grammer's work is ultimately judged on how effectively those rules are implemented in the game without sacrificing playability.

It's even possible to err on the side of authenticity. Starbowl Football, the previous effort from the same company that produced this entry, was too realistic: Tossing and receiving a pass required moving the receiver exactly under the flying ball and pressing the fire button at precisely the right instant-a nearimpossible, frustrating maneuver that took even the most adept joystick maestros a long time to master. Fortunately for the sports-minded, the ball handling techniques in Star League Baseball are more accommodating.

Grandstand Viewpoint

In fact, it's one of the most enjoyable sports simulations ever, offering an unusual perspective on the diamond-the view you'd get if you were sitting up in the grandstands behind first base. Joysticks control the action with logically designed patterns. When you're in the field, the ball can be thrown to any of the infielders by pressing the fire button once and moving the stick in the direction of the base's actual position. The location of the man throwing the ball is irrelevant; this makes it easy to learn and execute the moves.

Hit the button twice to return the ball from any player to the pitcher. When he's got the ball, the same action puts him in pitching mode, and he crouches to look for the catcher's signal. Then you hold the button down and move the stick in one of eight directions, each indicating a different type of pitch, to send the ball flying across the plate. The pitcher has the option of changing his mind by releasing the button. This enables him to try to pick off a base runner who looks eager to steal second or third.



At the start of the game, you select from three pitchers, each with his own specialties, which include sinkers, curves, fast balls, and sliders of varying speeds and height. You're better off holding "Knuckles" in the bullpen as a relief pitcher, though. That's right, there's a seventh inning stretch that allows for this option.

Striking Out

To swing the bat, just press the fire button. In addition to visualizing the ball's trajectory, it helps if you glance at its shadow. The distance between the two provides a fair gauge of whether the ball's high, low, or in the strike zone. A batting practice option is convenient for honing this skill to perfection.

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You can also bunt, and then control the direction in which the ball travels. After each pitch, big block letters display the results (strike, out, ball, home run, etc.) at the top of the screen. When the catcher tosses the ball back to the pitcher, this display is replaced by the number of strikes, balls and outs, the current inning, and other vital information. A scoreboard also appears between innings, posting the runs scored in each inning.

The batter automatically runs to first upon hitting a fair ball, but you'll soon learn that placement-where the ball lands—makes a big difference in whether you get thrown out or not. Infield hits generally result in failure. Hit to the outfield, and you'll have more time to make it to first; the offense gets joystick control of the outfielder nearest the ball, and must race after the ball. He can snare a fly ball by watching its shadow to figure out where it will land.

Stealing Bases

A runner won't advance to the next base unless you move the stick to the right. This allows you to lead off the base, or even steal. But watch out, because it's easy to get caught in a rundown between a pair of infielders. Episodes like this spark genuine excitement when you're playing the computer or a friend, but the two-player games are definitely more fun. Strategy is as important a role as eye-hand coordination, because it pays to figure out the pitcher's pattern. If he just tossed a ball right down the middle and the count's now three and two, will he repeat himself, or try to fake you out with a high slider? You have only split seconds to make the same decisions you would in the batter's box.

The SID chip recreates the smack of a ball connecting with

a piece of ash, or plopping into a leather glove. And you'll hear some familiar ballpark sounds when the bases are loaded or one of the heavy hitters approaches the plate. The crisply defined characters wear clearly recognizable hats, and are well animated when you put them through their paces. It's impossible to forget which player has the ball, because he's always black instead of his team's color of white or yellow. Until you've learned the ropes, taking on the computer is only good for humiliation, but the satisfaction of pulling off a successful double play or hitting a grand slam against a human opponent is infinitely more exhilarating than shooting down a thousand flying saucers from the planet Mongo.

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INSIGHT: Atari

Bill Wilkinson

The assembler listing which accompanies this article is a set of patches to Atari DOS 2.0s. If you own an Atari 1050 drive, these patches will allow you to use it in "enhanced density" mode.

Before we get started with the listing and its explanation, though, let's look at a new tidbit.

Bye-Bye BASIC

Are you an 800XL owner? Do you have an unprotected diskette which boots a machine language program via an AUTORUN.SYS file? Would you like to avoid pushing the OPTION button? Are you willing to follow a few simple steps to do so?

Your 800XL enables and disables the built-in BASIC by changing the contents of location \$D301 (54017). In Atari 400s and 800s, this location is usually used to input the state of joysticks 3 and 4. In an 800XL, this port controls various system hardware configurations.

For example, bit 0 of \$D301 controls whether the OS ROM is active or whether you are using the RAM underneath it. And—guess what—bit 1 of \$D301 controls whether the builtin BASIC is active or not. Specifically, the following table applies:

- Bit 0 = 1 OS ROM enabled
 - 0 OS ROM disabled, RAM enabled
- Bit 1 = 1 Atari BASIC disabled, RAM enabled 0 Atari BASIC enabled

At least one of the other bits in \$D301 is used (to control whether or not the diagnostic ROM is enabled), but the "normal" values for \$D301 are either \$FF (BASIC disabled) or \$FD (BASIC enabled).

No Option Button

So all we need to do is add a couple of instructions to our AUTORUN.SYS file, to select RAM instead of BASIC, and we will no longer have to hold down the OPTION button. For example, we might add:

LDA #\$FF STA \$D301

And, yet, there is an easier way. Remember, Atari LOAD files may consist of multiple segments, each of which starts with a start address and an end address. The entire file starts with a pair of \$FF bytes, but it doesn't hurt if there are

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extra \$FF header bytes in front of other segments.

So consider: If we specify that we have a LOAD file which starts at location \$D301 and ends at location \$D301, the DOS file loader will try to load (and thereby *store*) a single byte at location \$D301. This is equivalent to storing a byte via our program.

Disabling BASIC

So simply use the following steps to modify your AUTORUN.SYS to disable the built-in BASIC:

Under Atari DOS 2.0s:

- 1. Boot your DOS disk while holding down the OPTION button.
- 2. Put the disk containing the AUTORUN.SYS you want to modify into drive 1.
- 3. Use the E option from the DOS menu. When prompted for old and new filenames, respond:

D:AUTORUN.SYS,AUTORUN.OLD

4. Use the K option from the DOS menu. When prompted for filename, starting address, etc., respond:

D:AUTORUN.SYS,D301,D301

 Use the C option from the DOS menu. When prompted for from and to filenames, respond:
 D:AUTORUN.OLD,AUTORUN.SYS/A

Under OS/A + or DOS XL:

- 1. Boot your DOS disk while holding down the OPTION button. If the DOS XL menu appears, use the Q option.
- 2. Put the disk containing the AUTORUN.SYS you want to modify into drive 1.
- 3. Type the command: RENAME AUTORUN.SYS AUTORUN.OLD
- 4. Type the command: SAVE AUTORUN.SYS D301 D301
- 5. Type the command:

COPY - AF AUTORUN.OLD AUTORUN.SYS

And that's it. Your AUTORUN.SYS file should now be ready to use.

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Check The Pointers

Caution! Even though the built-in BASIC is now disabled, HIMEM (the contents of location \$2E5) and RAMTOP (contents of location \$6A) will still reflect the 40K byte configuration where BASIC is present. If your program pays attention to one or both of these two values, it would also be worth performing the following steps:

- 1. Change RAMTOP to reflect the full 48K bytes.
- 2. Close channel zero (the screen editor).
- 3. Open channel zero for the E: device.

These steps will insure that all 48K bytes of accessible RAM are in use by your program. I won't go into how to accomplish these here and now. Write if you would like me to show how to code those steps in machine language.

Coming Attractions

A project related to this, which I hope to implement in an upcoming column, would be an "M:" device driver. Once upon a lifetime ago, in this column, I presented such a driver. It used the "excess" memory (between the top of a BASIC program and the bottom of the graphics screen) as a pseudodevice.

I would like to do the same thing again, but this time use the extra memory under the OS ROMs or under the built-in BASIC as a superfast RAM disk. Stay tuned for further developments.

DOS 2.0s For Enhanced Density 1050s

First, I would like to point out that the task of reconfiguring Atari DOS 2.0s for an enhanced density 1050 is difficult. I would also like to note that it is *extremely* difficult (if not impossible) to finish the task if you have only one drive.

So, may I suggest that you cooperate with a friend and his drive if you have only one of your own. If your friend's drive is an 810 or a non-Atari drive, it should be set up as drive 1. Your 1050 should be set up as drive 2.

Also, you should use an assembler capable of placing its object code directly in memory. (For example, AMAC—the Atari Macro Assembler cannot be used for this job.) This is because loading the DOS-modifier code from a disk will use DOS itself, and you are almost guaranteed to run into conflicts. Atari's Assembler Editor cartridge, the old OSS EASMD, OSS's MAC/65, and (I believe) SYNASSEMBLER will all work properly (though the syntax for SYNASSEMBLER may vary a bit from what I show here).

You should boot a normal Atari DOS 2.0s disk, making sure that you can access a normal single diskette in drive 2 (at least to the point of making sure you can list its directory). Be sure you have at least two (2) blank or junk disks ready and at hand. Then begin.

Patching DOS

Type in the program, as shown herein. You may use automatic line numbering if you wish. Type in just the part from the right of the line numbers. LIST or SAVE the source code to disk and then assemble it. Check it against the listing given here. Do not proceed until you are reasonably sure that you have typed it in and assembled it correctly.

Then change line 1000 to read:

1000 .OPT NOLIST,OBJ

and assemble the code once more. Voilà! DOS has been patched!

But, because DOS's DRVTBL has changed format, you *must* now hit the SYSTEM RESET key. Then give the DOS command from your assembler. Assuming that you get to the DOS menu (and if you don't, you did something wrong), it would probably be a good idea to immediately format (menu option I) a blank disk in drive 1 and write the DOS files (option H).

Implementing Enhanced Density

Now comes the tricky part. The way we have patched DOS 2.0s, DOS automatically checks each drive at power-on (or SYSTEM RESET) time to find its current configuration (single density, double density, or enhanced density). But the 1050 assumes it is in single-density mode unless you have inserted an enhanced-density diskette. So, up until now, DOS thinks it is working with all single-density disk drives. How do we change its mind?

The easy way: Turn your power off, put your BASIC (or BASIC XL) cartridge into your machine, and turn the power back on, thus booting the disk we just formatted and wrote DOS files to. Insert a blank disk into the second drive (your 1050). From BASIC, give the following command:

XIO 254,#1,0,34,"D2:"

If you are a faithful reader, you will recognize that as the format command, given from BASIC. But the 34 in the next-to-last position is new! That's right. As we have patched DOS, a nonzero value given in AUX2 is assumed to be the format command value to be sent to the disk drive. The *only legal values* here are 33 (for single density, à la 810 drives) and 34 (for 1050 enhanced density)!

Now drive 2 contains what we hope is an enhanced-density diskette. Once more, hit SYS-TEM RESET so that DOS will recognize the new density. Then give the DOS command from BASIC. Once in DOS, use the H menu option to write the DOS files to drive 2. If you have performed all these steps correctly, you should now have a bootable enhanced-density diskette in drive 2. You might wish to change your 1050 back to being drive 1 and try to boot from it with this new diskette.

Simpler Commands

The beauty of this system is that, once you have created this one enhanced-density master, you may make new enhanced-density masters by using just the I and H commands from the DOS menu.

There is, however, one potential problem. How do you copy files from an old single-density disk to a new enhanced-density disk? For now, the only practical way is to borrow a second drive and have one of each type of disk on your system. There may be ways around even this problem. We'll see.

Patching Other DOS Versions

The patch program given here will also work on all versions of OS/A + and DOS XL from 1.2 to 2.3 (except that it will *not* patch the DOSXL.SYS versions).

The procedures are almost the same, but it is significantly easier to use a single drive. Try the following if you have only a single disk, on which you boot OS/A+ or DOS XL:

- **1.** Type in, save, and check out the patch listing as described above.
- 2. Hit SYSTEM RESET. If you end up back in an assembler cartridge, type a DOS command.
- **3.** From the D1: prompt, use an INIT command. Or use the I option from the DOS XL menu.
- Use Option 1 (on a blank disk) or 3 (on an existing disk) of INIT. Use Option 4 to return to DOS.
- 5. Insert a BASIC cartridge. Reboot from the disk you just INITed.
- 6. Type the following BASIC command: XIO 254,#1,0,34,"D1:"
- 7. Hit SYSTEM RESET after the formatting is finished. If you are not then in the BASIC cartridge, use the CAR command.
- 8. Type the following BASIC command line: OPEN #1,8,0,"D1:DOS.SYS" : CLOSE #1

The reason the procedure works on a single drive is that neither OS/A+ nor DOS XL requires the DUP.SYS file of Atari DOS. The disk initialization can thus be performed entirely from BASIC.

Patches To Atari DOS 2.0s

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=ØBD	6 128Ø	XFV = SØBD6
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The rest of this listing will appear in "Insight: Atari" next month.

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Attempting to debug a machine language program can sometimes be a trying experience, especially when the program always seems to exit into the twilight zone. And trying to study a program in ROM can be just as frustrating, even with a disassembler (where do branch instructions go?). Here's an excellent programming utility: a singlestepper for Atari, Apple, and all Commodore computers.

Anyone who has ever worked with machine language knows how helpful it can be to be able to single-step through a program. "ML Tracer" allows you to step through a machine language routine one event at a time and print out the contents of all of the microprocessor registers after each instruction. It also allows you to follow all branches, jumps, and returns. The program will display the address, opcode, mnemonic, and operand of each instruction.

Three versions are included. Program 1 runs on all Commodore computers (for the VIC, 8K or more expansion memory is required). Program 2, for the Apple II, is only slightly different from the Commodore version. The Atari version, Program 3, has more substantial changes, but its structure is still quite similar. Since all the versions have the same line numbers, references in this article apply to all versions unless otherwise stated.

When Tracer is run, there will be a tensecond delay while the DATA statements are read. You'll then be asked for the hex address of the ML program you wish to examine. You can change the contents of any register, before each instruction is executed. Press *a* for the accumulator, *x* for the x register, *y* for the y register, *s* for the stack pointer, *p* for the processor status, or *i* for the instruction pointer (program counter). On the Atari, also press RETURN. When you're through loading registers, press RETURN once more to execute the next instruction. Hexadecimal numbers are used for all input and output. If you enter an address as a one-, two-, or three-digit hexadecimal number, zeros will be added on the left to make a four-digit number. If too many digits are entered, the rightmost four digits will be used. The same applies to changing the value in a register. The number that you enter will be converted to a two-digit hexadecimal number using the same rules.

The Execution Subroutine

The program is written mostly in BASIC, but contains two machine language subroutines. The first, the initialization subroutine, copies the lowest three pages (768 bytes) of RAM, which are used by BASIC, to a location above the BASIC program. The other, the execution subroutine, exchanges the two three-page blocks of data and loads all the registers with their saved values, then executes one instruction (which has been POKEd in from BASIC). When the instruction has been executed, the registers are saved and BASIC's original lower three pages of memory are restored.

The same technique was used to identify addressing modes as in my disassembler ("A 6502 Disassembler," COMPUTE!, January 1981, p. 81). Lines 10000–10031 contain four-character extended mnemonics for the 6502's instruction set. The fourth character is a tag code identifying the addressing mode of the instruction. In lines 110–120, the mode is identified and the proper subroutine is called.

There are several instructions which cannot be allowed to actually execute in the machine language subroutine. If any control transfer instructions (JMP, JSR, RTS, RTI, or a conditional branch) were executed, control would not be returned properly to the BASIC program. These instructions are simulated in BASIC instead, so that they appear to execute successfully. The SEI and CLI instructions are ignored, since interrupts are always disabled during the execution subroutine.

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How Does It Work?

The simplest way to see how the program works is to trace through an example. Suppose the instruction LDA #\$20 resides at addresses \$03C0-\$03C1. For this instruction, the extended mnemonic is LDAB, where LDA stands for LoaD Accumulator, and B is the tag code for immediate addressing. The hexadecimal representation for LDA immediate is \$A9, which is equivalent to decimal 169.

Line 50, the top of the main loop, calls the keyboard pause routine at line 7000, which also handles changing registers. In line 55, the variable C is loaded with 169 by PEEKing the memory addressed by B, the instruction pointer. The value of B, 960 in this example, is then converted to hexadecimal characters in line 2000 and PRINTed.

In line 60, NOP instructions are POKEd into the execution routine to take up space after oneor two-byte instructions. The hexadecimal value of the opcode is printed next, and then the mnemonic is retrieved from the array R\$(). (In the Atari version, mnemonics are stored in the string R\$.) If the mnemonic is a blank, this instruction is undefined and an error message is displayed. Otherwise, the standard (three-character) mnemonic is PRINTed, the opcode is POKEd into the execution routine at OP, and the program counter is incremented to 961.

The ASCII code for B is 66, so the ON GOSUB in line 120 transfers control to line 400. Here, the symbol for the addressing mode, #\$ is printed. The one-byte operand routine, at line 3000, PEEKs location 961, pointed to by the program counter. This number is POKEd into OP+1, then converted to hexadecimal and PRINTed. After incrementing the program counter to point to the start of the next instruction, a RETURN is executed at line 3000.

At line 5000, the execution routine is SYSed, CALLed, or USRed depending on which computer you have. The contents of the registers are displayed, and control passes back to line 120. Here, a GOTO 50 takes us back to the top of the loop, where the instruction at \$3C2 will be executed.

Tracing Is Educational Too

You will find that this program is most useful for testing small ML programs, such as those called as subroutines from BASIC. It's also good for examining sections of larger programs when you're not sure how a particular routine works. If you're learning machine language, you'll find that the register display is an enormous help in understanding the effects and side effects of each instruction, especially the bits (flags) of the processor status register.

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Do be careful, though. Any program is vulnerable when dealing with something as powerful as machine language, and this one is no exception. There are more ways to kill a BASIC program from ML than anyone can name in one sitting, so always be conscientious about saving your programs. After you type this one in, SAVE it before you even think about running it. One typographical error could cause the program to erase itself, or at least lock up the computer.

There are also some ML programs that this tracer can't follow, such as those which disconnect the keyboard or video display (whether intentionally or accidentally). If everything is saved on disk or tape (for real security, take the diskette or cassette out of the drive), you can experiment as much as you want, and then if disaster struck all you'd have to do is just turn the computer off and reload the program.

Program 1: Commodore ML Tracer

Refer to the "Automatic Proofreader" article before typing this program in. :rem 167 10 GOSUB6000 35 POKEA, Ø: POKEX, Ø: POKEY, Ø: POKEP, 52: POKES :rem 63 ,255 40 PRINT"START ADDRESS (HEX)";:H\$="C000": :rem 106 INPUTH\$ 45 H\$=RIGHT\$(H\$,4):GOSUB1500:B=D:PRINT"AN Y KEY TO STEP" :rem 9 5Ø GOSUB7ØØØ:D=FRE(Ø) :rem 197 55 PRINT:C=PEEK(B):D=B:GOSUB2000:PRINTH\$" " : :rem 148 :rem 127 6Ø POKEOP+1,234:POKEOP+2,234 7Ø D=C:GOSUB2000:PRINTRIGHT\$(H\$,2)" "; :rem 170 80 IFR\$(C)=""THENPRINT"INVALID OPCODE":PR :rem 229 INT:GOTO35 90 R\$=LEFT\$(R\$(C),3):PRINTR\$" ";:POKEOP,C :rem 175 :B=B+1 100 IFR\$="BRK"THENPRINT:GOTO35 :rem 141 110 U\$=RIGHT\$(R\$(C),1):IFU\$=" "THENGOSUB2 :rem 126 ØØ:GOTO5Ø 120 ONASC(U\$)-64GOSUB300,400,500,600,700, 800,900,1000,1100,1200,1300:GOTO50 :rem 156 199 REM{4 SPACES}>IMPLIED MODE< :rem 42 200 IFR\$="RTS"THENGOSUB4000:B=D:GOSUB4000 :B=D*256+B+1:GOSUB5005:RETURN :rem 42 203 IFR\$ <> "RTI"THEN208 :rem 16 205 GOSUB4000: POKEP, D: GOSUB4000: B=D: GOSUB 4000:B=D*256+B:GOSUB5005:RETURN :rem 204 208 IFR\$="SEI"ORR\$="CLI"THENGOSUB5005:RET :rem 4 URN 210 GOSUB5000:RETURN :rem 242 299 REM{4 SPACES}>ABSOLUTE MODE< :rem 134 300 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB2500 :rem 68 310 IFR\$="JMP"THENB=PEEK(OP+1)+PEEK(OP+2) *256:GOSUB5005:RETURN :rem 34 320 IFR\$ <> "JSR"THEN340 :rem 13 330 B=B-1:D=INT(B/256):GOSUB3500:D=B-INT(B/256)*256:GOSUB3500 :rem 249 335 B=PEEK(OP+1)+PEEK(OP+2)*256:GOSUB5005 :rem 141 : RETURN :rem 246 340 GOSUB5000:RETURN

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399 REM{4 SPACES}>IMMEDIATE MODE<:rem 183 400 PRINT"#\$";:GOSUB3000:GOSUB5000:RETURN :rem 253 499 REM{4 SPACES}>ZERO PAGE MODE <: rem 134 500 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB3000:GOSUB5000:RETURN :rem 219 599 REM{4 SPACES}>ABSOLUTE,X< :rem 232 600 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB2500:PRINT",X";:GOSUB5 ØØØ:RETURN :rem 170 699 REM{4 SPACES}>ABSOLUTE, Y< :rem 234 700 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB2500:PRINT",Y";:GOSUB5 ØØØ:RETURN :rem 172 799 REM{4 SPACES}>(INDIRECT, X)< :rem 46 800 PRINT"(\$";:GOSUB3000:PRINT",X)";:GOSU B5000:RETURN :rem 249 899 REM{4 SPACES}>(INDIRECT), Y< :rem 48 900 PRINT" (\$";:GOSUB3000:PRINT"),Y";:GOSU B5000:RETURN :rem 251 999 REM{4 SPACES}>ZERO PAGE,X< :rem 234 1000 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB3000:PRINT",X";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN :rem 209 1099 REM{3 SPACES}>ZERO PAGE, Y< :rem 19 1100 PRINT"\$";:GOSUB3000:PRINT",Y";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN :rem 211 1199 REM{3 SPACES}>RELATIVE JUMP<:rem 202 1200 PRINT"TO ";:D=PEEK(B):B=B+1:D=D+(D>1 27)*256:D=B+D:B1=D :rem 52 1210 GOSUB2000:PRINT"\$"H\$;:BM=BM(INT(C/64)):BC=BMANDPEEK(P) :rem 254 1220 IFBC=(INT(C/32)AND1)*BMTHENB=B1 :rem 88 1230 GOSUB5005:RETURN :rem 42 1299 REM{3 SPACES}>INDIRECT JUMP<:rem 193 1300 PRINT"(";:GOSUB2500:PRINT")";:B=PEEK (OP+1)+PEEK(OP+2)*256 :rem 118 1310 B=PEEK(B)+PEEK(B+1)*256:GOSUB5005:RE TURN :rem 160 1499 REM{3 SPACES}> HEX TO DEC < :rem 137 1500 D=0:FORI=ITOLEN(H\$):J=ASC(MID\$(H\$,I, 1))-48:D=D*H+J+7*(J>9):NEXT:RETURN :rem 180 1999 REM{3 SPACES}> DEC TO HEX < :rem 142 2000 H\$="":FORI=1TO4:E=INT(D/H):J=D-E*H:H \$=CHR\$(J+48-7*(J>9))+H\$:D=E:NEXT :rem 192 2005 RETURN :rem 167 2499 REM{3 SPACES}> 2BYTE OPERAND < :rem 165 2500 D=PEEK(B+1):POKEOP+2,D:GOSUB2000:PRI NTRIGHT\$(H\$,2);:GOSUB3000:B=B+1:RETU RN :rem 90 2999 REM{3 SPACES}> 1BYTE OPERAND < :rem 169 3000 D=PEEK(B):POKEOP+1,D:GOSUB2000:PRINT RIGHT\$(H\$,2);:B=B+1:RETURN :rem 124 3499 REM{3 SPACES}> PUSH < :rem 119 3500 J=PEEK(S):POKEML+512+J,D :rem 194 3505 IFJ=0THENPRINT:PRINT"WARNING: STACK {SPACE}OVERFLOW": J=256 :rem 114 3510 POKES, J-1: RETURN :rem 57 3999 REM{3 SPACES}> POP < :rem 43 4000 J=PEEK(S):D=PEEK(ML+513+J) :rem 23 4005 IFJ=255THENPRINT:PRINT"WARNING: STAC K UNDERFLOW": J=-1 :rem 221 4010 POKES, J+1: RETURN :rem 51 4999 REM{3 SPACES}> EXECUTE ONE INSTRUCTI ON < :rem 148 5000 SYSML+23 :rem 237 5005 PRINT:FORK=0TO4:D=PEEK(A+K):GOSUB200 :rem 107 5010 PRINTMID\$(" A= X= Y= S= P=", 3*K+1, 3)

;:PRINTRIGHT\$(H\$,2);:NEXT:PRINT:RETU RN :rem 143 5999 REM{3 SPACES}> INITIAL STUFF < :rem 208 6000 ML=2*4096+8*256 :rem 245 6001 A=ML+240:X=A+1:Y=X+1:S=Y+1:P=S+1:H=1 6:0P=ML+92 :rem 239 6002 DIMR\$(255):DIMBM(3):FORI=0TO3:READB: BM(I)=B:NEXT :rem 204 6003 FORT=0TO255:READR\$(T):NEXT :rem 154 6004 READR\$: IFR\$ <> "END" THENPRINT" ERROR IN OPCODES": PRINT "CHECK FOR TYPO'S": EN D :rem 133 6005 I=0:FORT=MLTOML+164:READB:POKET,B:I= I+B:NEXT :rem 128 6008 IFI <> 17737 THENPRINT "ERROR IN ML DATA ":PRINT"CHECK FOR TYPO'S":END:rem 36 6010 SYSML :rem 95 6015 PRINT" {CLR} {7 DOWN} {5 RIGHT} 6502 ML {SPACE}TRACER{4 DOWN}" :rem 163 6020 RETURN :rem 168 6999 REM{2 SPACES}> PAUSE < :rem 189 7000 GETA\$: IFA\$=""THEN7000 :rem 177 IFA\$="I"THEND=B:L=4:GOSUB7100:B=D:GO 7010 **TO7ØØØ** :rem 40 7020 IFA\$="A"THEND=PEEK(A):L=2:GOSUB7100: POKEA, D: GOTO7000 :rem 177 7030 IFA\$="X"THEND=PEEK(X):L=2:GOSUB7100: POKEX, D: GOTO7000 :rem 247 7040 IFA\$="Y"THEND=PEEK(Y):L=2:GOSUB7100: POKEY, D: GOTO7000 :rem 251 7050 IFA\$="S"THEND=PEEK(S):L=2:GOSUB7100: POKES, D: GOTO7000 :rem 234 7060 IFA\$="P"THEND=PEEK(P):L=2:GOSUB7100: POKEP, D: GOTO 7000 :rem 226 7070 RETURN :rem 174 7100 PRINTA\$"=";:GOSUB2000:INPUTH\$:H\$=RIG HT\$(H\$,L):GOSUB1500:RETURN :rem 124 9000 DATA128,64,1,2 :rem 207 10000 DATABRK ,ORAF,,,,ORAC,ASLC,:rem 142 10001 DATAPHP , ORAB, ASL , , , ORAA, ASLA, :rem 112 10002 DATABPLJ, ORAG, ,, ORAH, ASLH, :rem 228 10003 DATACLC ,ORAE,,,,ORAD,ASLD,:rem 133 10004 DATAJSRA, ANDF, ,, BITC, ANDC, ROLC, :rem 244 10005 DATAPLP , ANDB, ROL , , BITA, ANDA, ROLA, :rem 148 10006 DATABMIJ, ANDG, ,, , ANDH, ROLH, :rem 209 10007 DATASEC ,ANDE,,,,AMDD,ROLD,:rem 128 10008 DATARTI , EORF, , , , EORC, LSRC, :rem 191 10009 DATAPHA , EORB, LSR ,, JMPA, EORA, LSRA, :rem 187 10010 DATABVCJ, EORG, ,, EORH, LSRH, :rem 249 10011 DATACLI , EORE, ,, , EORD, LSRD, :rem 163 10012 DATARTS , ADCF, ,, , ADCC, RORC, :rem 138 10013 DATAPLA , ADCB, ROR , , JMPK, ADCA, RORA, :rem 140 10014 DATABVSJ, ADCG, ,, , ADCH, RORH, :rem 211 10015 DATASEI ,ADCE,,,,ADCD,RORD,:rem 118 10016 DATA, STAF,,, STYC, STAC, STXC, :rem 36 10017 DATADEY ,, TXA ,, STYA, STAA, STXA, :rem 192 10018 DATABCCJ, STAG,,, STYH, STAH, STXI, :rem 73 10019 DATATYA ,STAE,TXS ,,,STAD,,:rem 143 10020 DATALDYB, LDAF, LDXB, , LDYC, LDAC, LDXC, :rem 24 10021 DATATAY ,LDAB, TAX ,,LDYA,LDAA,LDXA, :rem 149 10022 DATABCSJ, LDAG, , , LDYH, LDAH, LDXI, :rem 248

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10023 DATACLV , LDAE, TSX ,, LDYD, LDAD, LDXE, :rem 173 10024 DATACPYB, CMPF, ,, CPYC, CMPC, DECC, :rem 250 10025 DATAINY , CMPB, DEX ,, CPYA, CMPA, DECA, :rem 148 10026 DATABNEJ, CMPG, , , , CMPH, DECH, : rem 201 10027 DATACLD , CMPE, ,,, CMPD, DECD, :rem 116 10028 DATACPXB, SBCF, ,, CPXC, SBCC, INCC, :rem 250 10029 DATAINX , SBCB, NOP ,, CPXA, SBCA, INCA, :rem 160 10030 DATABEQJ, SBCG, , , , SBCI, INCI, : rem 199 10031 DATASED ,SBCE,,,,SBCD,INCD,:rem 118 :rem 231 10032 DATAEND 20000 DATA162,0,181,0,157,0,41,189 :rem 167 20001 DATA0,1,157,0,42,189,0,2 :rem 217 20002 DATA157,0,43,232,208,236,96,120 :rem 68 20003 DATA162,0,181,0,168,189,0,41 :rem 172 20004 DATA149,0,152,157,0,41,189,0 :rem 174 :rem 75 20005 DATA1,168,189,0,42,157,0,1 20006 DATA152,157,0,42,189,0,2,168 :rem 180 20007 DATA189,0,43,157,0,2,152,157 :rem 180 20008 DATA0,43,232,208,213,186,138,174 :rem 125 20009 DATA243, 40, 154, 141, 243, 40, 172, 242 :rem 165 20010 DATA40, 174, 241, 40, 173, 244, 40, 72 :rem 62 20011 DATA173,240,40,40,234,234,234,8 :rem 62 20012 DATA141,240,40,104,141,244,40,142 :rem 147 20013 DATA241,40,140,242,40,186,138,174 :rem 167 20014 DATA243,40,154,141,243,40,162,0 :rem 56 20015 DATA181,0,168,189,0,41,149,0 :rem 180 20016 DATA152,157,0,41,189,0,1,168 :rem 179 20017 DATA189,0,42,157,0,1,152,157 :rem 179 20018 DATA0,42,189,0,2,168,189,0 :rem 84 20019 DATA43,157,0,2,152,157,0,43:rem 124 :rem 100 20020 DATA232,208,213,88,96

Program 2: Apple ML Tracer

10	GUSUB 6000
35	POKE A, Ø: POKE X, Ø: POKE Y, Ø:
	POKE P, 52: POKE S, 255
40	PRINT "START ADDRESS (HEX)";:
	INPUT H\$
42	IF H\$ = "" THEN H\$ = "CØØØ"
45	H\$ = RIGHT\$ (H\$,4): GOSUB 150
	Ø:B = D: PRINT "ANY KEY TO S
	TEP"
5Ø	GOSUB 7000:D = FRE (0)
55	PRINT :C = PEEK (B):D = B: GOSUB
	2000: PRINT H\$" ";
60	POKE OP + 1,234: POKE OP + 2,
	234
7Ø	D = C: GOSUB 2000: PRINT RIGHT\$

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(H\$,2)" ";

PO TE RE(C) = "" THEN PRINT "IN
VALID OPCODE": PRINT : GOTO
35
90 RS = LEFTS (RS(C).3): PRINT R
\$" ":: POKE OP, C:B = B + 1
100 IF RS = "BRK" THEN PRINT : GOTO
35
110 US = RIGHT\$ (R\$(C),1): IF U\$
= " " THEN GOSUB 200: GOTO
50
120 ON ASC (US) - 64 GOSUB 300,
400.500.600.700.800.900.1000
,1100,1200,1300: GOTO 50
199 REM >IMPLIED MODE<
200 IF R\$ = "RTS" THEN GOSUB 40
00:B = D: GOSUB 4000:B = D *
256 + B + 1: GOSUB 5005: RETURN
203 IF R\$ < > "RTI" THEN 208
205 GOSUB 4000: POKE P,D: GOSUB
4000:B = D: GOSUB 4000:B = D
256 + B: GOSUB 5005: RETURN
208 IF R\$ = "SEI" OR R\$ = "CLI" THEN
GOSUB 5005: RETURN
21Ø GOSUB 5ØØØ: RETURN
299 REM >ABSOLUTE MODE<
300 PRINT "\$";: GOSUB 2500
310 IF R\$ = "JMP" THEN B = PEEK
(OP + 1) + PEEK (OP + 2) *
256: GOSUB 5005: RETURN
320 IF R\$ < > "J8R" THEN 340
330 B = B - 1:D = INT (B / 256):
GOSUB 3500:D = B - INT (B / C)
256) # 256: GOSUB 3500
335 B = PEEK (OP + 1) + PEEK (O
P + 2) # 256: GOSUB 5005: RETURN
340 GOSUB 5000: RETURN
399 REM >IMMEDIATE MODE<
400 PRINT "#\$";: GOSUB 3000: GOSUB
5000: RETURN
499 REM >ZERU PAGE MUDE
500 PRINT "\$" GUSUB 3000: GUSUB
50001 RETURN
544 REM PABSULUTE, X
600 PRINT "\$" I GUSUB ZODDI FRINT
LOD DEM ARSOLUTE V
744 PRINT "4" COUR 2544. PRINT
" V"., COSUR 5000, RETURN
799 REM >(INDIRECT.X) <
BAG PRINT "(S"II GOSUB 30001 PRINT
", X) "11 GOSUB 50001 RETURN
899 REM >(INDIRECT) .Y
900 PRINT "(\$":: GOSUB 3000: PRINT
") Y"11 GOSUB 50001 RETURN
999 REM >ZERO PAGE.X<
1000 PRINT "\$":: GOSUB 3000: PRINT
".X":: GOSUB 5000: RETURN
1099 REM >ZERO PAGE, Y
1100 PRINT "\$";; GOSUB 3000: PRINT
", Y"; : GOSUB 5000: RETURN
1199 REM >RELATIVE JUMP<
1200 PRINT "TO "; D = PEEK (B):
B = B + 1 D = D - (D > 127) *
256:D = B + D:B1 = D
1210 GOSUB 2000: PRINT "\$"H\$; BM
= BM(INT (C / 64)):BC = INT
(PEEK (P) / BM) BC = BC - 2
\$ INT (BC / 2)
1220 IF BC = (INT (C / 32) - 2 #
INT (C / 64)) THEN B = B1

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1230 GOSUB 5005: RETURN 1299 REM >INDIRECT JUMP< 1300 PRINT "(":: GOSUB 2500: PRINT ")"::B = PEEK (OP + 1) + PEEK (OP + 2) \$ 256 1310 B = PEEK (B) + PEEK (B + 1) \$ 256: GOSUB 5005: RETURN 1499 REM > HEX TO DEC < 1500 D = 0: FOR I = 1 TO LEN (H\$):J = ASC (MID\$ (H\$, I, 1)) -48:D = D * H + J - 7 * (J > 9): NEXT : RETURN 1999 REM > DEC TO HEX < 2000 H\$ = "": FOR I = 1 TO 4:E = INT (D / H):J = D - E # H:H \$ = CHR\$ (J + 48 + 7 # (J > 9)) + H\$:D = E: NEXT 2005 RETURN 2499 REM > 2BYTE OPERAND < 2500 D = PEEK (B + 1): POKE OP + 2, D: GOSUB 2000: PRINT RIGHT\$ (H\$,2);: GOSUB 3000:B = B + 1: RETURN 2999 REM > 1BYTE OPERAND < 3000 D = PEEK (B): POKE OP + 1,D : GOSUB 2000: PRINT RIGHT\$ (H\$,2);:B = B + 1: RETURNREM > PUSH < 3499 3500 J = PEEK (S): POKE ML + 512 + J,D IF J = Ø THEN PRINT : PRINT 3505 "WARNING: STACK OVERFLOW":J = 256 3510 POKE S, J - 1: RETURN 3999 REM > POP < 4000 J = PEEK (S):D = PEEK (ML + 513 + J4005 IF J = 255 THEN PRINT : PRINT "WARNING: STACK UNDERFLOW": J = - 1 4010 POKE S, J + 1: RETURN 4999 REM > EXECUTE ONE INSTRU CTION < 5000 CALL (ML + 23) 5005 PRINT : FOR K = 0 TO 4:D = PEEK (A + K): GOSUB 2000 5010 PRINT MID\$ (" A= X= Y= S= P=",3 * K + 1,3);: PRINT RIGHT\$ (H\$,2);: NEXT : PRINT : RETURN 5999 REM > INITIAL STUFF < 6000 ML = 2 \$ 4096 + 8 \$ 256 6001 A = ML + 240: X = A + 1: Y = X+ 1:S = Y + 1:P = S + 1:H = 16:0P = ML + 92 DIM R\$ (255): DIM BM(3): FOR 6002 $I = \emptyset TO 3$: READ B: BM(I) = B : NEXT 6003 FOR T = 0 TO 255: READ R\$ (T): NEXT 6004 READ R\$: IF R\$ < > "END" THEN PRINT "ERROR IN OPCODES": PRINT "CHECK FOR TYPO'S": END 6005 I = 0: FOR T = ML TO ML + 16 4: READ B: POKE T, B: I = I + B: NEXT IF I < > 17737 THEN PRINT 6008 "ERROR IN ML DATA": PRINT "C HECK FOR TYPO'S": END 6010 CALL ML

6015 HOME : PRINT "6502 ML TRACE R" 6020 RETURN REM > PAUSE < 6999 GET A\$: IF A\$ = "" THEN 700 7000 Ø IF A\$ = "I" THEN D = B:L = 7010 4: GOSUB 7100:B = D: GOTO 70 00 7020 IF A\$ = "A" THEN D = PEEK (A):L = 2: GOSUB 7100: POKE A, D: GOTO 7000 7030 IF A\$ = "X" THEN D = PEEK (X):L = 2: GOSUB 7100: POKE X, D: GOTO 7000 7040 IF A\$ = "Y" THEN D = PEEK (Y):L = 2: GOSUB 7100: POKE Y.D: GOTO 7000 7050 IF A\$ = "S" THEN D = PEEK (S) :L = 2: GOSUB 7100: POKE S, D: GOTO 7000 7060 IF A\$ = "P" THEN D = PEEK (P):L = 2: GOSUB 7100: POKE P, D: GOTO 7000 7065 IF A\$ = CHR\$ (3) THEN STOP 7070 RETURN 7100 PRINT A\$"=":: GOSUB 2000:A\$ = H\$: INPUT H\$: IF H\$ = "" THEN H\$ = A\$7110 H\$ = RIGHT\$ (H\$,L): GOSUB 1 500: RETURN 9000 DATA 128,64,1,2 10000 DATA BRK , ORAF ,,,, ORAC, ASL C, 10001 DATA PHP , ORAB, ASL ,,, ORAA , ASLA, 10002 DATA BPLJ, ORAG, , , , ORAH, ASL н, 10003 DATA CLC , ORAE, ,,, ORAD, ASL D, 10004 DATA JSRA, ANDF, ,, BITC, ANDC , ROLC, 10005 DATA PLP , ANDB, ROL ,, BITA, ANDA, ROLA, 10006 DATA BMIJ, ANDG, , , , ANDH, ROL н, 10007 DATA SEC , ANDE, , , , AMDD, ROL D, 10008 DATA RTI , EORF, , , , EORC, LSR с, 10007 DATA PHA , EORB, LSR ,, JMPA, EORA, LSRA, 10010 DATA BVCJ, EORG, , , , EORH, LSR н, 10011 DATA CLI , EORE, ,, , EORD, LSR D, 10012 DATA RTS , ADCF, , , , ADCC, ROR C, 10013 DATA PLA , ADCB, ROR ,, JMPK, ADCA, RORA, 10014 DATA BVSJ, ADCG, , , , ADCH, ROR н, 10015 DATA SEI , ADCE, ,, , ADCD, ROR D, 10016 DATA ,STAF,,,STYC,STAC,STX 10017 DATA DEY ,, TXA ,, STYA, STAA ,STXA.

10018 DATA BCCJ, STAG, ,, STYH, STAH ,STXI, 10019 DATA TYA ,STAE, TXS ,,, STAD 10020 DATA LDYB, LDAF, LDXB, , LDYC, LDAC, LDXC, 10021 DATA TAY ,LDAB, TAX ,,LDYA, LDAA, LDXA, 10022 DATA BCSJ, LDAG, , , LDYH, LDAH ,LDXI, 10023 DATA CLV ,LDAE, TSX ,,LDYD, LDAD, LDXE, 10024 DATA CPYB, CMPF, ,, CPYC, CMPC , DECC, 10025 DATA INY , CMPB, DEX ,, CPYA, CMPA, DECA, DATA BNEJ, CMPG, , , , CMPH, DEC 10026 н, 10027 DATA CLD , CMPE, , , , CMPD, DEC D, 10028 DATA CPXB, SBCF, ,, CPXC, SBCC , INCC. 10029 DATA INX ,SBCB,NOP ,,CPXA, SBCA, INCA, 10030 DATA BEQJ, SBCG, , , , SBCI, INC Ι, DATA SED , SBCE, , , , SBCD, INC 10031 D, 10032 DATA END DATA 162,0,181,0,157,0,41, 20000 189 20001 DATA 0,1,157,0,42,189,0,2 20002 DATA 157,0,43,232,208,236, 96,120 162, Ø, 181, Ø, 168, 189, 20003 DATA 0,41 DATA 149,0,152,157,0,41,18 20004 9,0 20005 DATA 1,168,189,0,42,157,0, 1 20006 DATA 152,157,0,42,189,0,2, 168 20007 DATA 189,0,43,157,0,2,152, 157 20008 DATA 0,43,232,208,213,186, 138,174 20009 DATA 243,40,154,141,243,40 ,172,242 20010 DATA 40, 174, 241, 40, 173, 244 ,40,72 DATA 173,240,40,40,234,234 20011 ,234,8 DATA 141,240,40,104,141,24 20012 4,40,142 DATA 241,40,140,242,40,186 20013 ,138,174 243, 40, 154, 141, 243, 4 20014 DATA 0,162,0 DATA 181,0,168,187,0,41,14 20015 9,0 DATA 152,157,0,41,189,0,1, 20016 168 DATA 189, Ø, 42, 157, Ø, 1, 152, 20017 157 20018 DATA 0,42,189,0,2,168,189, ø DATA 43, 157, Ø, 2, 152, 157, Ø, 20019 43 20020 DATA 232,208,213,88,96

Program 3: Atari ML Tracer

Refer to the "Automatic Proofreader" article before typing this program in.

- KH 1Ø GOSUB 6000
- P 35 POKE A, Ø: POKE X, Ø: POKE Y, Ø: POK E P, 52: POKE S, 255
- HA 4Ø PRINT "START ADDRESS (HEX)";:I NPUT H\$
- JC 42 I=LEN(H\$)-3:IF I<1 THEN I=1:IF NOT LEN(H\$) THEN H\$="CØØØ"
- EE 45 H\$=H\$(I):GOSUB 1500:B=D:PRINT "HIT RETURN TO STEP"
- MF 5Ø GOSUB 7ØØØ:D=FRE(Ø)
- MP 55 PRINT :C=PEEK(B):D=B:GOSUB 200 Ø:PRINT H\$;" ";
- HP 60 POKE OP+1,234:POKE OP+2,234
- BI 7Ø D=C:GOSUB 2000:PRINT H\$(3);""
- 00 75 D\$=R\$(C*4+1,C*4+3):U\$=R\$(C*4+4 ,C*4+4)
- E0 8Ø IF O\$="(3 SPACES)" THEN PRINT "INVALID OPCODE":PRINT :GOTO 3
- PB 90 PRINT 0\$; " "; : POKE OP, C: B=B+1
- IK 100 IF O\$="BRK" THEN PRINT :GOTO 35
- DE 11Ø IF U\$=" " THEN GOSUB 200:GOTO 50
- JM 12Ø ON ASC(U\$)-64 GOSUB 3ØØ,4ØØ,5 ØØ,6ØØ,7ØØ,8ØØ,9ØØ,1ØØØ,11ØØ, 12ØØ,13ØØ:GOTO 5Ø
- CK 199 REM > IMPLIED MODE <
- CH 200 IF O\$="RTS" THEN GOSUB 4000:B =D:GOSUB 4000:B=D*256+B+1:GOS UB 5005:RETURN
- AN 203 IF 0\$<>"RTI" THEN 208
- MM 205 GOSUB 4000:POKE P,D:GOSUB 400 0:B=D:GOSUB 4000:B=B*256+D:GO SUB 5005:RETURN
- P0 208 IF O\$="SEI" OR O\$="CLI" THEN GOSUB 5005:RETURN
- PC 210 GOSUB 5000: RETURN
- 16 299 REM >ABSOLUTE MODE <
- EE 300 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 2500
- BP 31Ø IF O\$="JMP" THEN B=PEEK(OP+1) +PEEK(OP+2)*256:GOSUB 5005:RE TURN
- AK 320 IF D\$<>"JSR" THEN 340
- PJ 33Ø B=B-1:D=INT(B/256):GOSUB 35ØØ :D=B-INT(B/256)*256:GOSUB 35Ø Ø
- IN 335 B=PEEK(OP+1)+PEEK(OP+2)*256:G OSUB 5005:RETURN
- P6 34Ø GOSUB 5000:RETURN
- LH 399 REM >IMMEDIATE MODE <
- PN 400 PRINT "#\$";:GOSUB 3000:GOSUB 5000:RETURN
- 16 499 REM >ZERO PAGE MODE <
- NL 500 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 3000:GOSUB 5 000:RETURN
- 01 599 REM >ABSOLUTE, X<
- KK 600 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 2500:PRINT "
 ,X";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN
- OK 699 REM >ABSOLUTE,Y< KM 700 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 2500:PRINT " ,Y";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN
- CO 799 REM > (INDIRECT, X) <
- PJ 800 PRINT "(\$";:GOSUB 3000:PRINT
 - ",X)";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN

DA 899 REM > (INDIRECT), Y< PL 900 PRINT "(\$";:GOSUB 3000:PRINT "),Y";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN OK 999 REM >ZERO PAGE, X< NB 1000 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 3000:PRINT ",X";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN BD 1099 REM >ZERO PAGE, YK ND 1100 PRINT "\$";:GOSUB 3000:PRINT ",Y";:GOSUB 5000:RETURN MK 1199 REM >RELATIVE JUMP< D6 1200 PRINT "TO ";:D=PEEK(B):B=B+1 :D=D-(D>127) *256:D=B+D:B1=D PN 1210 GOSUB 2000: PRINT "\$"; H\$;: BM= BM(INT(C/64)):BC=INT(PEEK(P) /BM):BC=BC-2*INT(BC/2) DM 1220 IF BC=(INT(C/32)-2*INT(C/64)) THEN B=B1 CK 1230 GOSUB 5005:RETURN MB 1299 REM >INDIRECT JUMP< AJ 1300 PRINT "(";:GOSUB 2500:PRINT ") ";: B=PEEK(OP+1)+PEEK(OP+2) ¥Ø KA 1310 B=PEEK(B)+PEEK(B+1) \$256: GOSU B 5005:RETURN IJ 1499 REM > HEX TO DEC < ON 1500 D=0:FOR I=1 TO LEN(H\$):J=ASC (H\$(I,I))-48:D=D*H+J-7*(J>9) :NEXT I:RETURN 10 1999 REM > DEC TO HEX < JD 2000 H\$="":FOR I=1 TO 4:E=INT(D/H):J=D-E*H:I\$=H\$:H\$=CHR\$(J+48 +7*(J>9)):H\$(2)=I\$:D=E:NEXT I KH 2005 RETURN KF 2499 REM > 2BYTE OPERAND < IN 2500 D=PEEK(B+1):POKE OP+2,D:GOSU B 2000:PRINT H\$(3);:GOSUB 30 ØØ:B=B+1:RETURN KJ 2999 REM > 1BYTE OPERAND < KP 3000 D=PEEK(B):POKE OP+1,D:GOSUB 2000:PRINT H\$(3);:B=B+1:RETU RN HH 3499 REM > PUSH < MC 3500 J=PEEK(S):POKE ML+512+J,D HC 3505 IF J=0 THEN PRINT :PRINT "WA RNING: STACK OVERFLOW": J=256 N 3510 POKE S, J-1: RETURN CL 3999 REM > POP < BH 4000 J=PEEK(S):D=PEEK(ML+513+J) NN 4005 IF J=255 THEN PRINT :PRINT " WARNING: STACK UNDERFLOW": J= - 1 DD 4010 POKE S, J+1: RETURN JE 4999 REM > EXECUTE ONE INSTRUCTIO N <FJ 5000 POKE 54286,0 LM 5001 D=USR(ML+24) JF 5002 POKE 54286,64 6L 5005 PRINT :FOR K=0 TO 4:D=PEEK(A +K):GOSUB 2000 PRINT REG\$ (3*K+1, 3*K+3); : PRI KO 5Ø1Ø NT H\$(3);:NEXT K:PRINT :RETU RN NA 5999 REM > INITIAL STUFF < MP 6000 ML=6*4096 PC 6020 A=ML+240: X=A+1: Y=X+1: S=Y+1: P =S+1:H=16:OF=ML+94 CB 6030 DIM R\$(1024), H\$(12), I\$(12), O \$(3),U\$(1),REG\$(15),BM(3):FO R I=Ø TO 3:READ B:BM(I)=B:NE XT I BH 6035 REG\$=" A= X= Y= S= P="

EF 6040 FOR T=0 TO 255:READ H\$:IF H\$ ="" THEN H\$="{4 SPACES}" BK 6045 R\$(T*4+1)=H\$:NEXT T HC 6050 READ H\$: IF H\$<>"END" THEN PR INT "ERROR IN OPCODES":PRINT "CHECK FOR TYPO'S":END NH 6060 I=0:FOR T=ML TO ML+166:READ B: POKE T, B: I=I+B: NEXT T CE 6070 IF I<>19457 THEN PRINT "ERRO R IN ML DATA": PRINT "CHECK F OR TYPO'S":END 00 6080 D=USR(ML) MH 6090 PRINT "6502 ML TRACER" KH 6100 RETURN LN 6999 REM > PAUSE < MD 7000 INPUT H\$ CP 7010 IF H\$="I" THEN D=B:L=4:GOSUB 7100:B=D:GOTO 7000 LI 7020 IF H\$="A" THEN D=PEEK(A):L=2 :GOSUB 7100:POKE A,D:GOTO 70 ØØ P0 7030 IF H\$="X" THEN D=PEEK(X):L=2 :GOSUB 7100:POKE X,D:GOTO 70 ØØ IF H\$="Y" THEN D=PEEK(Y):L=2 AC 7Ø4Ø :GOSUB 7100:POKE Y,D:GOTO 70 ØØ PB 7050 IF H\$="S" THEN D=PEEK(S):L=2 :GOSUB 7100:POKE S.D:GOTO 70 ØØ 0J 7060 IF H\$="P" THEN D=PEEK(P):L=2 :GOSUB 7100:POKE P,D:GOTO 70 ØØ KO 7070 RETURN PRINT H\$; "=";: INPUT H\$: I=LEN 0J 71ØØ (H\$)-L+1:IF I<1 THEN I=1:IF NOT LEN(H\$) THEN RETURN BD 7120 H\$=H\$(I): GOSUB 1500: RETURN MP 9000 DATA 128,64,1,2 10 10000 DATA BRK , ORAF, , , , ORAC, ASLC HA 10001 DATA PHP , ORAB, ASL ,,, ORAA, ASLA, 0E 10002 DATA BPLJ, ORAG, , , , ORAH, ASLH IF 10003 DATA CLC , ORAE, , , , ORAD, ASLD PE 10004 DATA JSRA, ANDF, , , BITC, ANDC, ROLC, JE 10005 DATA PLP , ANDB, ROL , , BITA, A NDA, ROLA, NB 10006 DATA BMIJ, ANDG, , , , ANDH, ROLH IA 10007 DATA SEC , ANDE, , , , AMDD, ROLD LP 10008 DATA RTI , EORF, , , , EORC, LSRC LL 10009 DATA PHA ,EORB,LSR ,, JMPA,E ORA, LSRA, PJ 10010 DATA BVCJ,EORG,,,,EORH,LSRH KD 10011 DATA CLI ,EORE,,,,EORD,LSRD IK 10012 DATA RTS ,ADCF,,,,ADCC,RORC IN 10013 DATA PLA , ADCB, ROR , , JMPK, A DCA, RORA, ND 10014 DATA BVSJ, ADCG, , , , ADCH, RORH H6 10015 DATA SEI , ADCE, , , , ADCD, RORD

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CE 10016 DATA , STAF, ,	,STYC,STAC,STXC
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MA	10017	, DATA DEY ,, TXA ,, STYA, STAA,
EJ	10018	DATA BCCJ, STAG, , , STYH, STAH,
IP	10019	DATA TYA ,STAE,TXS ,,,STAD,
BI	10020	, DATA LDYB,LDAF,LDXB,,LDYC,L
		DHL, LDAL,

- JF 10021 DATA TAY ,LDAB, TAX ,,LDYA,L DAA, LDXA.
- PI 10022 DATA BCSJ, LDAG, , , LDYH, LDAH, LDXI,
- KN 10023 DATA CLV ,LDAE,TSX ,,LDYD,L DAD, LDXE,
- PK 10024 DATA CPYB, CMPF, ,, CPYC, CMPC, DECC,
- JE 10025 DATA INY , CMPB, DEX ,, CPYA, C MPA, DECA,
- MJ 10026 DATA BNEJ, CMPG, , , , CMPH, DECH
- HE 10027 DATA CLD , CMPE, , , , CMPD, DECD
- PK 10028 DATA CPXB, SBCF, ,, CPXC, SBCC, INCC,
- DATA INX , SBCB, NOP ,, CPXA, S KA 10029 BCA, INCA,
- MH 10030 DATA BEQJ, SBCG, , , , SBCI, INCI
- H6 10031 DATA SED , SBCE, , , , SBCD, INCD
- 08 10032 DATA END
- DATA 104,162,0,181,0,157,0, KF 20000 97
- FE 20001 DATA 189,0,1,157,0,98,189,0 00 20002 DATA 2,157,0,99,232,208,236 ,96 DP 20003 DATA 120,104,162,0,181,0,16 8,189 IH 20004 DATA 0,97,149,0,152,157,0,9 MH 20005 DATA 189,0,1,168,189,0,98,1 57 EP 20006 DATA 0,1,152,157,0,98,189,0 FL 20007 DATA 2,168,189,0,99,157,0,2 IF 20008 DATA 152, 157, 0, 99, 232, 208, 2 13,186 MB 20009 DATA 138, 174, 243, 96, 154, 141 ,243,96 LJ 20010 DATA 172,242,96,174,241,96, 173,244 FA 20011 DATA 96,72,173,240,96,40,23 4,234 HE 20012 DATA 234, 8, 141, 240, 96, 104, 1 41,244 IL 20013 DATA 96,142,241,96,140,242, 96,186 LN 20014 DATA 138, 174, 243, 96, 154, 141 243,96 LK 20015 DATA 162,0,181,0,168,189,0, 97 LM 20016 DATA 149,0,152,157,0,97,189 ,ø DATA 1,168,189,0,98,157,0,1 FJ 20017 MC 20018 DATA 152, 157, 0, 98, 189, 0, 2, 1 68 MC 20019 DATA 189,0,99,157,0,2,152,1 57

F0 20020 DATA 0,99,232,208,213,88,96 Q

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The Singing Computer

If a computer can speak and can play music, can it sing? This month, I'll try to make the TI sing. First, to make the computer talk you need the TI Speech Synthesizer, a small peripheral device that attaches to the right side of the console. To use the speech synthesizer, you also need a command module that is made to provide speech.

To do your *own* programming with speech, you also need a command module. Right now the modules available are Speech Editor, TI Extended BASIC, and Terminal Emulator II. Terminal Emulator II is the easiest to work with because you can type any word in and the computer will pronounce it phonetically. Speech Editor and Extended BASIC use CALL SAY commands and have limited vocabularies.

I've had several letters from people wondering why certain phrases don't work. To make the computer say a phrase, such as Texas Instruments, use the number sign (SHIFT 3) before the phrase. For example, CALL SAY ("#Texas Instruments").

Unlimited Speech

A bit of history here—the original speech synthesizer was designed to use the words in the Speech Editor and Extended BASIC lists. Inserts were going to be made available that had different vocabularies (that's why some of the speech synthesizers have a lift-up lid). Then the Terminal Emulator II command module was invented, which provides unlimited speech, and inserts to the synthesizer were no longer needed.

Extended BASIC has also gone through at least one revision. I assume there are very few of the original version around because most users exchanged the original module for the second version as soon as they could. The first version did not support repeating keys and was notorious for "locking up" the computer. There were also some problems with using IMAGE statements.

The Terminal Emulator II command module has a dual purpose. In fact, it's called Terminal Emulator II because it is used to make your TI act as a terminal for another computer. For telecommunications you can use your TI-99/4A with an RS-232 Interface and a telephone modem, plus the Terminal Emulator II command module.

Pages 33–42 of the Terminal Emulator II instruction manual describe how to use speech. There are two main ways to use speech, "text-tospeech" and allophone speech. I use the text-to-speech method because all you have to do is spell the text phonetically. The allophone speech can be more exact because you can specify certain sounds. The manual contains a list of allophone numbers with their sounds plus a few sample programs of how to use this method.

Singing Requires Experimentation

Working with speech in a program takes a lot of experimentation. First, you need to try different spellings to get the computer to properly say what you want it to say. Then you can try different inflection symbols, ^, _, and >. These are used to change inflections and stress points, but they can also change the tone of the voice. You can also add different pause symbols for different sounds and contours. These symbols are the comma, period, semicolon, colon, exclamation point, question mark, and space. Finally, you can alter the pitch and slope—this is what I do to make the computer sing.

To create speech, you need the following statement:

OPEN #1:"SPEECH",OUTPUT

You may use any number after the number sign, just as in opening other types of files. Later, when you want the computer to speak, just use a command such as

PRINT #1:"MY NAME IS SINNDY."

The pitch is how high or low the voice sounds and can be a number from 0 through 63. Zero is a whisper, 1 is the highest pitched voice, and 63 is the lowest pitched voice. The slope is the rate at which the pitch changes in a spoken phrase. The slope may be a number from 0 through 255. For the best results, the manual recommends a slope 3.2 times the pitch. There are certain combinations of pitch and slope that will not be accepted. The default values of pitch and slope are 43 and 128. To change the pitch and slope, use the format //xx yyy where xx is the pitch period and yyy is the slope level. There must be a space between the numbers. An example in a program statement would be:

PRINT #1:"//30 96"

Changing The Pitch

The following is a sample program that illustrates how the pitch and slope change the sound of the voice. I am trying different pitches from 0 to 63 (and STEPping by 2 so it won't take forever). The slope S is calculated by taking the recommended factor of 3.2 times the pitch. Remember, you may try different slopes if you prefer. B\$ combines the double slashes with the pitch, a space, and the slope, so line 170 can set the pitch and slope. Line 180 then speaks the phrase.

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100 REM PITCH AND SLOPE
110 CALL CLEAR
120 OPEN #5: "SPEECH", OUTPUT
130 FOR P=0 TO 63 STEP 2
140 S=INT(P*3.2+.5)
150 B$="//"&STR$(P)&" "&STR$(S)
160 PRINT B$
170 PRINT #5:B$
180 PRINT #5:"TRY THIS TEST."
190 NEXT P
200 END
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Since other statements can be executed while a sound is playing, you can play a tone, then say a word. By changing the pitch and slope numbers for the speech, you can make the voice go higher or lower, and program a singing computer.

Remember—I mentioned that working with speech involves a lot of experimentation. Singing takes even more time because there are many parameters that vary with each new tone. After you change the pitch and slope, you can try the inflection symbols and the punctuation marks to vary the voice even more. The TI with Terminal Emulator II can really create synthesized speech that sounds pretty good.

Teaching The ABCs

"Alphabet Song" illustrates simple singing on the computer. However, I did not spend a lot of time fiddling with the program and trying different things to make the speech sound better. You may want to try spelling out the letter as a word, and you may want to add the inflection symbols and punctuation marks. I used different pitches for the singing, but kept the slope numbers just 3.2 times the pitch. You could vary these numbers to get a more human sound and a better singing voice.

My little boy has played a lot with the Early Learning Fun command module. One section teaches the letters of the alphabet, and the child finds the letters on the keyboard. My son is quite proficient at this and knows the names of the letters, but I realized he'd learned them in a random order. Most children learn the alphabet from the ABC song, but I had never sung it to him. I decided I'd let the computer sing it to him.

Lowercase letters are used in the program because my son already knows the capital letters and really needs a little more practice with the lowercase letters. Schoolteachers often recommend learning the lowercase letters right along with the capital letters, and all beginning reading is in lowercase letters.

Lines 120–200 define the lowercase letters. If you have saved the lowercase letters program from my August 1983 column, you can load that program, delete the PRINTing lines, then continue typing this program. If you have any problems running this program, the most likely cause is in typing the data in lines 160–200. Your actual error message will cite line 130 or line 140, but those lines are dependent upon the DATA statements. Do not type a comma at the end of a line.

Extra Option

To hear the singing you will need the TI Speech Synthesizer and the Terminal Emulator II command module. When you turn on the computer with the module plugged in, press any key to start, then press 1 for TI BASIC and program as usual. To run the program without speech, you can select option 2 when the program starts. In this case, you don't need the module or the speech synthesizer.

If you choose no speech, the variable SP will equal 2. All the IF SP=2 THEN ... statements skip over commands that require the Terminal Emulator II module. The CALL SOUND statements play the tune. I used only one note; you may add accompaniment if you'd like. After the tone is played, the letter is sung. The CALL HCHAR or CALL VCHAR statements then place the letter on the screen.

Lines 1880–1910 wait after the song is over until the user presses ENTER, then the song is repeated.

If you prefer to save typing time and effort, you can obtain a copy of this program by sending a \$3 copying fee, a blank cassette or diskette, and a stamped, self-addressed mailer to:

550 PRINT #1:"//27 86"

570 CALL HCHAR(3, 19, 101)

580 CALL SOUND (T, 440, 4)

610 CALL HCHAR (2,23,102)

620 CALL HCHAR (3, 23, 108)

630 CALL SOUND (T#2, 392, 2)

590 IF SP=2 THEN 610

64Ø IF SP=2 THEN 67Ø

650 PRINT #1:"//30 96"

670 CALL HCHAR (3, 27, 97)

690 CALL SOUND (T, 349, 2)

71Ø PRINT #1:"//34 1Ø9"

730 CALL HCHAR(7,6,104)

740 CALL HCHAR (8,6,110)

750 CALL SOUND (T, 349, 4)

780 CALL HCHAR(7,10,105)

790 CALL HCHAR (8, 10, 108)

800 CALL SOUND (T, 330, 2)

820 PRINT #1:"//36 115"

840 CALL HCHAR(7,14,105)

850 CALL HCHAR (8, 14, 108)

860 CALL HCHAR (9, 14, 106)

870 CALL SOUND (T, 330, 4)

900 PRINT #1:"//39 125"

910 CALL HCHAR(7,18,104)

920 CALL HCHAR (8, 18, 107)

930 CALL SOUND (T/2, 294, 1)

960 CALL VCHAR(12, 8, 108, 2)

1000 CALL HCHAR(13, 12, 110)

1010 CALL HCHAR(13,13,109)

1020 CALL SOUND (T/2, 294, 2)

1050 CALL HCHAR(13, 17, 110)

1060 CALL SOUND (T/2, 294, 4)

1090 CALL HCHAR(13,21,111)

1100 CALL SOUND (T*2, 262, 2)

970 CALL SOUND (T/2, 294, 3)

88Ø IF SP=2 THEN 91Ø

940 IF SP=2 THEN 960

980 IF SP=2 THEN 1000

1030 IF SF=2 THEN 1050

1070 IF SP=2 THEN 1090

1110 IF SP=2 THEN 1140

1120 PRINT #1:"//43 128"

114Ø CALL HCHAR(13,25,98)

1160 CALL SOUND (T, 392, 2)

1170 IF SP=2 THEN 1200

1180 PRINT #1:"//30 96"

1200 CALL HCHAR(18,4,97)

1220 CALL SOUND(T, 392, 4)

1230 IF SP=2 THEN 1250

1210 CALL HCHAR(19, 4, 113)

1250 CALL HCHAR(18,8,114)

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1150 CALL HCHAR(14,25,112)

760 IF SP=2 THEN 780

810 IF SP=2 THEN 840

700 IF SP=2 THEN 730

680 CALL HCHAR (4, 27, 103)

560 PRINT #1:"E"

600 PRINT #1: "F"

660 PRINT #1: "G"

720 PRINT #1:"H"

77Ø PRINT #1:"I"

830 PRINT #1:"J"

890 PRINT #1: "K"

950 PRINT #1:"L"

990 PRINT #1: "M"

1040 PRINT #1: "N"

1080 FRINT #1:"0"

1130 PRINT #1:"P"

1190 PRINT #1:"Q"

124Ø PRINT #1:"R"

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Please specify the name of the program and that you need the TI version.

Alphabet Song

- 100 REM ALPHABET SONG
- 110 CALL CLEAR
- 120 FOR C=97 TO 122 13Ø READ C\$
- 140 CALL CHAR(C,C\$)
- 15Ø NEXT C
- 160 DATA 3D4381818181433D, BCC281818 181C2BC, 3C4280808080423C, 000001 Ø101010101,3C4281FF8080423C
- 170 DATA 060908080808083E,010101014 12210,00008080808080808,0000008, Ø8080808088887,8890A0C0A0908884
- 180 DATA Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8Ø8,7884Ø2Ø2Ø 2020202, BCC2818181818181, 3C4281 8181814230,8080808080808,01010101 Ø1Ø1

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190 DATA BCC281808080808, 3C42403C02
    02423C,0000080808087F08,8181818
    18181433D, 414122221414Ø8Ø8, Ø4Ø4
    88885050202
200 DATA 8244281028448282,101020204
    Ø4,7FØ2Ø4Ø81Ø2Ø4Ø7F
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210 T=600
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220 PRINT TAB(8); "ALPHABET SONG"
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- 230 PRINT : : : : "CHOOSE:" 240 PRINT : :"1
- WITH SPEECH" 250 PRINT : "TERMINAL EMULATOR 2 REQ UIRED" 260 PRINT : :"2 NO SPEECH": : 270 CALL KEY(0,K,S)
- 28Ø IF (K<49)+(K>5Ø)THEN 27Ø 290 SP=K-48
- 300 CALL CLEAR
- 310 IF SP=2 THEN 340
- 320 OPEN #1: "SPEECH", OUTPUT
- 33Ø PRINT #1:"//43 128"

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360 PRINT #1:"A"
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- 380 CALL SOUND (T, 262, 4)

400 PRINT #1:"B"

460 PRINT #1:"C"

500 PRINT #1: "D"

- 39Ø IF SP=2 THEN 41Ø
- 370 CALL HCHAR(3,3,97)

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340 CALL SOUND (T, 262, 2)
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350 IF SP=2 THEN 370
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410 CALL HCHAR(2,7,104)

420 CALL HCHAR(3,7,98) 430 CALL SOUND (T, 392, 2)

450 PRINT #1:"//30 96"

470 CALL HCHAR(3,11,99)

480 CALL SOUND (T, 392, 4)

510 CALL HCHAR(2,15,100)

520 CALL HCHAR(3,15,97)

530 CALL SOUND (T, 440, 2)

44Ø IF SP=2 THEN 47Ø

490 IF SP=2 THEN 510

54Ø IF SP=2 THEN 57Ø

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1260 CALL SOUND(T$2,349,2)
127Ø IF SP=2 THEN 1300
1280 PRINT #1:"//34 109"
1290 PRINT #1:"S"
1300 CALL HCHAR(18,12,115)
1310 CALL SOUND (T, 330, 2)
1320 IF SP=2 THEN 1350
1330 PRINT #1:"//36 115"
134Ø PRINT #1:"T"
1350 CALL HCHAR(17,16,116)
1360 CALL HCHAR(18,16,108)
137Ø CALL SOUND (T, 330, 4)
138Ø IF SP=2 THEN 1400
139Ø PRINT #1:"U"
1400 CALL HCHAR(18,20,117)
1410 CALL SOUND (T#2, 294, 2)
1420 IF SP=2 THEN 1460
1430 PRINT #1:"//39 125"
1440 PRINT #1:"V"
1450 PRINT #1:"//30 96"
1460 CALL HCHAR(18,24,118)
147Ø CALL SOUND (T, 392, 2)
1480 IF SP=2 THEN 1500
149Ø PRINT #1: "DUB"
1500 CALL HCHAR(23,10,118)
1510 CALL HCHAR(23, 11, 119)
1520 CALL SOUND(T, 392, 4)
1530 IF SP=2 THEN 1550
154Ø PRINT #1: "BL"
1550 CALL SOUND (T*2, 349, 2)
1560 IF SP=2 THEN 1590
157Ø PRINT #1:"//34 1Ø9"
1580 PRINT #1:"U"
1590 CALL SOUND (T, 330, 2)
1600 IF SP=2 THEN 1630
161Ø PRINT #1:"//36 115"
1620 PRINT #1:"X"
1630 CALL HCHAR(23,15,120)
1640 CALL SOUND(T, 330, 4)
1650 IF SP=2 THEN 1670
1660 PRINT #1: "Y"
167Ø CALL HCHAR(23, 19, 118)
1680 CALL HCHAR(24, 19, 121)
1690 CALL SOUND (T*2, 294, 2)
1700 IF SP=2 THEN 1730
171Ø PRINT #1:"//39 125"
1720 PRINT #1:"Z"
173Ø CALL HCHAR(23,23,122)
174Ø CALL SOUND(T, 262, 2)
1750 CALL SOUND (T, 262, 4)
176Ø CALL SOUND(T, 392, 2)
177Ø CALL SOUND (T, 392, 4)
1780 CALL SOUND (T, 440, 2)
179Ø CALL SOUND (T, 440, 4)
1800 CALL SOUND (T*2, 392, 2)
1810 CALL SOUND (T, 349, 2)
1820 CALL SOUND (T, 349, 4)
1830 CALL SOUND (T, 330, 2)
1840 CALL SOUND(T,330,4)
1850 CALL SOUND(T,294,2)
1860 CALL SOUND (T, 294, 4)
187Ø CALL SOUND(T*4,262,2)
1880 CALL KEY(0,K,S)
1890 IF K<>13 THEN 1880
1900 CALL CLEAR
1910 GOTO 330
1920 END
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64 Searcher

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"64 Searcher" is a time-saving utility that searches through your BASIC program and locates any character or string of characters that you choose. (This is a 64 version of VIC searcher that appeared in COMPUTE!, February 1983.)

When you're working on a long BASIC program, it pays to plan ahead. But it seems that no matter how hard you try, you can't keep track of everything in your program. Can I use H to store the high score, or is that variable already being used for something else? Where is this subroutine called from? You probably end up searching for a certain number or word hidden among scores of program lines.

"64 Searcher" allows you to spend less time searching and more time programming. You simply give it the string of characters to search for and it tells you the numbers of all lines in which the string appears. It can search 100 lines faster than it takes you to search one. It's fast because it's written in machine language. But you don't have to know machine language to use it.

Just LOAD it and RUN it, then LOAD your BASIC program. 64 Searcher doesn't use any BASIC memory, so you can work on your program normally. You can use 64 Searcher at any time by typing 0 followed by the string you want to find enclosed within either slashes or quotes, and hitting RETURN. This stores the string in your program as line 0. If your program already has a line 0, you will have to change that line number because the string must be the first line in the program.

Then type SYS49152 and hit RETURN. Instantly, you should see numbers appear on the screen. These are the line numbers that contain the string you specified. If no match is found, no numbers will be printed. If the string occurs more than once in a line, the line number is printed only once.

Because BASIC commands are stored differently from other characters in a program, there are two ways of specifying the search string. If the string is enclosed within slashes, BASIC commands are recognized as such. If the string is within quotes, it will be treated as a literal string of characters.

For example, to find the BASIC statement AND, line 0 should be:

0 /AND/

After entering SYS49152, 64 Searcher will find the AND in this line:

10 IF X AND Y THEN 50

but not in this line:

20 PRINT "X AND Y"

To find the AND in line 20 above, use quotes instead of slashes.

Remember to delete line 0 before saving or running your program.

64 Searcher

Refer to the "Automatic Proofreader" article before typing this program in.

10 FORI=49152T049255:READJ:K=K+J:POKEI,J: NEXT :rem 66 20 IFK<>16302THENPRINT"ERROR IN DATA STAT 30 PRINT"{CLR}SYS49152 TO SEARCH" :rem 36 100 DATA169,1,133,251,169,8,133,252,160,0 ,177,251,56,229,251,56 :rem 80 110 DATA233,5,141,104,192,233,2,141,105,1 92,160,0,177,251,170,200 :rem 142 120 DATA177,251,240,67,133,252,134,251,16 0,0,177,251,56,229,251,170 :rem 17 130 DATA202,134,2,198,2,165,2,205,104,192 ,48,222,133,253,173,105 :rem 110 140 DATA192,133,254,164,253,177,251,164,2 54,217,5,8,208,229,198,253 :rem 45 150 DATA198,254,208,239,160,2,177,251,170 ,200,177,251,32,205,189,169 :rem 88 160 DATA32, 32, 210, 255, 76, 26, 192, 96 :rem 190 O August 1984 COMPUTE 119 Gwww.commodore.ca

MACHINE LANGUAGE

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Decimal Mode Part 2

Decimal mode is quite useful in arithmetic programming such as game scoring and simple accounting. It has other uses, too—for example, in converting binary numbers to decimal for output. It also has certain bugs, pitfalls, and conventions.

Bugs And Pitfalls

Don't depend on the Zero and Negative (Z and N) flags immediately following a decimal addition (ADC) and subtraction (SBC). If you really need them, perform a data transfer (for example, TAX) to insure the flags are set correctly. The Carry flag is correct and has its usual meaning after the addition or subtraction.

Remember that decimal mode uses only the ADC and SBC instructions. The increment and decrement instructions (INX, INY, INC, DEX, DEY, DEC) behave in binary; and comparisons (CMP, CPX, CPY) are based as usual on binary values.

Programmers using machines with interrupt sequences must be careful of decimal mode. The interrupt can clear decimal mode with CLD (Clear Decimal); when the interrupt code finishes with RTI, the status register will be restored and decimal mode will be reinstated if it was in effect before. On Commodore machines, the interrupt sequences do not include a CLD instruction; in this case, the interrupt should be locked out using a SEI (Set Interrupt Disable) before going into decimal mode.

The VIC-20 and Commodore 64 have a useful feature: Registers may be preset before a SYS call. Addresses \$030C, \$030D, \$030E, and \$030F (decimal 780 to 783) contain values that will be transferred to registers A, X, Y, and the status register at the time of a SYS. When the machine language program returns to BASIC, these same addresses will contain the contents of the respective register. In other words, we could POKE 780,65 followed by a SYS; and the machine language program would start running with a value of \$41 (decimal 65) in the A register.

What does this mean to decimal mode? Here's the possible danger: If the wrong value is contained in address 783, it will be transferred to the status register at the time of a SYS. An uncontrolled value might set decimal mode, or even worse, set the interrupt disable flag. To make things worse, these flags will not be restored when we return to BASIC. They will be neatly stored in 783, but BASIC will resume with the flags in an unworkable state. There goes BASIC.

It's probably wise to leave address 783 alone. If it worries you, POKE 783,0 before giving a SYS command.

Conventions

We can handle fractions in decimal arithmetic. It's best to do this by using an "assumed decimal point." In other words, we will work dollar values as an integer number of pennies, and kilometers as integer values of meters. It's easier to stick in the decimal point at output time.

Negative numbers are a little tricky. We can use a scheme similar to that in binary numbers: That is, the "high bit" of a number represents the sign. This, however, splits positive and negative unevenly: A two-byte number will range from a low of -2000 (value 8000) up to +7999. If you use this method, don't forget that the N flag isn't dependable after an addition or subtraction and that you'll need to take an extra step to test the flag.

A better technique is called "tens complement" and it's been used in many household devices such as counters on tape recorders. We understand that a reading of 9994 really means -6. If we want to use this technique, we might choose to try to split positive and negative more evenly, so that a two-byte number would range from -5000 to +4999. In this case, we must remember not to use the N bit, but instead compare the high byte to 50 hex. If it is higher, the number is negative.

If "tens complement" is used, remember to invert a negative number at the time of printing. I find that the easiest way to do this is to subtract it from 0000 so that 9993 becomes 0007.

Multiplication

To multiply two decimal numbers we are almost forced to resort to repeated addition. As we go from one decimal digit to the next, we must "shift" either the multiplier or the product: This is a binary shift-four-places. It's awkward and we can quickly see why binary is preferred.

There's an elegant way to multiply a decimal number by a binary value, or by a fixed amount. We can use what I call a "decimal shift."

A binary shift multiplies a number by two. We can do the same thing with a decimal number by adding it to itself. Thus, to multiply by two we add the number to itself (in decimal mode). To multiply by four we multiply by two, twice. To multiply by five, we multiply by four and add the original number.

A Multiplication Example

We'll have the computer (PET, VIC, or 64) output a table of multiples of the number 5. (Two would be too easy.)

		; se	t value	to one	
033C A2	01			LDX	#\$01
033E 8E	BO	03		STX	LOW
0341 CA	1			DEX	
0342 8E	B1	03		STX	MED
0345 8E	B2	03		STX	HIGH
0348 8E	B6	03		STX	COUNT
		; co	py the	numbe	r
034B A0	02		LOOP	LDY	#\$02
034D B9	BO	03	CP	LDA	LOW,Y
0350 99	B 3	03		STA	COPY,Y
0353 88				DEY	
0354 10	F7			BPL	CP
		; m	ultiply	by four	
0356 A2	02			LDX	#\$02
0358 18			FP	CLC	
0359 A0	FD			LDY	#\$FD
035B 78				SEI	
035C F8				SED	
035D B9	B3	02	TP	LDA	HIGH-255,Y
0360 79	B3	02		ADC	HIGH-255,Y
0363 99	B3	02		STA	HIGH-255,Y
0366 C8				INY	
0367 D0	F4			BNE	TP
0369 CA				DEX	
036A D0	EC			BNE	FP
		; ad	d origin	al valu	ie
036C A0	FD			LDY	#\$FD
036E 18				CLC	
036F B9	B 3	02	AP	LDA	HIGH-255,Y
0372 79	B6	02		ADC	COPY-253,Y

0375 99	B 3	02		STA	HIGH-255,Y
0378 C8				INY	
0379 D0	F4			BNE	AP
037B D8				CLD	
037C 58				CLI	
		; prin	t the	numbe	r
037D A0	02			LDY	#\$02
037F B9	BO	03	LP	LDA	LOW,Y
0382 4A				LSR	Α
0383 4A				LSR	Α
0384 4A				LSR	Α
0385 4A				LSR	Α
0386 09	30			ORA	#\$30
0388 20	D2	FF		JSR	\$FFD2
038B B9	BO	03		LDA	LOW,Y
039E 29	0F			AND	#\$0F
0390 09	30			ORA	#\$30
0392 20	D2	FF		JSR	\$FFD2
0395 88				DEY	
0396 10	E7			BPL	LP
		; print	RET	URN a	nd loop
0398 A9	0D			LDA	#\$0D
039A 20	D2	FF		JSR	\$FFD2
039D EE	B6	03		INC	COUNT
03A0 AE	B6	03		LDX	COUNT
03A3 E0	07			CPX	#\$08
03A5 D0	A4			BNE	LOOP
03A7 60				RTS	

Note the peculiar addressing in lines 035D to 0363 and again in 036F to 0375. We need to have a positive-incrementing index (in this case Y), since we must start our addition at the loworder value, LOW, and work upwards. We cannot use the obvious method of starting at zero and testing to see when we have done all three values, because we want the carry flag to be preserved; CPY (Compare Y) would destroy the previous value of the carry and our addition wouldn't work right.

If you'd rather enter the program from BASIC, here's the same program in DATA statements. It will work on all Commodore machines.

Multiples Of 5

100	DATA 162, 1, 142, 176, 3, 202, 142, 177 3
110	DATA 142,178,3,142,182,3,160 2
120	DATA 185, 176, 3, 153 179 3 126 16 247
130	DATA 162.2.24.160 253 120 249 105 170
	,2
140	DATA 121.179.2.153 179 2 200 200 244
	202
15Ø	DATA 208,236,160,253,24,185,179,2,121
	,182,2
160	DATA 153,179.2.200.208.244 216 88 160
	,2
17Ø	DATA 185, 176, 3, 74, 74, 74, 74, 9, 48, 32, 21
	0,255
18Ø	DATA 185, 176, 3, 41, 15, 9, 48, 32, 210 255
	136,16
190	DATA 231,169,13,32,210,255,238,182,3
	174,182,3
200	DATA 224,8,208,164,96
300	FOR J=828 TO 935
310	READ X:T=T+X
320	POKE J,X
330	NEXT J
340	IF T<>13479 THEN STOP
350	SYS 828

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64 EXPLORER

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This month we will continue our look at printing characters to a bitmapped display. Last month we looked at a method which transferred a character dot pattern to the bitmapped display. This month we will look at a second method, which *draws* the characters.

Printing Bit By Bit

With the appropriate set of line segments, virtually any character shape can be drawn. The characters do not necessarily have to look like the standard ASCII character set. In addition, you are not restricted to a fixed character cell. Each character can be as complex and as large as you like. For this flexibility, you do lose a few advantages offered by the use of character dot patterns. (It becomes a little more difficult to print in reverse video and will likely take a little longer to print the character when characters are drawn rather than transferred.)

With the drawing method, we will need to make use of a line-drawing routine. For convenience, I will be using the machine language linedrawing routines presented in the May issue of COMPUTE!. However, for use in the example BASIC program which follows, almost any linedrawing routine will suffice. (The one found in COMPUTE!'s earlier "SuperBASIC 64" program could be used if you desire. Some minor modifications to the BASIC program will be required, though.)

To draw a given character in the bitmapped display, we will need some data to define how the character should be drawn. Unlike the transfer method, where the format for such data is already fixed, here we have total freedom to define our own format. The format must specify what line segments should be drawn to form the characters. This means that the data must define the starting and ending coordinates of each line segment. Another thing to note is that the data will need to define these coordinates relative to the previous coordinates. By specifying the next point based on the previous point, the character can be drawn anywhere in the bitmapped display.

To simplify the following discussion, I will use the term "vector" to refer to the line segments which make up a character. Also, I will use the term "vector string" for the data which defines how to draw a character.

One way we could define the format of the data in the vector string is to specify each vector with two pairs of relative coordinates. A single byte could be used for each relative coordinate, which could represent a value from 127 to -128. Thus, four bytes would be required for each vector in the vector string.

Moving Points

As I mentioned in the May column, I prefer to have the *draw* function continue from each previous endpoint. This eliminates the need to specify a new beginning point every time. The catch is that there must be some way of moving the last endpoint without drawing. Assuming we define a way of moving the endpoint for our vector string, then it will be possible to specify a vector using one pair of relative coordinates, rather than two. For this to be an advantage, a fair percentage of the vectors would need to draw from the end of the previous vector. When creating characters from vectors, I believe this will generally be true.

If the characters are not going to be that large, there is another phenomenon: Most of the vectors will be fairly short. Assuming they are typically short enough, we could save more bytes by using one byte to specify a vector. The byte could be split into an upper and lower four bits, with each half able to represent a relative coordinate of 7 to -8. This may not seem like very much, but if the vector isn't too long to be represented by two of these bytes, we haven't lost anything.

Vector Bytes

This isn't the only way to use a single byte to specify a vector. The byte could be split into two parts so that one part specifies a direction and the other a distance. The direction in this case would most likely be a multiple of 45 degrees. This actually works quite well for drawing characters. However, I will go with the format of putting relative coordinates into the byte. I will refer to such bytes as "vector bytes" in the discussion which follows.

Given that the vector has a limited range, we will need to define some way of invoking exceptions to handle the times when the range is exceeded. Also, we still need to define a way of moving instead of drawing, which we will also treat as an exception. One way to do this is to use one of the coordinate values to signal the exception. The other relative coordinate could be used to indicate which exception. Since this uses both halves of the vector byte, the exceptions will require additional bytes.

Now we are ready to get down to specifics. Let's try putting the relative coordinate for X in the upper half of the vector byte. Naturally that means putting the relative coordinate for Y in the lower half. As for a value to signal exceptions, it is most logical to choose a value at an extreme. Since our range is from 7 to -8, -8 would be the best choice. It also would be best to have this value in the upper half of the vector byte. This would cause the exception bytes to fall in the range of 128 to 143. Bytes outside this range will be regular "drawing" vector bytes.

There are four exceptions we will need to deal with initially. These exceptions are for signaling a move, an extended draw, an extended move, and the end of the vector byte string. With the upper half signaling an exception, this leaves the lower half to flag the exceptions.

Also, the numbering of the exceptions will be a little easier if we treat the four bits as unsigned rather than signed. This lets us have values from 0 to 15, instead of 7 to -8. For the exceptions, let's try values of 0, 1, and 2 to select move, extended draw, and extended move, respectively. To mark the end of a vector byte string, let's try 15, to choose an extreme again. The following table summarizes these choices:

Data Formats For Vector Byte String

Byte Bit No. 76543210

Vector Byte

1 | DX | DY | DX = 7 to -7DY = 7 to -8

Move Exception

2 | DX | DY | DX,DY = 7 to -8

Extended Draw Exception

	8	1	= 129	
2	DX		= 127 t	o -128
3	DY			

Extended Move Exception

1	-8	2	= 130
2	I DX		= 127 to -128
3	I DY		= 127 to -128

Drawing Strings Of Characters

Now we are ready to implement the above in a

BASIC program. The result is shown in Program 1. The task of drawing the character has been split into a number of routines. One routine fetches the next vector byte, and another unpacks the relative distances. There is also a separate routine to handle vector byte draws, vector byte moves, extended draws, and extended moves. Finally, there is a routine which draws a character, and which in turn uses that routine to draw a string of characters.

The vector byte data included in Program 1 defines vector byte strings for characters 65 through 90, or A through Z. The vector byte strings will draw the ASCII character corresponding to the character code. The space character is also defined. The vector byte strings are stored in the string array VB\$ and are accessed by using the character code as the subscript into the array. Prior to running the program, it will be necessary to load the line-drawing routines presented in the May column.

Character Rotation

I have included a routine which lets you specify a character rotation in increments of 90 degrees. For drawn characters, the rotation involves simply negating or swapping the relative coordinates specified in a vector byte. Rotating the transferred character pattern is not too difficult provided the cell is square, as it is in our case. Rotating the character to other angles typically won't produce desirable-looking characters, and may be too complex to implement.

The following is a table showing the routines that are available, and what their start address is. define the base location of the second jump table. Here is a list of the routines:

Since this will be the second jump table (to complement the line-drawing jump table), I use J2 to

Loc.	Description

- J2+0 SET PUT CHAR. DATA LOCATION
- J2+3 PUT CHARS. IN BITMAP (TRANSFER METHOD)
- J2+6 SET DRAW CHAR. DATA LOCATION
- J2+9 DRAW CHARS. IN BITMAP
- J2+12 SET ROTATION
- J2+15 NOT USED YET
- J2+18 NOT USED YET
- J2+21 NOT USED YET

The jump vector location of these routines is shown as the variable J2 plus an offset. To obtain the actual address, J2 should be set to the base of the jump table which is 50176 or C400 hex. The following list gives the syntax for using each of the defined routines in the jump table:

SYS J2,LOC

SYS J2+3,CHAR or STRING

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- SYS J2+6,LOC
- SYS J2+9,CHAR or STRING SYS J2+12,ROT

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J2+12,ROT
ROT: 0=NO ROT., 1=90 DEGREES
2=180 DEG., 3=270 DEG.
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Both the put character (J2+3) and draw character (J2+9) will accept either a single character or a string of characters as an argument. If the argument supplied is a numeric value, it will be interpreted as the ASCII value of a single character. If the argument is a string, the entire string will be printed.

The location required by the put character routine should be the base address of the character dot patterns to use. The location required by the draw character routine is the base address of a 256-byte table containing pointers to 128 vector byte strings. The pointers to the vector byte strings are each two bytes, stored as low byte followed by high byte. Use of a table is necessary because the length of each string may vary, making it impossible to calculate the locations of the vector byte strings directly.

Safe Entry

Program 2 will POKE the machine code for the character routines into the proper locations. Like the program which POKEs the line-drawing routines, that last number in each data line is the sum of the previous eight bytes on the line. Provided you don't make two errors which cancel each other, the program will report any lines that have mistakes in them. If there are no detected errors, a SUCCESSFUL LOAD is reported.

Program 3 provides a simple illustration of the use of the character routines. For vector byte data, add the DATA statements shown in Program 1, which will define ASCII characters A through Z, and space. The vector byte data will be placed at the top of BASIC's free RAM, after 1024 bytes of space is reserved from BASIC. You will be able to see the increase in speed over the BASIC routines.

Program 1: Draw Characters In A Bitmap

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Refer to the "Automatic Proofreader" article before typing this
program in.
10 REM DRAW CHARACTERS IN BIT-MAP:rem 212
20 JT=49152:REM DRAWING JUMP TABLE:rem 16
30 DIM VB$(256): REM DIM. STRING ARRAY
                                    :rem 99
40 X=0:Y=0:REM X,Y LOCATION
                                   :rem 125
50 DX=0:DY=0:REM DELTA-X,DELTA-Y :rem 219
                                   :rem 144
60 VB=0:REM VECTOR BYTE
70 VB$="":REM VECTOR BYTE STRING :rem 160
80 VP=0:VL=0:REM PTR INTO VB$, VB$ LEN
                                    :rem 149
                                    :rem 99
90 GOTO 1000
100 REM GET NEXT VECTOR BYTE
                                   :rem 155
                                    :rem 234
110 VP=VP+1:REM BUMP POINTER
                                   :rem 246
120 IF VP>VL THEN VB=0:RETURN
130 VB=ASC(MID$(VB$,VP,1)):REM GET BYTE
                                   :rem 253
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200 REM UNPACK VECTOR BYTE
                                    :rem 63
210 DY=VBAND15: IF DYAND8 THEN DY=DYOR-8
                                    :rem 91
220 DY=VBAND15: IF DYAND8 THEN DY=DYOR-8
                                    :rem 92
230 DX=INT(VB/16): IF DXAND8 THEN DX=DXOR-
                                   :rem 242
24Ø RETURN
                                   :rem 118
300 REM EXECUTE VECTOR BYTE DRAW :rem 191
                                    :rem 57
310 X=X+DX:Y=Y+DY
320 SYS JT+18,X,Y:REM DRAW THE BYTE
                                    :rem 48
                                   :rem 118
330 RETURN
400 REM EXECUTE VECTOR BYTE MOVE :rem 201
410 GOSUB 100:GOSUB 200:REM GET NEXT
                                    :rem 47
                                    :rem 59
420 X=X+DX:Y=Y+DY
430 SYS JT+12, X, Y: REM DO THE MOVE: rem 148
                                   :rem 120
44Ø RETURN
                                   :rem 182
500 REM GET EXTENDED DX AND DY
510 GOSUB 100:DX=VB:REM EXTENDED DX
                                    :rem 93
520 IF DX AND 128 THEN DX=DX OR -128
                                    :rem 61
530 GOSUB 100:DY=VB:REM EXTENDED DY
                                    :rem 97
540 IF DY AND 128 THEN DY=DY OR -128
                                    :rem 66
550 RETURN
                                   :rem 122
600 REM EXECUTE EXTENDED DRAW
                                    :rem 12
                                    :rem 15
610 GOSUB 500: REM GET DX, DY
                                    :rem 61
620 X=X+DX:Y=Y+DY
630 SYS JT+18, X, Y: REM DO THE DRAW: rem 147
                                   :rem 123
650 RETURN
700 REM EXECUTE EXTENDED MOVE
                                    :rem 22
710 GOSUB 500:REM GET DX, DY
                                    :rem 16
720 X=X+DX:Y=Y+DY
                                    :rem 62
730 SYS JT+12, X, Y: REM DO THE DRAW: rem 142
                                   :rem 124
750 RETURN
800 REM DRAW STRING OF VECTOR BYTES
                                   :rem 112
810 VP=0:VL=LEN(VB$):IF VL=0 THEN RETURN
                                   :rem 152
820 IF VP>=VL THEN RETURN
                                   :rem 251
830 GOSUB 100:REM GET NEXT VB
                                   :rem 129
                                    :rem 142
840 GOSUB 200:REM UNPACK
850 IF DX <>-8 THEN GOSUB 300:GOTO 820
                                    :rem 246
860 ON DY+1 GOSUB 400,600,700
                                    :rem 205
                                    :rem 114
870 GOTO 820
                                    :rem 126
900 REM PRINT PŞ
910 FOR PP=1 TO LEN(P$)
                                    :rem 214
920 VB$=VB$(ASC(MID$(P$, PP, 1)))
                                    :rem 181
930 GOSUB 800: REM DRAW THE CHAR.
                                    :rem 45
                                    :rem 246
940 NEXT: RETURN
                                    :rem 240
1000 REM MAIN ROUTINE
                                     :rem 51
1010 GOSUB 10000
1020 SYS JT:SYS JT+6,0:SYS JT+9,6,14
                                     :rem 34
1030 X=10:Y=100:SYS JT+12,X,Y
                                    :rem 137
                                    :rem 234
1040 FOR CH=64 TO 90
                                    :rem 169
 1050 VB$=VB$(CH):GOSUB 800
                                      :rem 6
 1060 NEXT
                                    :rem 100
 1070 X=10:Y=80:SYS JT+12,X,Y
1080 P$="THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF"
                                    :rem 194
1090 GOSUB 900
                                    :rem 227
1100 X=10:Y=60:SYS JT+12,X,Y
                                     :rem 92
1110 P$="PRINTING WITH VECTOR BYTES"
                                    :rem 185
                                    :rem 221
1120 GOSUB 900
 9000 GET Z$:IF Z$="" THEN 9000
                                    :rem 231
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140 RETURN

:rem 117

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9010 SYS JT+3 :rem 197 9020 END :rem 162 10000 REM LOAD VB\$() :rem 2 10010 C=0:READ CH: IF CH<0 THEN RETURN :rem 82 10020 READ VB: IF C>0 THEN C=C-1:GOTO 1008 Ø :rem 221 10030 IF ABS(VB)>7 THEN 10060 :rem 221 10040 READDY:VB=(VB*16+(DYAND15)):rem 137 10050 GOTO 10080 :rem 40 10060 IF VB=143 THEN 10010 :rem 20 10070 IF VB<>128 THEN C=2 :rem 21 10080 VB\$(CH)=VB\$(CH)+CHR\$(VB AND 255) :rem 234 10090 GOTO 10020 :rem 38 11100 REM @ :rem 23 11110 DATA 64,128,3,3,0,1,-1,0,0,-1,3,0 :rem 61 11120 DATA 0,2,-1,1,-3,0,-1,-1,0,-4 :rem 105 11160 DATA 128, -5, 2, 5, 0, 128, 3, -2, 143 :rem 204 11130 DATA 1,-1,3,0,1,1,128,3,-1,143 :rem 180 11140 REM A :rem 28 11150 DATA 65,0,4,2,2,1,0,2,-2,0,-4 :rem 128 11170 REM B :rem 32 11180 DATA 66,0,6,4,0,1,-1,0,-1,-1,-1 :rem 220 11190 DATA -4,0,128,0,-3,4,0,1,1,0,1 :rem 177 11200 DATA -1,1,128,4,-3,143 :rem 64 11210 REM C :rem 28 11220 DATA 67,128,5,5,-1,1,-3,0,-1,-1 :rem 233 11230 DATA 0,-4,1,-1,3,0,1,1 :rem 42 11240 DATA 128,3,-1,143 :rem 90 11250 REM D :rem 33 11260 DATA 68,0,6,3,0,2,-2,0,-2,-2,-2 :rem 225 11270 DATA -3,0,130,8,0,143 :rem 21 11280 REM E :rem 37 11290 DATA 69,0,6,5,0,128,-1,-3,-4,0 :rem 199 11300 DATA 128,0,-3,5,0,128,3,0,143 :rem 149 11310 REM F :rem 32 11320 DATA 70,0,6,5,0,128,-5,-3,4,0 :rem 144 11330 DATA 128,4,-3,143 :rem 93 1134Ø REM G :rem 36 11350 DATA 71,128,5,5,-1,1,-3,0,-1,-1 :rem 232 11360 DATA 0,-4,1,-1,3,0,1,1,0,2,-2,0 :rem 207 11370 DATA 128,5,-3,143 :rem 98 11380 REM H :rem 41 11390 DATA 72,0,6,128,0,-3,5,0,128,0,3 :rem 45 11400 DATA 0,-6,128,3,0,143 :rem 21 11410 REM I :rem 36 11420 DATA 73,128,0,6,2,0,128,-1,0,0,-6 :rem 83 11430 DATA 128,-1,0,2,0,128,3,0,143 :rem 148 11440 REM J :rem 40 11450 DATA 74,128,0,1,1,-1,2,0,1,1,0,5 :rem 24 11460 DATA 128, -1, 0, 2, 0, 128, 3, -6, 143 :rem 202 11470 REM K :rem 44

11480 DATA 75,0,6,128,0,-4,4,4,128,-3,-3 :rem 145 11490 DATA 1,0,3,-3,128,3,0,143 :rem 215 11500 REM L :rem 39 11510 DATA 76,0,6,128,0,-6,5,0,128,3,0,14 3 :rem 242 11520 REM M :rem 42 11530 DATA 77,0,6,3,-3,3,3,0,-6,128,3,0,1 43 :rem 26 1154Ø REM N :rem 45 11550 DATA 78,0,6,5,-5,128,0,5,0,-6 :rem 161 11560 DATA 128,3,0,143 :rem 49 1157Ø REM O :rem 49 11580 DATA 79,128,1,0,-1,1,0,4,1,1,3,0,1, -1 :rem 8 11590 DATA 0,-4,-1,-1,-3,0,128,7,0,143 :rem 29 11600 REM P :rem 44 11610 DATA 80,0,6,4,0,1,-1,0,-1,-1,-1 :rem 214 11620 DATA -4,0,130,8,-3,143 :rem 69 11630 REM Q :rem 48 11640 DATA 81,128,1,0,-1,1,0,4,1,1,3,0,1, -1 :rem 254 11650 DATA 0,-4,-1,-1,-3,0,128,2,1:rem 82 11660 DATA 2,-2,128,3,1,143 :rem 28 11670 REM R :rem 53 11680 DATA 82,0,6,4,0,1,-1,0,-1,-1,-1,-4, Ø :rem 200 11690 DATA 128,2,0,3,-3,128,3,0,143 :rem 161 11700 REM S :rem 48 11710 DATA 83,128,0,1,1,-1,3,0,1,1,0,1,-1 ,1 :rem 251 11720 DATA -3,0,-1,1,0,1,1,1,3,0,1,-1 :rem 205 11730 DATA 128,3,-5,143 :rem 98 1174Ø REM T :rem 53 11750 DATA 84,128,2,0,0,6,128,-2,0,4,0 :rem 45 11760 DATA 128,3,-6,143 :rem 102 1177Ø REM U :rem 57 11780 DATA 85,128,0,6,0,-5,1,-1,3,0,1,1 :rem 83 11790 DATA 0,5,128,3,-6,143 :rem 38 11800 REM V :rem 52 11810 DATA 86,128,0,6,0,-4,2,-2,2,2,0,4 :rem 82 11820 DATA 128,3,-6,143 :rem 99 11830 REM W :rem 56 11840 DATA 87,128,0,6,0,-6,3,3,3,-3,0,6 :rem 94 11850 DATA 128,3,-6,143 :rem 102 11860 REM X :rem 60 11870 DATA 88,0,1,4,4,0,1,128,-4,0,0,-1 :rem 83 11880 DATA 4,-4,0,-1,128,3,0,143 :rem 9 11890 REM Y :rem 64 11900 DATA 89,128,0,6,2,-2,2,2,128,-2,-2 :rem 141 11910 DATA 0,-4,128,5,0,143 :rem 27 11920 REM Z :rem 59 11930 DATA 90,128,0,6,4,0,0,-1,-4,-4,0,-1 :rem 168 11940 DATA 4,0,128,4,0,143 :rem 240 11950 REM SPACE :rem 80 11960 DATA 32,130,8,0,143 :rem 196 11970 DATA -1 :rem 122 Programs 2 and 3 will appear in this column next

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On The Road With Fred D'Ignazio

Are Computers A Home Appliance?

Fred D'Ignazio, Associate Editor

Necessary, Easy, And Inexpensive

In recent columns I have written about a growing consumer awareness that things are not right with the microcomputer industry. Some misleading advertisements have made people buy computers as a home appliance. Unfortunately, the computers have not met some people's expectations, and then ended up gathering dust in the closet.

To be a legitimate home appliance, a product should have three characteristics:

It should be inexpensive.

It should meet a real need.

It should be easy to use.

Let's look closely at each characteristic, and see how computers measure up.

A home appliance should be inexpensive. A low-end computer often appears to be inexpensive, but it turns out to be costly after a person adds the necessary "extras," including a disk drive, a printer, and some basic software.

A home appliance should meet a real need. For example, people use telephones to communicate; TVs for entertainment and news; ovens to cook food; and refrigerators to keep food fresh. But what do people need computers for?

A home appliance should be easy to use. For example, you can pick up a phone, dial seven numbers, and reach another person within seconds. You can push a button on a TV, and the world enters your living room. You can pull down a lever on the toaster oven and get a hot biscuit.

When you turn on the computer, it says, "READY." But it is not really ready. First you

must load in additional software, turn on additional appliances (disk drives, a printer, a modem, etc.), answer questions, and type in additional information. All these cumbersome, time-consuming steps make the computer ready, but they do not make it easy to use.

WASH! Magazine

How do people learn how to use computers?

They might join a user group, ask a kid, or read a computer magazine.

A magazine like COMPUTE! can be a lifesaver for the consumer who has just bought an inexpensive computer. The magazine offers easyto-read tutorials, practical tips, and lots of excellent, affordable software.

Kids can also be helpful. So can user groups. But all this is beside the point. The real question is: Should a home appliance be this difficult to use?

To put this question in perspective, ask yourself how many people would own a washing machine if, to operate it, they had to buy a monthly magazine called *WASH*!, and they had to get help from a washing-machine whiz kid and attend weekly meetings of the Whirlpool User Group?

And how fair is it to our children to assume that they will know how to use a machine that has us puzzled and bewildered?

It is easy for kids to get *intimate* with computers, because they share few of our fears, anxieties, and prejudices about these machines. But it is not nearly as easy for them to get computer *literate*—to be competent computer users and programmers. Nevertheless, we adults now have the misconception that all children take to computers as naturally as ducks to water. But what if our children *don't* take to computers? Does that make them less intelligent or less able than their friends? And where does that leave us?

A Growing Backlash

When millions of people buy a computer, take it home, then discover that it is not going to be inexpensive, that it meets no immediate need, and that it is not always easy to use, how do they feel? Whom do they blame?

Until recently, most people blamed themselves, their families, and their kids. But this is beginning to change. Too many people have been disappointed by computers, and they are talking to their neighbors. The secret is finally out. The fault is not with the consumer. It is with computers themselves—and the companies that make them.

New Consumer Savvy

The computer price wars of 1982–1983 had a disastrous effect on the computer industry and drove many companies out of the market, including Texas Instruments; Mattel, and Timex. In addition, many naive customers were lured by incredibly low prices into buying low-end computers. Unfortunately, the customers had no idea what to do with the computers once they

got them home.

However, in spite of these setbacks, the ultimate effect of the price wars may be positive. Between 1982 and 1984, large numbers of people bought "throwaway" computers, became disgruntled consumers, and described their experiences to their neighbors. The result is that, today, people are a lot more knowledgeable about computers than they were just a year ago.

In fact, people's bad experience with computers and their "sour grapes" reaction have created a mild consumer backlash against computers. The average consumer, in mid-1984, is much more skeptical about computers than he was in 1982 or 1983. He realizes that a good price is not the only thing to look for when choosing a computer for the home. He understands that computers, to be useful, need good software, memory, printers, and disk drives. He realizes that even with all this equipment a computer is *not* a home appliance. On its own it won't guarantee him or his family anything.

The average consumer is returning to the healthier show-me attitude that prevailed before the era of *high-tech chic* that reigned from 1982 and 1984. "Show me real needs that computers meet," the consumer is saying. "Show me a computer with no hidden costs that is useful and simple to operate."

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64 Error Suppression

Tom Nuss

There are times when you don't want error messages (and the resulting interruption) in a program. Here's how to avoid some kinds of system freezes.

While constructing a general graphing program that would handle varied equations, I realized that it would crash when it tried to divide by zero or take the square root of a negative number. Since a graphing program depends on drawing a fairly smooth curve, these two possibilities would definitely occur from time to time in a general program loop that plots. I also found I had to learn machine language to get things to happen before my hair turned gray.

After delving into the BASIC interpreter with my trusty Supermon-64, I discovered that if the accumulator contained a zero after a division, it would branch to the error routine at \$A437, which would jump indirectly (via a vector address in \$300 and \$301) to \$E38B and proceed to print messages and stop the BASIC program.

I soon confirmed that all error messages (at least the ones I tried) went through \$A437, then jumped indirectly by the bytes loaded in \$300 and \$301 to \$E38B. All I had to do was change the contents of \$300 and \$301 to an address pointing to where I would have my own routine that would skip over the error to allow the program to continue.

Back To BASIC

Simple enough, but how to get back in the BASIC program at the right spot once I left? No, not back into the interpreter again; anything but that!

I noticed that just down the page of the memory map at \$A906 was the routine "Scan for next statement." Now that I look back on it, I should have started there. Needless to say, that entry point was the last of the major pieces to the puzzle of skipping the BASIC error handler.

To get down to the mechanics, I have made up a demonstration program to illustrate the method to bypass arithmetic errors. If you type in the program and RUN, you will get the results shown in the figure. AC SR XR YR are the Accumulator, Status, X, and Y registers respectively. Directly beneath them are several series of four numbers and either SYNTAX OK or a variation of F(#) = a number.

Ignoring the first line of eights and SYNTAX OK for the moment, you will notice that line 70 in the program defines the function SQR(4-C+2)/C and that the second line of numbers in the figure is 255 49 14 1. When one has C = -3 in the above equation, mathematicians will shake their heads, and the computer should crash. Why didn't it? In fact it even gave an answer for SQR(-5)/-3 and blithely continued to calculate the rest of the F(C)s from -3 to 3. F(-2), F(-1), F(1), and F(2) give the correct answer, while F(-3), F(0), and F(3) don't.

Remember, our objective is to skip dilemmas like division by zero, so we must first find out if that is what the computer is trying to do. The way to do this is to look at line 10, which POKEs addresses 768 and 769 (\$300 and \$301) with 52 and 3 (or \$34 and \$03). These are the bytes indirectly used to tell the error routine where to go after it finds an error; normally these bytes contain the address \$E38B, but line 10 changes this to address 820 decimal (\$334). This is where our machine language routine is POKEd by line 20. Line 230 changes things back to normal after the program is finished. For those of you who wish to see the disassembled machine language routine, here it is: STA \$FB PHP PLA STA \$FC STX \$FD STY \$FE PHA PLP LDA \$FB JMP \$A906

The above routine is only used when there is an error. Locations 251–254 (\$FB–\$FE) are loaded with eights at the start (line 10) and loaded again each time through the loop that calculates F(C). However, if an error occurs in line 150, the error routine will load locations 251–254 with the contents of the registers at the time of the error and then continue with the next BASIC line. Line 160 prints out the contents of the registers and F(C). Thus the contents of 251–254 change only when an error occurs.

So, now the program doesn't crash; it just gives erroneous results, and that should also be avoided. Type in:

185 IF PEEK(252)> = 48 THEN PRINT:GOTO 200

RUN the program again and there should be blanks where F(-3), F(0), and F(3) are involved. In other words, by PEEKing 252 and by comparing it to 48 we have skipped the errors; nothing has been printed, saved, recorded, or crashed. Only the proper numbers are still able to be used.

So much for mathematics. What if we define the function wrongly? LIST the program and change line 70 to: DEFFNF(C) = SQR(4 – C+2/C and RUN. If all is not well you should see a line of four numbers, not eights, a SYNTAX ERROR (70) and line 70. Our error routine kicked in and in line 100 checked location 252 to see if it was less than 112 and told you about the error in syntax. This is really no advantage over the regular system, but if you are using the dynamic keyboard method to enter your DEFFNF(C) (see "Bootmaker for VIC, PET, and 64," COMPUTE!, May 1983), this routine would come in mighty handy.

Errors That Get Through

It should be pointed out that there is a potential problem with this routine. Change line 70 to DEFFNF(C) = SRR(4–C \pm 2)/C. Errors galore, but they weren't caught. Why not? I wish I knew. Please, not the BASIC interpreter again. All I can say is that in an instance like this you will, on most occasions, be able to tell there is an error and that the error is being caused by the DEFFN statement. Also, before including this specific Syntax Error routine in a program of your own, you should try putting a multiply sign (*) before the SQR in line 70 and then RUN. As you can see, the computer locks up. The only way to correct this situation is to turn the power off and reload

the program. Weigh the advantages of including the Syntax Error routine described here against the very obvious disadvantage of system lockup. To sum up:

1. POKE 768 and 769 (\$300, \$301) with the address of your machine language routine that will handle the BASIC errors. In the example presented here, 52 and 3 are POKEd, for location 820 (\$334).

2. The error handling routine loads byte 252 (\$FC) and provides the jump address to "Scan for next statement" at \$A906 so you can reenter your program.

3. Check byte 252 (Status Register during an error) to see if it is greater than or equal to 48 for a mathematical error or 112 for a syntax error.

4. Take the appropriate action either to save an answer or to skip it.

5. POKE 768 and 769 with 139 and 227 respectively to restore the normal error vector address (\$E38B). This is important since the computer won't be able to function in the immediate mode.

Error Suppression

1Ø	POKE768, 52: POKE769, 3: FORC=ØTO3: POKE251
	+C,8:NEXTC :rem 108
2Ø	FORC=ØTO16:READD:POKE820+C,D:NEXTC
	:rem 58
3Ø	FORC=ØTO17:PRINTCHR\$(96);:NEXTC:PRINTC
	HR\$(105) rem 51
40	PRINT" AC"; TAB(5); "SR"; TAB(10); "XR"; TA
r a	B(15); "YR "; CHR\$(125) :rem 122
שכ	FORCI=0T038:PRINTCHR\$(96);:NEXTCI:PRIN
60	I :rem 1/8 PPTNTCHP\$(145).TAP(10).CHP\$(177)
00	PRINICIRS(145); IAB(10); CIRS(177)
70	DEFENE(C)=SOR($4-C^{\dagger}2$)/C :rem 206
80	SX=FNF(1) :rem 172
90	PRINTPEEK(251): TAB(4): PEEK(252): TAB(9)
	:PEEK(253):TAB(14):PEEK(254): :rem 27
100	IFPEEK(252) < 112 THENPRINT" { 3 SPACES } SY
	NTAX OK":GOTO12Ø :rem 134
110	PRINT" [3 SPACES] SYNTAX ERROR (70) ":GO
	TO230 :rem 148
120	FORC1=ØTO38:PRINTCHRS(96)::NEXTC1:PRI
	NT :rem 224
13Ø	FORC=-3TO3 :rem 49
14Ø	C\$=STR\$(C) :rem 234
15Ø	X=FNF(C) :rem 153
160	PRINTSTR\$(PEEK(251));TAB(4);STR\$(PEEK
	(252));TAB(9); :rem 198
17Ø	PRINTSTR\$(PEEK(253));TAB(14);STR\$(PEE
	K(254)) :rem 37
180	PRINTCHR\$(145); TAB(2Ø); "F("C\$")=";
100	:rem 16
190	PRINTX :rem 127
200	FORCI=0TO38:PRINTCHR\$(96);:NEXTC1:PRI
210	NI :rem 223
220	NEXTCI
230	POKE768 139 · DOKE769 227
240	IFPEEK(252)>=112THENLIST70
300	DATA 133,251,8,104,133,252,134,253,13
	2,254,72,40,165,252,76,6,169:rem 65 Q

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Hi-Res VIC Drawing

Jeff Wise

There comes a time when programmers want more subtle graphics than can be achieved with characters and low resolution. Do you ever feel like creating swirling, intricate webs of delicate, slender lines? Here's how to achieve high resolution on the VIC.

The designers of the VIC-20 thoughtfully included in the VIC chip a special programmable character generator. Though mainly intended for creating custom alphabets and symbols, it can also be used to generate an entire high-resolution screen.

Each character that the VIC puts on the screen, whether user-defined or standard, is stored in eight bytes of memory. Each byte defines one of the eight rows that comprises a VIC character. Furthermore, each of the rows is split up into eight sections corresponding to the eight bits in that row's byte. If a bit is *on* (there is a 1 in its location), then its chunk of the row is lit up. If a bit is *off* (it contains a 0), then its chunk of the row is blank.

Character Matrices

"Microdraw" sets up a matrix of 12×15 custom characters, all of which are initially made blank (by POKEing 0 into the defining bytes). Since each character is defined by eight bytes of eight bits each, we have a total of 11,520 bits, or dots, on the screen which we can turn on or off at will. To light up a dot, simply POKE a 1 into its corresponding bit.

Such high resolution comes at a price. In order to use custom characters, we first must set the character memory apart from the BASIC program area. Since we are using so many characters, a lot of memory is consumed—1.5K, nearly half the memory available in an unexpanded VIC. Now that we've covered the theory, it's time to enjoy your VIC's hi-res capability. Type in Microdraw, save it, then run it. Plug in your joystick, if you have one. Select the foreground and background colors for the drawing area by pressing the number key with the appropriate color on it. The program will then set up the drawing area and display the cursor. You control the cursor by moving the joystick in the direction you want the cursor to go.

Initially, the cursor is in the erase mode, which means that the cursor does not create a line as it travels and will erase any line it comes in contact with. In this mode the TV speaker emits a low beeping tone.

To change to the drawing mode, press the fire button on the joystick. The TV speaker will then beep in a higher-pitched tone, and the cursor will leave a line as it travels. To change back to the erase mode, simply press the fire button once again.

The SAVE Function

The function keys offer three additional options: The f1 key erases the drawing screen and leaves the cursor in position; f3 starts the program from the beginning and resets all variables; and f5 causes the program to jump to a screen-saving routine. The saving routine is self-explanatory, as is the retrieval routine. To replay the data you have stored, choose selection 2 ("load an old one").

If you do not have a joystick, a simple modification will allow you to use the keyboard instead. Delete lines 330 and 340, and change line 320 to read:

320 A=PEEK(197):J0=-(A=44):J1=-(A=36):J2= -(A=20):J3=-(A=12):IF A=32THENB=ABS(B -1) rem 155

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Now the cursor's up, down, left, and right motions are controlled by the I, M, J, and K keys, respectively. To change modes, press the space bar instead of the fire button. It is not necessary to hit the control keys repeatedly; the cursor will move as long as the key is held down. If no key is pressed, the cursor will stop. In all other respects, the program works as before.

Microdraw

IVIIC	
1Ø	POKE36869,240:POKE52,24:POKE56,24:POKE
10	36879,27:CLR :rem 84
40	RE. (DOWN 2) LOAD AN OLD ONE ". POVELOS
	Ø :rem 105
6Ø	GETA\$: IFA\$ <> "1"ANDA\$ <> "2"THEN60
70	:rem 133
80	PRINT {CLR} {3 DOWN BORDER COLOR2" COSU
	B100:G=VAL(A\$)-1 :rem 123
9Ø	PRINT" [3 DOWN] BACKGROUND COLOR?": GOSUB
100	100:H=VAL(A\$):GOTO120 :rem 180
110	RETURN rem 114
120	POKE36879, G+16*H-8: PRINT" {CLR}"
1.20	:rem 77
130	FORX=0T021:FORY=0T022:POKE7680+X+22*Y
	,100:PORE38400+A+22*Y,G:NEXT:NEXT
140	IFW=1THEN16Ø :rem 175
150	FORI=6144T07679:POKEI, Ø:NEXT:FORI=742
160	4TO/431:POKEI,255:NEXT :rem 182
100	18:IFX+Y=34THENNEXT:GOTO180 ;rom 53
17Ø	C=C+1:POKE768Ø+X+22*Y,C:NEXT:NEXT
100	:rem 235
180	Y=18:FORX=3T018:POKE7680+X+22*Y,160:N EXT:C=90
190	IFJ1THENF=F+1:IFF>7AND(C+1)/16<>INT(
	C+1)/16)THENF=Ø:C=C+1:GOTO21Ø :rem 82
200	IFF>7THENF=7 :rem 197
210	1FJ3THENF=F-1: IFF < ØAND(C-1)/16 <> INT((C-1)/16) THENF=7.0-0.1 COMPOSITION
220	IFF<ØTHENF=Ø
23Ø	IFJØTHENE=E+1:IFE>7ANDC<177THENE=Ø:C=
240	C+16:GOT025Ø :rem 222
240	IFE>/THENE=/ :rem 199
	-16:GOTO27Ø :rem 176
26Ø	IFE<ØTHENE=Ø :rem 185
27Ø	POKE6144+(8*C)+F, PEEK(6144+(8*C)+F)AN
280	POKE6144+(8*C)+E $PEFK(6144+(8*C)+E)$
and a second	2 ^(7-E) :rem 88
290	POKE36878,15:POKE36874+2*B,130+INT(C/
200	2.14):POKE36878,Ø :rem 221
310	IFB=0THENPOKE6144+(8*C)+F $PFFK(6144+($
	8*C)+F)-21(7-E) :rem 75
320	POKE37154,127:Z=128ANDPEEK(37152):JØ=
330	POKE37154 255.7=PEFK(27151) :rem 123
340	J1=-((ZAND8)=0):J2=-((ZAND16)=0):J3=-
	((ZAND4)=Ø):J=-((ZAND32)=Ø):IFJTHENB=
350	ABS(B-1) :rem 91
550	ANDA\$ <> CHR\$ (135) THEN 190
36Ø	IFA\$=CHR\$(134)THEN10 :rem 68
370	IFA\$=CHR\$(135)THEN390 :rem 129
380	FOR1=6144T07423: POKEI, Ø:NEXT: FORI=743

2107679:PORE1, 0:NEXT:GOTO190 :rem 92
390 POKE36869,240:POKE36879,27 :rem 172
400 PRINT" {CLR} {DOWN} {RVS} T {OFF} APE OR
{RVS}D{OFF}ISK?":POKE198.0 :rem 237
402 GETAS: IFAS <> "T"ANDAS <> "D"THEN 402
:rem 26
405 IFA\$="T"THENPRINT"REWIND TAPE":rem 85
415 PRINT"HIT A KEY WHEN READY" :rem 33
420 B\$="":GETB\$:IFB\$<>" "THEN420 :rem 175
425 IFA\$="T"THENOPEN1,1,1 :rem 176
426 IFA\$="D"THENINPUT"FILENAME";N\$:N\$=N\$+
",S,W":D=8:OPEN1,8,5,N\$:rem 5
430 PRINT#1,G:PRINT#1,H:FORA=6144T07679:P
RINT#1, PEEK(A):NEXT:CLOSE1 :rem 192
440 PRINT" {CLR}YOUR PICTURE IS SAVED. ":GO
TO10 :rem 120
450 PRINT" [DOWN] [RVS] T {OFF} APE OR [RVS] D
{OFF}ISK?":D=1:N\$="" :rem 17
455 GETA\$: IFA\$ <> "T"ANDA\$ <> "D"THEN455
:rem 42
460 IFA\$="T"THENPRINT" {3 DOWN } INSERT CASS
ETTE AND {3 SPACES } REWIND IT" :rem Ø
470 PRINT" {DOWN } WHEN YOU ARE READY HIT (SP
ACE). {DOWN}":W=1:WAIT198,1 :rem 71
475 IFA\$="T"THENOPEN1,1,0 :rem 180
480 IFA\$="D"THENINPUT"FILENAME";N\$:D=8:N\$
=N\$+",S,R":OPEN1,8,5,N\$:rem Ø
490 INPUT#1,G:INPUT#1,H:FORA=6144T07679:I
NPUT#1,C:POKEA,C:NEXT:CLOSE1 :rem 116
500 GOTO120 :rem 97
10000 OPEN15,8,15:INPUT#15,A,B\$,C,D:CLOSE
15 :rem 198

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COMPUTE! Books

Applesot Richard Salley

A machine language program is necessary when sorting large amounts of data. "ML Applesort" is a machine language utility that will quickly sort an array of any length.

In COMPUTE! (September 1982), David Lummis presented an excellent machine language sort routine for PET/CBM computers. "ML Applesort" is a modification of Lummis's program for the Apple.

The original program has been compressed to fit it into page 3 of memory. This is a safe area for ML programs so you do not have to worry about overwriting the routine with a long program or numerous and lengthy string arrays. The zero page locations used for temporary storage, counting, and address indexing were chosen because most of these locations are used primarily in connection with hi-res graphics, and it is unlikely such programs will be used concurrently with a sort utility.

ML Applesort makes use of the Apple's special & command. When the BASIC interpreter encounters the & in a program, it goes to location \$3F5 (1013 decimal) and then performs an unconditional jump to the address contained in \$3F6 and \$3F7. In this program, 0 is placed in \$3F6 (1014 decimal) and 3 is placed in \$3F7 (1015 decimal). This will cause a jump to location \$300 (768 decimal), which is where the machine language routine begins. The first instruction at \$300 is a JSR (Jump to SubRoutine) \$F7D9. This is a monitor subroutine that fetches the address of a string and stores it in locations \$9B and \$9C. By placing the name of the string array we want sorted immediately after the &, this routine will tell us where in memory that array is stored. The correct format for calling the ML sort routine from BASIC is as follows:

100 &X\$

where X\$ is the name of the array to be sorted. When the routine returns to BASIC, the named array will be sorted alphabetically in ascending order. How the program does the sorting can be understood by studying a disassembly. To enter the program, use the BASIC Loader (Program 1).

After placing the program into memory by running Program 1, save it to disk by typing:

BSAVE APPLESORT, A\$300, L\$FF

You can then BLOAD the sort routine and use it with any of your own BASIC programs.

Program 2 shows how easily the program can be used and how quickly it can sort an array with strings of varying lengths. I'm sure COM-PUTE! readers with Apple machines will find numerous applications for this useful utility.

Program 1: ML Applesort

100 REM ... ML APPLESORT 110 REM ... POKE & JUMP ADDRESS

- 120 POKE 1013,76: POKE 1014,0: POKE 10 15,3
- 130 REM ... POKE ML
- 140 FOR ADDR = 768 TO 941: READ CODE:C KSUM = CKSUM + CODE: POKE ADDR,COD E: NEXT
- 150 IF CKSUM < > 26104 THEN PRINT "E RROR IN DATA STATEMENTS": STOP 768 DATA 32, 217, 247, 165, 155, 133
- 768 DATA 32, 217, 247, 165, 155, 133, 1, 165 776 DATA 156, 133, 2, 160, 5, 177 1
- 776 DATA 156, 133, 2, 160, 5, 177, 1, 133 784 DATA 208, 200, 177, 1, 133 208
- 784 DATA 208, 200, 177, 1, 133, 209, 169, 1 792 DATA 133, 210, 149, 0, 133, 211
- 792 DATA 133, 210, 169, 0, 133, 211, 24, 165 800 DATA 1, 105, 7, 133, 235, 165, 2,
- 105 808 DATA 0, 133, 236, 165, 235, 133,
- 225, 165 B16 DATA 236, 133, 226, 24, 165, 225,
- 105, 3 824 DATA 133, 235, 165, 226, 105, 0.
- 133, 236 832 DATA 160, 0, 177, 225, 208, 34, 2
- 4, 165 840 DATA 210, 105, 1, 133, 210, 165,
- 211, 105 848 DATA 0, 133, 211, 197, 208, 144,
- 212, 165 856 DATA 210, 197, 209, 144, 206, 165
- , 212, 208 864 DATA 1, 96, 169, 0, 133, 212, 240
- , 174 872 DATA 133, 213, 177, 235, 240, 276
- 872 DATA 133, 213, 177, 235, 240, 239 , 133, 214 880 DATA 200, 177, 225, 133, 233, 177
- , 235,133 BBB DATA 237, 200, 177, 225, 133, 234
- , 177, 235 896 DATA 133, 238, 160, 0, 177, 233
- B96
 DATA
 133,
 238,
 160,
 0,
 177,
 233,

 209,
 237

 904
 DATA
 144,
 188,
 240,
 2,
 176,
 9,
- 904
 DATA
 144, 188, 240, 2, 176, 9, 2

 00, 196
 912
 DATA
 213, 240, 179, 196, 214, 208

 920
 DATA
 2, 177, 225, 72, 177, 235,
- 145, 225 928 DATA 104, 145, 235, 136, 16, 243, 169, 1
- 936 DATA 133, 212, 76, 70, 3, 0

Program 2: ML Applesort Demo

10	REM SURT DEMO
20	IF PEEK (768) = 32 THEN 40
30	PRINT CHR\$ (4); "BLOAD APPLESORT"
40	HOME : VTAB 5: PRINT "POINTER SORT DEMO"
50	VTAB 7: INPUT "ENTER # OF STRINGS T O SORT ":N
60	DIM R\$(N)
70	B\$ = "ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ"
80	FLASH : PRINT : PRINT "BUILDING STR
90	NORMAL
100	

- 100 FOR F = 1 TO N:X = INT (RND (1) * 7) + 2: FOR G = 1 TO X 110 R\$(E) = R\$(E) + MID\$ (D\$ THT (D)
- 110 R\$(F) = R\$(F) + MID\$ (B\$, INT (RND (1) \$ 26) + 1,1)

120 NEXT : NEXT 130 FOR F = 1 TO N: PRINT R\$(F),: NEXT PRINT : INPUT "PRESS (RETURN) TO S 140 ORT ":XX\$ 150 PRINT : PRINT "SORT BEGUN" 160 & R\$ 170 PRINT : PRINT "SORT FINISHED !!" PRINT : INPUT "PRESS (RETURN) TO P 180 RINT SORTED LIST ";XX\$ 190 FOR F = 1 TO N: PRINT R\$(F), : NEXT 200 PRINT : PRINT "END OF DEMO": END 0

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Questions Beginners Ask

Tom R Halfhill, Staff Editor

Are you thinking about buying a computer for the first time, but you don't know much about computers? Or maybe you just purchased a computer and are still a bit baffled. Each month in this column, COMPUTE! will answer questions frequently asked by beginners.

S Is it safe to plug a whole home computer system into a single wall socket? I'm talking about a computer, TV, cassette recorder, disk drive, printer, and a modem. Will it blow a fuse? Or will I have to run extension cords from nearby wall sockets for some of the peripherals?

As long as no other power-hungry appliance is on the same socket, plugging a whole home computer system into one outlet is perfectly safe. Home computers and their peripherals actually don't use very much electricity at all. In fact, the typical home computer consumes less power than the light bulb you'll burn to see it by.

For instance, one of our editors has a computer system at home which consists of an Atari 800 with 48K of memory, a disk drive, a cassette recorder, an Atari 850 Interface Module, a color monitor, an 80-column dot-matrix printer, and a modem. Everything but the monitor and the modem is plugged into a six-socket power strip, which in turn is plugged into a single wall outlet. The power strip has a 15-amp circuit breaker which has never popped. That means the system uses less than 1650–1800 watts, or a little more electricity than a blow dryer.

By far the most power-hungry component of a home computer system is the TV set or monitor. A small black-and-white TV or monochrome monitor won't use much electricity, but a large color TV can use more power than the rest of the system put together. If you're worried about overloads, plug the TV into a different outlet.

One thing you should avoid is hooking up the computer system to a circuit shared by heavy-duty appliances like air conditioners, dishwashers, clothes washers, dryers, refrigerators, and water heaters. Have you ever noticed your room lights dim for a second when a heavy appliance kicks on? The sudden demand for power momentarily drains the circuit and lowers 134 COMPUTE August 1984 the voltage. Those kinds of fluctuations aren't healthy for computers, whose chips are very sensitive to power sags and surges. (That's why some people invest in surge protectors or voltage stabilizers.)

If you aren't sure whether a certain wall outlet is wired to the same circuit as another outlet serving a heavy appliance, test it by plugging in a lamp. Then switch on some of the major appliances in your home while someone watches the lamp for any telltale dimming. If an outlet is affected, you may have to run an extension cord from a more distant socket to reach your computer system. This is particularly true in houses and apartment buildings with older wiring.

I'm moving to another state and I'd like to transport my computer by plane. Do you think it would be safe in the baggage compartment?

Recently some of COMPUTEI's editors went on a trip to the Comdex trade show in Las Vegas and witnessed some unpleasant violence to a Compaq transportable computer. Although the Compaq is one of the better transportables, by the time the poor computer tumbled off the airport conveyor belt onto the revolving baggageclaim carousel, it looked almost destroyed. The top of the case was torn off, exposing the built-in monitor screen and delicate disk drives. Heavy hard-shell suitcases kept sliding off the conveyor belt and bashing into the computer, knocking more parts loose. Wires and cables were hanging out. It wasn't pretty.

Based on what we saw that day, and on other airline experiences, our advice is not to ship a computer as baggage unless it's *very* well packed and padded, preferably in its original box with the form-fitting Styrofoam inserts. Have you ever seen the TV commercial in which a suitcase is batted around by an ape? If your computer is packed well enough to withstand that kind of battering, you're probably safe. Otherwise, you might consider another method of shipping.

Incidentally, if you're traveling by air with a computer as carry-on baggage, insist on having it hand-checked when passing through security checkpoints. We know of a newspaper reporter who unknowingly allowed his TRS-80 Model 100 lap computer to suffer exposure from an airport x-ray machine. "It just went crazy," he said.

NEWS&PRODUCTS

Percussion Emulator For Apple

Drum-Key, recently introduced by Peripheral Visions, Inc., is an electronic music interface board for use with the Apple II series of computers. It will allow you to interface stereos and electric instrument amplifiers to your computer.

Drum-Key lets you compose, play, and record percussion sounds and riffs, as well as play along with the 100 included rhythm patterns and 26 songs.

A complement of 28 sounds is included. Among these are snare, tom-toms, cymbals, cowbell, tambourine, and six sounds made by conventional drum synthesizers.

Suggested retail price is \$139.

Peripheral Visions, Inc. Great Valley Parkway Malvern, PA 19355 (215) 627-3535 or other interface. It requires no modifications of the computer or other peripherals. All circuitry is contained in an RS-232C type connector to minimize size.

The R-Verter comes with a software package which includes a smart terminal emulator and an RS-232C device handler. Most common RS-232C handshaking configurations are available using internal jumpers.

Price for the R-Verter and print echo software is \$49.95.

Advanced Interface Devices, Inc. P.O. Box 2188 Melbourne, FL 32902 (305) 676-1275

The R-Verter allows most modems and other RS-232C devices to be used directly with Atari computers without using the Atari 850 Interface Module.

RS-232 Modem Adapter For Atari

Advanced Interface Devices, Inc., has announced the R-Verter, a serial bus modem adapter for Atari 400, 600XL, 800, and 800XL home computers.

The R-Verter allows most modems and other RS-232C devices to be used directly with Atari computers without using the Atari 850 Interface Module

Game Development Program For The Commodore 64

Aspiring arcade-game designers can develop graphics for their games more quickly and easily by using the *Graphics Master*.

Written for the Commodore 64, this programming aid adds 52 new commands to BASIC and has numerous features that support game development.

Software Unlimited will soon release a compiler to make the completed game run faster.

Disk only; \$29.95. (Please include \$3.00 for postage and handling.)

C-www.commodole.ca

Software Unlimited P.O. Box 429 Klamath Falls, OR 97601

Educational And Entertainment Software For The TI-99/4A

American Software has announced four new software packages for the Texas Instruments 99/4A.

In *Fireball*, an arcade game for ages ten and older, you must climb a volcano without being hit by fireballs or falling into holes. The game requires either the Editor/Assembler cartridge or the Mini-Memory cartridge. Disk only; \$16.95.

Letter Fun helps preschoolers learn the letters of the alphabet using colorful graphics and music. The child can choose from three different learning levels. Speech Synthesizer and Extended BASIC are required. Cassette \$19.95; disk \$21.95.

Try your luck at the horse racing track with *American Derby.* This game is set up to simulate the betting that would go on at a track, including variable track conditions, an insider's sheet, and realistic odds. You can bet on up to 36 different horses. Designed for ages ten to adult; up to six may play at a time. Requires Extended BASIC. Cassette \$14.95; disk \$16.95.

Speed Read was written for adults who want to improve their reading speed. This package of programs includes information on the reading process as well as pacing aids and reading passages to test your speed. It requires Extended BASIC. Cassette \$29.95; disk \$31.95 (disk version requires memory expansion).

American Software Design & Distribution Co. P.O. Box 46 Cottage Grove, MN 55016 (612) 459-0557

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Home Educational Software For Apple, Atari, And Commodore

Sunburst Communications, which has supplied educational materials to schools for 12 years, has released three new products from their microcomputer division.

The Incredible Laboratory (ages seven to adult) uses the problem-solving strategy of trial and error and note-taking to discover what combinations of mysterious chemicals make up crazy monsters. Apple and Atari versions are available.

Challenge Math (ages 6–11) lets children practice basic math, estimation, and problem-solving skills. Available for Apple and Commodore 64.

Getting Ready To Read And Add (ages three to six) gives preschoolers practice in letter and number recognition. Available for Apple and Atari.

Suggested retail price for each program is \$39.95.

Sunburst Communications, Inc. Pleasantville, NY 10570 (914) 769-5030

New Telecommunications Package For Apple

The Networker modem, recently introduced by ZOOM Telephonics, is a complete telecommunications package for the Apple II, II+, and IIe computers.

For \$129, you get a singleslot, direct-connect, 300-baud modem, terminal software, and a free subscription to The Source.

An enhanced version of the terminal software, Netmaster, can be purchased separately for

Apple owners can get a complete telecommunications package, including modem and terminal software, by purchasing the Netmaster system.

\$79. If purchased with the Networker, the price of the entire package is \$179.

ZOOM Telephonics plans to offer a complete line of modems, including modems for the IBM-PC.

ZOOM Telephonics 207 South St. Boston, MA 02111 (617) 423-1072

Telecommunications Aid

Source Telecomputing Corporation (STC) has announced *Apple Sourcelink*, the second in its series of communications software designed to supplement use of The Source by personal computer owners.

The software is compatible with the new Apple modem, as well as with the Hayes and Transend modem products, and is designed for the Apple II, IIe, and II+ with a minimum 48K of memory.

It combines features such as automatic dial-up and sign-on procedure for Telenet, Uninet, and Sourcenet data communications networks; "one-button" access to major services on The Source; simultaneous capture of data from The Source in the Apple memory or disks, including a capture editor; and data transfer from Apple disks to The Source, or vice versa, while on-line.

An additional feature allows Apple and IBM users to access automatically any number of predetermined services and data bases, once on-line.

The Source 1616 Anderson Road McLean, VA 22102 (703) 734-7500

Inexpensive Light Pen For Commodore Computers

Creative Electronics has announced the introduction of a new light pen for the Commodore 64 and VIC-20.

The light pen, which offers close to one-pixel accuracy for high-resolution graphics, comes with two sample programs.

Both versions retail for \$14.95.

Creative Electronics P.O. Box 4253 1714 Sandalwood Thousand Oaks, CA 91360 (805) 492-1506

Alphabet, Math Games For Children

Two educational software games designed to help children understand the alphabet, multiplication, and division have been introduced by Avalon Hill Game Company's Intelligence Quest Software division.

DIVEX, appropriate for ages 8–12, has three levels of multiplication and division to master, and requires a child to use mathematical skills to protect his or her "land" from incorrect answers.

It is available on diskette

(\$21) for Ataris with at least 32K memory. Cassette editions (\$16) for the Commodore 64 and Atari will be available later.

In *ABC Caterpillar*, the player, controlling a bright green caterpillar, searches for letters of the alphabet as they pass by on the screen. The goal is to find and gobble up the letters in alphabetical order.

For children 3–8 years old, *ABC Caterpillar* is available for the VIC-20 at a cost of \$16. A Commodore 64 edition is planned also.

Intelligence Quest Software 4517 Harford Road Baltimore, MD 21214 (301) 254-9200

New Data Base Management Software For IBM Home Computers

Condor Jr. is a data base management system specially customized for beginning microcomputer users.

The program is available for the IBM-PC and PCjr, and retails for \$195.

Beyond its extensive math and printing capabilities, *Condor Jr.* can be upgraded to *Condor* 3 (a more sophisticated data base manager). Other features include multilevel sorts and a variety of report generators.

Condor 2051 S. State St. Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (313) 769-2418

New Speech Synthesizers

Three new Voice Box speech synthesizers have been introduced by The Alien Group, two of which are designed for Apple II and Apple-compatible computers. The third is for any machine which has a standard (RS-232C) serial port.

Using a new speech chip, the programs produce speech directly from English text, adding inflection either automatically or according to numbers inserted by the user. All units have an unlimited vocabulary, and can speak with a male or female voice, fast or slow, or loud or soft, depending on what commands are added to the text. It is not necessary to mark syllable boundaries or to use phoneme spelling when adding intonation.

The Voice Box 3m model, designed for the Apple, retails for \$129. Voice Box 3i, also for the Apple, costs \$219. Prices include a Voice Box board, disk software, and external speaker.

The Voice Box 3s, which can connect to any computer via the standard RS-232C serial interface, includes an integral speaker and retails for \$269.

The Alien Group 27 West 23rd St. New York, NY 10010 (212) 741-1770

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Machine Language Entry Program For Commodore 64 Charles Brannon, Program Editor

MLX is a labor-saving utility that allows almost fail-safe entry of machine language programs published in COMPUTE!. You need to know nothing about machine language to use MLX—it was designed for everyone.

MLX is a new way to enter long machine language (ML) programs with a minimum of fuss. MLX lets you enter the numbers from a special list that looks similar to BASIC DATA statements. It checks your typing on a line-by-line basis. It won't let you enter illegal characters when you should be typing numbers. It won't let you enter numbers greater than 255 (forbidden in ML). It won't let you enter the wrong numbers on the wrong line. In addition, MLX creates a ready-to-use tape or disk file. You can then use the LOAD command to read the program into the computer:

LOAD "filename",1,1 (for tape) LOAD "filename",8,1 (for disk)

To start the program, you enter a SYS command that transfers control from BASIC to machine language. The starting SYS number appears in the article.

Using MLX

Type in and save MLX for your 64 (you'll want to use it in the future). When you're ready to type in an ML program, run MLX. MLX asks you for two numbers: the starting address and the ending address. These numbers are given in the article accompanying the ML program.

You'll see a prompt corresponding to the starting address. The prompt is the current line you are entering from the listing. It increases by six each time you enter a line. That's because each line has seven numbers—six actual data numbers plus a *checksum number*. The checksum verifies that you typed the previous six numbers correctly. If you enter any of the six numbers wrong, or enter the checksum wrong, the computer rings a buzzer and prompts you to reenter the line. If you enter it correctly, a bell tone sounds and you continue to the next line.

MLX accepts only numbers as input. If you make a typing error, press the INST/DEL key; the entire number is deleted. You can press it as many times as necessary back to the start of the line. If you enter three-digit numbers as listed, the computer automatically prints the comma and goes on to accept the next number. If you enter less than three digits, you can press either the SPACE bar, or RETURN key to advance to the next number. The checksum automatically appears in inverse video for emphasis.

To simplify your typing, MLX redefines part of the keyboard as a numeric keypad (lines 581–584):

U	I	0			7	8	9	
I	К	L	become	0	4	5	6	
M	-				1	2	3	

MLX Commands

When you finish typing an ML listing (assuming you type it all in one session), you can then save the completed program on tape or disk. Follow the screen instructions. If you get any errors while saving, you probably have a bad disk, or the disk is full, or you've made a typo when entering the MLX program itself.

You don't have to enter the whole ML program in one sitting. MLX lets you enter as much as you want, save it, and then reload the file from tape or disk later. MLX recognizes these commands:

SHIFT-S: Save SHIFT-L: Load SHIFT-N: New Address SHIFT-D: Display

When you enter a command, MLX jumps out of the line you've been typing, so we recommend you do it at a new prompt. Use the Save command to save what you've been working on. It will save on tape or disk as if you've finished, but the tape or disk won't work, of course, until you finish the typing. Remember what address you stop at. The next time you run MLX, answer all the prompts as you did before, then insert the disk or tape. When you get to the entry prompt, press SHIFT-L to reload the partly completed file into memory. Then use the New Address command to resume typing.

To use the New Address command, press SHIFT-N and enter the address where you previously stopped. The prompt will change, and you can then continue typing. Always enter a New Address that matches up with one of the line numbers in the special listing, or else the checksum won't work. The Display command lets you display a section of your typing. After you press SHIFT-D, enter two addresses within the line number range of the listing. You can abort the listing by pressing any key.

What if you forgot where you stopped typing? Use the Display command to scan memory from the beginning to the end of the program. When you reach the end of your typing, the lines will contain a random pattern of numbers. When you see the end of your typing, press any key to stop the listing. Use the New Address command to continue typing from the proper location.

MLX: Machine Language Entry

10	REM LINES	CHANGED	FROM MLX	VERSION	2.0
	Ø ARE 750	,765,770	AND 860	:rer	n 50
-		15 - 31	10411401	(010CL01	

- 100 PRINT"[CLR] [6]"; CHR\$(142); CHR\$(8);: POKE53281,1:POKE53280,1 :rem 67
- 101 POKE 788,52:REM DISABLE RUN/STOP :rem 119 110 PRINT"[RVS][39 SPACES]": :rem 176
- 110 PRINT" [RVS] [39 SPACES]"; :rem 170 120 PRINT" [RVS] [14 SPACES] [RIGHT] [OFF]
 - [*]f[RVS][RIGHT] [RIGHT][2 SPACES]

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[*](OFF)[*]f(RVS)f(RVS) [14 SPACES]" ; :rem 250 130 PRINT" (RVS) [14 SPACES] (RIGHT) [G] [RIGHT] [2 RIGHT] [OFF]£[RVS]£[*] {OFF} [*] [RVS] [14 SPACES]"; :rem 35 140 PRINT" [RVS] [41 SPACES]" :rem 120 200 PRINT" [2 DOWN] [PUR] [BLK] MACHINE LANG UAGE EDITOR VERSION 2.01[5 DOWN]" :rem 237 210 PRINT"[5][2 UP]STARTING ADDRESS? {8 SPACES}{9 LEFT}"; :rem 143 215 INPUTS:F=1-F:C\$=CHR\$(31+119*F) :rem 166 220 IFS<256OR(S>40960ANDS<49152)ORS>53247 THENGOSUB3000:GOTO210 :rem 235 PRINT: PRINT: PRINT 225 :rem 180 230 PRINT"[5][2 UP]ENDING ADDRESS? {8 SPACES}{9 LEFT}";:INPUTE:F=1-F:C\$= CHR\$(31+119*F) :rem 20 240 IFE<256OR(E>40960ANDE<49152)ORE>53247 THENGOSUB3000:GOTO230 :rem 183 250 IFE<STHENPRINTCS; "[RVS]ENDING < START [2 SPACES]":GOSUB1000:GOTO 230 :rem 176 260 PRINT: PRINT: PRINT :rem 179 300 PRINT" [CLR]"; CHR\$(14): AD=S: POKEV+21,0 :rem 225 310 A=1:PRINTRIGHT\$("00000"+MID\$(STR\$(AD), 2),5);":"; :rem 33 315 FORJ=ATO6 :rem 33 320 GOSUB570:IFN=-1THENJ=J+N:GOTO320 :rem 228 390 IFN=-211THEN 710 :rem 62 400 IFN=-204THEN 790 :rem 64 410 IFN=-206THENPRINT: INPUT" {DOWN}ENTER N EW ADDRESS"; ZZ :rem 44 415 IFN=-206THENIFZZ<SORZZ>ETHENPRINT" [RVS]OUT OF RANGE":GOSUB1000:GOTO410 :rem 225 417 IFN=-206THENAD=ZZ: PRINT: GOTO310 :rem 238 420 IF N<>-196 THEN 480 :rem 133 430 PRINT: INPUT "DISPLAY: FROM"; F: PRINT, "TO ";:INPUTT :rem 234 440 IFF <SORF>EORT <SORT>ETHENPRINT "AT LEAS T";S;"{LEFT}, NOT MORE THAN";E:GOTO43 Ø :rem 159 450 FORI=FTOTSTEP6:PRINT:PRINTRIGHT\$("000 Ø"+MID\$(STR\$(1),2),5);":"; :rem 30 451 FORK=ØTO5:N=PEEK(I+K):PRINTRIGHT\$("ØØ "+MID\$(STR\$(N),2),3);","; :rem 66 460 GETA\$: IFA\$> " "THENPRINT: PRINT: GOTO310 :rem 25 470 NEXTK: PRINTCHR\$(20); :NEXTI: PRINT: PRIN T:GOT0310 :rem 50 480 IFN<Ø THEN PRINT:GOTO310 :rem 168 490 A(J)=N:NEXTJ :rem 199 500 CKSUM=AD-INT(AD/256)*256:FORI=1T06:CK SUM=(CKSUM+A(I))AND255:NEXT :rem 200 510 PRINTCHR\$(18);:GOSUB570:PRINTCHR\$(146); :rem 94 511 IFN=-1THENA=6:GOTO315 :rem 254 515 PRINTCHR\$(20): IFN=CKSUMTHEN530 :rem 122 520 PRINT: PRINT "LINE ENTERED WRONG : RE-E NTER": PRINT: GOSUB1000:GOTO310:rem 176 530 GOSUB2000 :rem 218 540 FORI=1TO6: POKEAD+I-1, A(I):NEXT: POKE54 272,0:POKE54273,0 :rem 227 AD=AD+6: IF AD<E THEN 310 55Ø :rem 212 560 GOTO 710 :rem 108 57Ø N=Ø:Z=Ø :rem 88

580 PRINT" [£]"; :rem 81 581 GETAS: IFAS=""THEN581 :rem 95 582 AV=-(A\$="M")-2*(A\$=",")-3*(A\$=".")-4* (A\$="J")-5*(A\$="K")-6*(A\$="L"):rem 41 583 AV=AV-7*(A\$="U")-8*(A\$="I")-9*(A\$="O"):IFAS="H"THENAS="Ø" :rem 134 584 IFAV>ØTHENA\$=CHR\$(48+AV) :rem 134 585 PRINTCHR\$(20);:A=ASC(A\$):IFA=130RA=44 ORA=32THEN67Ø :rem 229 590 IFA>128THENN=-A:RETURN :rem 137 600 IFA<>20 THEN 630 :rem 10 610 GOSUB690:IFI=1ANDT=44THENN=-1:PRINT" {OFF}{LEFT} {LEFT}";:GOTO690 :rem 62 620 GOT0570 :rem 109 630 IFA<480RA>57THEN580 :rem 105 640 PRINTA\$;:N=N*10+A-48 :rem 106 650 IFN>255 THEN A=20:GOSUB1000:GOTO600 :rem 229 660 Z=Z+1:IFZ<3THEN580 :rem 71 IFZ=ØTHENGOSUB1000:GOTO570 670 :rem 114 680 PRINT", "; : RETURN :rem 240 690 S%=PEEK(209)+256*PEEK(210)+PEEK(211) :rem 149 691 FORI=1TO3:T=PEEK(S%-I) :rem 67 695 IFT <> 44 ANDT <> 58 THENPOKES &- I, 32: NEXT :rem 205 700 PRINTLEFTS("[3 LEFT]", I-1);:RETURN :rem 7 710 PRINT"[CLR][RVS]*** SAVE ***[3 DOWN]" :rem 236 715 PRINT" [2 DOWN] (PRESS [RVS] RETURN [OFF] ALONE TO CANCEL SAVE) [DOWN] ": rem 106 720 FS="":INPUT" {DOWN } FILENAME"; FS: IFFS= "THENPRINT: PRINT: GOTO310 :rem 71 730 PRINT: PRINT" [2 DOWN] [RVS] T[OFF] APE OR [RVS]D[OFF]ISK: (T/D)" :rem 228 740 GETAS: IFAS <> "T" ANDAS <> "D" THEN740 :rem 36 750 DV=1-7*(A\$="D"):IFDV=8THENF\$="0:"+F\$: OPEN15,8,15, "S"+F\$:CLOSE15 :rem 212 76Ø T\$=F\$:ZK=PEEK(53)+256*PEEK(54)-LEN(T\$):POKE782,ZK/256 :rem 3 762 POKE781, ZK-PEEK(782)*256: POKE780, LEN(T\$):SYS65469 :rem 109 763 POKE780,1:POKE781, DV:POKE782,1:SYS654 66 :rem 69 765 K=S:POKE254,K/256:POKE253,K-PEEK(254) *256:POKE780,253 :rem 17 766 K=E+1:POKE782,K/256:POKE781,K-PEEK(78 2)*256:SYS65496 :rem 235 770 IF(PEEK(783)AND1)OR(191ANDST)THEN780 :rem 111 775 PRINT" [DOWN] DONE. [DOWN]": GOTO310 :rem 113 780 PRINT "[DOWN]ERROR ON SAVE. [2 SPACES]T RY AGAIN. ": IFDV=1THEN720 :rem 171 781 OPEN15,8,15:INPUT#15,E1\$,E2\$:PRINTE1\$;E2\$:CLOSE15:GOTO720 :rem 103 790 PRINT" [CLR] [RVS] *** LOAD *** [2 DOWN]" :rem 212 795 PRINT" {2 DOWN } (PRESS [RVS] RETURN { OFF } ALONE TO CANCEL LOAD)" :rem 82 800 FS="":INPUT" [2 DOWN] FILENAME"; FS:IFF \$=""THENPRINT:GOTO310 :rem 144 810 PRINT: PRINT" [2 DOWN] [RVS] T[OFF] APE OR [RVS]D[OFF]ISK: (T/D)":rem 227 820 GETAS: IFAS <> "T"ANDAS <> "D"THEN820 :rem 34 830 DV=1-7*(A\$="D"):IFDV=8THENF\$="0:"+F\$:rem 157 840 T\$=F\$: ZK=PEEK(53)+256*PEEK(54)-LEN(T\$):POKE782,ZK/256 :rem 2

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841	POKE781, ZK-PEEK(782)*256: POKE	780,L	EN(
	T\$):SYS65469	:rem	107
845	POKE780,1:POKE781, DV:POKE782,	1:SYS	654
	66	:rem	1 7Ø
85Ø	POKE780,0:SYS65493	:rem	1 11
860	IF (PEEK (783) AND1) OR (191 ANDST)	THEN8	70
		:rem	111
865	PRINT" {DOWN } DONE . ":GOTO310	:rem	1 96
870	PRINT" [DOWN] ERROR ON LOAD. [2	SPACE	S}T
	RY AGAIN. {DOWN} ": IFDV=1THEN80	Ø	
		:rem	172
880	OPEN15,8,15:INPUT#15,E1\$,E2\$:	PRINT	'E1\$
	;E2\$:CLOSE15:GOTO800	:rem	102
1000	REM BUZZER	:rem	135
1001	POKE54296,15:POKE54277,45:PC	KE542	278,

Atari XL Compatibility Update

Upon testing with our new 800XL, we have been pleased to discover that the vast majority of our previously published Atari programs will run without modification. Of the few programs that will not run as is, almost all, including the popular "Scriptor" word processor (April 1983), operate properly when used with the Atari Translator. This program, available on a disk (DX5063) from Atari, enables most programs written for the older Ataris to be run on the new XL models. So far we have discovered only two programs, "Demons Of Osiris" (January 1984) and "Ski" (February 1983), that the Translator cannot cure. These programs can be run on the new computers only if you have a BASIC cartridge from the older Atari series to plug in.

For information on obtaining the *Translator* disk, call Atari's Customer Relations Department at 800-538-8543 (inside California, 800-672-1404).

MLX For Commodore 64

There is an error in the article accompanying the "MLX" machine language editor program in the March and May issues. The article states, "If you enter less than three digits, you can press either the comma, SPACE bar, or RETURN key to advance to the next number." However, when the numeric keypad feature was added to MLX, the comma key was redefined as the numeral 2. As a result, the comma key can no longer be used to advance to the next number; however, the SPACE bar and RETURN key still work as stated.

A number of readers have expressed concern at the number of revisions to MLX since it was first published. These changes generally represent enhancements, *not* corrections. Any version

:rem 207 165 1002 POKE54276, 33: POKE 54273, 6: POKE54272, :rem 42 1003 FORT=1TO200:NEXT:POKE54276,32:POKE54 273,Ø:POKE54272,Ø:RETURN :rem 202 2000 REM BELL SOUND :rem 78 2001 POKE54296, 15: POKE54277, 0: POKE54278, 2 :rem 152 47 2002 POKE 54276, 17: POKE54273, 40: POKE54272 ,Ø :rem 86 2003 FORT=1T0100:NEXT:POKE54276,16:RETURN :rem 57 3000 PRINTC\$;" [RVS]NOT ZERO PAGE OR ROM": :rem 89 GOTO1000 0

of MLX may be used to type in any program for the 64 presented in MLX format, regardless of whether the program is from COMPUTE!, COM-PUTE!'s GAZETTE, or a COMPUTE! book. The only version of 64 MLX known to contain a bug is the one from the March issue, and the correction was given in the May "CAPUTE!" column.

Automatic Proofreader For The 64

The final paragraph of the article which accompanies the "Automatic Proofreader" program each month indicates that on the 64 the Proofreader can be protected during tape LOADs and SAVEs by typing POKE 178,165. Richard Murphy points out that the proper value to protect the Proofreader is POKE 178,251. This POKE is not necessary for disk operations.

64 Hi-Res Screen Printing

Many readers have asked for a way to print a copy of the elaborate designs they create with the "3-D Plotting" program from the May issue (p. 58). Reader Henry Mervis observes that, for Commodore 64 owners, the solution is in the same issue, in the "Hi-Res Graphics Editor" program (p. 82). To create a hard copy of the results of the 3-D Plotting programs (or of almost any other hi-res screen display), load the machine language program you created for the Hi-Res Editor (Program 2, p. 80), using the LOAD command format described on page 82. Remember to enter the line to move the BASIC memory area:

POKE 642,128:POKE 44,128:POKE 32768,0:NEW

Next, load either "Rectan" (Program 1, p. 60) or "Spheri" (Program 2, p. 62). For Rectan, change line 600 to read 600 SYS 49152; for Spheri, change line 610 to 610 SYS 49152. Then RUN the program in the normal manner. When your design is complete, a rectangle will appear on the screen. Turn on your printer and press the P key and your design should begin to print.

The screen dump routine will work only on a Commodore 1525 printer or with an interface that emulates the 1525. The routine will not work with Commodore 1526 printers.

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