1220 NUM  .EQ $1D79     STARTING LINE NUMBER
                    1230 INC  .EQ $1D7B     INCREMENT
                    1240      .OR $1D7E     AFTER THE AUTO LINE NUMBER GENERATOR
                    1250 *
                    1260 *
                    1270 *
1D7E- A0 03         1280 AUTO LDY #3        START AT FOURTH CHARACTER
1D80- B9 00 02      1290 SLOP LDA LBUF,Y    GET CHARACTER
1D83- F0 60         1300      BEQ DONE      ALL DONE--DO NOTHING
1D85- C9 20         1310      CMP #SPACE    IS IT A SPACE??
1D87- F0 03         1320      BEQ GSPAC     YES
1D89- C8            1330      INY           BUMP Y
1D8A- D0 F4         1340      BNE SLOP      IDLE UNTIL A SPACE
                    1350 *
                    1360 *
                    1370 *    GOT A SPACE.  IDLE UNTIL NO MORE SPACES
                    1380 *
                    1390 *
                    1400 GSPAC
1D8C- C8            1410      INY           BUMP Y
1D8D- B9 00 02      1420      LDA LBUF,Y    GET CHARACTER
1D90- F0 53         1430      BEQ DONE      WE ARE DONE
1D92- C9 20         1440      CMP #SPACE    IS IT A SPACE
1D94- F0 F6         1450      BEQ GSPAC     LOOP UNTIL NO SPACE
                    1460 *
                    1470 *
                    1480 *    COUNT THE NUMBER OF CHARACTERS
                    1490 *    UNTIL THE "," AND SAVE THE POSITION
                    1500 *    NUMBER OF THE LAST CHARACTER.
                    1510 *
                    1520 *
1D96- A2 00         1530      LDX #00       GET A ZERO
1D98- C9 2C         1540 CLOP CMP #COMMA    IS IT A COMMA??
1D9A- F0 09         1550      BEQ SAVIT     YES
1D9C- E8            1560      INX           BUMP COUNT
1D9D- C8            1570      INY           BUMP CHARACTER SCAN
1D9E- B9 00 02      1580      LDA LBUF,Y    GET NEXT CHARACTER
1DA1- F0 02         1590      BEQ SAVIT     SAVE PARAMETERS
1DA3- D0 F3         1600      BNE CLOP      TRY AGAIN
                    1610 *
                    1620 *
                    1630 *    WE GET HERE AND SAVE X AND Y FOR LATER
```

```
                    1640 *
                    1650 *
                    1660 SAVIT
1DA5- 8E 2D 1E      1670        STX SCNT        SAVE COUNT
1DA8- 8C 2E 1E      1680        STY EPOS        END POSITION + 1
1DAB- B9 00 02      1690        LDA LBUF,Y      GET CHARACTER AGAIN
1DAE- F0 1E         1700        BEQ DSTRT       IF ZERO GO AWAY
                    1710 *
                    1720 *
                    1730 *      SCAN THE INCREMENT
                    1740 *
                    1750 *
1DB0- C8            1760        INY             NEXT CHARACTER
1DB1- A2 00         1770        LDX #00         ZERO COUNT
1DB3- B9 00 02      1780 ILOP   LDA LBUF,Y      GET CHARACTER
1DB6- F0 04         1790        BEQ DINC        DONE WITH SCAN
1DB8- E8            1800        INX             BUMP COUNT
1DB9- C8            1810        INY             NEXT CHARACTER
1DBA- D0 F7         1820        BNE ILOP        REPEAT TIL DONE
                    1830 *
                    1840 *
                    1850 *      CONVERT THE INCREMENT AND SAVE
                    1860 *
                    1870 *
1DBC- 8A            1880 DINC   TXA             SET CONDITION CODE
1DBD- F0 0F         1890        BEQ DSTRT       IF ZERO DO START
1DBF- 20 E8 1D      1900        JSR GETNUM      CONVERT NUMBER
1DC2- AD 2F 1E      1910        LDA HOLD        GET MSB
1DC5- 8D 7B 1D      1920        STA INC         SAVE
1DC8- AD 30 1E      1930        LDA HOLD+1      GET LSB
1DCB- 8D 7C 1D      1940        STA INC+1       SAVE
                    1950 *
                    1960 *
                    1970 *      DO THE START LINE NUMBER
                    1980 *
                    1990 *
                    2000 DSTRT
1DCE- AE 2D 1E      2010        LDX SCNT        GET COUNT
1DD1- F0 12         2020        BEQ DONE        IF ZERO -- IGNORE
1DD3- AC 2E 1E      2030        LDY EPOS        GET POSITION
1DD6- 20 E8 1D      2040        JSR GETNUM      CONVERT
1DD9- AD 2F 1E      2050        LDA HOLD        GET MSB
1DDC- 8D 79 1D      2060        STA NUM         SAVE
1DDF- AD 30 1E      2070        LDA HOLD+1      GET LSB
1DE2- 8D 7A 1D      2080        STA NUM+1       SAVE
                    2090 *
                    2100 *
                    2110 *      DONE OR ABORT
                    2120 *
                    2130 *
1DE5- 4C 03 10      2140 DONE   JMP WARM        WARM START
                    2150 *
                    2160 *
                    2170 *      GETNUM -- CONVERTS ASCII TO BCD
                    2180 *
                    2190 *
                    2200 GETNUM
1DE8- A9 00         2210        LDA #00         GET A ZERO
1DEA- 8D 2F 1E      2220        STA HOLD        ZERO OUT
1DED- 8D 30 1E      2230        STA HOLD+1      ZERO OUT
1DF0- 20 20 1E      2240        JSR READ8       GET 8 BITS
1DF3- 8D 30 1E      2250        STA HOLD+1      SAVE BITS
1DF6- CA            2260        DEX             DECREMENT LOOP COUNT
1DF7- F0 26         2270        BEQ EXT         DONE
1DF9- 20 20 1E      2280        JSR READ8       GET 8 BITS
1DFC- 20 27 1E      2290        JSR SHIFT       SHIFT LEFT 4
                    2300
1DFF- 18            2310        CLC             CLEAR CARRY
1E00- 6D 30 1E      2320        ADC HOLD+1      PUT IN BITS
1E03- 8D 30 1E      2330        STA HOLD+1      SAVE BACK
1E06- CA            2340        DEX             DECREMENT LOOP COUNT
1E07- F0 16         2350        BEQ EXT         DONE
1E09- 20 20 1E      2360        JSR READ8       GET 8 BITS
1E0C- 8D 2F 1E      2370        STA HOLD        SAVE BITS
1E0F- CA            2380        DEX             DECREMENT LOOP COUNT
1E10- F0 0D         2390        BEQ EXT         DONE
1E12- 20 20 1E      2400        JSR READ8       GET BITS
1E15- 20 27 1E      2410        JSR SHIFT       SHIFT LEFT 4
1E18- 18            2420        CLC             CLEAR CARRY
1E19- 6D 2F 1E      2430        ADC HOLD        ADD IN BITS
1E1C- 8D 2F 1E      2440        STA HOLD        SAVE BACK
1E1F- 60            2450 EXT    RTS             RETURN
                    2460 *
                    2470 *
                    2480 *      READ8 -- READ 8 BITS FROM LINE BUFFER
                    2490 *
                    2500 *
                    2510 READ8
1E20- 88            2520        DEY             DECREASE POINTER
1E21- B9 00 02      2530        LDA LBUF,Y      GET CHARACTER
1E24- 29 0F         2540        AND #$0F        ONLY FOUR BITS
```

as to relieve the programmer of that task. I have often wanted that sort of a feature when I am doing a lot of coding with the S-C assembler. I have included the code that will automatically generate the line numbers in listing 1. It is placed immediately after the multiply routine that is listed in the previous section. The steps that are required to incorporate the routine into the assembler are:

1. BRUN the asssembler
2. Enter the source code from listing 1
3. Assemble the code using the assembler
4. Patch an assembler address that will allow access to the auto-line routine. Location $1388 should contain a JSR $FD1B. Change the address to $1D21 using the monitor command:

```
*1389:21 1D.
```

The automatic line number routine is started by typing a control-N instead of a RETURN. So, whenever you type control-N, the assembler will generate a carriage return, a line feed, and then display the next line number on the screen. I incorporated this routine in my assembler and was very happy with it with one exception. In order to change either the starting line number or the increment, you had to change the values stored in memory. This soon got to be very tedious, especially when I had to refer to the source listing in order to find the address that I had to change if I needed a different starting line number or increment. I longed for a command to change one or both of the numbers.

The 'AUTO' Command for the S-C Assembler

Listing 2 is the code to include the 'AUTO' command to the S-C assembler. The format of the AUTO command is the same as for Integer BASIC, which is:

AUTO starting line number, increment.

The design of the routine is quite simple. First the routine goes to the input line buffer and begins to scan the command, beginning with character four. It throws away all characters until it finds a space. This is done so that the user may type any character string that starts with the first three letters 'AUT'. After we have encountered a space, we count the number of characters from there until the comma. This is the number of digits in the starting line number and this value is saved for later use. Note that this value can be zero,

which implies that you can change only the increment, but don't have to change the starting line number also (for example AUTO ,10).

Next we scan the character string, starting with the first character after the comma, and ending with the null byte that terminates the input buffer string. Again the number of characters is saved and, as mentioned above, it also may be zero if you only want to change the starting line number and keep the same increment (for example AUTO 1000). The increment character string is converted from ASCII to BCD by the GETNUM routine. The resulting BCD number for the increment is saved as the new increment. Finally, the starting line number string is converted to BCD and saved as the new starting line number. Then we jump back to the assembler command mode.

Only a small problem now exists—there is no 'AUTO' command in the basic S-C assembler. We have two options: we can find the command dispatch table in the assembler and add another command to it (this may be complicated), or we can replace one of the existing commands with our new command. I chose to do the latter. The code at the end of listing 2 changes the 'JOIN' command to 'AUTO' by changing the ASCII command string and the address of the routine that actually does the command in the command dispatch table. As before, the code needs to be assembled as part of the assembler and saved as indicated above.

I have recommended that you create a source file and assemble that in order to incorporate these new features. This is not necessary, since I have included the object code as part of the listings. Instead, you could just enter the object code directly into memory and make the patches listed above. The only problem that I see with that method, is that it can be very tedious, if you were to make a small mistake. Also, it is a good idea to make yourself a back-up copy of the assembler until you have tested out your new and improved version.

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```
1E26- 60        2550        RTS             DONE
                2560 *
                2570 *
                2580
                2590 *      SHIFT -- SHIFT LEFT 4 BITS
                2600 *
                2610 *
                2620 SHIFT
1E27- 18        2630        CLC             CLEAR CARRY
1E28- 2A        2640        ROL             LEFT 1
1E29- 2A        2650        ROL             LEFT 1
1E2A- 2A        2660        ROL             LEFT 1
1E2B- 2A        2670        ROL             LEFT 1
1E2C- 60        2680        RTS             RETURN
                2690 *
                2700 *
                2710 *      STORAGE
                2720 *
                2730 *
1E2D- 00        2740 SCNT   .HS 00          COUNT
1E2E- 00        2750 EPOS   .HS 00          POSITION
1E2F- 00 00     2760 HOLD   .DA 0           TEMP STORAGE
                2770 *
                2780 *
                2790 *      CHANGE JOIN TO AUTO
                2800 *
                2810 *
                2820        .OR $1289       IN DISPATCH TABLE
1289- 41 55 54  2830        .AS /AUT/       AUTO COMMAND
128C- 7E 1D     2840        .DA AUTO        ADDRESS
                2850        .EN
```

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PRINT USING for the PET

This is an excellent PET version of Gary Morris' Apple program. It runs on any PET or CBM machine.

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Gary Morris recently published a PRINT USING program for the Apple in the October 1980 issue of *MICRO* (29:14). His program made use of some of the ROM routines in Applesoft. Since Microsoft developed both Applesoft and the various versions of PET BASIC, I felt that Gary's routine could be easily adapted for the PET. After consulting Jim Butterfield's many memory maps of the PET ROMs, and a fair amount of experimentation, I succeeded in modifying Gary's basic routine to work on the PET.

Listing 1 is a BASIC program that POKEs the machine code for the routine into the second cassette buffer (from 826 to 984). This program also detects which of the three versions of BASIC is operable in the specific PET and modifies the machine code accordingly. This is done by PEEKing into location 50003 which contains a "0" for BASIC 2.0, a "1" for BASIC 3.0, and a "160" for BASIC 4.0. The program in listing 1 will also set the USR vector (locations 1 and 2) to point to the beginning of the code in the second cassette buffer. Once this program has been run, the machine language routine is available to any BASIC program via the USR function.

As an example of how this would be used, consider the following BASIC instructions:

```
10 ED$ = "$ , 0.00"
20 X = 123456
30 PRINT"TOTAL IS ";:Y = USR(X)
```

This sequence will cause the following to be printed:

TOTAL IS $ 1,234.56

The edit pattern to be used in formatting the output must be specified by the string variable ED$. The edit pattern may contain almost any valid character (such as, $ #, %, ' = / K . etc.). These characters will be "skipped over" and the various digits of the number will be inserted into the blanks of the edit pattern, or overlaid on any 0's in the pattern. The value to be printed will be edited from right to left. If the value is too large for the edit field, the left-most characters will be truncated. A comma in the pattern will be printed only if there is at least one digit to the left of it. If the value is negative, the minus sign will be placed to the left of the highest digit.

The value to be edited is passed to the PRINT USING routine as the parameter of the USR function, e.g., X in the previous example. This parameter may be a complex expression, rather than just a variable or a numeric value. The value returned by the USR function to BASIC (Y in the previous example) will be garbage and have no meaning. Be careful not to use a variable name that is significant to the rest of the program as the left hand side of the USR equation.

Listing 1

```
 10 PRINT "[CLR][ 2 DOWN]PRINT USING FOR THE PET"
 20 PRINT "[DOWN]BY DAVID MALMBERG"
 30 REM ADAPTED FROM A ROUTINE FOR THE APPLE
 40 REM BY GARY MORRIS IN OCT-1980 MICRO
 50 PRINT "[HOME]           LOADING 2ND CASSETTE BUFFER"
 60 FOR I= 826 TO 984 :READ DC:POKE I,DC:PRINT "[HOME]";I;DC:NEXT I
 70 REM BASIC 3.0 VERSION
 80 DATA 32,233,220,169,69,162,196,133
 90 DATA 66,134,67,32,201,207,160,2,177
100 DATA 68,133,93,136,177,68,133,92,136
110 DATA 177,68,201,16,144,2,169,16,141
120 DATA 32,3,168,136,177,92,153,33,3
130 DATA 136,16,248,160,0,185,0,1,240
140 DATA 3,200,208,248,174,32,3,136,185
150 DATA 0,1,72,104,72,201,45,208,14,189
160 DATA 32,3,201,45,144,22,202,208,240
170 DATA 104,24,144,54,189,32,3,201,32
180 DATA 240,8,201,44,240,238,201,48,144
190 DATA 234,104,157,32,3,202,240,32,192
200 DATA 1,208,205,232,24,144,16,189,32
210 DATA 3,201,36,240,17,201,46,176,5
220 DATA 169,32,157,32,3,202,240,5,236
230 DATA 32,3,144,232,174,32,3,169,0,157
240 DATA 33,3,160,3,169,33,32,28,202,169
250 DATA 0,133,7,96
260 POKE 1,58:POKE 2,3:REM SET USR VECTOR
270 IF PEEK(50003)<>160 THEN 310
280 REM BASIC 4.0 MODIFICATIONS
290 POKE 827,147:POKE 828,207:POKE 838,135:POKE 839,193
300 POKE 978,29:POKE 979,187
310 IF PEEK(50003)<>0 THEN 370
320 REM BASIC 2.0 MODIFICATIONS
330 POKE 827,175:POKE 828,220:POKE 838,215:POKE 839,207
340 POKE 978,39:POKE 979,202:POKE 983,94
350 POKE 834,148:POKE 836,149:POKE 843,150:POKE 845,175
360 POKE 848,150:POKE 850,174:POKE 853,150:POKE 866,174
370 PRINT "[ 6 DOWN]LOADING COMPLETED"
```

The routine works by editing the ASCII representation of the number passed as the USR parameter. The routine assumes that this value has been "integerized" and that the ASCII representation does not contain a decimal point. The position of the decimal point (if any) will be implied by the edit pattern, i.e., the variable ED$.

If the actual value you wish to format has a decimal point, or if you wish to scale the number to be printed differently from the way it is represented internally in the PET, you can use a BASIC user-defined function to handle the conversion before going to the USR routine. For example:

```
10 DEF FNS2(X) = INT (X*100
   + 0.5)
20 DEF FNPK(X) = INT(X/2.21
   + 0.5)
30 ED$ = "$   ,     0.00"
40 Y = USR(FNS2(12.3456))
50 ED$ = "KILOS=        "
60 PRINT
70 Z = 1000.0 : REM POUNDS
80 Y = USR(FNPK(Z))
```

will cause the following output:

```
$ 12.35
KILOS= 452
```

Listing 2 gives the assembler source code for the PET PRINT USING routine. The appropriate ROM routine locations are given for all three versions of PET BASIC, with conditional assembly determined by the value of ROMs in line 100. The assembled code shown along side of the source code is for BASIC 3.0—the "new" ROMs. The assembler source is almost identical to that shown in Gary Morris' original Applesoft article, with the exception of the use of the STROUT ROM routine to print the formatted representation of the number (line 1450). The assembler source also has several slight differences to accommodate the differences between how Applesoft and PET BASICs handle the ASCII representation of numbers, and the value the USR function returns. The assembler source is well-commented and is very straightforward.

Listing 2

```
                        0010 ;PRINT USING FOR THE PET
                        0020 ;BY DAVID MALMBERG
                        0030 ;43064 VIA MORAGA
                        0040 ;FREMONT, CALIFORNIA 94538
                        0050 ;
                        0060 ;ADAPTED FROM A ROUTINE FOR THE APPLE
                        0070 ;BY GARY MORRIS IN OCT-1980 MICRO
                        0080 ;
                        0090            .BA $033A
                        0100 ROMS       .DE 3
                        0110            .OS
                        0120 STRING     .DE $100
                        0130 LENGTH     .DE 800
                        0140 EDITBUF    .DE 801
                        0150 ;
                        0160            IFE ROMS-3
                        0170 FLPASC     .DE $DCE9
                        0180 STROUT     .DE $CA1C
                        0190 NAME       .DE $42
                        0200 VARIABLE   .DE $44
                        0210 FIND       .DE $CFC9
                        0220 PNTR       .DE $5C
                        0230 VARTYP     .DE $07
                        0240            ***
                        0250 ;
                        0260            IFE ROMS-4
                        0270 FLPASC     .DE $CF93
                        0280 STROUT     .DE $BB1D
                        0290 NAME       .DE $42
                        0300 VARIABLE   .DE $44
                        0310 FIND       .DE $C187
                        0320 PNTR       .DE $5C
                        0330 VARTYP     .DE $07
                        0340            ***
                        0350 ;
                        0360            IFE ROMS-2
                        0370 FLPASC     .DE $DCAF
                        0380 STROUT     .DE $CA27
                        0390 NAME       .DE $94
                        0400 VARIABLE   .DE $96
                        0410 FIND       .DE $CFD7
                        0420 PNTR       .DE $AE
                        0430 VARTYP     .DE $5E
                        0440            ***
                        0450 ;
                        0460 ;FIRST CONVERT NUMBER PASSED BY USR
                        0470 ;FUNCTION TO FLOATING ACCUM TO
                        0480 ;ASCII STRING STARTING AT 'STRING'
                        0490 ;
033A- 20 E9 DC          0500            JSR FLPASC
                        0510 ;NOW FIND THE VARIABLE (ED$) TO USE
                        0520 ;IN THE EDIT PATTERN
                        0530 ;
033D- A9 45             0540 SEARCH     LDA #'E         ;BASIC VARIABLE
033F- A2 C4             0550            LDX #$C4        ;NAME IS ED$
0341- 85 42             0560            STA *NAME
0343- 86 43             0570            STX *NAME+1
0345- 20 C9 CF          0580            JSR FIND
0348- A0 02             0590            LDY #2
034A- B1 44             0600            LDA (VARIABLE),Y        ;GET ADDR HI
034C- 85 5D             0610            STA *PNTR+1
034E- 88                0620            DEY
034F- B1 44             0630            LDA (VARIABLE),Y        ;GET ADDR LO
0351- 85 5C             0640            STA *PNTR
0353- 88                0650            DEY
0354- B1 44             0660            LDA (VARIABLE),Y        ;GET LENGTH
0356- C9 10             0670            CMP #16
0358- 90 02             0680            BCC LENOK       ;MAXIMUM LENGTH
035A- A9 10             0690            LDA #16         ;ALLOWED IS 16!!!
035C- 8D 20 03          0700 LENOK      STA LENGTH
                        0710 ;
                        0720 ;MOVE THE ED$ PATTERN TO EDITBUF
035F- A8                0730            TAY
0360- 88                0740            DEY
0361- B1 5C             0750 LOOP2      LDA (PNTR),Y
0363- 99 21 03          0760            STA EDITBUF,Y
0366- 88                0770            DEY
0367- 10 F8             0780            BPL LOOP2
                        0790 ;
                        0800 ;FIND THE ASCII STRING END
0369- A0 00             0810            LDY #0
036B- B9 00 01          0820 LOOP       LDA STRING,Y            ;GET CHAR
```

```
036E- F0 03     0830            BEQ EDIT
0370- C8        0840            INY
0371- D0 F8     0850            BNE LOOP
                0860 ;MOVE STRING TO THE EDITBUF, FROM RIGHT
                0870 ;TO LEFT, FILLING OVER NUMBERS BUT
                0880 ;SKIPPING COMMA'S AND PERIODS.
                0890 ; IF WE COME TO A MINUS SIGN THEN
                0900 ;KEEP GOING LEFT UNTIL THE PATTERN
                0910 ;HAS A BLANK OR A COMMA, THEN KEEP
                0920 ;GOING LEFT STORING BLANKS IN THE
                0930 ;EDITBUF UNTIL IT ENDS OR WE COME
                0940 ;TO A DOLLAR SIGN
                0950 ;
0373- AE 20 03  0960 EDIT       LDX LENGTH    ;FIELD WIDTH
                0970 ;
0376- 88        0980 EDLOOP     DEY
0377- B9 00 01  0990            LDA STRING,Y          ;GET CHARACTER
037A- 48        1000            PHA  ;SAVE IT
037B- 68        1010 CHECK      PLA
037C- 48        1020            PHA
037D- C9 2D     1030            CMP #'-       ;IF A MINUS SIGN
037F- D0 0E     1040            BNE DIGIT     ;SKIP TO A BLANK
0381- BD 20 03  1050 MINUS      LDA EDITBUF-1,X
0384- C9 2D     1060            CMP #'-
0386- 90 16     1070            BCC DROPIT
0388- CA        1080 SKIPIT     DEX
0389- D0 F0     1090            BNE CHECK
038B- 68        1100            PLA
038C- 18        1110            CLC
038D- 90 36     1120            BCC DONE
038F- BD 20 03  1130 DIGIT      LDA EDITBUF-1,X
0392- C9 20     1140            CMP #' '
0394- F0 08     1150            BEQ DROPIT
0396- C9 2C     1160            CMP #','
0398- F0 EE     1170            BEQ SKIPIT
039A- C9 30     1180            CMP #'0
039C- 90 EA     1190            BCC SKIPIT
039E- 68        1200 DROPIT     PLA  ;GET IT BACK
039F- 9D 20 03  1210            STA EDITBUF-1,X
03A2- CA        1220            DEX
03A3- F0 20     1230            BEQ DONE
03A5- C0 01     1240            CPY #1        ;END OF STRING?
03A7- D0 CD     1250            BNE EDLOOP
03A9- E8        1260            INX
03AA- 18        1270            CLC
03AB- 90 10     1280            BCC NEXT1
03AD- BD 20 03  1290 BLANK      LDA EDITBUF-1,X       ;BLANK FROM
03B0- C9 24     1300            CMP #'$       ;HERE TO $
03B2- F0 11     1310            BEQ DONE
03B4- C9 2E     1320            CMP #'.
03B6- B0 05     1330            BCS NEXT1
03B8- A9 20     1340            LDA #' '
03BA- 9D 20 03  1350            STA EDITBUF-1,X
03BD- CA        1360 NEXT1      DEX
03BE- F0 05     1370            BEQ DONE
03C0- EC 20 03  1380            CPX LENGTH
03C3- 90 E8     1390            BCC BLANK
03C5- AE 20 03  1400 DONE       LDX LENGTH
03C8- A9 00     1410            LDA #0
03CA- 9D 21 03  1420            STA EDITBUF,X         ;PUT 0 AT END
03CD- A0 03     1430            LDY #H. EDITBUF
03CF- A9 21     1440            LDA #L. EDITBUF
03D1- 20 1C CA  1450            JSR STROUT
03D4- A9 00     1460            LDA #0        ;SET TYPE TO NUMERIC
03D6- 85 07     1470            STA *VARTYP   ;TO AVOID BASIC ERROR
03D8- 60        1480            RTS
                1490 XEND       .EN

LABEL FILE:  [ / = EXTERNAL ]

/ROMS=0003              /STRING=0100            /LENGTH=0320
/EDITBUF=0321           /FLPASC=DCE9            /STROUT=CA1C
/NAME=0042              /VARIABLE=0044          /FIND=CFC9
/PNTR=005C              /VARTYP=0007            SEARCH=033D
LENOK=035C              LOOP2=0361              LOOP=036B
EDIT=0373               EDLOOP=0376             CHECK=037B
MINUS=0381              SKIPIT=0388             DIGIT=038F
DROPIT=039E             BLANK=03AD              NEXT1=03BD
DONE=03C5               XEND=03D9
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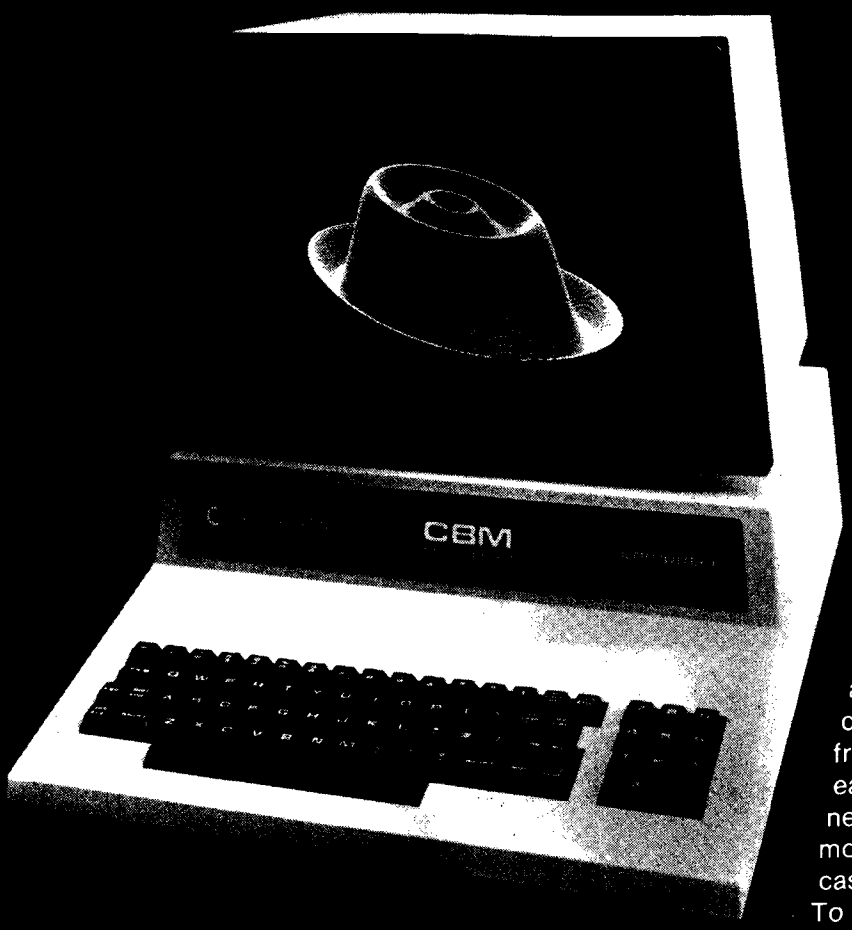

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 20 P=160: Q=100
 30 XP=144: XR=1.5*3.1415927
 40 YP=56: YR=1: ZP=64
 50 XF=XR/XP: YF=YP/YR: ZF=XR/ZP
 60 FOR ZI=-Q TO Q-1
 70 IF ZI<-ZP OR ZI>ZP GOTO 150
 80 ZT=ZI*XP/ZP: ZZ=ZI
 90 XL=INT(.5+SQR(XP*XP-ZT*ZT))
100 FOR XI=-XL TO XL
110 XT=SQR(XI*XI+ZT*2T)*XF: XX=XI
120 YY=(SIN(XT)+.4*SIN(3*XT))*YF
130 GOSUB 170
140 NEXT XI
150 NEXT ZI
160 STOP
170 X1=XX+ZZ+P
180 Y1=YY-ZZ+Q
190 GMODE 1: MOVE X1,Y1: WRPIX
200 IF Y1=0 GOTO 220
210 GMODE 2: LINE X1,Y1-1,X1,0
220 RETURN
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MEMSEARCH for the AIM 65

"MEMSEARCH" is a machine language utility program which quickly scans through memory searching for a user-specified sequence. It can assist in locating an ASCII string or an instruction code group. A wild card feature allows for partial matching of sequences up to 16 bytes long.

Bob Kovacs
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Have you ever had to manually search through memory to look for a certain sequence? Whether you're searching for a particular series of op-codes or ASCII text, doing it with the help of a dump utility or even a disassembler can be painfully slow and prone to error. Clearly this is another job for the computer! The machine language routine described here will accept up to a 16-byte sequence (easily increased if that isn't enough) and identify the starting locations of any matching sequences within the memory range specified by the user.

Although this program was specifically written for use on the AIM 65, using existing monitor routines whenever possible, it shouldn't be too difficult to adapt it to any other 65XX system.

The Program

The flow diagram in figure 1 defines the major events and decision points in memory search routine. Entry point labels are also included to relate these functions to the implementation (see program listing in figure 2).

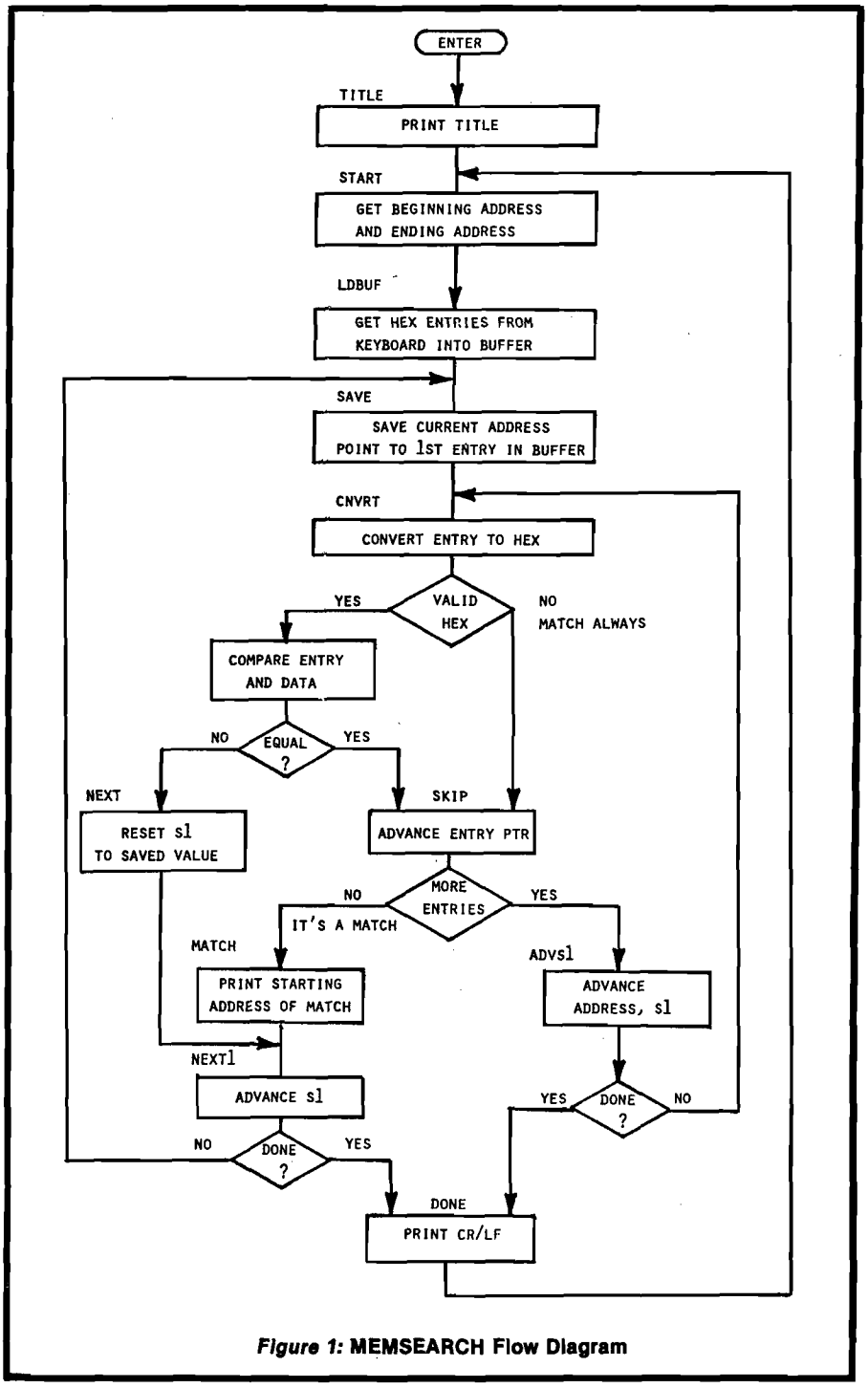

Figure 1: **MEMSEARCH Flow Diagram**

The program begins by establishing a memory search range and the data sequence to be found. This sequence is stored in a buffer using keyboard entry format (2 ASCII bytes per hex byte entry) and is converted to its numerical equivalent each time it is compared to memory. Although this approach is not terribly efficient, it was necessary in order to allow for wild card or don't-care entries, and still permit all 256 possible byte values for valid comparisons. I'm sure that other approaches could have been used to speed up execution time somewhat, but this method is still fairly fast. The worst case of a search through 4K of memory (when all but the 16th entry always match) takes about 6 seconds to complete.

The main body of the program operates by comparing the entry sequence to the data within the memory bounds specified by the user. This is performed one byte at a time, starting with the first entry and then searching for a corresponding value in memory. If a match is found, then the second entry is compared to the contents of the next memory location only. This operation is repeated, always comparing the next entry with the data in the next memory location. If successive successful comparisons exhaust the total number of entries in the buffer, then the entire entry sequence has been matched. At this point the memory address corresponding to the first entry is output, and the search continues at the memory location following the matched sequence.

If at any point an entry fails to match the contents of memory, then the starting address corresponding to the first entry is incremented by one, and the entire operation begins again.

A number of monitor routines were used in MEMSEARCH to minimize its length (192 bytes program and 36 bytes variable space). A summary of the monitor routines used here is shown in figure 3. Along with the name and entry point is a brief description of what the routine does. Those registers affected by that call to the monitor are also listed.

Figure 2

```
0800                1  ;
0800                2  ;
0800                3  ;
0800                4  ;
0800                5  ;MEMSEARCH FOR AIM 65
0800                6  ; BY BOB KOVACS
0800                7  ; 41 RALPH ROAD
0800                8  ; WEST ORANGE, NJ 07052
0800                9  ;
0800               10  ;ALL KEYBOARD ENTRIES
0800               11  ; IN HEXADECIMAL
0800               12  ;NONHEX ENTRIES--"DON'T CARE"
0800               13  ;
0800               14  ;ALL MATCHES RETURN BEGINNING
0800               15  ; ADDRESS OF SEQUENCE
0800               16  ;
0400               17          ORG $400
0400               18          OBJ $800
0400               19  FROM    EQU $E7A3
0400               20  TO      EQU $E7A7
0400               21  MOVE    EQU $F910
0400               22  LDAY    EQU $EB58
0400               23  PACK    EQU $EA84
0400               24  NUMA    EQU $EA46
0400               25  OUTPUT  EQU $E97A
0400               26  REDOUT  EQU $E973
0400               27  BLANK   EQU $E83E
0400               28  CRLF    EQU $E9F0
0400               29  QM      EQU $E7D4
0400               30  STIY    EQU $A427
0400               31  ADDR    EQU $A41C
0400               32  S1      EQU $A41A
0400               33  ;
0400               34  ;
0400               35  ;OUTPUT TITLE
0400 A000          36  TITLE   LDY #$00
0402 B9BD04        37  TITLE1  LDA MSG,Y
0405 F006          38          BEQ TITLE2
0407 207AE9        39          JSR OUTPUT
040A C8            40          INY
040B D0F5          41          BNE TITLE1
040D 20F0E9        42  TITLE2  JSR CRLF
0410               43  ;
0410               44  ;GET BEGINNING & ENDING ADDRESSES
0410 20A3E7        45  START   JSR FROM
0413 B0FB          46          BCS START
0415 203EE8        47          JSR BLANK
0418 2010F9        48          JSR MOVE
041B 20A7E7        49  START1  JSR TO
041E B0FB          50          BCS START1
0420               51  ;
0420               52  ;PROMPT USER FOR HEX INPUT
0420 20D4E7        53  LDBUF   JSR QM
0423 203EE8        54          JSR BLANK
0426 A200          55          LDX #$00
0428               56  ;
0428               57  ;GET ENTRY PAIRS & STORE IN BUF
0428               58  ;EXIT ENTRY MODE WITH CR
0428 2073E9        59  LDBUF1  JSR REDOUT
042B C90D          60          CMP #$0D
042D F011          61          BEQ LDBUF2
042F 9DCA04        62          STA BUFHI,X
0432 2073E9        63          JSR REDOUT
0435 9DDA04        64          STA BUFLO,X
0438 203EE8        65          JSR BLANK
043B E8            66          INX
043C E010          67          CPX #$10
043E 90E8          68          BCC LDBUF1
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0440 8EC904    69  LDBUF2 STX ENTCNT
0443 20F0E9    70         JSR CRLF
0446           71  ;
0446           72  ;SAVE CURRENT ADDRESS
0446 AD1AA4    73  SAVE   LDA S1
0449 8DC704    74         STA TEMP1
044C AD1BA4    75         LDA S1+1
044F 8DC804    76         STA TEMP2
0452           77  ;
0452           78  ;READ BUF & CONVERT TO HEX
0452           79  ;NON-HEX ACTS AS DON'T CARE
0452 A200      80         LDX #$00
0454 BDCA04    81  CNVRT  LDA BUFHI,X
0457 2084EA    82         JSR PACK
045A B014      83         BCS SKIP
045C BDDA04    84         LDA BUFLO,X
045F 2084EA    85         JSR PACK
0462 B00C      86         BCS SKIP
0464           87  ;
0464           88  ;COMPARE TO DATA AT ACTIVE ADDRESS
0464 A000      89         LDY #$00
0466 A91A      90         LDA #$1A
0468 2058EB    91         JSR LDAY
046B CD29A4    92         CMP STIY+2
046E D01E      93         BNE NEXT
0470           94  ;
0470           95  ;MATCH OR DON'T CARE
0470 E8        96  SKIP   INX
0471 ECC904    97         CPX ENTCNT
0474 B007      98         BCS MATCH
0476 20A804    99         JSR ADVS1
0479 B027     100         BCS DONE
047B 90D7     101         BCC CNVRT
047D          102  ;
047D          103  ;GOT A MATCH!
047D          104  ;OUT SAVED ADDRESS
047D ADC804   105  MATCH  LDA TEMP2
0480 2046EA   106         JSR NUMA
0483 ADC704   107         LDA TEMP1
0486 2046EA   108         JSR NUMA
0489 203EE8   109         JSR BLANK
048C D00C     110         BNE NEXT1
048E          111  ;
048E          112  ;NO OR PARTIAL MATCH
048E          113  ;BACK-UP ACTIVE ADDRESS
048E ADC704   114  NEXT   LDA TEMP1
0491 8D1AA4   115         STA S1
0494 ADC804   116         LDA TEMP2
0497 8D1BA4   117         STA S1+1
049A 20A804   118  NEXT1  JSR ADVS1
049D B003     119         BCS DONE
049F 4C4604   120         JMP SAVE
04A2          121  ;
04A2          122  ;NO MORE DATA--START AGAIN
04A2 20F0E9   123  DONE   JSR CRLF
04A5 4C1004   124         JMP START
04A8          125  ;
04A8          126  ;COMPARE & BUMP ADDRESS PTR
04A8 AD1AA4   127  ADVS1  LDA S1
04AB CD1CA4   128         CMP ADDR
04AE AD1BA4   129         LDA S1+1
04B1 ED1DA4   130         SBC ADDR+1
04B4 EE1AA4   131         INC S1
04B7 D003     132         BNE ADV
04B9 EE1BA4   133         INC S1+1
04BC 60       134  ADV    RTS
04BD          135  ;
04BD          136  ;
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(continued)

Using the Program

Load MEMSEARCH through the assembler using the listing in figure 2. Save the program on tape using the 'DUMP TO TAPE' command from $400 to $4BF.

After loading MEMSEARCH, begin its execution using the '*' and 'G' commands. The beginning address and ending address +1 are entered in response to the 'FROM' and 'TO' prompts. The sequence to be found is entered following the '?' prompt. Values are in hex notation without spaces between bytes (spaces are automatically inserted). Two characters must be entered per byte, and up to 16 bytes can be specified. Non-hex entries act as wild cards and match anything. Terminate the sequence (if less than 16 bytes) with a carriage return. The addresses of any matching data sequences in memory are output and the program loops back to search a new memory block.

Applications

What can MEMSEARCH be used for? Well, everyone has his own needs. I was prompted to write MEMSEARCH in order to locate certain entry points and page zero usage in the AIM 65 BASIC interpreter. Unfortunately Rockwell hasn't provided much information in this area. Nevertheless, I suspected that this was a version of Microsoft BASIC similar to the one known as Applesoft (used in the Apple II). Although quite a bit is known about Applesoft, the memory locations used in the Apple and AIM weren't necessarily the same. Thus the code wouldn't be the same (hence the need for a wild card). With the help of MEMSEARCH I was able to identify the required entry points and page zero locations in a minimum of time.

Bob Kovacs is an electro-optics engineer at Bendix where he is currently responsible for the development of a charge-transfer imaging system used for celestial navigation. He is using an AIM 65 for imager sequencing, data collection and processing in the evaluation of a breadboard system. At home, Bob is involved with hardware/software projects on his Apple II. He also enjoys skiing, gardening and photography.

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04BD 4D454D   137  MSG     ASC 'MEMSEARCH'
04C0 534541
04C3 524348
04C6 00       138          BYT $00
04C7 00       139  TEMP1   BYT $00
04C8 00       140  TEMP2   BYT $00
04C9 00       141  ENTCNT  BYT $00
04CA 313233   142  BUFHI   ASC '12345678'
04CD 343536
04D0 3738
04D2 313233   143          ASC '12345678'
04D5 343536
04D8 3738
04DA 313233   144  BUFLO   ASC '12345678'
04DD 343536
04E0 3738
04E2 313233   145          ASC '12345678'
04E5 343536
04E8 3738
```

Name	Address	Registers Changed	Description
FROM	E7A3	A,X,Y	Output 'FROM' prompt; user inputs 4 character hex address (ESC & DEL are active) which is stored @ADDR. Carry set if non-hex value entered.
TO	E7A7	A,X,Y	Same as FROM except for prompt.
REDOUT	E973	A	Return with a single character from keyboard in accumulator. Echo to output device unless CR input.
MOVE	F910	A,X	2-byte move from ADDR to S1.
LDAY	EB58	A	Performs a LDA (S1),Y without using page zero. Enter with accumulator pointing to S1 via offset from $A400 base address.
PACK	EA84	—	Converts ASCII character in accumulator into hex and packs it with previous value (saved in STIY+2). If not hex (i.e. 0-9,A-F) then original character is returned with carry set.
NUMA	EA46	—	Output contents of accumulator as 2 character hex.
OUTPUT	E97A	—	Output ASCII code in accumulator to active output device(s).
BLANK	E83E	A	Output a single space.
CRLF	E9F0	A	Output a carriage return and line feed.
QM	E7D4	A	Output a question mark.

Figure 3: **AIM 65 Monitor Routine Summary** MICRO

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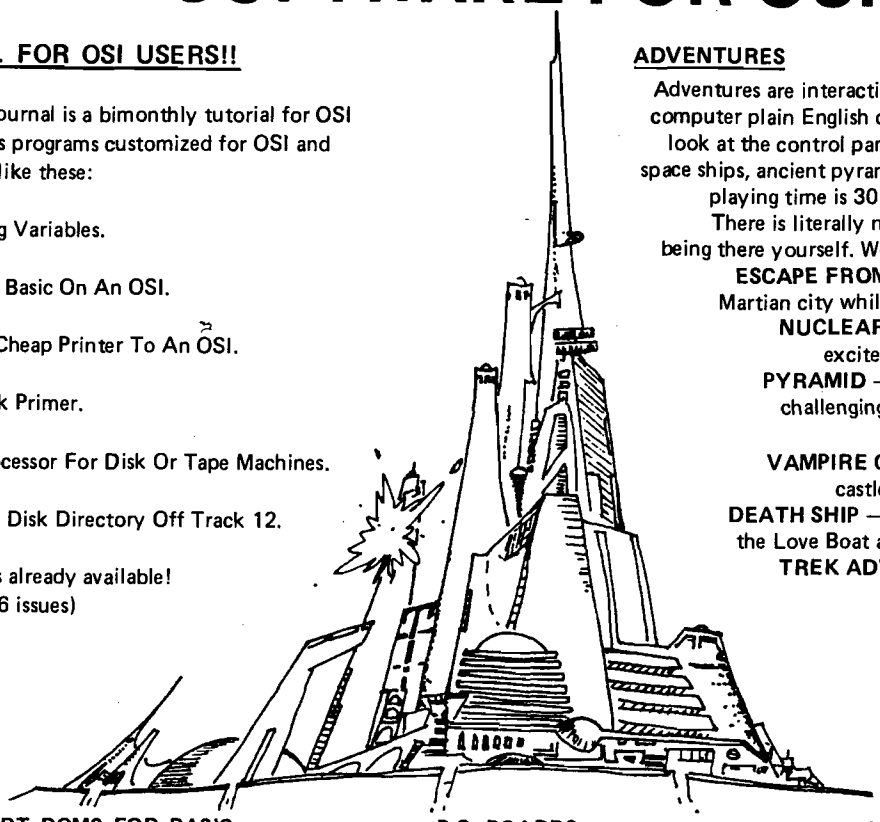

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Joystick Operation

During a game program the computer needs to know in which direction each joystick is being pushed by the player(s), and whether the "action key" on each joystick is being pressed.

Inside the joystick assembly are four switches which close, one at a time, when the stick is pushed up, down, left, or right. If the stick is pushed diagonally, two of the four switches close simultaneously. In addition there is a fifth switch which is closed when the player pushes the action key.

The computer detects these switch closures via a POKE command in the game program. For example, POKE 57088,128 directs the computer's attention to Joystick A. If the program next asks for a PEEK of memory location 57088, this will yield a number which corresponds to which switches are closed inside the joystick assembly. This routine is similar to a keyboard PEEK routine, and the joysticks can be thought of as extensions to the keyboard.

There is a chart on page 90 of the old C4 user's manual, giving the possible PEEK numbers and the joystick positions which they represent. Unfortunately, the column headings in this chart are incorrect. The figures in the columns headed "Action Key Depressed" are in fact produced when the action key is *not* depressed, while the figures in the "Action Key Not Depressed" column are in fact produced when the action key *is* depressed. If you write your own game program it is important to bear this in mind. This has been corrected in the 1981 version of the C4P User's Manual.

Connecting Non-C4 Joysticks

There are four trapezoidal sockets on the back panel of the C4, adjacent to the fan. The top socket is for Joystick A, the next one down is for Joystick B. (The other two sockets are for keypads A and B.)

Neither the C4 user's manual nor the maintenance manual gives precise information about which pin does what, in the joystick sockets. However, some trial-and-error tests revealed the functions that follow.

Looking at the outside of the socket, numbering the pins from left to right, the top row of pins in each socket can be labelled pins 1 through 5, and the bottom row, pins 6 through 9. In this case, pin 1 is the ground, pin 2 connects to the action key, pin 3 connects to the "Left" switch in the joystick, pin 4 goes to the "Down" switch, pin 5 to the "Right" switch, and pin 6 to the "Up" switch. Pins 7, 8, and 9 are unconnected.

My first experiment was with Atari joysticks. By a rare fluke of standardization in the computer industry, the Atari joystick plug exactly fits the C4 joystick socket. Moreover, the switching inside the Atari joystick unit is similar to the switching of C4 joysticks, and there are precisely six wires in the Atari connecting cable—just right for the six active pins in the C4 socket.

There is one snag however. If you look in the holes in the Atari plug, you will find that not all of them contain metal connectors. Some holes are not used and do not connect to anything. Unfortunately, these holes correspond with pins in the C4 socket which *are* used and *must* be connected to something. So you have to slice open the molded plastic Atari plug to get at the metal connectors, which must be reshuffled into the right sequence, leaving holes 7, 8, and 9 empty to correspond with unused C4 pins 7, 8, and 9.

The Atari wires are color coded and should be matched to the C4's pin numbers as follows:

Black	Pin 1
Orange	Pin 2
Green	Pin 3
Blue	Pin 4
Brown	Pin 5
White	Pin 6

Once you have opened the plug and extracted the little metal connectors which slide onto the pins in the joystick socket (some connectors may be torn loose in the plug-opening operation and will need to be resoldered to their wires), you can slide these connectors individually onto their separate pins, and separate them with small pieces of electrical tape to prevent accidental shorts. You can then test the joystick, using the procedure described later in this article.

When you're sure the joystick is working properly, and all your connections have been made correctly, you can drip some quick-setting epoxy over the metal connectors to encapsulate

them. When the epoxy is dry, the connectors can be slipped off the pins in one unit. The epoxy has, in fact, created a new "plug" around the connectors, to replace the original plug which had to be sliced open.

Making Your Own Joysticks

After using Atari joysticks for a while, I became dissatisfied with their response and decided to build my own. This turned out to be extremely simple.

Each joystick unit consists of a box with a wooden top and bottom and aluminum sides. (The thin aluminum is bent around the wood and nailed to it.) The stick is pivoted where it is screwed to the bottom of the box; some self-centering action is provided by a small compression spring. The stick protrudes through a 1" square hole in the top of the box. Arranged around this hole, screwed to the underside of the top of the box, are four microswitches, positioned so that their contact buttons are just touching the four sides of the stick (which has a square cross-section at this point). Lastly, a pushbutton is mounted on the outside of the top of the box to serve as the action key.

Using microswitches allows a much more positive "feel" than is available from the Atari joysticks. My home-made units provide much more precise control of video games.

Checking Joystick Operation

To make sure you have wired your home-made or Atari joysticks correctly, you can run a simple "POKE and PEEK" test program.

Program for Joystick A

```
10 POKE 2073,96:REM —
   DISABLES CONTROL-C.
   THE ROUTINE WON'T
   FUNCTION TILL YOU DO
   THIS.
20 FOR K=1 TO 200:REM —
   SEE NOTE BELOW
30 POKE 57088,128:REM —
   ACTIVATES JOYSTICK A
40 P=PEEK(57088) AND
   31:REM — PEEK JOYSTICK A
50 PRINT P
60 FOR D=1 TO 200:NEXT
   D:REM — DELAY LOOP
70 NEXT K
80 END
```

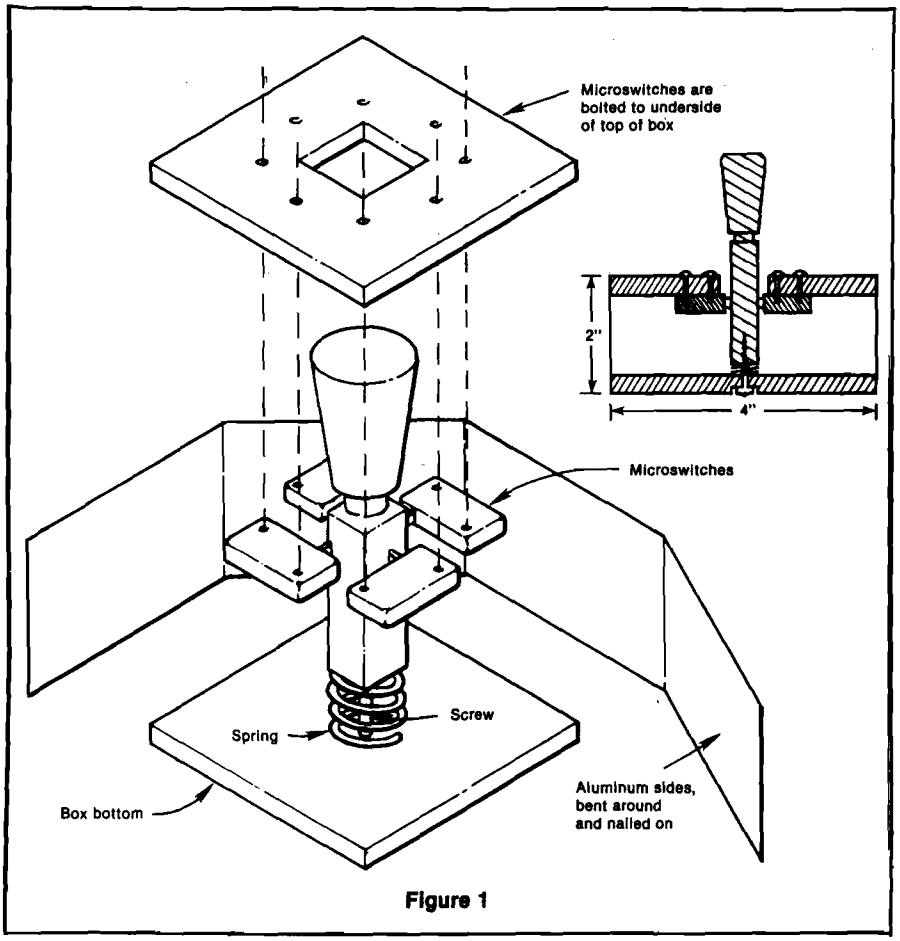

Figure 1

Since "Control-C" has been disabled in the program, there is no way of stopping the program once it has started, short of hitting the Break key. So a loop is used, incrementing K by 1 in each of 200 cycles. The program ends at the end of the loop. A delay loop is also used, to stop the figures from racing uncontrollably across the screen.

Note: line 30, the POKE command, is inside the K loop. This is because you must POKE 57088 again after each time you have PEEKed it and it has yielded data. If you write a program which repeatedly PEEKs 57088 for data and does not re-POKE it each time, you will find that the joysticks won't work properly. For a demonstration of this fault, you can run the sample program listed on page 93 of the old C4 user's manual, or pages 45-47 in the new manual. This program erroneously fails to POKE 57088 after PEEKing it. Consequently, as listed, the program doesn't work.

When you test Joystick A, using the test program shown here, you should find that moving the stick generates, on the video screen, the various numbers listed on page 90 of the old manual, page 43 in the new manual. If the numbers are as listed, but they appear in the wrong sequence, you've probably made an incorrect connection in the joystick socket. If the numbers on the screen do not in any way match the numbers in the manual, you have probably made a programming error. Be sure that your PEEK command is PEEK(57088) AND 31. Without the "AND 31" it won't work.

If you are using Atari joysticks and you find that pushing the stick directly up and down, or from side to side, produces numbers which wrongly indicate diagonal motion, the problem is simply that you are pushing the stick too hard, thus turning on two switches instead of only one at a time. Only very light pressure is required.

Once you have tested Joystick A, you can test Joystick B by rewriting two lines of the test program:

```
30 POKE 57088,16
40 P=PEEK(57088) AND 248
```

These are the POKE and PEEK which give access to Joystick B.

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Apple Memory Maps, Part 1

Your Apple can draw accurate memory maps of Integer BASIC and Applesoft programs, together with their associated variables, arrays, and strings, by using the information contained in various pointers. DOS, MAXFILES, and RAM Applesoft can also be displayed.

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This article will be presented in two parts. Part 1 contains examples of memory maps produced by the Apple, which show where the computer stores programs in its memory. Part 2 will contain the "Memory Map" program listing and a description of how it works.

Memory maps show where computers store data in their memories. A 48K Apple actually has 65,536, or 64K, memory locations in which data can be stored. Locations 0 to 49151, the first 48K, are available for storing changeable information (Random Access Memory), while locations 49152 to 65535, the last 16K, are for permanently-installed data which can't be changed by the user (Read Only Memory). The computer places data into specific locations in the RAM memory area, depending on what type data it is, and which language is being used.

Various charts in the Apple reference manuals show where programs are stored in RAM, along with their associated variables, arrays and strings. The disk and cassette versions of Applesoft are also stored in this area, and so is the Disk Operating System and its file buffers. The charts are adequate for simple programs, but for more complex ones you need to know exactly how much space is used by the different program components. This is especially important if the Hi-Res graphics pages are used, or if machine language subroutines are included.

APPLE II	Applesoft Card		NO CARD
	Switch up	Switch down	
DOS 'INT'	Integer BASIC	Integer BASIC	Integer BASIC
DOS 'FP'	ROM Applesoft	ROM Applesoft	RAM Applesoft (disk)
no DOS	ROM Applesoft	Integer BASIC	Integer BASIC
		RAM Applesoft (cassette)	RAM Applesoft (cassette)

***Figure 1:* Language availability for various configurations of the Apple II.**

Description

The following maps cover the Apple's RAM memory area from 2048 to the highest available RAM location in your machine. The area from 0 to 2047 is not included because it is used by the computer for various internal functions and is not generally available for BASIC programs.

The MEMORY MAP program will provide the following information:

1. Maximum amount of RAM available.
2. Whether or not DOS has been booted.
3. Number of DOS file buffers reserved (MAXFILES).
4. Current language in use.
5. Whether or not a program has been loaded, or run.
6. Location and length of program, variables, arrays, and strings.
7. Amount of free space remaining.
8. Setting of LOMEM and HIMEM.
9. Location of Hi-Res graphics pages.
10. Extent of the "garbage collection" of old strings.

The program will work with all versions of the Apple II or Apple II Plus, ranging in size from 16K to 48K, with either the old monitor ROM or the new autostart ROM installed. It will accept programs from cassette as well as disk, but it will only work with DOS version 3.2.

The program was designed for use with Integer BASIC, RAM Applesoft, or ROM Applesoft. However, I do not know what the results will be if you use these languages with the Pascal language system installed. Language availability for various configurations of the Apple II is shown in figure 1.

Integer BASIC Memory Maps

The following examples show how the MEMORY MAP program can be used with Integer BASIC programs. We will use a 48K Apple II with Applesoft card in slot 0, printer in slot 2, and disk drive in slot 6. For the first example, turn on the computer without loading DOS. Enter the monitor and load the

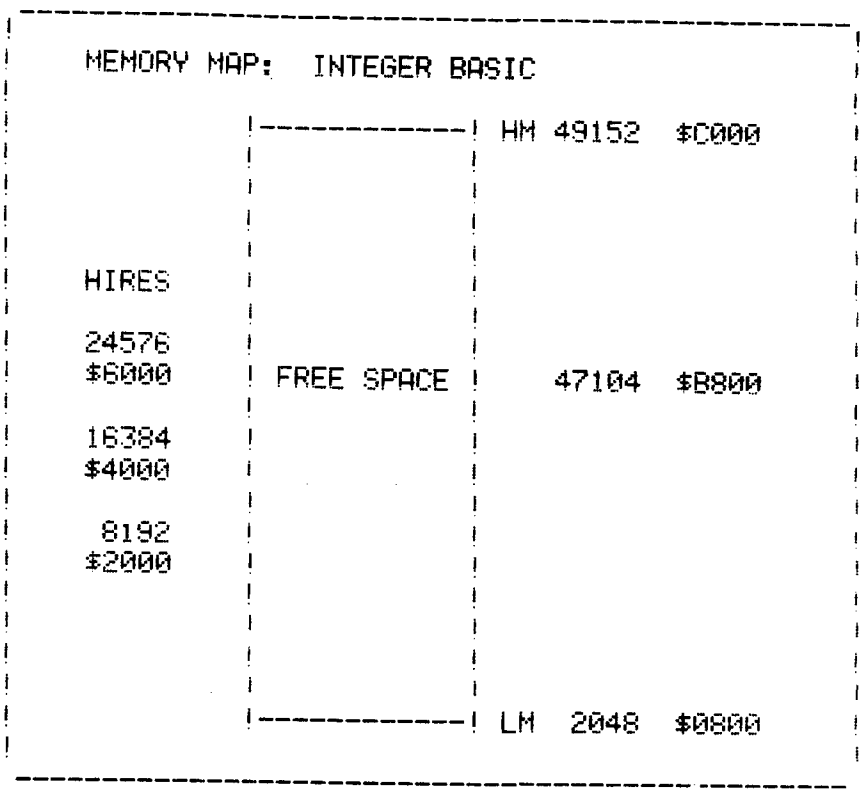

Figure 2: **Integer BASIC map with nothing in memory.**

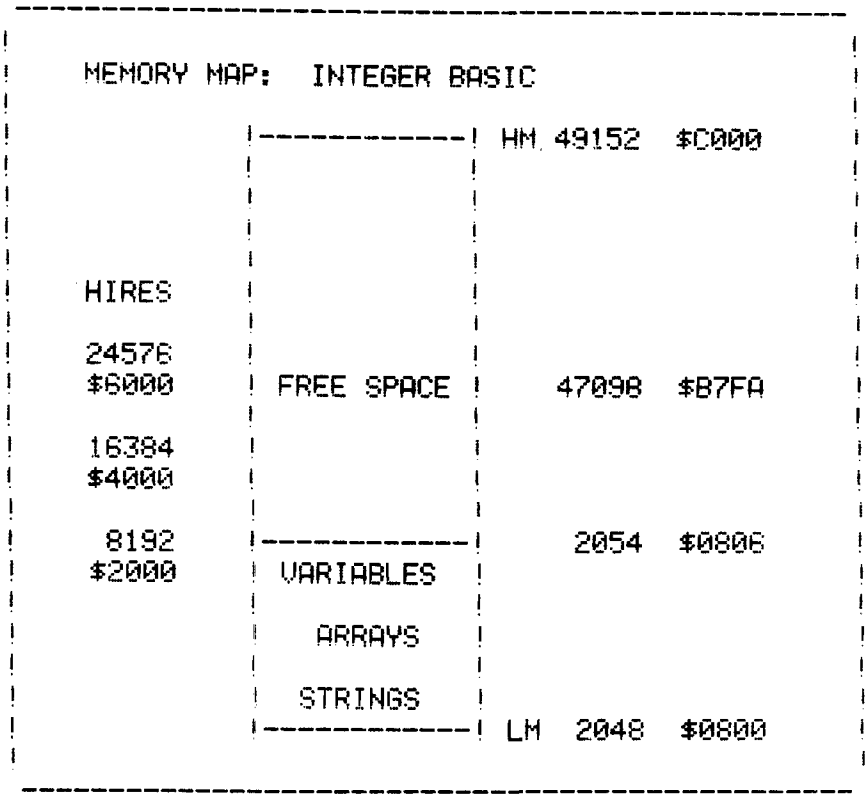

Figure 3: **Integer BASIC map showing area for variables.**

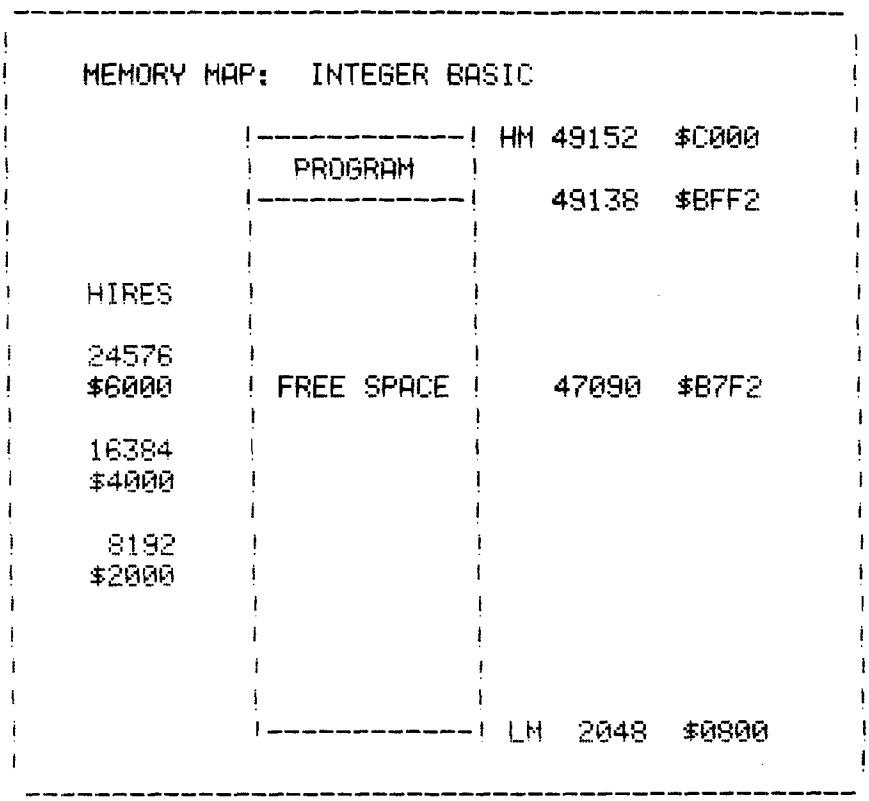

Figure 4: **Integer BASIC map showing program area.**

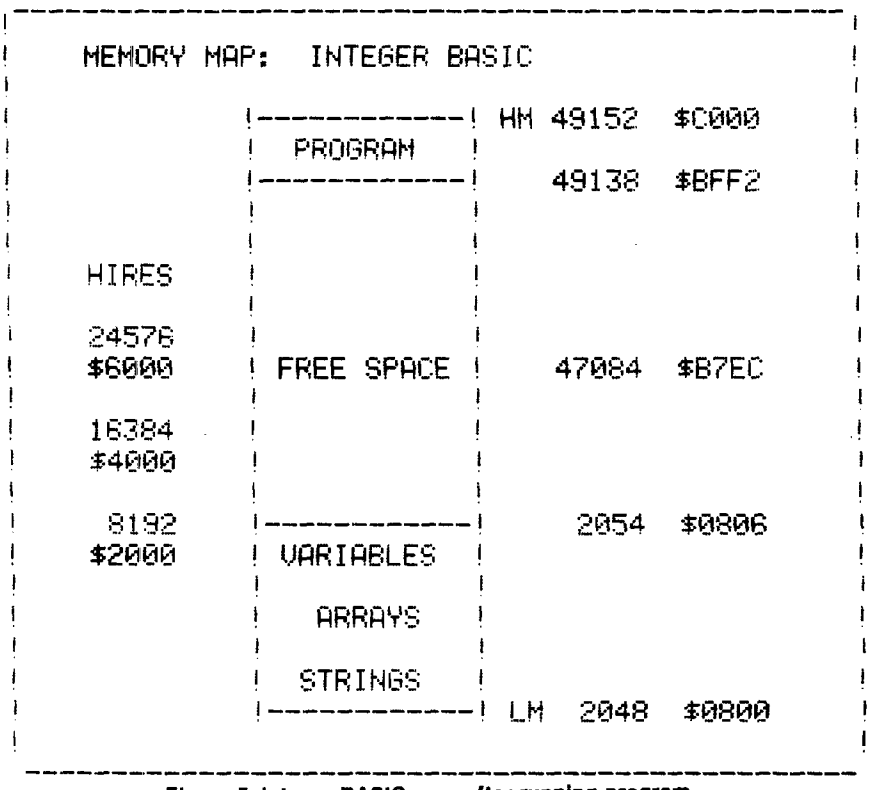

Figure 5: **Integer BASIC map after running program.**

MEMORY MAP machine language program from cassette. Enter BASIC and use CALL 13000 to run it. More detailed loading instructions will be provided in Part 2, along with the actual program itself.

```
3200.38DFR
Control B
CALL 13000
```

Figure 2 shows that LOMEM is set at 2048, HIMEM is set at 49152, and 47,104 bytes of free space are waiting to be used.

Now define a simple variable and call MEMORY MAP again.

```
A = 1
CALL 13000
```

Figure 3 shows that the variable is stored just above LOMEM and contains 6 bytes, as do all simple variables in Integer BASIC.

Clear the variable and enter the same statement in the form of a program.

```
Reset, Control B
10 A = 1
20 END
CALL 13000
```

Notice that the program has been stored just below HIMEM, as shown in figure 4.

Load the program again, and this time run it to see what happens.

```
Reset, Control B
10 A = 1
20 END
RUN
CALL 13000
```

The program creates the same variable in figure 5 that was entered in figure 3.

Now load the DOS. Type INT to remove the greeting program, then re-enter the above program and run it. The DOS boot will clobber MEMORY MAP, so it too will have to be reloaded. Now that we have DOS, we can use BRUN MEMORY MAP instead of the separate commands for loading and calling 13000.

```
Reset, Control B
PR#6
INT
10 A = 1
20 END
RUN
BRUN MEMORY MAP
```

Figure 6 shows the large amount of space used by the DOS and its file buffers. The default number of buffers, three, has been reserved and HIMEM has been reset to 38400.

For a more complex case, let's reserve the maximum number of file buffers, 16, drastically change the values of LOMEM and HIMEM, and run our same program again. Be aware that LOMEM: and HIMEM: are not legal Integer BASIC commands, but can be used with DOS.

```
INT
MAXFILES 16
LOMEM: 14000
HIMEM: 15000
10 A = 1
20 END
RUN
BRUN MEMORY MAP
```

The memory map in figure 7 shows that everything has been set as specified. Note the small amount of free space remaining.

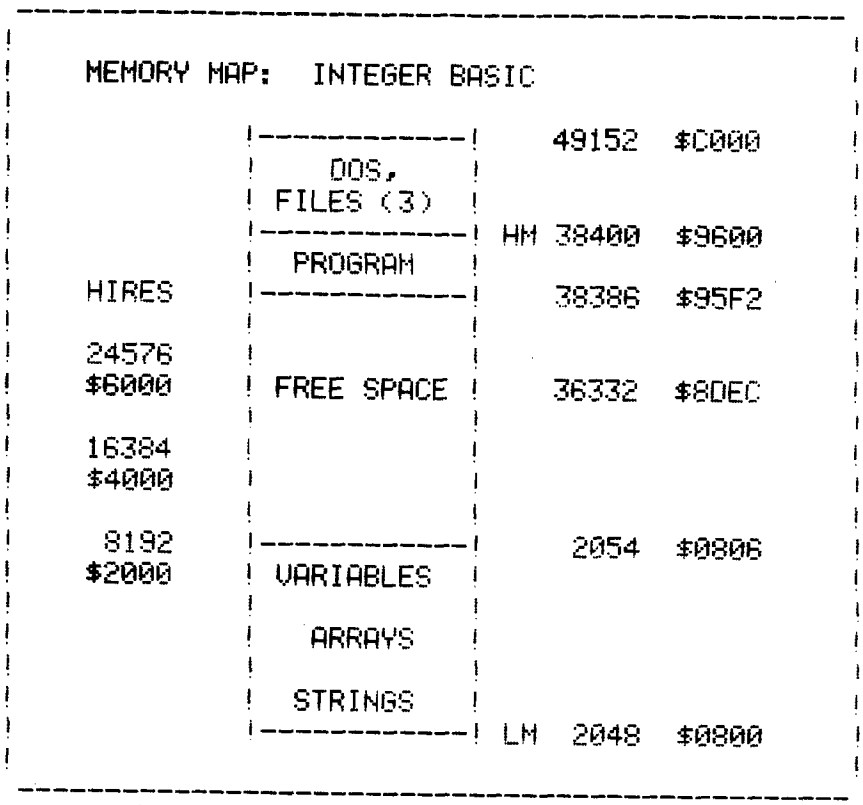

Figure 6: **Integer BASIC map showing DOS and program.**

Applesoft Memory Maps

Applesoft stores everything quite differently than does Integer BASIC. To demonstrate, type FP to change languages and clear the preceding program, then call MEMORY MAP.

```
FP
CALL 13000
```

Figure 8 shows that the program storage area is now at the bottom of memory instead of at the top. With no program loaded, the program pointer starts at 2049 and the end of program pointer starts one or two bytes higher. LOMEM is set above the program. Location 2048 contains a "0" because each program line must be preceded by a zero.

In Applesoft, the variables, arrays, and strings are all stored in separate areas instead of in the one combined area used by Integer BASIC. We can see this by creating some simple examples and looking at the result with MEMORY MAP.

```
A = 1
DIM B(10)
C$ = "STRING"
CALL 13000
```

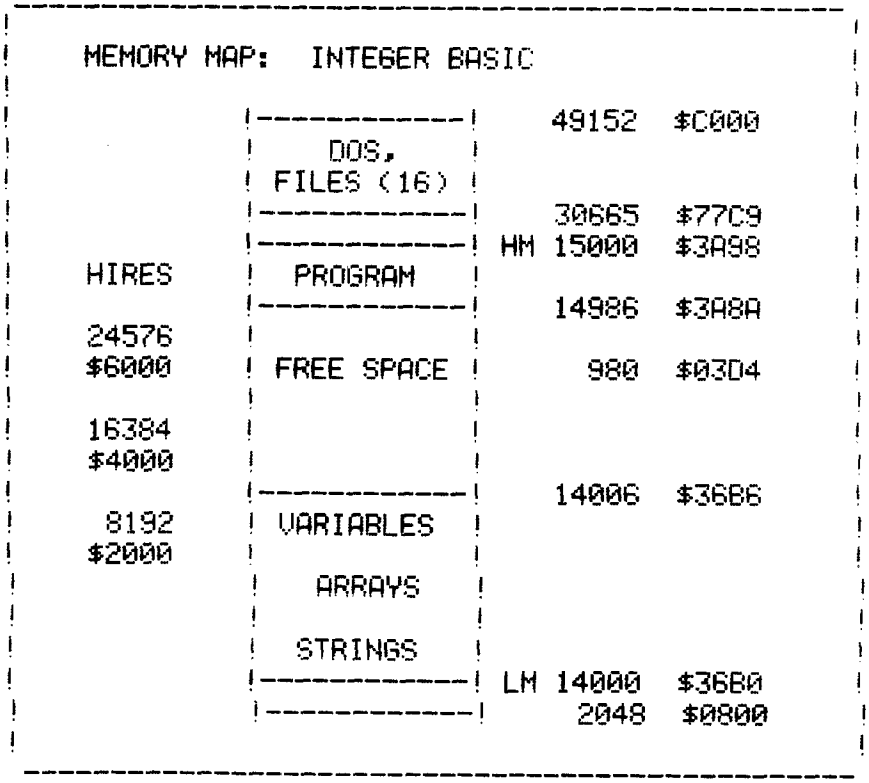

Figure 7: **Integer BASIC map with changed LOMEM and HIMEM.**

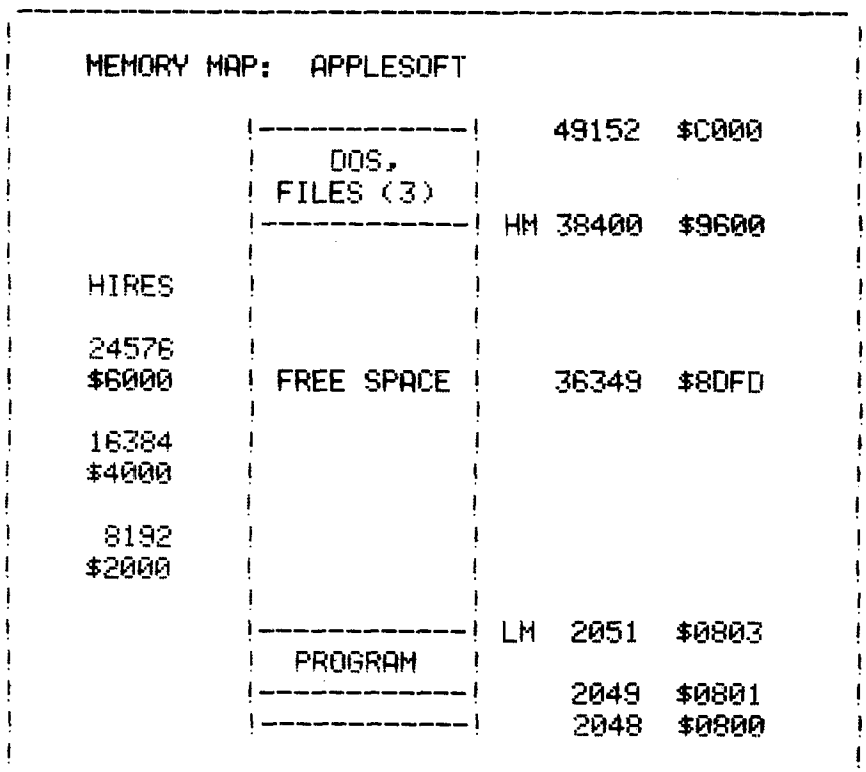

Figure 8: **Applesoft map with only the DOS in memory.**

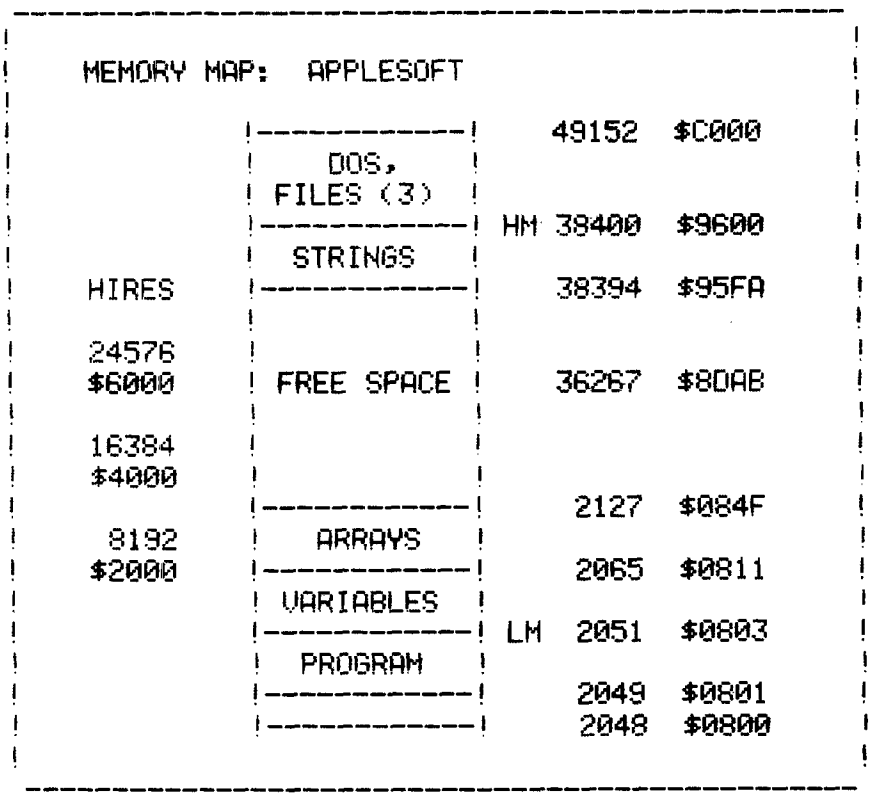

Figure 9: **Applesoft map showing variable, array, and string areas.**

Notice in figure 9 that the variables start at LOMEM. Applesoft variables are seven bytes long. The variable area contains 14 bytes, for A and C$. Arrays in Applesoft can be multidimensional, so they are placed in a separate location above the variables. The array space is determined by rules given in the Applesoft reference manual, pages 119 and 137. The string variable C$ is stored in the variable area with a pointer to the word "STRING" in the string area. Note that the string area contains exactly six characters.

Something interesting happens when you put the above statements into the form of an executable program. Clear the memory, type in the program, and look at its memory map to see that the program has indeed been stored. See figure 10.

```
FP
10 A = 1
20 DIM B(10)
30 C$ = "STRING"
CALL 13000
```

Now run the program and look at it again.

```
RUN
CALL 13000
```

Figure 11 shows that the variable area still contains 14 bytes, and that array B is still the same, but there is no string in the string area. This is because the letters of the string are contained in the program area, and the pointer in C$ obtains the string from the program.

Whenever new characters are assigned to the same string variable, they are added to the string area even if they are the same as those already assigned to that variable. A clutter of old strings thus begins to form, known as the "garbage collection." Its formation can be demonstrated by entering the same statement several times.

```
FP
A$ = "STRING"
A$ = "STRING"
A$ = "STRING"
CALL 13000
```

Notice in figure 12 that there are now 18 bytes stored in the string area, even though only six of them are being used.

The variable area contains seven bytes for A$, the one variable in use.

The Applesoft reference manual makes the following statement on page 53:

> "Applesoft stores duplicate strings only once. That is, if A$ = "PIPPIN" and B$ = "PIPPIN" then the string "PIPPIN" will be stored only once."

Let's try it and see.

```
FP
A$ = "PIPPIN"
B$ = "PIPPIN"
CALL 13000
```

Figure 13 shows that there are 12 bytes in the string area instead of only six. If you enter the monitor mode and examine the variable area you will see that the two string variables point to different locations in the string area. This obviously indicates that Applesoft does *not* store duplicate strings only once.

The actual length of a program doesn't always correspond with the amount of memory required. Just because your program is short doesn't mean you have lots of memory left over. In Applesoft it is easy to create a multidimensional array which uses up all memory space in a 48K machine.

```
FP
DIM A(97,73)
BRUN MEMORY MAP
```

Figure 14 shows that there are only 80 free bytes remaining after dimensioning the array. To verify that MEMORY MAP is indeed providing accurate information, you can check the free space remaining by using the FRE(0) command.

```
PRINT FRE(0)
80
```

If you don't need to use floating point numbers, a good way to save array space is to define the array as an integer array.

```
FP
DIM A%(97,73)
BRUN MEMORY MAP
```

```
MEMORY MAP:  APPLESOFT

                                    49152   $C000
          |------------|
          |    DOS,    |
          | FILES (3)  |
          |------------|          HM 38400   $9600
          |            |
HIRES     |            |
          |            |
24576     |            |
$6000     | FREE SPACE |          36314   $8DDA
          |            |
16384     |            |
$4000     |            |
          |            |
 8192     |            |
$2000     |            |
          |------------|          LM  2086   $0826
          |  PROGRAM   |
          |------------|           2049   $0801
          |------------|           2048   $0800
```

Figure 10: **Applesoft map showing program area.**

```
MEMORY MAP:  APPLESOFT

                                    49152   $C000
          |------------|
          |    DOS,    |
          | FILES (3)  |
          |------------|          HM 38400   $9600
          |            |
HIRES     |            |
          |            |
24576     |            |
$6000     | FREE SPACE |          36238   $8D8E
          |            |
16384     |            |
$4000     |            |
          |------------|           2162   $0872
 8192     |   ARRAYS   |
$2000     |------------|           2100   $0834
          | VARIABLES  |
          |------------|          LM  2086   $0826
          |  PROGRAM   |
          |------------|           2049   $0801
          |------------|           2048   $0800
```

Figure 11: **Applesoft map after running program.**

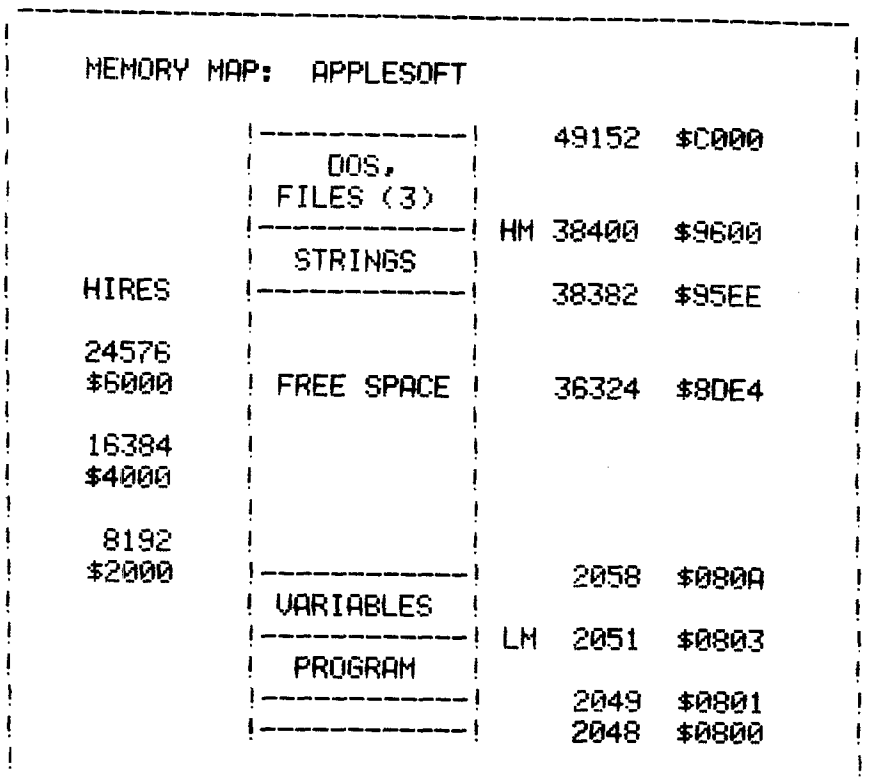

Figure 12: **Applesoft map showing formation of "garbage collection" for one string variable.**

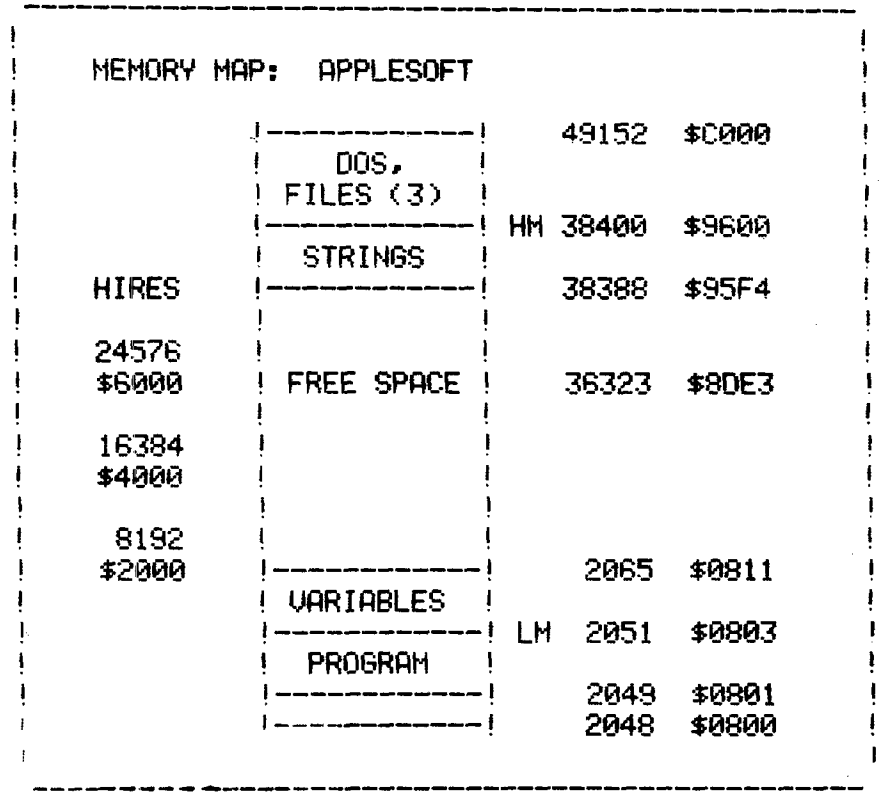

Figure 13: **Applesoft map of two string variables with duplicate strings.**

(continued)

Note the large difference in space required for the array in figure 15 as compared to the preceding one. The addition of a % sign saved 21,756 bytes!

If you don't have ROM Applesoft installed, you must load Applesoft into RAM from either cassette or disk. To demonstrate, turn off the computer and remove the Applesoft card. Turn the computer back on and load Applesoft from disk by typing FP. Then run MEMORY MAP to see where RAM Applesoft is stored.

```
Control B
PR#6
FP
BRUN MEMORY MAP
```

Figure 16 shows that RAM Applesoft is stored below the program area, and that it uses a large amount of space. By referring to the Hi-Res locations on the left, you can see that Hi-Res graphics' page one is not available when using RAM Applesoft.

For our final example, let's create the most complicated map possible by using RAM Applesoft, a different LOMEM and HIMEM, and all types of variables. I also tried to change MAXFILES, but it doesn't seem to work with RAM Applesoft. See figure 17.

```
LOMEM: 15000
HIMEM: 20000
A = 1
DIM B(10)
C$ = "STRING"
CALL 13000
```

That concludes the examples. Next month's article will contain the Memory Map program listing and will describe how it works.

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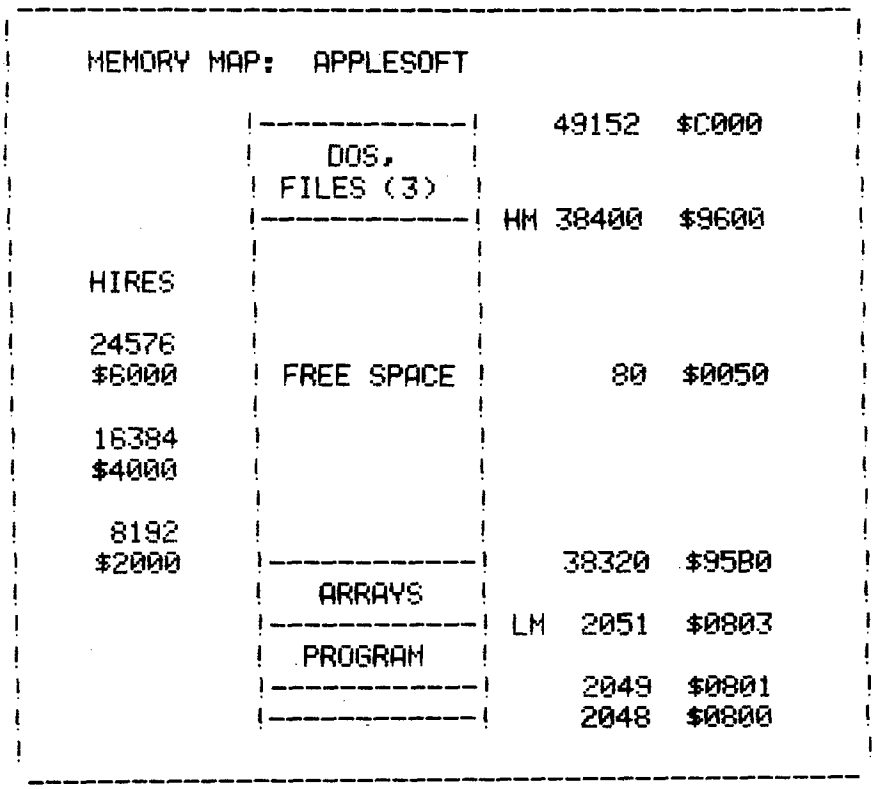

Figure 14: **Applesoft map of large floating point array.**

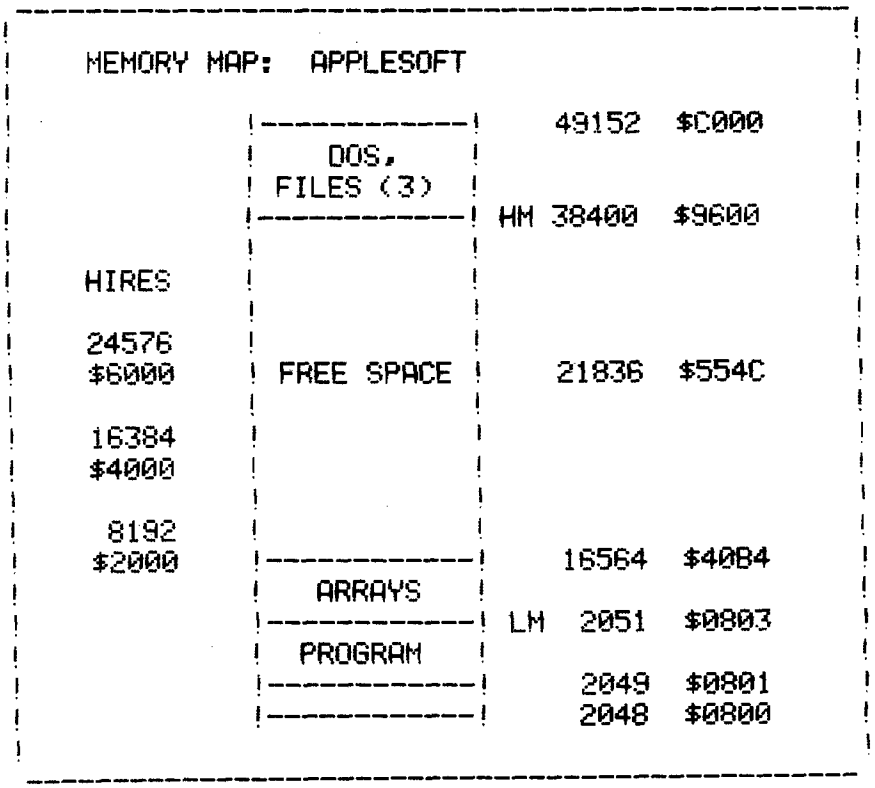

Figure 15: **Applesoft map of large integer array.**

```
MEMORY MAP:  APPLESOFT

                 +------------+     49152   $C000
                 |    DOS,    |
                 |  FILES (3) |
                 +------------+ HM  38400   $9600
                 |            |
HIRES            |            |
                 |            |
24576            |            |
$6000            | FREE SPACE |     26109   $65FD
                 |            |
16384            |            |
$4000            |            |
                 |            |
 8192            |            |
$2000            |            |
                 +------------+ LM  12291   $3003
                 |  PROGRAM   |
                 +------------+     12289   $3001
                 | APPLESOFT  |
                 +------------+      2048   $0800
```

Figure 16: **Applesoft map with RAM Applesoft loaded.**

```
MEMORY MAP:  APPLESOFT

                 +------------+     49152   $C000
                 |    DOS,    |
                 |  FILES (3) |
                 +------------+     38400   $9600
                 +------------+ HM  20000   $4E20
HIRES            |  STRINGS   |
                 +------------+     19994   $4E1A
24576            |            |
$6000            | FREE SPACE |      4918   $1336
                 |            |
16384            +------------+     15076   $3AE4
$4000            |   ARRAYS   |
                 +------------+     15014   $3AA6
 8192            | VARIABLES  |
$2000            +------------+ LM  15000   $3A98
                 +------------+     12291   $3003
                 |  PROGRAM   |
                 +------------+     12289   $3001
                 | APPLESOFT  |
                 +------------+      2048   $0800
```

Figure 17: **Applesoft map showing most complex case.**

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SYM Time-Remaining Timer

This program measures elapsed time and sounds an alarm when the preset limit is reached.

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Here's a neat little timer for a "barebones" 1K SYM that can satisfy a host of timing chores for you. Time phone calls, eggs, exercise sessions and contests. Don't miss TV shows, dates or appointments. My own most frequent use is to keep from "timing out" on the local amateur radio repeaters and thus I avoid the embarrassment associated with such a happening. Operating features include:

1. No peripherals required
2. Two modes of operation
3. *Long* timing internals (more than 4 days) with one second resolution
4. Positive status indications
5. Settable pre-time out warning
6. Ease of operation

Before entering into an explanation of timer operation, I would like to thank John Gieryic for his helpful article in the April, 1979 issue of *MICRO*; "SYM-1 6522-Based Timer." It was John's article that provided the heart of this timer.

Operation is straightforward. After entering the program, enter desired pre-time out warning (hours, minutes, seconds) and desired operating mode. These are entered sequentially in the order indicated above, starting at address "0000". For example, you have decided, as an exercise in self improvement, to restrict yourself to 10½ hours of TV per week. However, you're not crazy about the timekeeping involved

```
0800            1  ;*************************
0800            2  ;*                       *
0800            3  ;* TIME RAMAINING TIMER  *
0800            4  ;*                       *
0800            5  ;*   RALPH R. ORTON      *
0800            6  ;*                       *
0800            7  ;*************************
0800            8  ;
0800            9  ;FOR THE SYM-1
0800           10  ;SHOWS TIME REMAINING ON READOUT
0800           11  ;AND SOUNDS A SETTABLE WARNING.
0800           12  ;DISPLAYS READY WHENEVER TIMER
0800           13  ;IS STOPPED.
0800           14  ;
0800           15  ;TWO MODES OF OPERATION:
0800           16  ;"RESET" & "ACCUMULTE"
0800           17  ;
0800           18  ;LOAD TIMER INTERVAL AND WARNING
0800           19  ;TIME STARTING AT ADDRESS $0000 AS
0800           20  ;SHOWN.  LOAD MODE AT $0006. PRO-
0800           21  ;GRAM STARTS AT $0200.....
0800           22  ;
0800           23  HRSSET EPZ $00              ;SET HOURS HERE
0800           24  MINSET EPZ $01              ;SET MINUTES HERE
0800           25  SECSET EPZ $02              ;SET SECONDS HERE
0800           26  HRSWAR EPZ $03              ;WARNING HOURS HERE
0800           27  MINWAR EPZ $04              ;WARNING MINUTES HERE
0800           28  SECWAR EPZ $05              ;WARNING SECONDS HERE
0800           29  MODE   EPZ $06              ;"AC" = ACCUMULATE
0800           30  HRSREM EPZ $07              ;CURRENT HOURS HERE
0800           31  MINREM EPZ $08              ;CURRENT MINUTES HERE
0800           32  SECREM EPZ $09              ;CURRENT SECONDS HERE
0800           33  FRACNT EPZ $0A              ;20THS OF A SECOND ARE HERE
0800           34  DISPIN EPZ $0B              ;INPUT FOR "LODISP" SUBROUTINE
0800           35  DISPOP EPZ $0C              ;STORAGE FOR "LODISP" SUBROUTINE

0800           36  ;
0800           37  ; MONITOR SUBROUTINES:
0800           38  ;
0800           39  NIBASC EQU $8309
0800           40  INSTAT EQU $8386
0800           41  DELAY  EQU $835A
0800           42  SCAND  EQU $8906
0800           43  BEEP   EQU $8972
0800           44  OUTDSP EQU $89C1
0800           45  ACCESS EQU $8B86
0800           46  ;
0800           47  DISBUF EQU $A640
0800           48  TV     EQU $A656
0800           49  ;
0010           50  DATA   ORG $0010
0010           51  ;
0010 50        52         BYT $50              ;R  THESE ARE SEGMENT
0011 79        53         BYT $79              ;E  CODES FOR "READY"
0012 77        54         BYT $77              ;A
0013 5E        55         BYT $5E              ;D
0014 6E        56         BYT $6E              ;Y
0015 00        57         BYT $00              ;SPACE
0016           58  ;
0200           59  TIME1  ORG $0200
0200 20868B    60  START  JSR ACCESS
0203 F8        61         SED
0204 A900      62  RESET  LDA #$00             ;INITIALIZE FRACTION
0206 850A      63         STA FRACNT           ;COUNTER
0208 A500      64         LDA HRSSET
020A 8507      65         STA HRSREM           ;TRANSFER TIME SET
020C A501      66         LDA MINSET           ;VALUES TO TIME
020E 8508      67         STA MINREM           ;COUNT LOCATIONS
0210 A502      68         LDA SECSET
0212 8509      69         STA SECREM
0214 A904      70         LDA #$04             ;INITIALIZE MODE OF OPER-
0216 8D7902    71         STA STOMOD+1         ;ATION TO RESETABLE..
0219 78        72  CONTIN SEI                  ;INHIBIT INTERRUPTS
021A A205      73         LDX #$05
021C B510      74  LODE   LDA $10,X           ;LOAD DISPLAY:BUFFER
021E 9D40A6    75         STA DISBUF,X         ;WITH "READY"...
0221 CA        76         DEX
0222 10F8      77         BPL LODE
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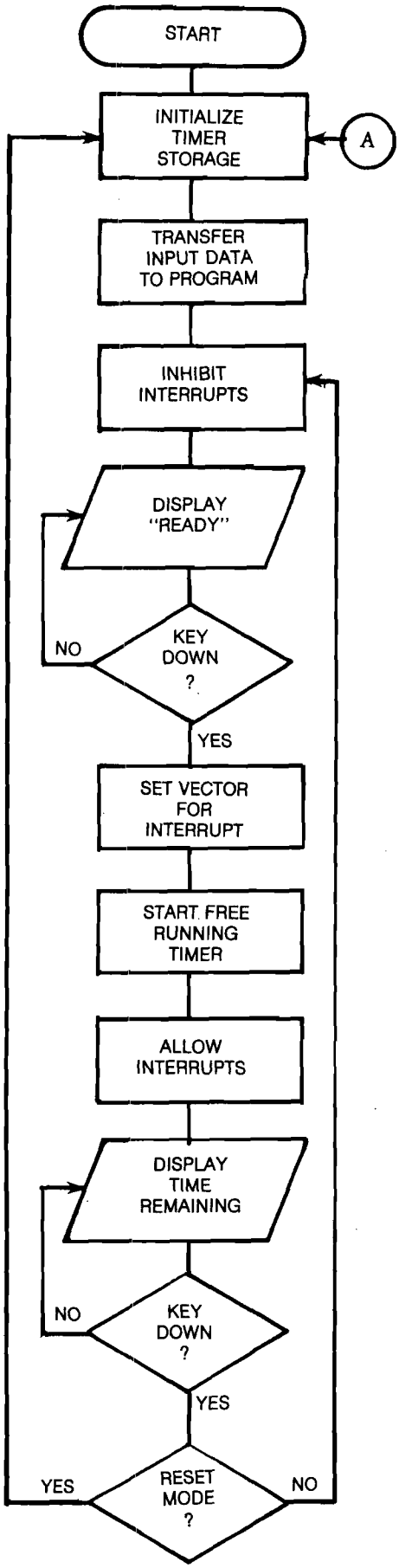

***Figure 1:* Main Routine**

```
0224 200689   78  SHORDY JSR SCAND          ;SHOW "READY"
0227 208683   79         JSR INSTAT         ;CHECK FOR KEY DOWN
022A 90F8     80         BCC SHORDY         ;IF KEY NOT DOWN, SHOW "READY"..
022C A900     81         LDA #$00
022E 8D7EA6   82         STA $A67E          ;LOAD IRQ VECTOR
0231 A903     83         LDA #$03           ;WITH ADDRESS 0300
0233 8D7FA6   84         STA $A67F
0236 A9C0     85         LDA #$C0           ;LOAD IER VECTOR
0238 8D0EA0   86         STA $A00E
023B AD0DA0   87         LDA $A00D          ;LOAD IFR REGISTER
023E 29BF     88         AND #$BF
0240 8D0DA0   89         STA $A00D
0243 A9C0     90         LDA #$C0           ;SET TIMER FOR
0245 8D0BA0   91         STA $A00B          ;FREE RUN MODE,
0248 A950     92         LDA #$50           ;THEN..
024A 8D06A0   93         STA $A006          ;LOAD HIGH & LOW ORDER
024D A9C3     94         LDA #$C3           ;COUNTER LATCHES TO
024F 8D05A0   95         STA $A005          ;GIVE 50MS INTERRUPT
0252 58       96         CLI
0253 A507     97  LOAD   LDA HRSREM         ;GET
0255 850B     98         STA DISPIN         ;AND
0257 206E03   99         JSR LODISP         ;LOAD
025A A508    100         LDA MINREM         ;TIME
025C 850B    101         STA DISPIN         ;REMAINING
025E 206E03  102         JSR LODISP         ;INTO DISPLAY BUFFER
0261 A509    103         LDA SECREM         ;HRS.
0263 850B    104         STA DISPIN         ;MIN.
0265 206E03  105         JSR LODISP         ;SEC.
0268 A9AC    106         LDA #$AC           ;DETERMINE MODE SELECTED
026A C506    107         CMP MODE           ;AND
026C F00D    108         BEQ SETMOD         ;CHANGE IF REQUIRED.
026E A904    109  SHOW   LDA #$04           ;DISPLAY TIME REMAINING
0270 8D56A6  110         STA TV             ;UNTIL INTERRUPTED
0273 205A83  111         JSR DELAY          ;OR KEY IS DOWN
0276 90DB    112         BCC LOAD
0278 4C0402  113  STOMOD JMP RESET          ;04 MAY BE CHANGED TO 19
027B A919    114  SETMOD LDA #$19           ;UNDER PROGRAM CONTROL,
027D 8D7902  115         STA STOMOD+1       ;DEPENDS ON MODE.
0280 4C6E02  116         JMP SHOW
0283 207289  117  WARN   JSR BEEP           ;BEEPER ROUTINE
0286 207289  118         JSR BEEP           ;FOR WARNING
0289 207289  119         JSR BEEP
028C 207289  120         JSR BEEP
028F 207289  121         JSR BEEP
0292 60      122         RTS
0293 207289  123  TIMOUT JSR BEEP           ;BEEP!
0296         124  ;
0296 208683  125         JSR INSTAT         ;CHECK FOR KEY DOWN
0299 90F8    126         BCC TIMOUT         ;IF NO KEY DOWN, BEEP AGAIN
029B 4C0002  127         JMP START          ;IF KEY DOWN, JUMP TO START
029E         128  ;
029E         129  ;
0300         130  TIMER  ORG $0300
0300 08      131         PHP                ;INTERRUPT ROUTINE
0301 48      132         PHA                ;STARTS HERE SO
0302 8A      133         TXA                ;SAVE IMPORTANT
0303 48      134         PHA                ;REGISTERS
0304 98      135         TYA
0305 48      136         PHA
0306 E60A    137         INC FRACNT         ;INCREMENT FRACTIONS
0308 A50A    138         LDA FRACNT         ;OF A SECOND COUNTER
030A C914    139         CMP #$14           ;IF FULL SECOND IS
030C F003    140         BEQ REFRAC         ;NOT UP YET JUMP TO
030E 4C6403  141         JMP ENDINT         ;END INTERRUPT ROUTINE
0311 A900    142  REFRAC LDA #$00
0313 850A    143         STA FRACNT         ;AFTER RESETTING FRACTION
0315 38      144         SEC                ;COUNTER SUBTRACT
0316 A509    145         LDA SECREM         ;ONE SECOND FROM TIME
0318 E901    146         SBC #$01           ;REMAINING. IF NOT TIME
031A 8509    147         STA SECREM         ;TO SUBTRACT 1 MINUTE
031C C999    148         CMP #$99           ;GOTO "CHKEND"
031E D01A    149         BNE CHKEND         ;ROUTINE
0320 A959    150         LDA #$59           ;ONE MINUTE HAS ELAPSED
0322 8509    151         STA SECREM         ;SO RESET SECONDS TO 59
0324 38      152         SEC
0325 A508    153         LDA MINREM         ;SUBTRACT 1 MINUTE
0327 E901    154         SBC #$01           ;TIME REMAINING
0329 8508    155         STA MINREM         ;IF NOT TIME TO SUBTRACT
032B C999    156         CMP #$99           ;ONE HOUR....
032D D00B    157         BNE CHKEND         ;GOTO "CHKEND" ROUTINE
032F A959    158         LDA #$59           ;ONE HOUR HAS ELAPSED
0331 8508    159         STA MINREM         ;SO RESET MINUTES TO 59
0333 38      160         SEC
0334 A507    161         LDA HRSREM
0336 E901    162         SBC #$01           ;SUBTRACT 1 HOUR FROM
0338 8507    163         STA HRSREM         ;TIME REMAINING
033A A507    164  CHKEND LDA HRSREM         ;IF HRS., MIN. AND
033C C900    165         CMP #$00           ;SEC. ARE ALL ZERO
033E D00F    166         BNE CHECK          ;THEN TIMER HAS TIMED OUT
0340 A508    167         LDA MINREM
0342 C900    168         CMP #$00
0344 D009    169         BNE CHECK          ;IF NO TIME OUT
0346 A509    170         LDA SECREM         ;HAS OCCURRED GO TO
0348 C900    171         CMP #$00           ; CHECK AND DETERMINE
034A D003    172         BNE CHECK          ;IF TIME FOR WARNING
034C 4C9302  173         JMP TIMOUT         ;IS TO BE SOUNDED
034F A505    174  CHECK  LDA SECWAR         ;COMPARE WARNING HR/MIN/SEC
```

```
0351 C509    175          CMP SECREM          ;TO TIME REMAINING HR/MIN/SEC
0353 D00F    176          BNE ENDINT          ;IF NOT A MATCH, GOTO
0355 A504    177          LDA MINWAR          ;END INTERRUPT ROUTINE
0357 C508    178          CMP MINREM
0359 D009    179          BNE ENDINT
035B A503    180          LDA HRSWAR
035D C507    181          CMP HRSREM
035F D003    182          BNE ENDINT
0361 208302  183          JSR WARN            ;SOUND A WARNING
0364 AD04A0  184  ENDINT  LDA $A004           ;RESET TIMER INTERRUPT FLAG
0367 68      185          PLA                 ;RESTORE
0368 A8      186          TAY                 ;ALL
0369 68      187          PLA                 ;PREVIOUSLY
036A AA      188          TAX                 ;SAVED
036B 68      189          PLA                 ;REGISTERS
036C 28      190          PLP                 ;AND
036D 40      191          RTI                 ;RETURN FROM INTERRUPT...
036E A50B    192  LODISP  LDA DISPIN          ;GET DIGITS TO BE
0370 850C    193          STA DISPOP          ;DISPLAYED AND SAVE
0372 6A      194          ROR                 ;FOR LATER RECALL.
0373 6A      195          ROR                 ;POSITION MSD FOR CONVERSION
0374 6A      196          ROR                 ;TO ASCII
0375 6A      197          ROR
0376 200983  198          JSR NIBASC
0379 20C189  199          JSR OUTDSP          ;LOAD DIGIT
037C A50C    200          LDA DISPOP          ;GET OTHER DIGIT AND CONVERT
037E 200983  201          JSR NIBASC          ;TO ASCII....
0381 20C189  202          JSR OUTDSP          ;THEN LOAD DIGIT
0384 60      203          RTS                 ;RETURN FROM SUBROUTINE....
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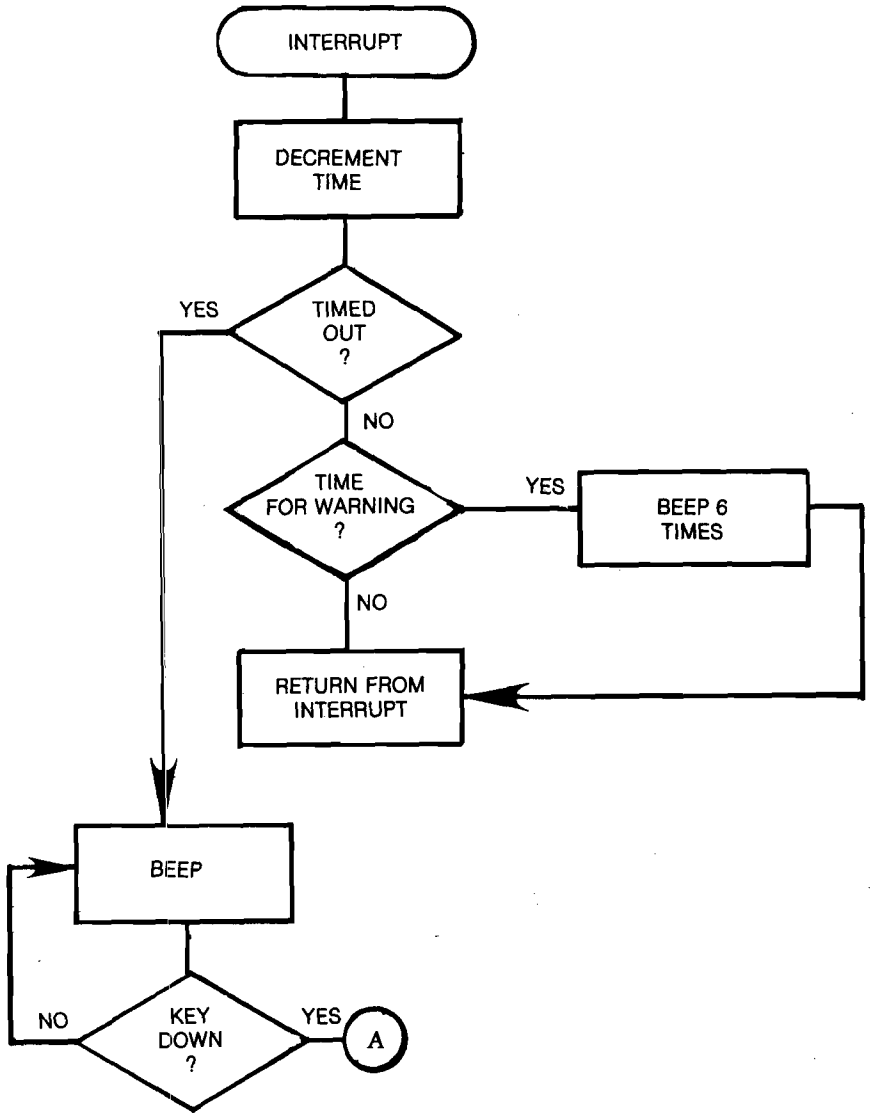

Figure 2: **Interrupt Routine**

in such an effort. So, you guessed it, here comes the SYM Timer. Starting at address "0000" you punch in "10" "30" "00". Then to provide a one-hour warning you continue with "01" "00" "00". At this point you are ready to select mode of operation.

By entering "AC" you will select the "Accumulative" mode of operation. In this mode you can "start" and "stop" the timer as often as required. The timer will continue timing at each "start" from where it was last stopped. If you had entered anything other than "AC" you would have selected the "Resettable" mode of operation. In this mode each "start" causes the timer to begin again from the original timer interval you set.

With a simple "Go" "200" "CR" SYM displays "ready". To start the timer press any key and time remaining is displayed. To stop the timer once more press any key and "ready" is displayed again.

When the timer reaches the pre-time out warning the beeper will sound momentarily, and when time out occurs, the beeper will sound continuously until it is reset by pressing any key.

Well that's it—maybe! I keep fighting off the urge to toss in more and more. For instance, how about a 1 year timer that reads out "Hrs × 100" "Hrs." "Min."? Or if that's a little ridiculous, then maybe one that displays "days" "hrs." "min." for in excess of 3 months of timing. Then of course we could have an option to display elapsed time as well as time remaining. I don't suppose it would be too difficult to toss in a 24 hour clock while we're at it. Of course it would have to operate simultaneously with all the other options.

So on and on it goes. For now, however, I will leave it to others to perfect the *ultimate* time machine.

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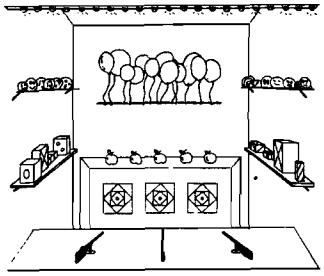

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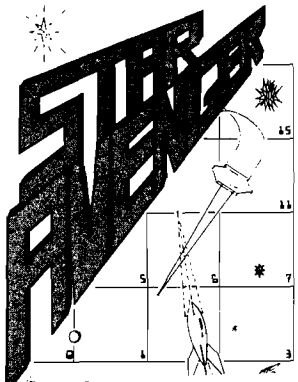

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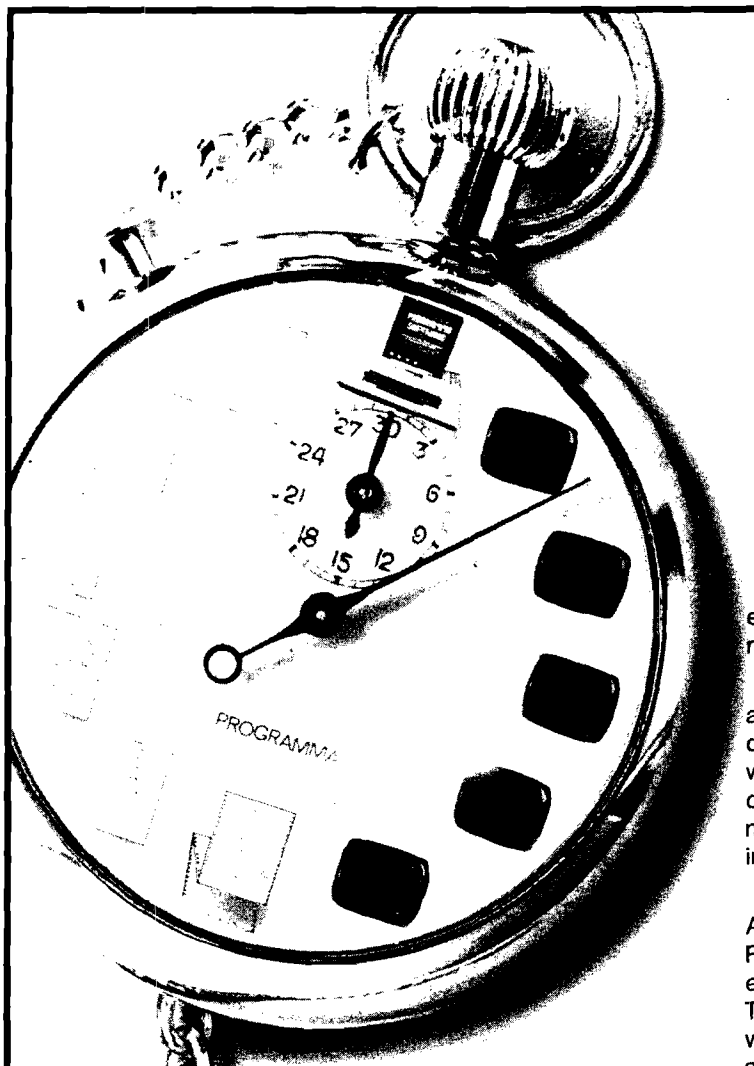

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Oh No — It's Garbage Collect!

This article describes Garbage Collect in Microsoft's 6502 BASIC. The worst case is described, and a few suggestions made on how to avoid it.

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I was really pleased! The simple text editor worked well. It even had a fancy quasi-INPUT routine, just like CURSOR. And it only took a couple of days to develop, since it was written entirely in BASIC. Now to get on with some articles.

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The light came on. I was the victim of the dreaded garbage collect.

Garbage collect is the compression of string space. In Microsoft's 6502 BASIC, string contents are placed at the top of memory, working down. When a string is assigned a new value, it is placed below all previous strings. At some point, memory is filled, so garbage collect squishes all the strings back up to the top. It may also be forced, by using FRE(0).

The following one-liner provides the basis for some experiments:

```
5 N=1000:
  B$=CHR$(1):
  DIM A$(N):
  FOR J = 0 TO N:
  A$(J) = B$:
  NEXT:
  A$(0) = "B":
  T=TI:
  PRINT FRE(0) TI-T
```

The program sets up bunches of strings, changes the first one, and forces garbage collect while printing the time required. (The CHR$ is required since assigning a string a literal value results in the string pointer pointing at the literal in the program, rather than use of string space.)

Changing N showed that the number of strings has a roughly exponential effect on the time required. Changing the size of B$ showed that the number of characters in the strings has no apparent effect on the time.

To find the worst case, some swift calculation shows that N can be set to 7908, and garbage collect takes 84 minutes and 13 seconds. But we can go higher. Drop the start-of-BASIC down to the first cassette buffer, and raise the top-of-memory to the end of the screen. Now N can be set to 8261, for a time of 91 minutes and 56 seconds!

How about other machines? A call to a friend showed that Applesoft is compatible with the PET. The only difference is the 10% that the PET spends looking at the keyboard and cassettes, and updating the clock. Down at our neighborhood Radio Shack we found that string space must be reserved with a 'CLEAR n' command. There is no apparent time spent in garbage collect, but there is a value for the CLEAR command which seems to crash the system, so that may be it. Presumably the Atari with its fixed-length strings doesn't create garbage in the first place.

Published information indicates that the latest PET ROM-set does garbage collect much more quickly. In a classic trade-off of speed versus memory, it also takes two bytes more per string. The ways to reduce garbage collect are fairly obvious: don't have more strings than are absolutely required. For example:

1. Re-use work variables.
2. Use numbers rather than strings for switches.
3. Put literals right into PRINT statements rather than use constant strings.
4. Try to create the most stable strings first.
5. Avoid loops which create a string by concatenating a character at a time onto the string.
6. Apply the usual techniques to keeping your program small.
7. Avoid sorting techniques which involve changing the actual contents of the array. Instead, use QUICKSORT, or an Assembler sort which changes the string pointers.

Garbage collect will happen in any case. In interactive programs without a large number of strings, it can be made invisible to the operator by forcing it (X=FRE(0)) during times when the operator doesn't expect to use the keyboard. For 'batch' programs, the least amount of time will be consumed by just letting it happen when it must.

In summary, the next time your PET (Apple, SYM) seems to crash, don't reset it right away. It may just be collecting its garbage.

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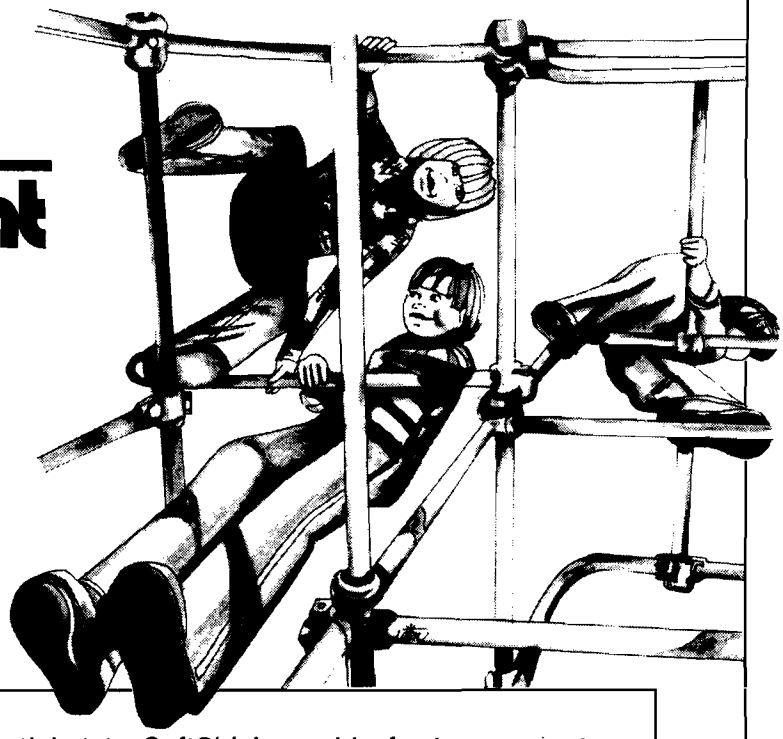

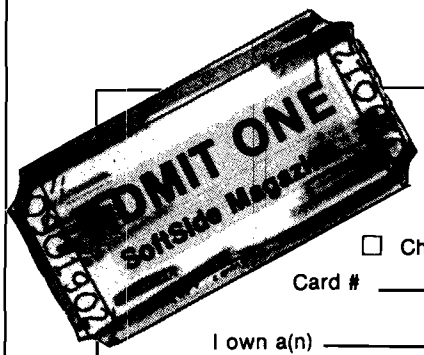

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6502 Games by Rodney Zaks. 6502 Series, Volume IV, Sybex Inc. (2344 Sixth Street, Berkeley, California 94710), 1980, x, 292 pages, 50 figures, 5½ × 8½ inches, paperbound.
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AIM 65 Laboratory Manual and Study Guide by Leo J. Scanlon. John Wiley & Sons (605 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10158) 1981, 180 pages, diagrams and charts, 8½ × 11 inches, paperbound.
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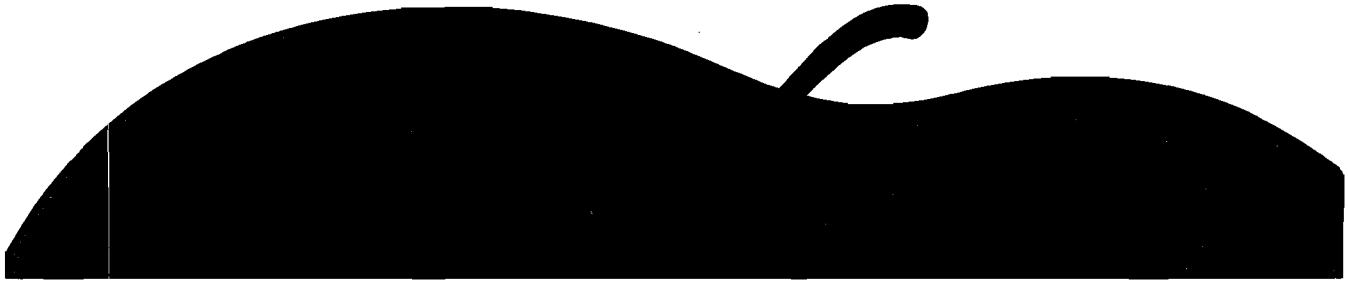

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By Loren Wright

Numbering of BASIC Versions

There seems to be a bit of confusion on the numberings of BASIC versions. One popular numbering system for the BASICs is the one I have been following: 2.0, 3.0, and 4.0. However, the one used by Commodore is a little different. The original BASIC (the "old" ROM's) is called 1.0. The "upgrade" version, produced until recently, is 2.0, and now we have 4.0. I will use the latter convention from now on, and will edit manuscripts published in MICRO accordingly.

All 80-column machines have 4.0 ROMs, as do recent production 40-column machines. These new 40-column machines are called 4016 and 4032, but the actual circuit board is still the same. Some of the enclosures have plastic tops, apparently enlarged to accommodate a disk drive. The disk drive idea doesn't seem to have caught on, but I expect we'll be seeing more and more plastic tops. Also, boards continue to be delivered with holes drilled in the traces of 4016 PC boards where the second row of RAM chips would go. This is to prevent users or unscrupulous dealers from making a cheap and easy memory upgrade.

There is an upgrade kit to go from 2.0 to 4.0 BASIC, and you could even go from 24-pin 1.0 ROMs to 4.0 if you had another socket to install the eighth chip. As far as I know, there is no 28-pin (6540) upgrade kit.

There are several good reasons to upgrade—faster garbage collection and more powerful disk commands, for instance. All but the most serious programmers will stay with what they have. After all, the old ROMs weren't so bad were they?

Toward Universal PET Programs

MICRO will continue to publish articles for all three BASIC ROM sets, and for both disk operating systems, but as I mentioned in a previous column, articles that apply to all three are much preferred.

I call your attention to "PRINT USING for the PET" by David Malmberg in this issue. Not only has he reworked an excellent Apple program for the PET, but he has also accommodated all three PET ROM sets. This involved knowing the right page-zero locations and system calls for each ROM set. These are available from the memory maps and entry point lists published by Jim Butterfield in *Compute* and *The Transactor*. Malmberg also uses the contents of 50003 to identify which BASIC is being used: 0—1.0; 1—2.0; 160—4.0. Because the numbers involved are easy to remember, this is fast becoming a standard technique. Some other frequently-used locations that vary from BASIC to BASIC are given in table 1.

Page zero locations tend to be the same in BASIC 2.0 and 4.0, but in 1.0 they are completely different. PET system calls have different addresses, but generally they work similarly in each BASIC. Malmberg's BASIC program will run on any PET or CBM machine without modification.

80-Column Functions

The 80-column function table that appeared in last month's column contained some errors. The corrected version, with a couple of additions, is shown in table 2.

The window feature on the 80-column machines can be very powerful. It confines user input (and the computer's attention) to a restricted area of the screen. The SET TOP and SET BOTTOM commands fix the upper left and lower right corners of the window. The window may also be defined by POKEing four values into memory for the four edges:

	Address	Range
TOP	224	0 to 24
BOTTOM	225	TOP to 24
LEFT	226	0 to 79
RIGHT	213	LEFT to 79

The window may be cleared by printing or striking on the keyboard two successive HOMEs.

Table 1

	1.0	2.0	4.0
1) End of memory pointer	134,135	52,53	52,53
2) # characters in keyboard buffer	525	158	158
3) Disable STOP key POKE	537,136	144,49	144,88
4) Enable STOP key POKE	537,133	144,46	144,85

Table 2

Function	ASCII	Reverse Field Character	Keyboard Combination
BELL	7	g	
DELETE LINE	21	u	ESC, RVS, K
ERASE to BEGINNING of line	150	V	LS, ←, 3
ERASE to END of line	22	v	←, Q, 4
GRAPHICS screen	142	N	LS, RS
INSERT line	149	U	SH, ESC, RVS, K
SCROLL DOWN	153	Y	LS, ESC, K
SCROLL UP	25	y	
SET BOTTOM	143	O	SH, Z, A, L
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SET TAB/CLEAR TAB	137	I	SH, TAB
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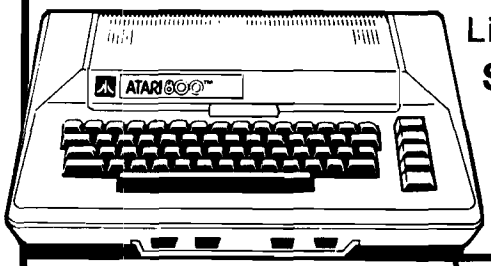

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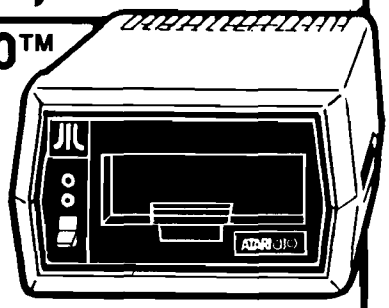

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Add a Light Pen to your Micro

This article includes the hardware details necessary to install a light pen on any 6502 system. Software is included for an OSI implementation.

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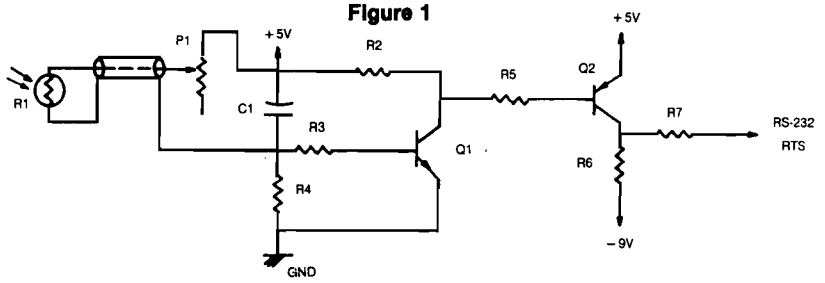
Many computer installations today offer alternate forms of user I/O other than the standard CRT/keyboard combination. Among these is the light pen. In using a light pen, the user, if choosing from a menu for example, simply points the pen at what he desires. When locating a point on a grid, the user simply locates the point using the pen, rather than inputting coordinates through the keyboard.

Although the user may find this simplification of input fabulous, for the programmer there exists a lot of overhead. The programmer must keep track of where the information is located on the screen as the program progresses, and how the information changes during program execution.

Principles of Operation

In theory, the operation of a light pen is extremely straightforward. When a request is made to locate the pen, a distinguishable token is swept across the display until the pen recognizes its presence. At that time, if we know where the token is, we also know where the pen is. Simple as this may seem, the hardware and software doesn't always follow suit on simplicity. On graphics systems where there is often a stand-alone microprocessor to control the terminal functions, the "token" is the raster sweep. This is

Figure 1



Bill of Materials

R1 — photo-resistor (see text)
R2 — 1.8K
R3 — 18K
R4 — 120K
R5
R6 — 10K
R7 — 470
Q1 — 2N5300 (RS 276-2009)
Q2 — 2N5226 (RS 276-2032)
C1 — .005 uF
P1 — 100K PC-type potentiometer

Table 1

0 D000	1 D008	2 D010	3 D018	4 D020	5 D028	6 D030	7 D038
8 D100	9 D108	10 D110	11 D118	12 D120	13 D128	14 D130	15 D138
16 D200	17 D208	18 D210	19 D218	20 D220	21 D228	22 D230	23 D238
24 D300	25 D308	26 D310	27 D318	28 D320	29 D328	30 D330	31 D338
32 D400	33 D408	34 D410	35 D418	36 D420	37 D428	38 D430	39 D438
40 D500	41 D508	42 D510	43 D518	44 D520	45 D528	46 D530	47 D538
48 D600	49 D608	50 D610	51 D618	52 D620	53 D628	54 D630	55 D638
56 D700	57 D708	58 D710	59 D718	60 D720	61 D728	62 D730	63 D738

probably the most sophisticated and elegant approach since the resolution is extremely high and the scan is invisible to the user.

I have taken a much more simplified approach. Rather than search the entire screen for the pen's location, I request verification at given screen locations. With this approach, the token must be displayed on the screen in order for the pen to see it. Since the standard scan rate for a monitor is 1/60 second, we have to display the token and then wait the required 1/60 second to guarantee that the token reaches the display. Obviously if we were to poll 2048 display locations, the time required wouldn't make this practical.

Hardware

Figure 1 and the accompanying "bill of materials" presents the design for the light pen circuit I am using. The sensor used is a small Calectro photo-resistor mounted in a magic marker casing. The choice of the photo-resistor over a photo-transistor was based on spectrum sensitivity. Photo-transistors that I found were not responsive to a phosphorus source. The photo-resistor was, so the choice was obvious.

The light/dark conditions are reflected via an RS-232 line which is toggled between +5 and −9 volts. RS-232 was chosen as the communications link since I have an RS-232 port on my machine (as do most). By using the light pen to drive the RTS line on the port, I can monitor the status of the pen by monitoring the status word of the ACIA. The pen's condition will be found at the RTS bit.

The circuit goes together nicely on a small piece of perf-board. The interconnecting line used is a piece of miniature shielded micro-phone cable. There shouldn't be any problem assembling the circuit and all that remains is to adjust the light pen to match the CRT used.

A BASIC routine can be used to initially align the pen. While printing the contents of the status port, adjust the monitor's brightness/contrast and P1 of the light pen circuit. A point should be found so that touching the pen to an illuminated position will cause the RTS bit to be set low ("0"), a dark position should set the RTS bit high ("1"). It should be possible to find a position which is comparable to normal viewing intensity.

```
0800            1  ;****************************
0800            2  ;*                          *
0800            3  ;* LIGHT PEN QUADRANT QUERY *
0800            4  ;*         ROUTINE          *
0800            5  ;*                          *
0800            6  ;*       PETER A. KOSKI     *
0800            7  ;*                          *
0800            8  ;****************************
0800            9  ;
0800           10  ;
3280           11         ORG $3280
3280           12  PENWRD EQU $FC00
3280 206C33    13         JSR GETBLK
3283           14  ;
3283           15  ;GET USR ARGUMENT (QUADRANT NUMBER) -- INSU
RE
3283           16  ;THAT THE VALUE IS ONLY 0 - 63
3283           17  ;
3283 A5B2      18         LDA $B2
3285 293F      19         AND #%00111111
3287 A8        20         TAY                  ;GET ADDR LOOKUP
 OFFSET
3288           21  ;
3288           22  ;LOAD BASE ADDRESS INTO STORE/BLANK/SCAN/RE
STR
3288           23  ;ROUTINES
3288           24  ;
3288 B9BA33    25         LDA LOADDR,Y
328B 8DBB32    26         STA STORE+1
328E 8DC332    27         STA BLANK+1
3291 8D0233    28         STA SCRN1+1
3294 8D3D33    29         STA RESTRE+1
3297           30  ;
3297 B97A33    31         LDA HIADDR,Y
329A 8DBC32    32         STA STORE+2
329D 8DC432    33         STA BLANK+2
32A0 8D0333    34         STA SCRN1+2
32A3 8D3E33    35         STA RESTRE+2
32A6           36  ;
32A6           37  ;INITIALIZE ADDRESSES FOR SAVE BUFFER
32A6           38  ;BUFFER STARTS AT $337E
32A6           39  ;
32A6 A97A      40         LDA #$7A
32A8 8DBE32    41         STA SCRN+1
32AB 8D3A33    42         STA SCRN2+1
32AE A933      43         LDA #$33
32B0 8DBF32    44         STA SCRN+2
32B3 8D3B33    45         STA SCRN2+2
32B6           46  ;
32B6           47  ;SAVE BLOCK DATA/BLANK (DARKEN) SELECTED
32B6           48  ;QUADRANT
32B6           49  ;
32B6 A000      50         LDY #00
32B8 A200      51  SAVE   LDX #00
32BA BDFFFF    52  STORE  LDA $FFFF,X
32BD 8DFFFF    53  SCRN   STA $FFFF            ;SAVE CHAR IN BU
FFER
32C0 A920      54         LDA #$20
32C2 9DFFFF    55  BLANK  STA $FFFF,X
32C5 EEBE32    56         INC SCRN+1
32C8 D003      57         BNE NOCRY1
32CA EEBF32    58         INC SCRN+2
32CD E8        59  NOCRY1 INX
32CE E008      60         CPX #08              ;8 CHAR/LINE/QUA
D
32D0 D0E8      61         BNE STORE
32D2 C8        62         INY
32D3 C004      63         CPY #04              ;4 LINE/QUAD
32D5 F01A      64         BEQ OUT1
32D7 ADBB32    65         LDA STORE+1
32DA 18        66         CLC
32DB 6940      67         ADC #$40
32DD 8DBB32    68         STA STORE+1
32E0 8DC332    69         STA BLANK+1
32E3 ADBC32    70         LDA STORE+2
32E6 6900      71         ADC #00
32E8 8DBC32    72         STA STORE+2
32EB 8DC432    73         STA BLANK+2          ;GET NEXT LINE A
DDR
32EE 4CB832    74         JMP SAVE
32F1           75  ;
```

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32F1            76  ;SEE IF LIGHT PEN WENT DARK
32F1            77  ;
32F1 206F33     78  OUT1   JSR TVDLA           ;1/60 S. SCAN DE
LAY
32F4            79  ;
32F4 AD00FC     80         LDA PENWRD
32F7 2908       81         AND #%00001000
32F9 F037       82         BEQ NOTFND          ;DARK PEN SETS R
TS
32FB            83  ;
32FB            84  ;PEN IS DARK/ENABLE QUADRANT AND SEE IF
32FB            85  ;PEN SEES CHANGE
32FB            86  ;
32FB A000       87         LDY #00
32FD A200       88  ENABLE LDX #00
32FF A9A1       89         LDA #$A1            ;WHITE SQUARE CH
AR.
3301 9DFFFF     90  SCRN1  STA $FFFF,X
3304 E8         91         INX
3305 E408       92         CPX $08
3307 D0F8       93         BNE SCRN1
3309 C8         94         INY
330A C004       95         CPY #04
330C F014       96         BEQ OUT2            ;ENTIRE QUAD ENA
BLED
330E AD0233     97         LDA SCRN1+1
3311 18         98         CLC
3312 6940       99         ADC #$40
3314 8D0233    100         STA SCRN1+1
3317 AD0333    101         LDA SCRN1+2
331A 6900      102         ADC #00
331C 8D0333    103         STA SCRN1+2
331F 4CFD32    104         JMP ENABLE          ;ADDR OF NEXT LI
NE
3322           105  ;
3322           106  ;CHECK TO SEE IF PEN SEES ENABLED QUADRANT
3322           107  ;
3322 206F33    108  OUT2   JSR TVDLA           ;1/60 S. SCAN DE
LAY
3325           109  ;
3325 AD00FC    110         LDA PENWRD
3328 2908      111         AND #%00001000
332A D006      112         BNE NOTFND          ;HI PEN DISABLES
 RTS
332C           113  ;
332C           114  ;RETURN CODE FOR PEN:
332C           115  ;1 TO BASIC = PEN WAS IN QUADRANT
332C           116  ;0 TO BASIC = PEN WAS NOT IN QUAD
332C           117  ;
332C A901      118         LDA #01
332E 48        119         PHA                 ;SAVE RETURN COD
E ON STACK
332F 4C3533    120         JMP REPLCE
3332           121  ;
3332 A900      122  NOTFND LDA #00
3334 48        123         PHA                 ;SAVE RETURN COD
E ON STACK
3335           124  ;
3335           125  ;RESTORE ORIGINAL DATA FOUND AT QUADRANT
3335           126  ;
3335 A000      127  REPLCE LDY #00
3337 A200      128  RPLCE  LDX #00
3339 ADFFFF    129  SCRN2  LDA $FFFF
333C 9DFFFF    130  RESTRE STA $FFFF,X
333F EE3A33    131         INC SCRN2+1
3342 D003      132         BNE NOCRY2
3344 EE3B33    133         INC SCRN2+2
3347 E8        134  NOCRY2 INX
3348 E008      135         CPX #08
334A D0ED      136         BNE SCRN2
334C C8        137         INY
334D C004      138         CPY #04
334F F014      139         BEQ OUT3
3351 AD3D33    140         LDA RESTRE+1
3354 18        141         CLC
3355 6940      142         ADC #$40
3357 8D3D33    143         STA RESTRE+1
335A AD3E33    144         LDA RESTRE+2
335D 6900      145         ADC #00
```

Software

The two routines presented here are essentially identical except for the resulting resolution. Both are called via the BASIC USR function. The longer of the two routines accepts argument values from 0-63, the number corresponding to the screen quadrant to be queried. Table 1 shows the quadrant numbering scheme. The address associated with each quadrant is the address of the upper left memory location in the quadrant. Quadrants run eight locations horizontally and four locations vertically, or 32 locations total. Thus, touching the pen to any of these locations will score a hit. A hit is returned to BASIC as a 1 from the USR function, a miss is returned as a 0. This routine is thus most useful when resolution is not critical, such as for menu selection.

The single-cell query routine polls individual memory locations and thus provides 64 × 32 resolution. The argument of the USR function should be the requested memory address, less 32768. (BASIC only allows signed *15*-bit arguments.) The return value is the same as the previous: 1 if hit, 0 if miss.

Both routines use the same idea in polling the requested position. The information at the quadrant or single cell is first saved and replaced by OSI graphics character $20 (blank). If the pen is presently looking at a dark location, we *might* have its position. If not, we replace the data and return a miss. Should the pen be dark, we replace the $20 with $A1 (full illumination character). At this point, if the pen sees a transition to light, we are at the correct position and return a hit after restoring the data. Had the transition not been seen by the pen, we obviously were not at the right location, and would return a miss.

Programming with a Light Pen

When using the light pen, screen locations become very critical, thus careful formatting should be used through the memory map supplied by OSI. Remember that when using standard input and print statements, the screen has a tendency to scroll. Fortunately, this can be avoided by disabling the line feed. POKE 9644,42 will disable the scroll, POKE 9644,98 will re-enable the scroll routine.

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335F 8D3E33  146          STA RESTRE+2
3362 4C3733  147          JMP RPLCE
3365         148  ;
3365         149  ;RETURN TO BASIC CALLING ROUTINE
3365         150  ;
3365 68      151  OUT3    PLA                    ;POP RETURN CODE

3366 A8      152          TAY
3367 A900    153          LDA #00
3369 6C0800  154          JMP (08)               RTS
336C         155  ;
336C 6C0600  156  GETBLK JMP (06)
336F         157  ;
336F         158  ;TV SCAN DELAY
336F         159  ;
336F A040    160  TVDLA   LDY #$40
3371 A2FF    161  LOOP1   LDX #$FF
3373 CA      162  LOOP2   DEX
3374 D0FD    163          BNE LOOP2
3376 88      164          DEY
3377 D0F8    165          BNE LOOP1
3379 60      166          RTS
337A         167  ;
337A         168  ;QUADRANT CHARACTER HOLD BUFFER
337A         169  ;
337A         170  BUFFER EQU *+32
337A         171  ;
337A         172  ;ADDRESS LOOK UP TABLE FOR 64 GIVEN QUADRAN
TS
337A         173  ;
337A D0D0D0  174  HIADDR HEX D0D0D0D0D0D0D0D0
337D D0D0D0
3380 D0D0
3382 D1D1D1  175          HEX D1D1D1D1D1D1D1D1
3385 D1D1D1
3388 D1D1
338A D2D2D2  176          HEX D2D2D2D2D2D2D2D2
338D D2D2D2
3390 D2D2
3392 D3D3D3  177          HEX D3D3D3D3D3D3D3D3
3395 D3D3D3
3398 D3D3
339A D4D4D4  178          HEX D4D4D4D4D4D4D4D4
339D D4D4D4
33A0 D4D4
33A2 D5D5D5  179          HEX D5D5D5D5D5D5D5D5
33A5 D5D5D5
33A8 D5D5
33AA D6D6D6  180          HEX D6D6D6D6D6D6D6D6
33AD D6D6D6
33B0 D6D6
33B2 D7D7D7  181          HEX D7D7D7D7D7D7D7D7
33B5 D7D7D7
33B8 D7D7
33BA         182  ;
33BA 000810  183  LOADDR HEX 0008101820283038
33BD 182028
33C0 3038
33C2 000810  184          HEX 0008101820283038
33C5 182028
33C8 3038
33CA 000810  185          HEX 0008101820283038
33CD 182028
33D0 3038
33D2 000810  186          HEX 0008101820283038
33D5 182028
33D8 3038
33DA 000810  187          HEX 0008101820283038
33DD 182028
33E0 3038
33E2 000810  188          HEX 0008101820283038
33E5 182028
33E8 3038
33EA 000810  189          HEX 0008101820283038
33ED 182028
33F0 3038
33F2 000810  190          HEX 0008101820283038
33F5 182028
33F8 3038
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```
0800             1  ;***************************
0800             2  ;*                         *
0800             3  ;* SINGLE VIDEO CELL QUERY *
0800             4  ;*         ROUTINE         *
0800             5  ;*                         *
0800             6  ;*       PETER A KOSKI     *
0800             7  ;*                         *
0800             8  ;***************************
0800             9  ;
3280            10         ORG $3280
3280            11         OBJ $800
3280            12  PENWRD EQU $FC00
3280 20C432     13         JSR GETBLK
3283            14  ;
3283            15  ; TURN USR ARGUMENT INTO 6502 ADDRESS
3283            16  ;
3283 A5B2       17         LDA $B2
3285 48         18         PHA
3286 A5B1       19         LDA $B1
3288 0980       20         ORA #%10000000
328A 85B2       21         STA $B2
328C 68         22         PLA
328D 85B1       23         STA $B1
328F            24  ;
328F A200       25         LDX #00
3291            26  ;
3291            27  ;SAVE CHARACTER AT CELL AND DARKEN
3291            28  ;SELECTED CELL
3291            29  ;
3291 A1B1       30         LDA ($B1,X)
3293 48         31         PHA                 ;SAVE CHAR ON ST
ACK
3294 A920       32         LDA #$20
3296 81B1       33         STA ($B1,X)
3298            34  ;
3298            35  ;SEE IF LIGHT PEN WENT DARK
3298            36  ;
3298 20C732     37         JSR TVDLA           ,1/60 S. SCAN DE
LAY
329B AD00FC     38         LDA PENWRD
329E 2908       39         AND #%00001000
32A0 F018       40         BEQ NOTFND          ;DARK PEN SETS R
TS
32A2            41  ;
32A2            42  ;PEN IS DARK / ENABLE CELL AND CHECK IF
32A2            43  ;PEN SEES TRANSITION
32A2            44  ;
32A2 A9A1       45         LDA #$A1            ;WHITE SQUARE CH
AR.
32A4 81B1       46         STA ($B1,X)
32A6            47  ;
32A6            48  ;CHECK TO SEE IF PEN SAW ENABLED CELL
32A6            49  ;
32A6 20C732     50         JSR TVDLA           ;1/60 S. SCAN DE
LAY
32A9            51  ;
32A9 AD00FC     52         LDA PENWRD
32AC 2908       53         AND #%00001000
32AE D00A       54         BNE NOTFND          ;HI PEN DISABLES
 RTS
32B0            55  ;
32B0            56  ;RETURN CODE FOR PEN:
32B0            57  ;1==PEN WAS AT CELL
32B0            58  ;0==PEN WAS NOT AT CELL
32B0            59  ;
32B0 68         60         PLA                 ;GET CELL'S CHAR
ACTER
32B1 81B1       61         STA ($B1,X)
32B3 A900       62         LDA #00
32B5 A001       63         LDY #01
32B7 6C0800     64         JMP (08)
32BA            65  ;RTS -- BASIC
32BA            66  ;
32BA 68         67  NOTFND PLA                 ;GET CELL'S CHAR
ACTER
32BB 81B1       68         STA ($B1,X)
32BD A900       69         LDA #00
32BF A000       70         LDY #00
32C1 6C0800     71         JMP (08)
32C4            72  ;RTS -- BASIC
```

(Add a Light Pen...)

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32C4            73  ;
32C4 6C0600     74  GETBLK JMP (06)
32C7            75  ;
32C7            76  ;DELAY TO ALLOW FOR STANDARD TV SCAN
32C7            77  ;
32C7 A000       78  TVDLA   LDY #00
32C9 A200       79  LOOP1   LDX #00
32CB E8         80  LOOP2   INX
32CC D0FD       81          BNE LOOP2
32CE C8         82          INY
32CF C040       83          CPY #$40
32D1 D0F6       84          BNE LOOP1
32D3 60         85          RTS
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 950 REM  ***************************
 952 REM  *                         *
 954 REM  * LIGHT PEN DEMONSTRATION *
 956 REM  *    BY PETER A KOSKI     *
 958 REM  *                         *
 960 REM  ***************************
1004 REM  CALL IN SCREEN CLEAR ROUTINE
1005 REM
1006 DISK!"CALL 3280=31,3"
1010 POKE 574,128: POKE 575.50
1020 X=USR(X)
1021 REM
1022 REM LOAD SELECTION DATA ONTO SCREEN
1023 REM
1030 PRINT "           == ELEMENTARY MATH LIGHT PEN DEMO =="

1040 PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
1050 PRINT "  0     1     2     3     4     5     6     7
 8";
1060 PRINT "     9"
1070 PRINT : PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
1080 PRINT "           +        -        *        /"
1090 PRINT : PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
2000 REM
2010 REM    RUN THE PROGRAM USING SUBROUTINES
2020 REM
2021 REM       CALL IN SINGLE CELL QUERY ROUTINE
2022 REM
2025 DISK!"CALL 3280=31,2":RPT=0
2030 GOSUB 3000:A1=NUM
2040 GOSUB 4000:O=OP:RPT=RPT+1
2050 GOSUB 3000:A2=NUM
2060 ON O GOTO 2100,2200,2300,2400
2100 ANS=A1+A2
2110 GOTO 2500
2200 ANS=A1-A2
2210 GOTO 2500
2300 ANS=A1*A2
2310 GOTO 2500
2400 ANS=A1/A2
2500 REM
2510 REM      PRINT OUTPUT
2520 REM
2530 POKE 9644,42: REM   DISABLE SCROLL ON PRINT
2600 PRINT " THE RESULT IS ";ANS
2605 FOR PS=1 TO 200:PS= ABS (PS): NEXT PS
2620 PRINT "                                  "
2625 IF RPT=5 THEN 5000
2630 GOTO 2030
3000 REM
3010 REM   NUMERIC INPUT (SINGLE DIGITS)
3020 REM
3025 NUM=0:CNT=0
3030 FOR CELL=54402 TO 54458 STEP 6
```

```
3040 NUM=USR(CELL-32768)
3050 IF NUM=1 THEN NUM=CNT: RETURN
3060 CNT=CNT+1
3100 NEXT CELL
3110 CNT=0
3120 GOTO 3030
4000 REM
4010 REM   OPERATOR INPUT
4020 REM
4025 CNT=1
4030 FOR CELL=54730 TO 54760 STEP 10
4040 OP=USR(CELL-32768)
4045 IF OP=1 THEN OP=CNT: RETURN
4046 CNT=CNT+1
4050 NEXT CELL
4100 GOTO 4025
5000 REM
5010 REM   ANOTHER 5 ROUNDS ?
5020 REM
5021 REM   CALL IN SCREEN CLEAR
5022 REM
5030 DISK!"CALL 3280=31,3
5040 X=USR(X)
5045 REM
5046 REM CALL IN QUADRANT QUERY ROUTINE
5047 REM
5050 DISK!"CALL 3280=31,1
5060 POKE 9644,98: REM  RE-ENABLE SCROLL
5065 REM
5066 REM           DISPLAY QUESTION/INPUT SELECTION
5067 REM
5070 PRINT "   WOULD YOU LIKE ANOTHER GO AT IT ?"
5080 PRINT : PRINT : PRINT : PRINT
5090 PRINT "          YES                    NO"
5100 PRINT : PRINT
5110 IF USR(49)=1 THEN 950
5120 IF USR(52)=1 THEN 6000
5130 GOTO 5110
6000 REM
6010 REM   EXIT TO BASIC
6020 REM
6030 DISK!"CALL 3280=31,3
6040 X=USR(X)
6050 END
```

Other thoughts to keep in mind, especially if taking input from a graph, is that the pen can move only to a block adjacent to the one where it is presently. Thus, once the original position is known, the next move can only be one of, at most, eight positions. The accompanying demonstration program should help to explain. The two routines and a screen clear are on track 31 in this example, and are all called into $3280 for execution. The quadrant routine is on sector 1, the individual cell routine on sector 2, and the screen clear code on sector 3. The program is a simple arithmetic demo. Single-digit arguments and operators are input via the light pen and the result is printed to the screen without line feed. After five repetitions, the program asks the user if he would like another session. Again, the yes/no response is accepted through the light pen.

Conclusion

Although the routines presented were written for an OSI mini-floppy system, any 6502 system supporting memory mapped video should be able to employ them. The only changes to be made are the addresses of the display block and of the ACIA.

One last thought for disk owners—a menu or display block which is repeatedly used at various points of the program may be held resident on a disk track and then CALLed to $D000. As you'll discover, speed plays an important part in light pen I/O, since the time spent for input is nil. The processing and output must therefore be as streamlined as possible in developing an efficient system.

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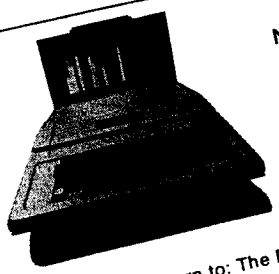

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Integer BASIC Internals

Here's a sorted list of Apple Integer BASIC memory locations and routines, with some examples of how to use them.

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Apple Computer Co. has released to its dealers a set of application and information notes that are quite informative. Included in the package is a listing of memory locations and routines used by Integer BASIC. The table with this article is a numerically sorted (by hex address) listing of this information. Also included are the corresponding decimal equivalents of the addresses and a little information about the routines. In general, routines without descriptions are the handlers for the functions named.

Hardly any information is given about how the routines are called or are used but with a little digging I'm sure you can figure out how to use at least a few of these in your own programs. At least, you now know where to begin looking. For example, the routine at $E51B ("HEX/DEC") converts the 16-bit number contained in the X (lo) and A (hi) registers to a decimal number from 0-65535 and prints it out.

The routine at $EE68 prints out the "*** RANGE ERR" message and the routine at $E36B prints out the "*** MEM FULL ERR" message. A couple of useful tricks are also mentioned in the Apple material.

1. To find the absolute address of a given line, place the line number (in hex) into locations $CE-$CF (lo and hi). Then jump to address $E56D (*E56DG); the absolute address will be returned in locations $E4-$E5 (lo and hi).

2. To execute a GOTO from the monitor, put the absolute address of the line (found by the above procedure) into $C6-$C7 and put a negative byte into the mode location (eg., $80 into $D9—a negative value indicates run mode, a positive one indicates immediate mode). Then jump to $E867 (*E867G) and you will be back in BASIC running at that line.

This item was picked up from a bulletin board here in Chicago and is from Mark Pump.

"If you've ever accidentally pressed RESET while an Integer BASIC program was running, this is for you. In the monitor, enter:

*E3E3G

and the statement number which was last executed is displayed. Press RESET again and re-enter DOS with *3D0G. This method can also be used to find the statement number of an outstanding Integer BASIC input statement. When the input prompt occurs, press RESET and *E3E3G to find the statement number. Exiting the program with control-C will not show the statement number if an input statement was active."

You should also notice that there seems to be some discrepancy between the list of page zero locations used given in the list and the chart on page 75 of the new Apple II Reference Manual (the white book). According to the chart, locations $E0-$FF are not used by Integer BASIC but the detailed list shows this to be incorrect. Some of those locations are indeed used by BASIC! Also, some locations are used for a couple of things, depending on the routine in command, so the values might not always be what you would expect.

SYS REPORT FOR REC#:0

HEX	DEC	NAME	DESCR
004A	74	LOMEML	LOW MEMORY LO
004B	75	LOMEMH	LOW MEMORY HI
004C	76	HIMEML	HIGH MEMORY LO
004D	77	HIMEMH	HIGH MEMORY HI
004E	78	RNDL	RANDOM # LO
004F	79	RNDH	RANDOM # HI
0050-006F	80-111	NOUNSTKL	NOUN STACK LO
0058-0077	88-119	SYNSTKH	SYNTAX STACK HI LOCS
0078-0097	120-151	NOUNSTKH	NOUN STACK HI
0080-009F	128-159	SYNSTKL	SYNTAX STACK LO LOCS
00A0-00BF	160-191	NOUNSTKC	NOUN STACK COUNTER
00A8-00C7	168-199	TXTNDXSTK	TEXT INDEX STACK
00C8	200	TXTNDX	TEXT INDEX VALUE
00C8	200	OUTVAL	OUTPUT VAL TEMP
00C9	201	YTEMP	TEMP FOR Y-REG
00C9	201	LEADBL	LEADING BLANKS INDEX
00CA	202	PPL	PGM PTR LO
00CB	203	PPH	PGM PTR HI
00CC	204	PVL	CURR VAR PNTR LO
00CD	205	PVH	CURR VAR PNTR HI
00CE	206	ACL	GEN'L ACC LO
00CE	206	VALGETL	PRIMARY EVAL TEMP LO
00CE-00CF	206-207	VAL	16-BIT TEMP FOR MATH
00CF	207	VALGETH	PRIMARY EVAL TEMP HI
00CF	207	ACH	GEN'L ACC HI
00D0	208	SRCHL	PTR FOR SEARCH VAR TBL LO
00D1	209	SRCHH	PTR FOR SEARCH VAR TBL HI
00D1-00F0	209-240	TOKNDXSTK	TOKEN INDEX STACK
00D2	210	SRCH2L	VAR TAB SEARCH PTR2 LO
00D3	211	SRCH2H	VAR TAB SEARCH PTR2 HI
00D4	212	IFSW IP	IF ? THEN FAIL FLAG
00D5	213	CRFLAG	CARR RTN FLAG
00D6	214	VERBNOW	CURR VERB IN USE
00D7	215	PRINOW	PRINT IT NOW FLAG
00D8	216	XSAVE	TEMP FOR X-REG
00D9	217	RUNMODE	RUN MODE FLAG
00DA	218	AUXL	AUX CNTR LO
00DB	219	AUXH	AUX CNTR HI
00DC	220	PRL	CURR LN VAL LO
00DD	221	PRH	CURR LN VAL HI
00DE	222	PNL	CURR NOUN PTR LO
00DF	223	PNH	CURR NOUN PTR HI

(continued)

00E0	224	PXL	CURR VERB PTR LO
00E1	225	PXH	CURR VERB PTR HI
00E2	226	P1L	AUX PTR1 LO
00E2	226	DELL	DELETE LN PTR LO
00E3	227	DELH	DELETE LN PTR HI
00E3	227	P1H	AUX PTR1 HI
00E4	228	FLAG	GEN'L FLAG BYTE
00E4	228	P2L	AUX PTR2 LO
00E4	228	LNAL	LINE # ADDR LO
00E5	229	LNAH	LINE # ADDR HI
00E5	229	P2H	AUX PTR2 HI
00E6	230	NXTL	NEXT PTR LO
00E6	230	P3L	AUX PTR3 LO
00E7	231	NEXH	NEXT PTR HI
00E7	231	P3H	AUX PTR3 HI
00F1	241	TOKNDX	TOKEN INDEX VAL
00F2	242	CONL	CONTINUE PTR LO
00F3	243	CONH	CONTINUE PTR HI
00F4	244	AUTOINCL	AUTO INC VAL LO
00F5	245	AUTOINCH	AUTO INC VAL HI
00F6	246	AUTOLNL	CURR AUTO LINE # LO
00F7	247	AUTOLNH	CURR AUTO LINE # HI
00F8	248	AUTOMODE	AUTO FLAG
00F9	249	COUNT	GEN'L CNTR BYTE
00F9	249	CHAR	CURR CHAR
00FA	250	LEADZR	LEADING ZEROS INDEX
00FB	251	FORNDX	FOR/NEXT LOOP INDEX
00FC	252	GOSUBNDX	GOSUB INDEX
00FD	253	SYNSTKNDX	SYNTAX STACK INDEX VAL
00FE	254	SYNPAGL	SYNTAX PAGE PTR LO
00FF	255	SYNPAGH	SYNTAX PAGE PTR HI
0200-02FF	512-767	INBUFF	INPUT BUFFER
E000	-8192	CNTLB	COLD ENTRY
E003	-8189	CNTLC	WARM ENTRY
E006	-8186	SETPRMPT	SET UP > PROMPT
E02A	-8150	NXTBYTE	GET NEXT BYTE 16BIT PNTR
E04B	-8117	LIST	LIST ALL
E05D	-8099	LISTXY	LIST A RANGE
E07D	-8003	UNPACK	TOKENED CODE TO MNEMONICS
E130	-7888	DIMSTR	DIMENSION A STRING
E171	-7823	INPUTSTR	INPUT A STRING
E222	-7646	MULT	MULTIPLY
E27A	-7558	MOD	
E28A	-7542	SCRN	RETURN SCRN COLOR
E2B3	-7501	MAINLINE	MAIN COMPILE/EXEC CODE
E36B	-7317	MEMFUL	PRINTS '*** MEM FULL ERR'
E36F	-7313	DELETE	DELETE LINES X-Y
E3C0	-7232	ERRORMESS*	INPUT ERROR MSG
E3CE	-7218	GETCMD	GET KEYBOARD CMD
E3E0	-7200	ERRORMESS	PRNT ERR MSG GOTO MAINLINE
E51B	-6885	HEX/DEC	PRINT VAL(X=LO ACC=HI) 0-65535
E56D	-6803	LINADR	FIND LINE #'S ADDRESS
E5AD	-6739	NEW	
E5B7	-6729	CLR	
E6EC	-6420	BRANCH	GET LO/HI THEN JSR
E6FF	-6401	GETVERB	NEXT VERB TO USE
E715	-6379	GET16BIT	GET A 16-BIT VAL
E736	-6346	NOT	
E74A	-6326	ABS	
E75C	-6308	SGN	
E782	-6270	SUBTRACTION	
E785	-6267	ADDITION	
E7A1	-6236	TAB	
E7C1	-6207	COMMA	
E7E2	-6174	AUTO	AUTO LINE #
E828	-6104	IF/THEN	IF ? THEN ROUTINE
E83C	-6061	GOSUB	
E85B	-6056	GOTO	
E867	-6041	GOLINE	GOTO LINE ADDR IN $C6-C7
E875	-6027	GETNEXT	FETCH NEXT TEXT STATEMENT
E8A5	-5979	RETURN	
E8C3	-5949	STOPPED AT	PRINT 'STOPPED AT LINE #'
E8D6	-5930	NEXT	NEXT END LOOP
E93A	-5830	FOR	FOR INITIAL ENTRY
E950	-5808	TO/FOR	LOOP CNTR # TO # STEP #
EA10-EA87	-5616 -5497	VERBADRL	VERB DISPATCH TAB LO
EA88-EAFF	-5496 -5377	VERBADRH	VERB DISPATCH TBL HI
EB00-EB99	-5376 -5223	MESSTXT	ERROR MESS. TEXT
EBAA	-5206	INPUT	INPUT ROUTINE
EC00-EDFF	-5120 -4609	SYNTABL	SYNTAX TABLE LIST
EE03	-4605	PRNTSTR	PRINT A STRING
EE22	-4574	LEN	
EE34	-4556	GETVAL<255	GET VALUE < 255
EE3F	-4545	PLOT	
EE4E	-4530	COLOR	
EE54	-4524	MAN	
EE57	-4521	VTAB	
EE68	-4504	RNGERR	PRINTS '*** RANGE ERR'
EEA0	-4448	CALL	CALL A ML SUBR
EEB0	-4432	HLIN	
EEC6	-4410	VLIN	
EED9	-4397	PRINT	PRINT ERROR MSG/BELL
EEF6	-4362	PEEK	
EF00	-4352	GETVAL255	GET A VALUE FOR 1 BYTE
EF08	-4344	POKE	
EF10	-4336	DIVIDE	
EF1E	-4322	DIMVARB	DIMENSION A VARIABLE
EF4E	-4274	RND	RANDOM # GENERATOR
EFEC	-4116	RUN	RUN FROM BEGINNING
EFF2	-4110	RUN #N	RUN FROM LINE #
F000	-4096	SCRATCH	SCRATCH EVERYTHING
F04D	-4019	HIMEM	
F0C9	-3895	LOMEM	
F0DF	-3873	LOAD	LOAD A PGM FROM TAPE
F11E	-3810	SETHDR	SETUP HDR FOR SAVE/LOAD PARAM
F12C	-3796	SETBUF	SETUP PGM SAVE/LOAD PARAM
F140	-3776	SAVE	SAVE A PGM TO TAPE
F161	-3743	PRNTERR	PRINT AN ERROR MESS
F167	-3737	POP	
F171	-3727	TRACE	
F176	-3722	NOTRACE	
F17D	-3715	TRACEIT	EXEC TRACE FUNC
F279	-3463	STEP	FOR/NEXT STEP FUNC
F2E0	-3360	NODSP	
F304	-3324	DSP	
F30A	-3318	CON	CONTINUE EXEC
F31D	-3299	ASC	
F33B	-3269	PDL	
F351	-3247	RDKEY	READ AN INPUT
F371	-3215	EXP ^	RAISE TO A POWER
F3C9	-3127	PR#S	
F41A	-3046	IN#S	

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Atari Error Messages

This program, when included in a BASIC program, will display the English language versions of Atari's number-coded error messages.

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Within a few days after putting my Atari computer in operation I wound up with a sore thumb. This was a result of having to continually thumb through the Atari manual to find out the meaning of the latest error message which the Atari was giving me. My threshold of discontent was being depressed lower and lower by the invidious message "ERROR- 12 AT LINE 200", which continually thrust me back to the manual to find out just what I had done wrong. I figured there had to be a better way. There is.

Atari BASIC language is equipped with the very handy 'TRAP' function which you can cause to spring into action every time it encounters an error condition. This command tells the computer to go to the line number immediately following the command (such as TRAP 32000) and continue executing the program at that point. The solution to my problem was simply to direct the computer to a list of error messages with instructions to find the right message, and then print it out on the screen in plain English.

Here's the way it works. The error trapping subroutine is started at line 32500, high enough to be included in most programs without getting in the way of the rest of the program. Way up in the beginning, at the earliest line possible (line 0 is a good place) we enter 'DIM SNAP$(50): TRAP 32500'. This sets up SNAP$ to collect the error messages ('snap', 'trap', — get it? Oh, well...) and instructs the program to

```
2  PRINT "}": REM  CLEARS SCREEN
5  DIM SNAP$(50):TRAP32500
6  REM
7  REM
10  REM  <<< ERROR TRAPPING DEMO >>>
20  REM  <<<  BY DAVID P. ALLEN  >>>
30  REM
40  REM
50  REM
60  REM
70  REM
80  REM  THIS PROGRAM DEMONSTRATES
90  REM  THE PRINTOUT OF ERROR
100  REM  STATEMENTS. THE FOLLOWING
110  REM  LINES ARE DESIGNED TO PRO-
120  REM  DUCE ERRORS. AFTER EACH
130  REM  ERROR, TYPE 'GOTO' PLUS THE
140  REM  THE LINE NUMBER WHERE THE
150  REM  ERROR OCCURRED +10. I.E.,
160  REM  IF THE ERROR MESSAGE SAYS
170  REM  THE ERROR OCCURRED AT LINE
180  REM   220, THEY TYPE 'GOTO 230' TO
190  REM  CONTINUE THE DEMONSTRATION
195  REM
197  REM
200  GOTO 1000
210  NEXT X
220  READ Y
230  SAVE "D2:TEST"
240  PRINT #1,A$
250  PRINT "}": POSITION 5,12
260  PRINT "*** END OF DEMONSTRATION ***"

270  END
326  LIST 32660
32490  REM  <<< ERROR TRAPPING >>>
32491  REM  <<<   SUBROUTINE   >>>
32493  REM
32494  REM
32495  REM  INSERT 'DIM SNAP$(50):
32496  REM  TRAP 32500' AT AN
32497  REM  EARLY LINE NUMBER.
32498  REM
32499  REM
32500 SNAP =  PEEK (195):LNM = 256 *  PEE
K (187) +  PEEK (186): GOSUB SNAP + 32500:
 PRINT "*** ":SNAP$: PRINT "AT LINE ";LNM;"
 ***"
32501 TRAP32500: PRINT " ": END
32502 SNAP$ = "INSUFFICIENT MEMORY": RETU
RN
32503 SNAP$ = "VALUE ERROR": RETURN
32504 SNAP$ = "TOO MANY VARIABLES": RETUR
N
32505 SNAP$ = "STRING LENGTH ERROR": RETU
RN
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proceed at line 32500 whenever it encounters an error condition. Line 32500 takes a PEEK at two locations which find out first what error occurred (SNAP), and where it occurred (LNM). The computer then finds the correct error message and prints it out on the screen.

Line 32501 resets the trap and ends the program, but you can have your program continue. If you replace 'END' with 'INPUT A$: GOTO LNM + 10' your program will pause at the error message while you reflect on the wisdom of what it is telling you, then when you press 'RETURN' the program will jump to the line number that is ten places further down from where the error occurred. To make this work, all your line numbers must be ten numbers apart, and you must 'DIM A$(1)' back in the beginning of the program. If you leave 'END' in place in line 32501, then you must use 'RUN' or some other immediate command to get things going again.

To save this program for inclusion in your future programs, enter lines 32500 through 32761 into memory through your keyboard. If you are going to save the routine on cassette, then set the program recorder up to record and execute 'LIST "C:" ' and the whole nine yards will be saved on your tape in tokenized form. To retrieve it for use in another program execute 'ENTER "C:" ' after cuing up your tape to the right spot for this routine. The error trapping subroutine will then be added to whatever program you have in BASIC memory at that time.

Disk users follow almost the same routine except use 'D:' and a filename where 'C:' is mentioned above. The filename will be the one you use to identify this subroutine on your disk. I use 'ERRSUB.LST' which reminds me that this file was put on the disk with a 'LIST' instead of a 'SAVE'.

That's all there is to it. If you enter the listing contained herein, the line numbers below 32490 will cause a demonstration of the subroutine procedure to be executed. The price you pay for all of this is the use of 1982 bytes of memory. Atari 800 users with 48K of RAM memory will not give this a second thought; Atari 400 users with only 8K will pause and reflect before dedicating almost 2K to the reduction of their irritation. If it fits your program and your memory then try it out. You'll like it.

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32506 SNAP$ = "OUT OF DATA": RETURN
32507 SNAP$ = "ERROR > 32767": RETURN
32508 SNAP$ = "INPUT STATEMENT ERROR": RE
TURN
32509 SNAP$ = "DIM ERROR": RETURN
32510 SNAP$ = "ARGUMENT STACK OVERFLOW":
RETURN
32511 SNAP$ = "FP OVER/UNDERFLOW ERROR":
RETURN
32512 SNAP$ = "LINE NOT FOUND": RETURN
32513 SNAP$ = "NEXT WITHOUT FOR": RETURN

32514 SNAP$ = "LINE TOO LONG": RETURN
32515 SNAP$ = "GOSUB/FOR LINE DELETED": R
ETURN
32516 SNAP$ = "RETURN WITHOUT GOSUB": RET
URN
32517 SNAP$ = "GARBAGE": RETURN
32518 SNAP$ = "INVALID STRING CHARACTER":
 RETURN
32519 SNAP$ = "CAN'T LOAD - TOO LONG": RE
TURN
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32633 SNAP$ = "DEVICE/FILE NOT OPENED": R
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RN
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RROR": RETURN
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EMORY": RETURN
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- I/O ERROR": RETURN
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URN
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RETURN
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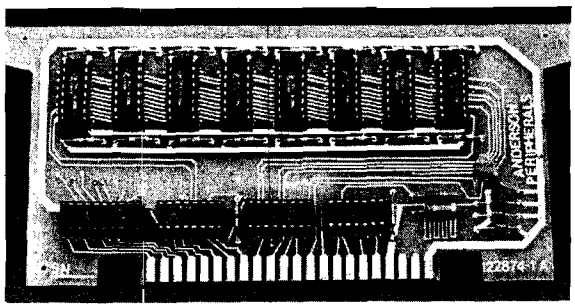

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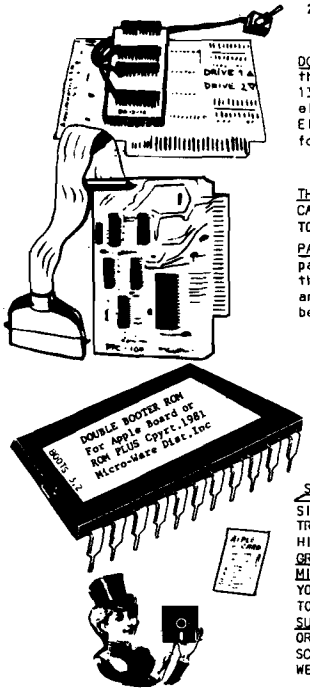

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Introduction to OS-65D V3.3

OS-65 V3.2 was an ultra sophisticated development-oriented operating system. However, several problems kept arising:

1. Output was difficult to format in BASIC.
2. There was no way to trap disk errors in BASIC.
3. Disk file operations were both slow and limited.
4. The nature of the OSI polled keyboard made the use of lower case alphabetics tedious.

OS-65D V3.3 has been designed to eliminate these problems in earlier releases of 65D. In addition, the 65D BASIC line editor has been added as a permanent feature of BASIC. The following describes all the changes that have been made in V3.3. Enjoy!

Compatability

OS-65D V3.3 has the BASIC workspace moved to $3A7E as opposed to $327E on OS-65D V3.2. This change makes no difference whatsoever to the average BASIC programmer. In fact, enhancements to 65D V3.3 allow existing V3.2 files to be both upward and downward compatible to the new system. However, care must be taken when using V3.2 files that contain assembler language subroutines. The subroutines will be transferred, along with the program that contains them, but will be physically relocated in memory and will probably not execute properly, if at all.

Programmable Error Action

In OS-65D V3.3 BASIC, the WAIT command has been replaced by the TRAP function which is used as an "ON ERROR GOTO" (but is easier to type). The TRAP function can be used either in the immediate mode or inside BASIC program and is effective whether a BASIC ERROR or DOS ERROR occurred. For example, consider the following program segment:

```
  10  TRAP 1000
  20  DISK OPEN,6,"DATA"
  30  TRAP 40
  40  INPUT#6,A:B = A/A
  50  PRINT A:END
1000  ?"DISK ERROR":END
```

If a DISK ERROR occurred in line 20, control would be transferred to line 1000. Lines 30 and 40 are used to read the first non-zero number in the file. The TRAP function is disabled by the statement "TRAP0".

Keyboard Driver

The standard OSI polled keyboard driver has been replaced in OS-65D V3.3 by an all new keyboard decoder. The SHIFT LOCK key now acts as a CAP LOCK key and the RUBOUT key actually does delete characters. However, three characters still cause problems. These are listed below along with their keystroke equivalents:

^ - SHIFT N
[- SHIFT K
] - SHIFT M

Note: The SHIFT LOCK key must be depressed when these three characters are typed.

Random Files

OS-65D V3.3 incorporates several improvements in the random file capabilities in OS-65D. First, the DISK GET command has been altered to check which track is currently resident in RAM before actually reading a track. If the GET command determines that this is the tract that is needed, no reread is performed. Thus, the random file access time is up to 48 times faster than in 65D V3.2.

Secondly, a DISK FIND command has been added. The syntax is "DISK FIND,string" where string is any BASIC string variable or quoted literal. The search begins at the current file pointer and will continue through the file. If the string is not found, an ERR#D will be reported (unless the TRAP command is used). If the string is found, the file pointer will be set to the beginning of the *next* field entry. For example:

```
10  DISK OPEN,6,"DATA"
20  DISK GET,10
30  PRINT#6,"HELLO":PRINT#6,"THERE!"
40  DISK GET,0
50  DISK FIND, "HELLO"
60  INPUT#6,A$
70  PRINT A$
```

This program will print out "HELLO!".

Note: The search rate for the FIND command is about 8K/second on 8" systems and 5K/second on mini-floppies.

Printer Drivers

The printer drivers in OS-65D V3.3 (devices 1 and 4) have a programmable paging feature which is enabled by the following:

```
PRINT#LP,CHR$(27);"C";CHR$(FL)
```

where LP is the printer device number and FL is the form length you want. Ten percent of the form length is always reserved for the top and bottom margins. For example,

```
PRINT#1,CHR$(27);"C";CHR$(66)
```

indicates form length of 66 where 60 lines are printed per page and six lines are reserved for the top and bottom margins. Immediately after the form length is set, a top of form is executed. At this time, position the paper in the printer as desired. To print a top of form to the next page, enter

```
PRINT#LP,CHR$(12);
```

The printer drivers also have a screen dump utility which may be used if you have an EPSON MX-80 printer *and* a standard OSI 540 video system. To use this feature, enter

```
PRINT#LP,CHR$(27);"P";
```

OS-65D V3.3 Editor

In OS-65D BASIC, the keyword NULL is replaced by the word EDIT. After the system is booted, immediately type a non-destructive forward and backspace to tell the editor what type of keyboard you are using, (CTRL-L and CTRL-P are the forward space and backspace, respectively, for the OSI keyboards.) The syntax for editing a line is given in table 1.

Table 1

0 = < LN < 64000

EDIT LN < CR > or !LN < CR>	Edit the statement with the line number LN.
EDIT! < CR > or !! < CR >	Edit the same line that was just edited.
EDIT < CR > or ! < CR >	Edit the line immediately following the line that was just edited.

The line with its line number will be displayed following the < CR >. If the line number LN does not exist, the statement with the next line number will be displayed. (Typing EDIT0 or !0 will always give the first line of the program.) After the statement is displayed, the cursor will reside at the end of that line. The commands listed in table 2 are used for the actual line editing.

Table 2

→ /CTRL-L/Forward Space	Non-destructive forward space. Moves the cursor one space to the right.
← /CTRL-H/CTRL-P/Backspace	Non-destructive backspace. Moves the cursor one space to the left.
RUBOUT/DELETE/SHIFT-0	Single character delete. The editor makes the correct delete keys operational as well as the old ones (i.e., the RUBOUT key as well as SHIFT-0 will work on the OSI polled keyboard when the editor is enabled).
@/SHIFT-P	Entry delete. This will erase the line currently being edited, leaving the line in the text as it was before it was edited.
CTRL-R	Non-destructively moves the cursor to the rear of the statement.
CTRL-F	Non-destructively moves the cursor to the front of the statement.
CTRL-I	Non-destructively moves the cursor eight spaces forward (to the right).
CTRL-T	Retypes the statement you are currently editing.
< CR > / < RETURN > / < ENTER >	Enters the line as written or viewed. The line will look (to the BASIC interpreter) as if it were typed in by the user from scratch.

Character insertion and deletions can be accomplished anywhere by using the commands for non-destructive movement of the cursor. After the cursor is positioned, the user can type in insertions or delete unwanted characters. *Note:* Characters are inserted to the left of the character on which the cursor resided. The character on which the cursor resides is deleted until the end of the line is reached, and the characters to the left will be deleted if the cursor resides at the end of a line.

Video Driver

The video driver for 65D has been rewritten in order to provide (X,Y) cursor addressing and more than a dozen screen editing commands. These commands are used by printing CHR$(27), an ASCII ESC, followed by the desired command. For example,

```
PRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(28);
```

clears the video screen and homes the cursor. The rest of the commands are given in table 3.

Table 3

Code	Effect
CHR$(1)	Causes following data to be printed in the color yellow.
CHR$(2);CHR$(n); CHR$(m)	All screen positions marked by color n are changed to color m.

CHR$(5)	Sends the current cursor address through the keyboard driver, i.e.,
	`PRINT CHR$(27); CHR$(5);:INPUT A$`
	then,
	`A$ = CHR$(65 + X) CHR$(65 + Y)`

CHR$(11)	Cursor moves down one line.
CHR$(12)	Cursor moves up one line.
CHR$(15)	Clears from the current cursor position to the end of line.
CHR$(17);CHR$(X): CHR$(Y)	Moves cursor to screen position (X,Y). $0 \leq X < 64$ $0 \leq Y < 24$
CHR$(18)	Moves cursor to the home position, i.e., (0,0) — the upper left-hand corner.
CHR$(19)	Deletes the line the cursor is on. Lines below the cursor scroll up one line.
CHR$(24)	Clears from the current cursor position to the end of the screen.
CHR$(25)	Causes output to be printed in no color (black).
CHR$(26)	Inserts a line at the cursor position. Lines below the cursor scroll down one line.
CHR$(28)	Clears screen and homes cursor.
CHR$(29);CHR$(n)	Clears all occurrences of color n on the screen.
CHR$(31);CHR$(n)	Causes the following data to be printed in the color n.

CHR$(33)	Sends the character at the cursor position through the keyboard driver, e.g.,
	`Print CHR$(27); CHR$(33)`
	`INPUT A$`

Indirect File Problems? Why Not Use a Diskette?

In this section we describe a method for merging two BASIC files under the OS-65D operating system. The procedure uses the disk I/O capabilities of 65D to make your diskette into an indirect file. The following step-by-step procedure can be used to merge two programs. We start with both programs, say PROG1 and PROG2, stored on a diskette.

```
PROG1 N1 = 1 TRACK
40  REM THIS IS PROG1
50  REM
60  REM
70  END

PROG2 N2 = 1 TRACK
10  REM THIS IS PROG1
20  REM
30  REM
40  END
```

1. Load PROG 1 into the workspace

```
DISK!"LOAD PROG1"
```

Enter

```
EXIT
```

The number of tracks necessary to hold PROG1 will be displayed, say N1 tracks. Return to BASIC by entering

```
RE BA
```

Now do the same with PROG2, obtaining its size, N2 tracks.

2. Run the disk utility CREATE and create a file PROG3, N1 + N2 (N3) tracks long, to hold the merged programs. If PROG2 already has enough space, the merged program can be stored as PROG2.

3. The number, N1, of tracks necessary to store PROG1 was determined in step 1. Run CREATE again and make a file called "DATA" with three times N1 tracks for a five inch diskette, and four times N1 tracks for an eight inch diskette. Answer NO to the query about pages per track. Specify four pages per track.

4. Load PROG1 into the workspace

```
DISK!"LOAD PROG1"
```

5. Enter the following POKEs to create a four-page buffer and to disable the scrolling of the screen (the screen will hold the buffer).

```
POKE  8998,0
POKE  8999,208
POKE  9000,0
POKE  9001,212
POKE  9770,0
```

6. Enter on *a single line*

```
DISK OPEN,6,"DATA":DISK!"IO ,22":LIST
```

A listing of the workspace will appear on the screen while PROG1 is being stored in the file DATA.

7. When the listing is finished, reset the I/O pointers and close the file by entering

```
DISK!"IO 02,02":DISK CLOSE,6
```

8. Load PROG2 into the workspace by entering

```
DISK!"LOAD PROG2"
```

9. Reopen the file DATA and merge PROG1 into PROG2 by entering

```
DISK OPEN,6,"DATA":DISK!"IO 20"
```

10. Reset the I/O pointers, close the file, and enable scrolling by entering

```
DISK!IO 02,02":DISK CLOSE,6
POKE 9770,64
```

11. Store the merged file by entering

```
DISK!"PUT PROG3"
```

12. Clean house by rebooting the system.

If each of the programs has a line with the same number, the line in PROG1 will be the one that appears in the merged program.

MERGED PROGRAM PROG3 N3 = 1 TRACK
N1 + N2

```
10  REM THIS IS PROG2
20  REM
30  REM
40  REM THIS IS PROG1
50  REM
60  REM
70  END
```

Note: Line 40 of PROG2 was overwritten.

Finally, by changing the LIST specification in step 6, you can merge any part of a program, or just break up large programs. The uses are unlimited.

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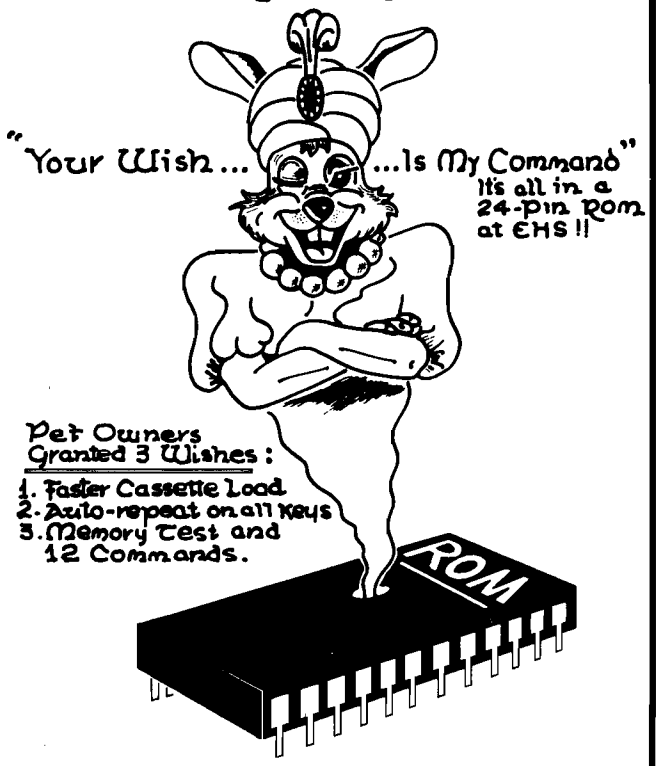

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Or you could buy the OSI C1P for $429, which is a Model 600 with an extra 4K of program RAM in a case with a power supply. A good cassette recorder (not battery operated) is almost essential, and you would do well to arm yourself with additional reference materials which I will describe below.

Now you have a complete computer system which will allow you to write programs in BASIC and/or machine language. You can also run programs which others have written, as long as they were written for the OSI Superboard or C1P. Converting BASIC programs from other machines is sometimes easy, but sometimes almost impossible. For instance, tapes written for other micros probably won't load on the OSI.

Information Resources

As they become more experienced, most beginners notice that there is a lot that can be done with the Superboard that isn't explained or even hinted at in the OSI documentation. Many of the apparent limitations of the board are really only deficiencies in the User's Manual. Of course this is what user's groups are for. There are a few good books available which offer much useful information, both for the beginner and the experienced programmer.

Perhaps the best to start with is Ed Carlson's *OSI BASIC in ROM*. This book, now in its second edition, is written by a C2P/C4P user, but almost everything in the book applies to the Superboard because the same BASIC comes with both machines. Carlson describes the capabilities of BASIC in considerably more detail than the User's Manual and he includes a few things the manual leaves out, like the bugs. Carlson goes into detail on solutions to the infamous Garbage Collector bug (which OSI doesn't even mention). Then he explains how to write good, well-organized BASIC programs and he provides many useful utility programs for clearing the screen (fast), converting hex to decimal, writing monitor format tapes, and so on.

The material on the actual mechanics of the BASIC interpreter is very useful and informative, and gives the key to many clever and efficient ways of writing programs for this machine. Finally, this book has a comprehensive list of publications and vendors of software for the OSI. In short, this is the book every Superboard owner should have alongside his User's Manual.

The next book I recommend for the more experienced user, is Williams and Dorner's *First Book of OSI*, published by Aardvark Technical Services. (Do not confuse this with a book with almost the same title, by Clothier and Adams, published by ELCOMP.) Williams and Dorner provide much of the same information as Carlson, with less introductory material, and more technically sophisticated material. Williams and Dorner's book is not for the beginner, as Carlson's is, so this should be the second book to buy.

The User's Manual does have some good points, namely a good job of printing and production. Of the books I have mentioned, it has the best graphics table and the best hex-to-decimal conversion table. Carlson has the most complete map of BASIC ROM entry points. Williams and Dorner go into more detail on what the ROM routines do.

The *First Book of Ohio Scientific* and *Second Book of Ohio Scientific* by Clothier and Adams contain mostly promotional material reprinted from OSI newsletters and entries from the "Small Systems Journal." Most of the informative material here is also available, and better presented in Carlson's or Williams and Dorner's books.

Unfortunately, that about covers the available books written specifically for the OSI user. In addition to these books, two other sources of information exist: periodicals and plans for sale.

Two of the best periodicals were described last month, the *OSIO Newsletter* and *PEEK(65)*. I also recommend the *Aardvark Journal*, which is now about six issues old. This is a bimonthly journal, published by a leading supplier of software for OSI systems. For more information write to: Aardvark Journal, 1690 Bolton, Walled Lake, Michigan 48088.

There is one other OSI-only publication, the *Independent Newsletter, O. S. I. U. I. N.* put out by Charles Curley at 6061 Lime Ave., #2, Long Beach, California 90806. I have seen only one issue of this, and I don't feel it is enough to judge this relatively young newsletter.

MICRO publishes at least one OSI-related article each month as well as this column. *COMPUTE!* has an "OSI Gazette" and *Kilobaud Microcomputing* runs about four or five OSI-related articles per year.

All of these publications supply short programs and hardware projects of real utility as well as good introductory material.

Finally, it is possible to buy plans and/or kits for various modifications to the Superboard. Ads for these run in MICRO and other publications, and similar plans can be found in the above-mentioned publications. For instance, Video Mods, to increase the number of characters displayed per line, are described in Aardvark #5 (simple), and *PEEK(65)* #11 (complex).

I plan to publish a more complete list of OSI information resources in a future column. I am sure that I have overlooked some newsletters and magazines. I am particularly interested in boards or kits or plans that will: expand the Superboard memory, expand the video display, increase the cassette speed, and provide RS 232 and modem support. Please send catalogs, etc. in care of this column, to ensure your product's inclusion in this list.

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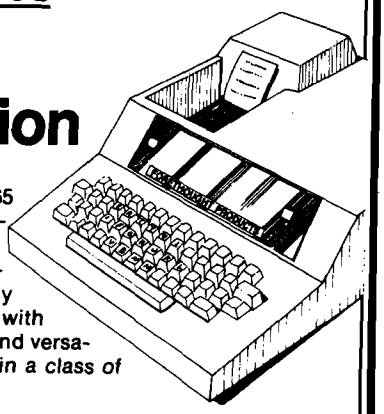

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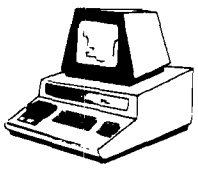

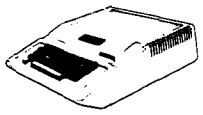

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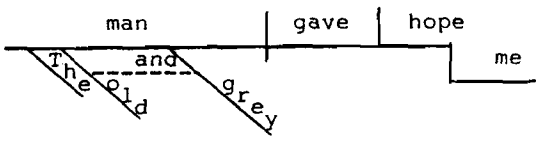

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BASIC Program Converter Between SYM and KIM

This program allows a person to transfer BASIC programs from SYM to KIM or from KIM to SYM without having to spend hours typing in and debugging the programs.

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Have you ever wanted to put somebody's SYM BASIC program on your KIM without spending hours typing the program in and debugging it? Or have you ever wanted to put somebody's KIM program on your SYM? This converter program allows you to easily transfer BASIC programs from SYM to KIM, or from KIM to SYM. It is especially useful for long, 8 to 12K, programs. I used it to transfer a 14K program I call "Monster Combat" from KIM to SYM in roughly half an hour.

Description of BASIC Format

The BASIC format used in the SYM and KIM is as follows. The first two bytes of a program line point to the start of the next line (see diagram). The next two bytes are the line number, and the remaining bytes are BASIC tokens or data in ASCII. A token is one byte (80 to C5 hex) which represents a 2 to 6 letter BASIC word.

Tokens or Data in ASCII Code (Hex)

LO HI	LO HI
Byte	Byte
Next line	Line number
pointer in hex	in hex

The tokens in both SYM and KIM (such as INPUT and PRINT) are the same hex value. For example, on both systems INPUT is 84 in hex, and PRINT is 97 in hex. An example of how a BASIC line is formed is shown in figure 1.

Figure 1

4000	00	14	40	05	00	97	22	48	49	20	54	48	45	52	45	22	3A	88	35
	Pointer to next line			Line number		PR INT	"	H	I	T	H	E	R	E	"	:	GO TO 5		

Comparison of SYM and KIM Systems

KIM begins program storage at 4000 hex, SYM begins storage at 0200 hex. Since the data and the tokens are the same, only the line pointers and actual program location in memory need to be changed. The program can be relocated on SYM by use of the Block Move, "B". On KIM the use of a supplementary monitor such as "XIM" can be used to relocate the program. It's also possible to relocate the program by using the tape load FF function and new address. The regular KIM tape record and playback are the same as the low speed SYM tape record and playback.

The only remaining difference between the two systems is the pointer values. They all need to be changed to reflect the new location in the other system. The BASIC converter program is written to convert all these pointer locations. The BASIC program takes only a few seconds to convert long programs, so speed is not a problem.

Converter Program Description

In both program listings, A is the address where the low byte of the first pointer is located. B is the value found in the address A, and C is the value of the high byte of the pointer. D is set equal to the first hex digit of C, and E is set equal to the other hex digit of C. D, E, and B are then placed in an equation where F becomes the value of the address of the next line pointer. Since only the high byte needs to be changed, the address A+1 is POKEd with a new value. A is then set equal to F and the entire process continues with a new value of the line pointer until two zeros are found in adjacent addresses.

Program Examples

The following is an example of a KIM to SYM conversion. First check addresses 7D and 7E. These are, respectively, the low and the high bytes of the end of the program being transferred. Make a record of these values and make a recording from 4000 hex to the address in those two memory locations at normal record speed. Next the tape is loaded into SYM at slow speed and placed in memory so that it starts at 4000. SYM BASIC is then entered with a J 0 and when Memory Size is asked for, a low value, such as 1500, should be entered. Type in the converter program. Make sure there are no errors and then run the program. Once the program finishes, go back into the monitor, move the program at 4000 hex down to 0200 hex. Take the value in 7D that you noted and subtract 3E hex

from it, and place that number in 7D. Next take the value noted for 7E and place it in 7E. Then set memory locations 87 and 88 to the proper size of your BASIC program area.

Converting from SYM to KIM is similar. Again, check memories 7D and 7E and make a note of them. Make a tape of the program in the SYM's low speed format. Load it into KIM and place it in memory so that it starts at 5000 hex. Then start KIM BASIC and when you are asked for Memory Size, give a low value such as 17000. Type in the conversion program, make sure there are no errors, and run it. When the program finishes, go back to the monitor and move the converted program from 5000 to 4000. Take the value noted for 7D and add 3E hex to it. Take the value noted for 7E, and place it in 7E. Change memory locations 87 and 88 to the proper size of your BASIC program memory. After moving and testing, a final tape dump can be made.

Conclusion

I have used both these conversion programs successfully on several BASIC programs. Any USRs or special I/Os will have to be modified. It should also work on AIM, assuming the tokens are the same. These programs have saved many hours of retyping programs between systems.

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Listing 1

```
5  REM  SYM TO KIM CONVERSION IN BASIC
10 A=20481
15 IFPEEK(A)=0ANDPEEK(A+1)=0THENEND
20 B=PEEK(A):C=PEEK(A+1)
25 D=INT(D/16):E=C-16*D
30 F=4096*D+256*E+B+19968
35 POKEA+1,C+62
40 A=F:GOTO15
45 END
```

Listing 2

```
5  REM  KIM TO SYM CONVERSION IN BASIC
10 A=16385
15 IFPEEK(A)=0AND PEEK(A+1)=0THENEND
20 B=PEEK(A):C=PEEK(A+1)
25 D=INT(C/16):E=C-D*16
30 F=4096*D+256*E+B
35 POKEA+1,C-62
40 A=F:GOTO15
```

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Microbes and Updates

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This month, we offer the following improvements, rather than corrections.

Les Cain, of Grand Junction, Colorado, sent this update to his article in the January issue (32:75): There is a problem with Control C in "Fun with OSI." I apologize to the readers for the oversight in not replacing the Disk control C POKE with the proper ROM POKE. To correct the problem, change the following lines:

```
Line  760 POKE 530,1:K=57088
Line 1710 POKE 530,0:END
Line 1740 POKE 530,0:END
```

Charles F. Taylor, Jr. of Monterey, California, offers the following tip: "Business Dollars and Sense in Applesoft" by Barton M. Bauers, Jr. (MICRO 27:65) was most interesting and useful. Here are a couple of simple changes which will make the routine "Mask" even more useful:

1. "Mask" produces output left-justified in a variable-width field. While this is useful for some applications, it will not do for producing columns of figures. Ideally, the output should be right-justified in a predetermined field width (specified by the user). This can be accomplished by adding lines 16 and 15025 and by modifying line 15110 as shown below:

```
   16 FW = 12 : REM SET FIELD
      WIDTH (5  =FW  =12)
15025 BL$ = "     " : REM 8 BLANKS
15110 XW$ = XV$ + LEFT$(BL$,
      FW-4-LEN(XX$)) + XX$ +
      XZ$
```

Line 16 as shown, produces the maximum allowable field width and is sufficient to handle dollar amounts from $-999,999.99 to $9,999,999.99, which is the range handled by Mr. Bauers' original routine, and which should be adequate for most small applications. (It is certainly adequate for my personal checkbook.) The field width can be changed anywhere in the calling program by assigning the desired value to the variable "FW". Line 15110 as shown left-justifies the leading "$", but this is easily changed.

2. Because of the behavior of the function "INT" (described by Mr. Bauers in his article), the routine as it stands will round fractional cents incorrectly for negative amounts, e.g. -1.009 rounds to -1.00 instead of -1.01. (Fractional cents occur most often when computing percentages.) Here is a simple fix to line 15 which solves the problem:

```
15 DEF FN VL(X) = INT((X +
   SGN(X)*.0001)*100 + .5)
```

John P. Molineaux of Cheverly, Maryland, sent this enhancement: There is always a better way. On reading Frank Chipchase's excellent article on "Better Utilization of Apple Computer Renumber and Merge Program" in the August 1980 issue (27:17), I was struck by the awkwardness of the series of EXEC file POKEs required to configure the A/S-R/N-M program. Machine language is far better than Applesoft at POKEs and it doesn't fill the screen with Applesoft prompt characters (]).

Recall that HIMEM:32352 is equivalent to POKE 115,0:POKE 116,142. Hiding A/S-R/N-M and resetting the &-pointer therefore translates to:

Assembly	Decimal
LDA 0	169 0
STA 115	133 115
STA 1014	141 246,3
LDA 142	169 142
STA 116	133 116
STA 1015	141 247,3
LDA 76	169 76
STA 1013	141 245,3
RTS	96

If this short program is appended to the front of the A/S-R/N-M and the whole mess is BSAVEd as a unit under the name RENUM, then the loading and reconfiguration is quickly achieved by

```
BRUN RENUM
```

Here's how:

1. RUN Apple's RENUMBER from the system disk.

2. POKE in the 20 bytes of the program as follows:

```
POKE 36332,169
POKE 36333,0
POKE 36334,133
POKE 36335,115
POKE 36336,141
POKE 36337,246
POKE 36338,3
POKE 36339,169
POKE 36340,142
POKE 36341,133
POKE 36342,116
POKE 36343,141
POKE 36344,247
POKE 36345,3
POKE 36346,169
POKE 36347,76
POKE 36348,141
POKE 36349,245
POKE 36350,3
POKE 36351,96
```

Of course, the monitor is zippier on this kind of task, if you want to enter the hex equivalents of the decimal POKEs in $8DEC through $8DFF.

3. BSAVE RENUM,A36332,L2068

Notice that an additional 20 bytes spill over onto one more track in the RENUM data set.

This way of saving the program saves a second or two on each run and dispenses with the screenful of empty "]" lines that scoot your last display off the screen. After the BRUN RENUM, the 20-byte program is eventually destroyed the next time an Applesoft string is created.

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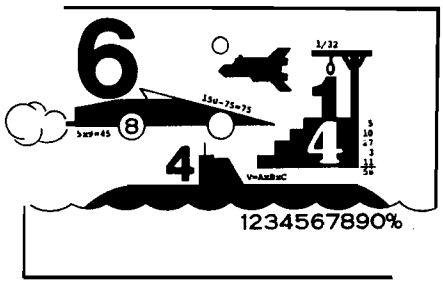

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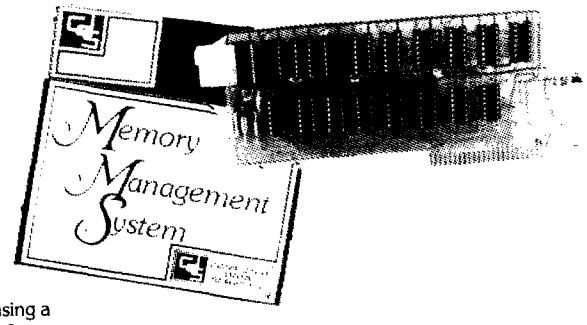

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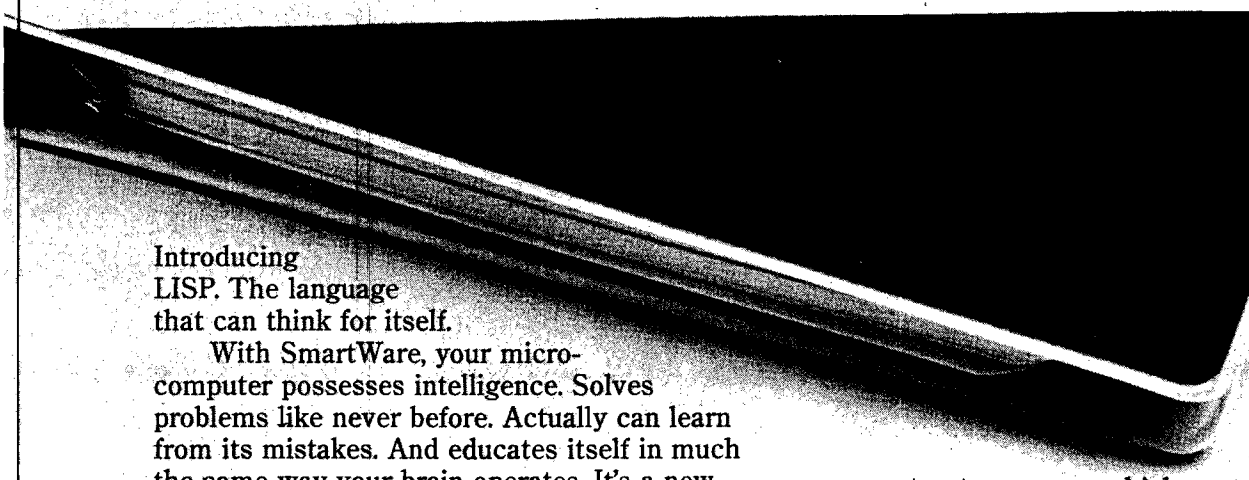

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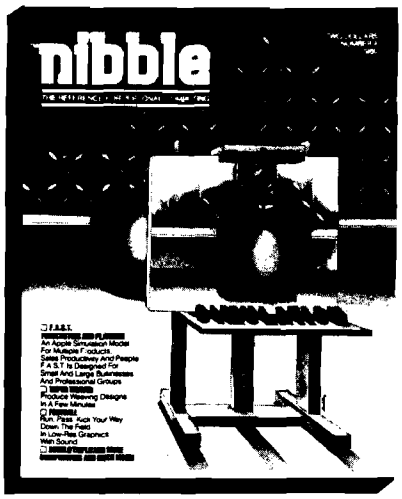

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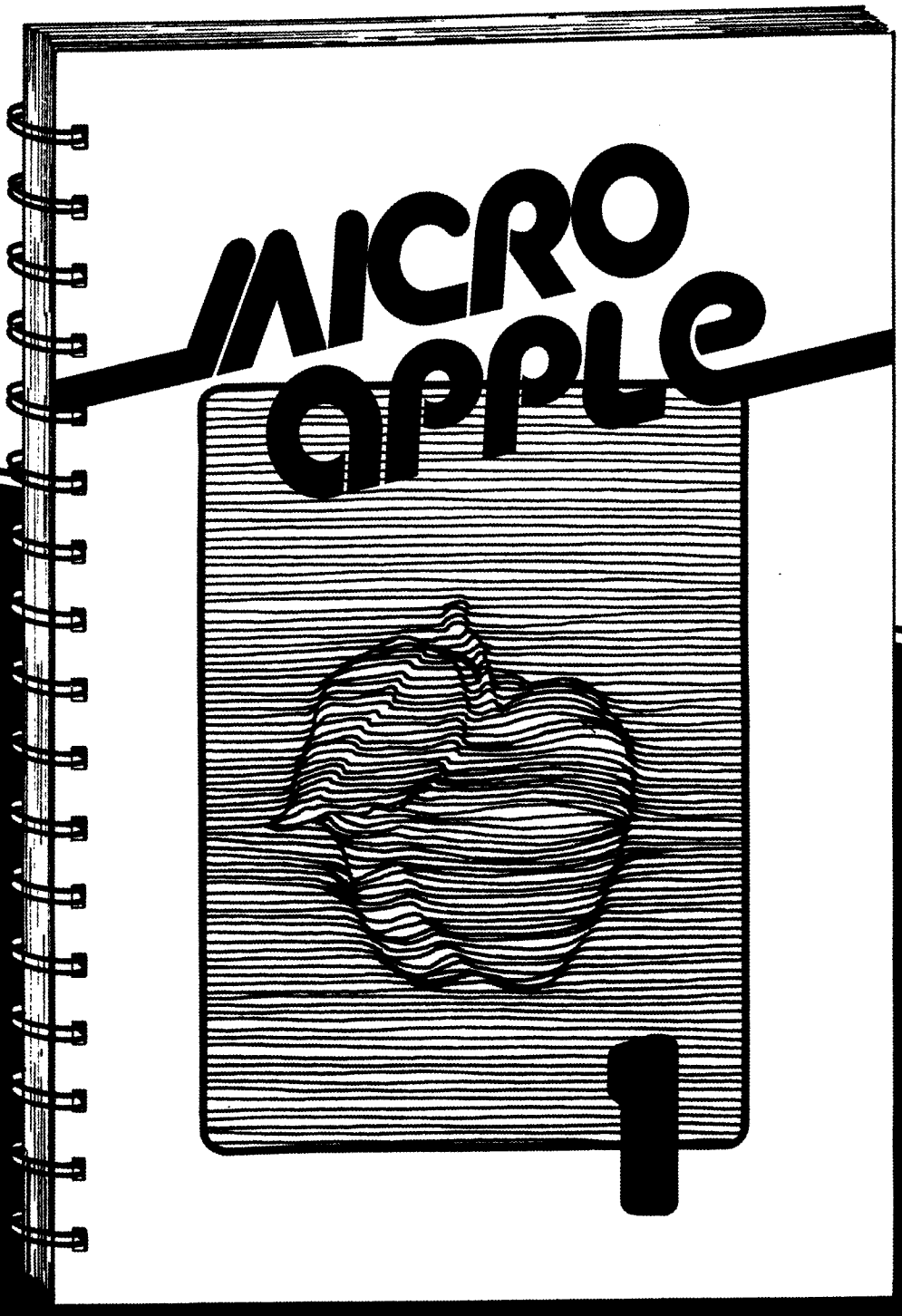

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