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MODEL Let's not overlook good-old physical MODELING testing. These days new computercontrol techniques reduce the cut-and-try aspects of Tom Edison's plodding (albeit suc-

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LETTERS TO EDITOR

To the Editor:

In the News Roundup section of the April, 1970 issue of MODERN DATA, the Christian Research Institute is reported as having awarded a \$1 million contract to DSI Systems. The Christian Research Institute never awarded DSI Systems a \$1 million contract, but only a small contract for five terminals and a letter of intent to use their network if the network became nationwide in the near future. Since the DSI network is not currently in existence, DSI has faulted in their goals and also in their agreement with us.

James Bjornstad Assistant Director The Christian Research Institute Wayne, N. J.

To the Editor:

I think you have made an unfortunate decision in excluding (possibly) unsupported software costing less than \$100 from your survey of program packages. There are a significant number of packages developed at public expense in government laboratories and/or public universities which are freely distributed, in the public domain, often well-tested, and sometimes supported to some extent.

In the particular area of computerdrawn flowcharts, I draw your attention to the FLOW2 program available from Naval Ordnance Test Station, China Lake, Cal., documented in CFSTI AD 637 863; and to the MADFLOW program and documentation available from M. Abrams, Dept. of Elec. Engrg., Univ. of Maryland.

Marshal D. Abrams Inf. Proc. Technology Div. Nat. Bureau of Standards Washington, D.C.

Author's Reply: Thank you for your letter concerning our current survey of program packages. We are sorry for your distress at our decision to exclude software costing less than \$100 from the survey. We feel that this was a more than generous break-off point. Almost everyone, at least in commercial operations, who has had experience with a variety of program packages has come to the conclusion that program support determines, almost more than any other single thing, the success and continued usability of a package. This includes such items as user training and the ready availability of a person intimately familiar with the program to assist when bugs develop or modifications must be made.

We have run into many nightmare stories of verifiably excellent packages that have become unused at a facility merely for lack of user training; once the original buyer/enthusiast leaves, the program Jalls into disuse. Of course, digging into a program without the assistance of strong support is an obvious nightmare and one with which many of us are familiar. Most operations simply do not have the time or personnel to permit this. It also represents a high additional price the company pays for an unsupported, apparently low-cost package. In fact, we personally feel that the type of support that a program usually requires to maintain high standards of integrity for both the package and supplier necessitates a charge more on the order of \$1,000.

However, we recognize that some of the packages that are in the public domain and available at low cost are worthy of special attention. I thank you for your letter pointing out two in particular. I am also aware of some important work being done in the Navy (and recently reported on by Grace Murray Hopper) consisting of a complete collection of programming aids for Cobol. I hope to try to write a special feature on such programs sometime in the future.

K. Falor Software Forum



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SJCC KEYNOTER DELIVERS CHALLENGE

University Computing Co. chairman Sam Wyly dropped a glove at the feet of the American Federation of Information Processing Society's executive committee in what has been described as "the most relevant keynote address ever presented at a Joint Computer Conference." Wyly challenged AFIPS to establish a special task force to "study the problem of data transmission, to work with existing carriers to overcome it, and to look into alternatives that can be pursued in parallel." Wyly stipulated that the task force "should not include representatives of either the existing carriers or of companies which have proposed data transmission alternatives." The latter companies include Microwave Communications, Inc., and UCC's own Data Transmission Co. (DATRAN) subsidiary. Titled, "Data Transmission: The Critical Challenge of the Seventies," Wyly's address related the data processing industry's urgent need for more and better communications with the needs of the economy as a whole, stating that "Knowledge in all its forms is the main cost, the main investment, the main product of the American economy." He explained that existing common carriers were not only basically unequipped to handle the special requirements of digital communications, but were already overburdened by the unanticipated demand for increased analog (voice) communications. "The data transmission crisis," Wyly said, "is our industry's major problem-the one door to future growth which must be opened."

Asked if he had any comment on Wyly's suggestion for a special AFIPS task force, AFIPS president, Dr. Richard Tanaka, stated that "the subject would be considered."

EDP TRAINING FOR DISADVANTAGED

Three New York organizations have agreed to implement a program which will move the disadvantaged from the unemployment rolls to the computer room. The pact, signed by Programming Sciences Corp., Marketing Survey & Research Corp., and Social Research Corp., is designed to provide new skills and career opportunities by training computer console operators, keypunch operators, and I/O quality control clerks and placing them in jobs with users of data processing equipment.

RCA AIMS FOR NO. 2 SLOT

Speaking before his company's 51st annual stockholders' meeting, RCA chairman and president Robert W. Sarnoff stated that domestic shipments of RCA computers nearly doubled in the first quarter of 1970 and, if the past industry pattern continues, the company's scheduled deliveries this year should move RCA from fifth place last year to the industry's number two position. Mr. Sarnoff said that RCA's schedule of domestic shipments this year will account for slightly more than 7 per cent of the projected industry total, as against 3.7 per cent in 1969. "No company other than IBM has achieved this high a share of the market during the past five years," he said.

QUO VADIS VIATRON?

Viatron Computer Systems Corp. has announced that System 21 products (of \$39/mo. fame) will be available for sale only. The company will no longer rent its products. At the same time, the company raised prices for two products in the System 21 line. Viatron stated that customer demand to purchase System 21 has been sufficiently large to absorb the company's production capacity for the foreseeable future; and that the interest expressed in System 21 by third-party leasing companies as well as leasing arrangements provided by individual Viatron dealers would meet the demands of those customers wishing to lease System 21. The products for which increases were announced are the 2101 microprocessor which will sell for \$1640 and the Viatape Model 5001 recorder which will sell for \$384. In addition, all Model 301 black and white video displays will be sold for \$384. The 2101 microprocessor previously rented for \$20/mo; the recorder for \$4/mo. The first display for each system was previously supplied at no charge. Viatron stated that other new prices would go into effect July 1, 1970. The pricing announcement closely follows a layoff of almost 300 employees, and comes less than two months after Viatron reported to a group of financial analysts that "current direct costs of manufacturing, including current variances, are substantially below the retail price of the machines," and "more than adequate to support the current price structure." (MODERN DATA, May 1970, p. 40.)

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

SPANISH MARKET — Spanish business firms and government agencies imported EDP equipment valued at approximately \$28 million in 1969. By 1973, the U.S. Dept of Commerce expects the Spanish market to reach \$56 million, with imports still supplying over 95 percent of the total, and imports from the U.S. projected at \$16 million. Imports of EDP equipment increased by 20 percent between 1966 and 1967 — from \$19 million to \$23 million. In 1968, the increase (to \$25 million) was slightly less than 10 percent because of the country's tight monetary policy. This slower growth rate continued into 1969, with imports estimated at \$28 million. A recent poll of EDP suppliers, however, indicated confidence in renewed rapid growth with imports expected to increase by about 15 percent in 1970 and by 20 percent annually in the period 1971-73.

SCOTTISH DOUBTS — Lord Polwarth, President of the Scottish Council for Development and Industry, expressed doubts about the way in which many computers are used. At a recent symposium of the Institute of Electrical Engineers at Edinburgh University, he said that "many industrial concerns are beginning to feel the honeymoon of the computer age is over." Although computers have relieved many people of dull routine tasks, he said, they are too often considered as glorified calculating machines.

BUSINESS MACHINE TRADE RISES — U.S. foreign trade in business machines reached new highs of \$1.1 billion in exports and \$375 million in imports in 1969. Exports were up 37 percent over the \$835 million of 1968, and imports were up 45 percent over the \$259 million for the same year, according to the U.S. Dept. of Commerce's Business and Defense Services Administration (BDSA). Electronic computers and parts accounted for the largest segment of exports, 64 percent, for a total of \$728 million in 1969. Major customers included West Germany, the United Kingdom, Canada, Japan, and France.

KENNEDY ROUND TARIFFS - With 15 major foreign markets cutting tariffs on business machines by as much as 50% as a result of the Kennedy Round negotiations, U.S. manufacturers could discover important new international marketing opportunities. Countries making the reductions are: Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the European Economic Community (EEC) nations - Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, and The Netherlands. What makes the Kennedy Round of particular value to U.S. manufacturers and exporters of business machines is that Europe and Japan - the areas which lead in the consumption of such machines and where demand is growing most rapidly - are the areas in which most of the tariff reductions are being made. In 1968, the 15 countries imported \$1.8 billion worth of business machines, of which U.S. firms supplied \$699 million, or 39%. The U.S. share of the \$865 million EEC import market was 29%.

JAPANESE OPPORTUNITIES - Japan's booming economy - the fastest growing among the world's industrialized nations — has opened challenging new business opportunities for American makers of electronic computers and peripheral equipment. In 1969, U.S. companies supplied more than \$91 million worth of computers and peripheral equipment to Japan. U.S. exports of such machines and equipment to Japan this year are expected to exceed \$105 million, making that nation one of the largest markets in the world for U.S. computers. Installed computer systems in Japan reportedly may reach 10,000 units by 1972, a dramatic increase over the 5,600 in use in 1969. Domestic output, which increased 148 percent in value during 1966-68, is expected to supply a large portion of these future needs, which stem from labor shortages coupled with rising production costs. However, imports of certain advanced equipment, peripherals, and software will be required to fill acknowledged technical gaps in key categories.

FRENCH EDP CAREERS — One hundred thousand persons in modern-day France are making use of EDP in enterprise and in government administration, reports Comite France Actuelle. Seventy thousand of these are EDP specialists — 50 percent of them operational staff, 30 percent programmers, 15 percent analysts, and 5 percent engineers. By 1975, the number of persons directly engaged in EDP activities will have risen to 150,000. At that time, it is expected that operational personnel will have relatively diminished, while the number of analysts will have increased fourfold and that of programmers fivefold. There is strong backing, meanwhile, for a proposal that France's major engineering schools add a terminal year devoted to data-processing.

QUICKLY AROUND THE WORLD

Air traffic controllers will receive warnings of impending mid-air collisions by mid-1970 under a Government plan for revising Britain's air traffic services, the Times of London reports.

At the present time, according to estimates given by Erling Dessau, project manager for the United Nations Computing Research Center at Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, there are 53,000 computers in the U.S., 22,000 in Western Europe, 6,000 in the U.S.S.R., and 1,000 in Eastern Europe.

West European governments have been meeting in Brussels in an effort to speed up technological progress and lay a foundation for cooperative R&D work. One meeting was devoted to computers and software. Experts rather than civil servants were the main participants in these get-togethers.

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ORDERS AND INSTALLATIONS

McDonnell Automation Co., St. Louis, has announced a four-year contract under which it anticipates cumulative sales of more than \$7,000,000 for providing data processing services to Computerized Automotive Reporting Service (CARS), Inc., of Birmingham, Ala. The new contract, continuing a previous agreement between the two companies, provides auto agencies scattered throughout the U.S. with complete accounting reports, parts inventories, sales analyses, and customer follow-up records.

Atar Computer Systems, Inc. of Canoga Park, Cal. is now testing programs developed for its travel agent common automated reservation system on the firm's new \$2.5 million IBM 360/65 computer. Atar plans to install a communication computer in July and a second IBM 360/65, the largest computer used by U.S. airlines reservations, this fall.

A research and development contract expected to exceed \$2 million for computer peripheral equipment has been awarded to the Electronics Div. of Ferranti-Packard Ltd. by Chicago-based Spiegel, Inc. The contract calls for the development and prototype production of optical scanning and electronic weigh scale hardware for use in a pilot order processing system.

Management Research International, Inc. of Austin, Texas ordered a \$2.8 million Control Data 6400 computer and CDC's KRONOS operating system to expand the firm's information services business.

Colorado Instruments, Inc. of Broomfield, Colo. has received orders totaling \$1.2 million for data collection and data communications systems. The orders came from the Ford Motor Co.'s General Parts Div. in Rawsonville, Mich.; Medical Information Systems Co. in Phoenix; Byron Jackson, Inc., L.A.; and the Univ. of Colorado.

Carte Blanche has ordered a \$1.6 million RCA Spectra 70/55 computer system to handle its credit card accounting and billing functions.

Mauchly-Wood Systems Corp. of L.A., a subsidiary of Scientific Resources Corp. of Philadelphia, has signed an initial contract for \$500,000 with the city of Long Beach, Cal. for the development of a computerized public safety subsystem. Designed to be readily transferable to any city in the 50,000 to 500,000 population range, the system will make all municipal information immediately available, on a selective basis, to any civic department.

Communications Logic, Inc. of Houston, a subsidiary of Computer Complex, Inc., has been awarded an order from On-Line Systems, Inc. of Pittsburgh, Pa. for two computer communications interfaces for the PDP-10 computer. On-Line Systems will provide the necessary software for the communications hardware which has been sold to Graphic Controls Corp., of Buffalo, N.Y. Total value of the order is in excess of \$200,000. Hazeltine Corp. of Little Neck, N.Y. has received an initial award of \$2.6 million from the Dept. of Defense for the production of Scan Converter Display System to be installed in the F-4 Phantom Jet. The value of the multi-year contract is \$7.1 million.

Huettenwerk Oberhausen AG (HOAG), Oberhausen, W. Germany, one of the oldest and largest integrated steel producing concerns in the Ruhr, has purchased a \$5.2 million Univac 1108 multiprocessor system. HOAG, a member of the Thyssen Group, the largest private steel producer in Europe, will use the computer for a plant-wide, real-time information system.

The Bell Telephone Co. of Canada has ordered a Control Data 6400 computer system valued at nearly \$2 million for use in forecasting future telephone network requirements, communications research products, and the analysis of communications simulation models. The CDC 6400 will be installed at Bell-Canada's Montreal headquarters in June.

Infoton, Inc. of Burlington, Mass. announced a contract to ship 25 of its Vista I CRT display terminals to the Entriken Computer Co. of Fenton, Mich. Entriken integrates minicomputers and peripheral equipment into special purpose systems.

Computer Sciences Corp. of L.A. has been awarded a \$1.1 million contract by the Defense Communications Agency to provide technical assistance in support of the National Military Command System. The NMCSSC provides data processing support to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and other Defense Dept. agencies.

The Bureau of the Census, first user of punched cards eight decades ago, has turned to Honeywell's Keytape encoding devices to speed the preparation of the 1970 agricultural census. The order, valued at about \$1 million, is the largest received by Honeywell since its Keytape unit was announced two years ago.

Collins Radio Co. of Dallas has agreed to supply Viatron Computer Systems, Inc. of Bedford, Mass., with 2048-bit read-only-memory arrays at a target cost of under a penny per bit. The ROM order exceeds \$1 million.

Systems Engineering Laboratories, Inc. has announced orders totaling more than \$1 million from Bell Telephone Laboratories, and the City Public Service Board of San Antonio, Texas for its new SYSTEMS 86/88 computers.

Lockheed Electronic's Data Products Div. has been awarded a contract in excess of \$500 thousand for CR-95 memory systems in a submarine sonar program. Raytheon's Submarine Signal Div. in Portsmouth, R.I. made the purchase.

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THE BATTLE OF THE GIANTS: ROUND ONE

Xerox Corp. has filed suit for patent infringement against IBM in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of N.Y. The complaint seeks damages for the alleged infringement of 22 Xerox patents by an office copying machine recently announced by IBM. Xerox also seeks an injunction against its giant competitor, claiming that the patents involved in the suit relate to the xerographic office copiers presently marketed by Xerox. The complaint asserts that in 1968, and again in 1970, Xerox refused IBM's requests for a license under the Xerox patents to manufacture and sell xerographic office copiers of the type which IBM has announced. IBM is now licensed under the Xerox patents to use xerography for computer equipment and, pursuant to the license agreement, Xerox says it provided IBM with confidential data, know-how, and trade secret information relating to xerography for use in such equipment. Xerox asserts that the confidential information has been used in connection with office copiers, contrary to the terms of the agreement.

COMPUTERIZED NEWS FOR INVESTORS

Profile Communications, Inc., a new firm publishing by computer printout to meet individual needs for news and information, has opened for business in Maynard, Mass. The company's first publishing effort will be a weekly corporate and financial news/information service, called Pro-Com Alerts, which will be tailored by computer to the specific interest profile of each professional or private investor who subscribes. At its present startup stage, Pro-Com Alerts are being offered on 400 publicly-held U.S. companies chosen by a survey of investment professionals. Eventually, the list will be expanded to include several thousand companies. Plans are also underway meet the to news/information needs of individuals with interests in engineering, medicine, and law.

TELEPHONE INDUSTRY'S GROWTH POTENTIAL

The telephone industry's dynamic growth potential is currently not reflected in the prices of telephone stocks, which are selling at historically low valuations and at around their lowest prices for a number of years, says Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

The industry's growth potential stems from the accelerating demand for communications and technological advances that are improving existing services and creating new ones. The market's disdain for these stocks also gives scant recognition to either the generally satisfactory earnings growth recorded by the companies last year, in the face of higher interest costs and other inflation-stimulated expenses, or their pursuit of substantial rate increases, the Survey says.

Prime evidence of today's conspicuous changes in the industry is the growing transmission of non-voice data via the telephone system, Moody's says. The Bell System now has about 131,000 data sets connected to it, up 56% in a year, and estimated to reach 1.5 million sets by 1980. In several years, the number of non-voice signals carried over phone wires could equal that of voice, Moody's believes.

Simultaneously, regular phone use is growing so fast that it is taxing the capacity of present facilities. Moody's expects that there will be an average of one phone per person in the U.S. by the end of the century, vs. 56 per 100 persons last year and 40 just 30 years ago. At the same time, revenue per phone continues to climb steadily.

Combined revenue growth for the Bell System and the independent phone companies from voice transmission alone is projected by Moody's to increase at a 9% to 10% annual rate over the foreseeable future. This would indicate annual gross of about \$31 billion by 1975, substantially above 1969's \$18 billion. Independents accounted for \$2.5 billion of this total.

In mid-1970, AT&T expects to introduce picture phones as a general business service. Its present high-cost will restrict it very much to being a novelty, luxury item at first. With economies from large-scale business use, the picture phone's unit cost could drop dramatically to a point where it would be eventually within reach of the average household. By 1980, Moody's says, picture phones could generate revenues of \$1 billion annually.

The strains from increased demand for service and inflation have caused the phone industry to seek rate increases aggressively, the Survey notes. Requests for hikes probably totaled about \$500 million in 1969, and larger requests are expected in 1970 and 1971. It appears to Moody's that the rate of return on investment will have to rise significantly from current levels if the industry is to be able to cope with high interest rates and attract the expansion capital it needs. Thus, regulatory policies of federal and state agencies will play an increasingly important role in the industry's future.

MAI AND POTTER SETTLE ARBITRATION

Potter Instrument Co., Inc. and Management Assistance Inc. (MAI) have settled their disputes relating to their prior damage claims and the marketing of Potter-manufactured magnetic tape transports for the IBM-replacement market. Under the new arrangement, Potter and MAI, each can market the transports without limitation. If a combination of sales to MAI over the next 18 months, and sales and leases to other commercial customers over the next five years, reaches about \$100,000,000, based on current enduser sales value, MAI will realize a maximum benefit of \$6,250,000. Potter stated that the anticipated after-tax cost to Potter of such maximum was estimated to be less than \$3,000,000. The agreement further stipulates that Potter will make periodic payments to MAI based on Potter's future sales or leases of these transports to other commercial customers, with a minimum of \$2,160,000 payable by Aug. 31, 1974. Potter stated that the anticipated after-tax cost of the minimum payment to MAI will be about \$1,000,000 which will be included in Potter's current financial statement as an extraordinary charge.
PRICE CHANGES

Varian Data Machines has reduced the basic price of its 520/i generalpurpose mini by 20%, from \$7,500 down to \$6,000.... Keymatic Data Systems Corp. has announced price reductions of approximately 25% in the base prices of its Series 1090 Encoders, which record directly on 9-track magnetic tape at 800 bpi.... A unit price increase averaging 8% for the Data-Verter line of data acquisition and communications equipment was announced by Digitronics Corp.

MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS: American Data Systems of Canoga Park, Cal. has acquired Liberty Consultants, Inc. of Chatsworth, Cal. The purchase was for an undisclosed amount of stock. . . The American Tabulating Co. of Englewood Cliffs, N.J. has acquired Cybergraphic Systems and Programming

Corp. of Hackensack, N.J. The merged firm, American Tabulating and Cybergraphic Co. will be headquartered in Hackensack. . . . Ronald Simone and Richard Griffith, owners of two Philadelphia area microfilm service organizations (Certified Systems, Inc. and Securitext, Inc.), have acquired a majority interest in Micromation Systems, Inc. of College Park, Md. . . . Computer Learning and Systems Corp. of Chevy Chase, Md., has reached agreement on the acquisition of the Institute of Computer Management, Inc. ICM Schools, located in Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and Cleveland, offer a series of specialized courses in computer programming techniques. . . . Computing and Software, Inc. of L.A. has expanded its proprietary library of programmed applications by acquiring Think, Inc. of L.A. and the Hodes-Daniel Co. of Elmsford, N.Y., C&SI also announced its move into the Canadian data processing market with the signing of a definitive agreement to ac-

BOX SCORE OF EARNINGS Earnings (Loss) per Share Net Earnings Company Period Revenues (Loss) Automatic Data Processing 9 mos. 3/31/70 .40 26,958,064 1,985,131 3/31/69 .29 9 mos. 19,891,451 1,402,016 .56 Burroughs 3 mos. 3/31/70 189,175,000 9,708,000 .46 3 mos. 3/31/69 163,075,000 7,607,000 Computer Communications 9 mos. .33 3/31/70 6,975,414 402,269 (.05) 9 mos. 3/31/69 4,390,194 (54,758) **Computer Instruments** Yr. 12/31/69 (.18) 6,843,390 (292,426) .13 Yr. 12/31/68 7.538.795 203,773 **Computer Micrographics** (.02) 6 mos. 2/28/70 809,984 (19,363) .06 6 mos. 2/28/69 473,093 38.702 (.12) **Computer Technology** 3 mos. 3/29/70 9,687,000 (667,000)3 mos. 3/31/69 392,000 .07 7,395,000 Cubic 3/31/70 .20 3 mos. 9,555,000 441,811 .17 3 mos. 3/31/69 7,733,000 375,600 .03 **DCS Computer Services** 3 mos. 3/31/70 203,872 15,096 3 mos. 12/31/69 .02 143,502 9,263 **Dashew Business Machines** .05 6 mos. 2/28/70 2,004,853 127,141 6 mos. .06 2/28/69 1,835,974 149,659 20 Datatab *Yr. 12/31/69 3,437,882 116,043 Yr. 12/31/68 .41 2,388,554 173,549 Elec. Computer Prog. Inst. Yr. 12/31/69 (-)3,265,865 (232,215) .53 Yr. 12/31/68 3,481,113 403,691 **General Automation** 1/31/70 (-) 6 mos. 2,713,000 (1,060,000) (-) 6 mos. 1/31/69 622,000 (269,000)Hazeltine .21 3 mos. 3/31/70 15,627,000 410,000 3 mos. 3/31/69 .27 14,348,000 522,000 Itel 3 mos. 3/31/70 .19 12,447,000 748,000 3 mos. 3/31/69 .17 7,367,000 649,000 **N. American Philips** Yr. 12/31/69 3.13 548,959,810 27,424,098 Yr. 12/31/68 505,291,670 2.25 19,562,526 Yr. 11/30/69 **Programming Sciences** .06 2,505,545 116,124 Yr. 11/30/68 1,250,037 (507,794) (.34)Raytheon 3 mos. 3/29/70 .59 307.146.000 8,806,000 3 mos. 3/30/69 .55 302,876,000 8,199,000 Sys. Engrg. Labs. 9 mos. 3/6/70 14,429,621 .55 1,252,693 9 mos. 3/7/69 .44 11,140,523 911,706 **Tab Products** .39 9 mos. 2/28/70 14,470,000 327,000 9 mos. .37 2/28/69 12,684,000 285,000 Wang Labs. 9 mos. 3/31/70 .39 17,162,495 1,504,691

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quire Aquila Computer Services, Ltd. and Berthiaume, St. Pierre, Theriault and Associates, Inc. (BST) headquartered Monin treal. . . . Datamation Services, Inc. has concluded the sale of Computer Systems and Education Corp. to Northeast Computer Systems, Inc., of Hartford, Conn. . . . Data Network Corp. of N.Y.C. has announced that negotiations for the proposed acquisition of Logistic Distro Data, Inc., also of N.Y.C., have been terminated. . . . Data Products Corp. of Woodland Hills. Cal. has acquired Tranetics, Inc. of Escondido Cal., a manufacturer of magnetic recording heads. . . . Fimaco, Inc., a Philadelphia-based EDP services company, has acquired American Computer Graphics Corp. of Cinnaminson, N.J. ACG serves printers and publishers through the use of computerized photocomposition equipment. . . . Intranet Computing Corp. of L.A. has acquired Universal Data Systems, Inc., a Westminister, Cal. software development firm. UDS, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Rucker Co., Oakland, Cal., was acquired for Intranet common stock. . . . Systems Engineering Laboratories, of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. and Computer Peripherals Corp. of San Diego have reached an agreement in principle under which Systems will offer to acquire all of Computer Peripherals' stock. . . . Tracor Computing Corp. of Austin, Texas and Computer Planning Corp. of L.A announced an aggreement whereby Tracor will acquire substantially all of the assets of Computer Planning and its wholly-owned subsidiary, On-Line Sciences, Inc.

RECENT ENTRIES IN THE COMPUTER FIELD: Apollo Associates, a new recruiting firm, will specialize in placing computer personnel. The firm is located in N.Y.C. . . . Instar, Inc. (Information Storage and Retrieval Service), will store and retrieve business records. The Wilmington, Mass. firm will provide facsimile reproduction systems and daily mail and messenger service to its customers . . . Payne Computer Services, Inc., N.Y.C., is a consulting concern specializing in facilities management. The new company is a division of Bruce Payne & Associates, Inc., a management consulting firm Personalized Data Systems of Monterey Park, Cal. is another new systems consulting company created in the wake of unbundling . . . Promodata, a British firm with headquarters in Paris, will act as a broker to bring together computer owners and purchasers of used equipment.

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NO REGULATIONS NEEDED — Non-common carriers providing data processing services would not come under government regulation, and regulated common carriers would be permitted to provide data processing only through separate corporations under terms of a tentative decision issued by the Federal Communications Commission. The proposed rules would permit common carriers with operating revenues of \$1 million or more annually to engage in the sale of data processing services only through separate corporate entities maintaining separate books and accounts, and operating with separate personnel and facilities. The larger carriers would be required to file copies of agreements with their data processing affiliates.

In proposing that non-common carriers be exempt from regulation, the Commission concluded that data processing services exist in a competitive market and that there is no need to regulate them whether or not they use communications facilities to connect subscribers to centralized computers. It expressed the view that, "The market for these services will continue to burgeon and flourish best in the existing competitive environment."

GSA ARCHIVAL PACKAGE — The General Services Administration reports that a project to develop a system for automated control of archival material has been completed on schedule and is undergoing large-scale testing. The computer package is known as SPINDEX II (for Selective Permutation Indexing). It not only will facilitate indexing and reference use of vast amounts of historical source material in individual archives and manuscript repositories, but will provide information compatibility among the users. Administrator Robert L. Kunzig said the computer program was developed by the National Archives and Records Service of GSA with the cooperation of nine other institutions with large archival or manuscript holdings.

Inquiries about SPINDEX II should be addressed to: Dr. Frank G. Burke, Director, Educational Programs, National Archives and Records Service (GSA), Washington, D.C. 20408.

GOVERNMENT INVENTORY – The General Services Administration has published the Fiscal 1969 edition of an "Inventory of Automatic Data Processing Equipment in the U.S. Government." The document contains information on the number of computers in the government in fiscal years 1950 through 1969 by federal agency, the number of owned leased computers in the government by manufacturer and type/model, man-years devoted to EDP operations 1960-1969, and EDP costs 1960-1969. The organizational and geographical locations of computers installed as of June 30, 1969, are also identified. The publication may be purchased for \$2.00 from: Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 **GOVERNMENT-WIDE INFORMATION SYSTEM** – Congressman Emilio Q. Daddario (D.-Conn.) has proposed the creation of a government-wide information system which "would bring modern day management techniques to its vast research and development effort." In an address to an Information Industry Association meeting, he told about the difficulty facing legislators in deciding which government research projects should be funded without any accurate information on the status of these programs. Rep. Daddario proposed that the Science Information Exchange become the agency to coordinate and manage the new system. He said that "the basic ingredient for effective and more efficient management of our scientific research and development is an information system which can furnish, on a real-time basis, data basic to the decision-making process."

ZIP AND COMPUTERS — Postmaster General Winton M. Blount announced that, starting in August, mechanized letter sorting will be substantially improved with the installation of ZIP code keyboards and memory units in 136 cities. The program is expected to cost about \$11.4 million and to save the POD about \$13.5 million yearly. The General American Transportation Corp., Niles, Ill., has a \$9 million contract for the keyboards and translators. The Burroughs Corp., Paoli, Pa., will manufacture the letter sorters for about \$2.3 million.

IN BRIEF

A 208-page study of computer/display interfaces done for the Army by the National Bureau of Standards is now available. The study investigates graphical display languages, data structures, and the interaction with display users.

It is available for \$3.00 from the U.S. Clearinghouse, Springfield, Va., 22151. Request, AD-699-366, "Computer/Display Interface Study."

Scientists at the Dept. of Commerce's Environmental Science Services Administration have established, with the aid of a computer, that Antarctica was once attached to the southeast coast of Africa.

Ways to improve city life through electronics and communications will be studied by the National Academy of Engineering's Committee on Telecommunications. The year-long study is aimed at determining how urban services can be improved by better use of the latest advances in communications and electronics technology.

One hundred Honeywell Keytape units are being used by the Census Bureau at Jeffersonville, Ind. to prepare the 1970 Census of Agriculture.

Mechanized ZIP Code sorting is being expanded by the Post Office. Pleased with its use in Milwaukee, it will be expanded to Detroit, Houston, Philadelphia, Long Beach, Chicago, Dayton, and Oakland.

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	COMPANY	EXCH.	IN 100's)	HIGH	LOW	5-1-70	AGO	12 MONTHS)	RATIO
	ADAMS MILLIS BALTIMORE BUS, FORMS	NY	378	15.2 21.0	10.4	11.0 16.4	-1.1 -0.4	0.96 0.92	11 17
	BARRY WRIGHT	AM	226	25.3	10.1	10.1	-3.0	0.80	12
SUPPLIES	DATA DOCUMENTS	AM	90	53.5 35.6	21.6	23.6	-9.4 -4.0	1.82	18
&	DATA PACKAGING	OTC	056	28.6	12.6	13.0	-7.0	0.77	17
ACCESSORIES	DUPONT	NY	4329	113.4	92.4	109.0	10.0	7.35	14
	ENNIS BUS. FORMS	NY	231	19.0 30.4	14.6	14.6	-1.3 -6.4	0.95	14 27
	GRAPHIC CONTROLS	OTC		17.2	4.2	9.0	-5.2	1.10	8
	MEMOREX	OTC NY	8882	19.4 166.6	13.0	13.4 79.4	-3.2 -37.4	1.83	15 43
	3 M	NY	3862	114.6	93.0	94.0	-12.3	3.26	28
	REYNOLDS & REYNOLDS	OTC	2075	48.0	30.0	32.0	-12.4	1.27	25
	SAFEGUARD INDUSTRIES	AM	373	16.1	10.1	10.7	-2.1	0.76	13
	UARCO	NY	159	39.2	28.4	28.4	-7.0	2.21	12
	WALLACE BUS. FORMS	отс		40.4	32.0	32.4	-7.0	2.16	14
	APPLIED DATA RESEARCH	AM	730	24.2	4.1	5.6	-1.7	0.16	31
	APPLIED LOGIC	OTC		18.4	6.2	6.2	-4.2	0.07	87
	AUTOMATIC DATA PROC.	AM	5920	47.6	29.4	32.2	-8.4	0.59	54
	BOLT, BERANEK & NEWMAN BOOTHE COMPUTER	OTC		11.2 25.4	6.4 14.0	6.4 18.0	-2.2 -5.0	1.62	18
	BRANDON APPLIED SYS.	OTC		9.4	3.0	3.4	-1.6	(d)5 51	
	COMPUTER ENVIRONMENTS	OTC	/00	14.0	7.4	7.4	-1.4	(0/5.51	
SOFTWARE	COMPUTER EXCHANGE	OTC	215	8.2	4.0	4.0	-2.2 -4.1	0.08	50 15
&	COMPUTER METHODS	OTC		2.4	1.4	1.4	-0.2		
SERVICES	COMPUTER PROPERTY COMPUTER SCIENCES	OTC	10477	15.2 34.1	8.0	9.0	-4.4 -8.0	0.81	16
	COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY	OTC		12.3	3.0	4.4	0.5	0.12	33
	COMPUTER USAGE	OTC		8.0	5.2	6.4	-0.2	(d)1.58	
	COMPUTING & SOFTWARE	AM	2143	75.6	27.6	30.2	-18.6	1.19	25
	CYBER-TRONICS	отс		15.0	5.0	5.0	-5.6	0.11	45
		OTC		14.2	10.0	10.0	-2.2 -7.0		
	DATA DYNAMICS	OTC		3.7	1.2	1.2	-1.2		
	DATA NETWORK DATA PROC. FIN. & GEN.	AM	4290	32.0	10.0	11.0	-0.8	1.23	8
	DATA SYSTEMS ANALYSTS	OTC		5.4	2.6	3.0	-1.4	0.06	50
	DATRONIC RENTAL DEARBORN COMPUTER	AM	542	24.1	14.0	14.0	-6.0	1.86	7
	DECISION SYSTEMS	OTC		4.4	2.0	2.0	-1.6		
	DIGITAL APPLICATIONS	OTC		4.4	2.4	2.4	-1.4		
	DPA, INC.	AM	492	10.3	5.0	5.1	-1.1 -1.0	0.85	5
	ELEC. COMP. PROG. INST.	AM	185	11.4	5.4	6.0	-3.0	0.14	42
	ELEC. DATA SYSTEMS GREYHOUND COMPUTER	AM	351	161.0	67.0	7.6	-89.0	1.05	6
	INFORMATICS	OTC		43.2	6.2	6.6	-6.6	0.09	66 63
	INTL. COMPUTER SERVICES	NAT		3.3	1.6	1.6	-0.5	0.20	8
		AM	5863	30.4	12.3	13.1	-3.7 -2.3	2.51 4.03	5
1	LMC DATA	OTC		3.5	1.4	1.6	-1.0	(d)0.01	
	MGMT. ASSISTANCE *MANAGEMENT DATA	AM		3.6	1.4	17.1	-3.2	0.77	22
	NATIONAL COMP. ANAL.	OTC	E202	8.4	3.4	4.0	-1.6	0.68	32
	PROGRAMMING METHODS	OTC	5293	27.0	13.0	13.0	-5.0		
	PROGRAMMING SCIENCES	OTC		33.4	7.0	7.0	-8.0 -0.6	0.16	18
	SCIENTIFIC COMPUTER	отс		3.5	2.0	2.2	-0.6	0.12	16
	SCIENTIFIC RESOURCES STRATEGIC SYSTEMS	OTC	2425	14.5	4.4 2.1	6.0 2.4	-2.0		
	SYSTEMS CAPITAL	OTC		6.0	3.4	4.0	-1.4	0.13	23
	TRACOR COMPUTING	OTC		7.4	3.2	3.5	-1.7	(d)0.47	
	URS SYSTEMS	AM	823	28.0	6.4 2.4	6.4	-3.4	0.78	40
	UNIVERSITY COMPUTING	NY	6975	99.3	28.2	33.5	-2.2	2.50	13
	U.S. TIME SHARING	OTC		13.4	5.0	5.2	-5.0		

(d) Deficit New listing in this issue All security prices and net change are expressed in dollars and eighths of dollars (e.g. 62.2 is 62%). Trading volume is not given for over the counter stocks. ALL DATA COMPUTED BY SCANTLIN ELECTRONICS, EXCLUSIVELY FOR MODERN DATA.

	COMPANY	EXCH.	VOL. SHARES IN 100's)	1970 HIGH	1970 LOW	PRICE 5-1-70	NET CHG FROM MONTH AGO	EARN./SHR. (LATEST 12 MONTHS)	P/E RATIO
	AMP	NY	2274	57.2	46.1	49.0	-4.6	2.03	24
	AMPEX APPLIED MAGNETICS	OTC	8085	48.4	13.0	22.0	-13.1 -5.2	0.39	35
	ASTRODATA	AM	1248	34.7	8.3	10.7	-0.6	0.39	25
	BUNKER RAMO	NY	3053	14.4	9.0	9.6	-3.2	0.53	16
PERIPHERALS		AM	3180	33.7	16.6	20.3	-6.1	0.31	64
&	CODEX	OTC		35.0	8.0	8.0	-8.6	0.26	30
COMPONENTS	COGAR	OTC		94.0	47.0	50.0	-19.0 -3.4	(d)1.27 (d)0.22	
COMPONENTS	COLLINS RADIO	NY	852	37.2	19.2	20.4	-5.6	1.66	12
	COMPUTER COMM.	OTC		36.0	17.0	17.0	-20.4 -14.4		
	COMPUTER CONSOLES	OTC	275	22.0	7.4	8.2	-5.2	0.43	
	CONRAC	NY	378	32.2	15.0	17.0	-7.2	1.20	14
	DATA 100 DATA PRODUCTS	OTC	3961	16.6	7.0	7.0	-3.4 -3.7	(d)0.99 0.35	40
	DATARAM	отс		15.4	8.0	8.0	-3.4	(d)0.46	
	DIGITRONICS	OTC		13.4	7.0	7.0	-8.4	0.18	38
	ELEC. ENGRG. OF CAL.	AM	205	14.5	6.1	6.2	-4.0	(d)0.30	
	EPSCO	OTC	2543	40.1	4.0	4.0	-1.2	0.17	23
	EXCELLO	NY	1009	27.4	22.0	24.7	-1.3	2.59	9
	FARRINGTON MFG.	OTC		17.1	3.6	4.6	-0.6	(d)0.06	
	GERBER SCIENTIFIC GRAPHIC SCIENCES	AM	239	38.5	19.4	21.6 12.0	-4.7	0.68 (d)1.37	30
	HI-G	AM		16.6	9.0	10.1	-4.9		
	INFORMATION DISPLAYS	OTC		20.0	7.0	8.0 11.6	-8.4 -3.4	0.86	14
	LOGIC	OTC	45074	14.2	7.0	7.0	-4.6	0.10	
	MOHAWK DATA SCIENCES	AM	6337	84.4	38.6	41.1	-42.0	1.45	28
	NORTH ATLANTIC IND.	OTC		7.6	4.0	4.0	-1.6		
	POTTER INSTRUMENT	AM	4165	42.6	27.4	33.0	-6.7	0.93	35
	RECOGNITION EQUIP.	OTC	917	83.4	25.4	28.0	-20.4	(d)0.51 (d)0.53	
	SANGAMO	NY	916	29.1	14.5	16.7	-4.7	0.41	39
	SCAN-DATA SEALECTRO	OTC AM	230	53.0 12.6	13.0 5.6	14.0 6.3	-10.0 -1.6	0.20	30
	SYKES DATATRONICS	OTC		9.0	5.0	5.4	-2.4	(1)0.70	
	TELEX	NY	18628	159.4	82.1	99.4	-34.3	0.47	38
	TEXAS INSTRUMENTS	NY	2830	134.4	104.0	105.2 2.4	-11.2 -0.6	3.18	33
	BECKMAN	NY	673	63.4	31.1	32.1	_9.7	1 52	21
	BURROUGHS	NY	7940	172.6	122.1	129.0	-15.1	3.42	37
	CONTROL DATA DATA GENERAL	OTC	6552	122.4	40.6 20.6	44.0	-8.4 -7.2	3.19	13
COMPUTERS	DIGITAL EQUIPMENT	AM	6076	124.0	80.2	85.0	-13.0	1.31	64
	GENERAL AUTOMATION	OTC		42.0	5.4	13.4	-2.1 -6.4	(d)0.86	
	GENERAL ELECTRIC	NY	6894	77.5	67.5	71.3	-2.7	3.07	23
	HONEYWELL	NY	3417	152.0	114.3	119.4	-8.0	4.25	28
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	LITTON INDUSTRIES	NY	5526	38.0	18.1	18.7	-5.5	2.36	7
	RCA	NY	4645	34.5	23.4	24.0	-9.6 -6.6	4.27	28
	RAYTHEON	NY	1786	33.5	20.0	23.4	-4.2	2.39	9
	SCIENTIFIC CONTROL	OTC		8.6	2.6	4.0	-2.2	(d)2.43	
	SPERRY RAND SYSTEMS ENGRG. LARS	AM	9484 3543	40.3	26.3	27.6	-8.2	2.27	11
	SYSTRON DONNER	AM	202	28.5	14.4	15.0	-5.2	1.16	12
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CORPORATE PROFILE

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DATA GENERAL CORPORATION (over-the-counter)

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DIRECTORS: Edson D. deCastro, Pres., Data General Corp.; Frederick R. Adler, partner in the law firm of Reavis & McGrath, New York, and Secretary for Data General Corp.; Henry Burkhardt III, V. Pres. and treasurer, Data General Corp.; Robert E. Fowler, president of Fowler Beach Corp., Rochester, New York; Herbert J. Richman, V. Pres., Data General Corp.; and Richard G. Sogge, V. Pres., Data General Corp.

BACKCROUND: Data General Corp. was organized in April of 1968 to design, make, and sell small, generalpurpose digital computers. Prior to the formation of Data General Corp., Messrs. deCastro, Burkhardt, and Sogge served in varying capacities with Digital Equipment Corp. Mr. Richman was Eastern regional sales manager of Fairchild Semi-conductor Corp. before he joined Data General.

FACILITIES: Data General's headquarters are located in Southboro, Mass. At this location, the company currently occupies 70,000 square feet. This space is used for executive and administrative offices as well as manufacturing and consists of the company's original 10,000 square foot area, opened in March, 1969, and two recent additions of 20,000 and 40,000 square feet respectively. Ground has recently been broken for an additional 150,000 square foot plant adjoining the present facilities. The new addition, which will be available by the end of 1970, will accommodate the planned expansion of the company. When the new plant is complete, Data General will have a total of 220,000 square feet of space at its Southboro headquarters. In addition to its Southboro facilities, Data General also operates a 12,000 square foot printed circuit board plant in Hudson, Mass., and expects to contract shortly for a new 15,000 square foot manufacturing site in Hull, Quebec, Canada. Data General presently employs more than 200 people.

PRODUCTS: Data General Corp.'s current product line consists of the Nova and Supernova minicomputer systems and their related peripherals and systems software. In addition to the systems software, Data General also recently announced what is described as the single largest package, of high-level software ever to be introduced at one time by a minicomputer manufacturer. The new software includes a complete Algol 60 compiler, two varieties of Fortran IV, and a device-independent disk operating system.

Data General's computers are further described as follows:

• NOVA: The Nova is a 16-bit general-purpose computer whose design is based on medium-scale integrated (MSI) circuitry. Its basic price is \$7,950, including 4K core memory and teleprinter interface. The memory is expandable in 2K or 4K blocks to a maximum of 32K. At the customer's option, Data General will provide read-only memory (ROM). As many as 62 devices may be connected to a Nova, and the computer includes a data channel for use in high-volume data transmission involving highspeed, I/O devices. The Nova was Data General's first product and is said to be the first minicomputer in the industry to use MSI.

• SUPERNOVA: The Supernova is a 16-bit high-speed minicomputer designed for use in those applications where other small computers have previously proved ineffective. ADD-time for the Supernova is 300 nanoseconds in readonly memory and 800 nanoseconds with core. The Supernova is fully compatible with the Nova, and programs written on either computer may be run on the other. Supernova options include a bootstrap loader, memory application and protection (MAP), and a highspeed data channel. A Supernova with 4K core memory and teleprinter interface is priced at \$11,700. First deliveries of the new high-speed computer were completed in April.

CURRENT POSITION: In its first two years of operation, Data General Corp. has become one of the leading manufacturers of small computer systems. By May, 1970, more than 500 Data General computers had been delivered. Sales have grown rapidly to the present profitable status and are expected to increase. The establishment of a Canadian subsidiary and the opening of European sales offices are recent events which will give the company a strong position in the expanding world market.

OUTLOOK: Data General Corp. is currently in a period of rapid expansion which is expected to continue for some time. Rather than simply consolidating its position as a major minicomputer manufacturer, the company has moved to broaden its approach to the market in terms of geography, marketing, and technology. Most observers anticipate that Data General will be one of the companies to increase its share of the rapidly expanding market for small computers during the coming year. Over the longer run, it is expected that Data General will be able to achieve a minimum 10 percent share of the total market for small computers within the next few years. This market is expected to grow at an annual rate in excess of 20 percent to a total value of at least \$750 million by 1975.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY: Data General's stock was first sold to the public in November, 1969. The company recently reported sales of \$2,528,000 for the first half of fiscal 1970, almost 2½ times the \$1,034,000 reported for all of fiscal 1969. Earnings for the 24 week period ended March 14, 1970, would have totaled \$152,000 or \$0.08 per share, had taxes been payable on the income of the first half. Since no taxes were, in fact, payable because of a tax loss carried forward, actual earnings for the first half amounted to \$307,000 or \$0.16 per share. Comparative figures for the first half of fiscal 1969 are not meaningful, since the company was then in the early stages of its business development.

Sales for the second quarter of fiscal 1970 (the 12 week period ended March 14, 1970) rose to \$1,413,000 from the \$1,115,000 of the first quarter of 1970. Earnings jumped sharply from \$88,000 or \$0.05 per share (including \$0.03 per share tax loss carried forward) in the first quarter to \$219,000 or \$0.11 per share (including \$0.05 extraordinary gain from tax loss) in the second quarter.

Data General's current financial position is extremely strong, with more than \$2,400,000 held in cash and short term investments and nearly \$1 million in accounts receivable. The company also continues to have available a substantial line of credit from the Chase Manhattan Bank.

Fiscal Year 1970	Revenue	Net Income	Per Share
Half ended* 3/14/70	\$2,528,000	\$219,000**	\$0.16**
Quarter ended** 3/14/70	1,413,000	88,000**	0.11**

*Comparative figures for previous years not meaningful, since the company was just then beginning operations.

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Relying on frequent infusions of Atlantic City's salt water taffy to sustain our energies, we managed to cover most of the thousand-odd booths at SJCC. It has become almost an intellectual impossibility to assimilate everything on display at these shows or to develop any comparative viewpoint or perspective. This is not due to just the size of the show, but the fact that the industry is becoming increasingly a marketing game. In appraising products and companies we find, more and more, a veiled line between shadow and substance. We have become jaded with explanations of why "our data set is superior," or why "our CRT replacement for a Model 33 is obviously the best." It's getting so bad that we won't be surprised at the next JCC, to see the acoustic coupler that plays soft melodies to lure a user to sleep after a hard day's time-sharing.

However, in dutiful compliance with the law of averages, we did see some new, interesting, and worthwhile products. In the pure cost-effectiveness class, the blue ribbon was won by the Codex TM-8 Data Multiplexer. This is a time division multiplex designed to accommodate any combination of 1200 bps to 4800 bps circuits into a single 9600 bps circuit using the Codex AE96 9600 bps modem. For example, one can multiplex eight 1200 bps circuits, or four 1200's and one 4800, or six 1200's and one 2400, or any combination of 1200's, 2400's, or 4800's adding up to 9600. The uniqueness of the TM-8 is that it is the first to accomplish this without overhead, i.e., borrowing from the throughput of one of the multiplexed channels. Earlier versions might handle four 2400 bps circuits, but at least one had to be operated slightly below 2400 bps. That channel was used by the system to transmit framing data from end to end so that if circuit #1 at one end was Macy's, circuit #1 at the other end was also Macy's. The TM-8, however, derives its framing from the companion modem, the Codex AE96, so all multiplexed channels can operate fully at their nominal rate. Also, the multiplexed channels are hardwarescrambled at input and unscrambled at output. Hence, if phasing slips accidentally, so that Macy's does get Gimbel's traffic, it will be scrambled and not readily interpretable.

Codex prices a four-2400 bps channel system at \$18,200 per end or \$36,400 for the full system. Assuming a 30:1 ratio for monthly cost, the mileage breakpoint for the system (interstate rates) is about 38 miles. That is, for a system with four 2400 bps terminals located 38 miles from the CPU, the Codex system breaks even. For distances greater than 38 miles (or monthly cost ratios greater than 30:1), the Codex system starts to save money, and the payouts can be very significant. This is something that can make the 9600 bps class of service even more meaningful to users than it has been to date.

Applied Digital Data Systems of Hauppauge, N.Y. picked up the blue ribbon for technical achievement with their new acoustic coupler. The nonlinear characteristic of a telephone microphone causes a second harmonic of the transmitted signal. This harmonic falls in the band of the received signal frequencies, and can cause errors if the received signal strength is low. ADDS has gotten around this by deliberately adding a third harmonic with the transmitted fundamental. The result is an inter-modulation term between the fundamental and the third, which cancels the second harmonic. The effect is to allow another 10 db of signal attenuation before performance is theoretically comparable to other couplers.

We also looked at the ADDS portable CRT terminal called the Envoy. While it is certainly unique, we're not sure what applications justify the approximately \$800 premium over portable hard copy conversational terminals.

An honorable mention for useful uniqueness goes to I/Onex of Philadelphia, Pa. for their Autoset. This is an array of up to eight 103 data sets packaged with common power supply in an attrac-

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tive cabinet measuring 17" wide by 5%" high by 15" deep. Most 103 type offerings for use with the DAA have been individual, free-standing units. As such, they have still consumed a lot of space in multiple set installations. The Autoset combination of eight sets in a small cabinet, priced at \$2350, seems to us to be a very worthwhile offer.

Among conversational terminal introductions, the blue ribbon went to Electronic Information Systems, Inc. Broomfield, Colo. Their Telewriter comprises an SCM typing mechanism with solidstate encoding (in lieu of type-bars); solid-state format conversion (in lieu of a commutator); and individual solenoids to activate each type mallet. All of these features would appear to give the Telewriter a good reliability index. Priced at \$1030 with TTY interface, or \$1295 with acoustic coupler, we view this as an offering very competitive in price and performance.



TDM UPDATE

In last month's Clinic on multiplexing we said that the cheapest TDM pricing we had seen was \$5000 per initial installation, plus \$150 per channel. In talking to some suppliers at the show, however, we found a bit-interleaved system at \$2750, plus \$150 per channel; another one at \$5200 for 18 channels; and a third at \$6150 for 18 channels, but including a modem. These smaller capacity (i.e., total channels accommodated) systems come still closer to direct price competition with FDM.

ORDER ENTRY UPDATE

In the April Clinic we described an order entry problem, and the design considerations and procedures which led to the selection of Model 33 Dataphone Teletypewriter for that system. Since publication, the terminal selection has changed to Model 35 Dataphone Teletypewriter. This change was necessary because the Model 33 is not appropriate where more than one or two copies are required on multi-part printing. In the case considered, the bill of lading had too many copies to allow using the Model 33.

Another consideration was the absence of tabbing features on the Model 33. This need not reject the Model 33, *per se*. The user should calculate whether the extra toll costs for transmitting the spaces and line feeds outweigh the lower monthly cost of the terminal.

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING UPDATE

One result of our March Clinic on traffic engineering was a debate by mail with a knowledgeable colleague. His contention is that Erlangs are poorly or incorrectly defined as CCS per 100 seconds; that more properly an Erlang equals simply 36 CCS. We agree if, and only if, the CCS load is measured over one hour. That is, a load of 360 CCS equals 10 Erlangs if the load occurs in one hour, but 1 Erlang if the same load is distributed uniformly over ten hours. In practice, CCS loads are on a per hour basis and, for these, one Erlang does equal 36 CCS. To be rigorous, however, we still hold out for Erlangs being CCS per 100 call seconds, etc. Comment from anyone else?



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DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEMS



SOURCE DATA AUTOMATION

AN SDA ANALYSIS

Performing a Source Data Automation analysis is similar to performing a computer system analysis except that the boundaries for the analysis are no longer limited to the machine interface but are human-oriented. That is, a Source Data Automation analysis is concerned with the processing of data from point of origin and, therefore, looks at the manner in which data is gathered, collected, recorded, and transmitted to the computer system. The ideal is to record data in a machine-readable form that can be automatically input to a computer without manual intervention.

The commencement of an SDA analysis involves two simultaneous efforts: (1) gathering information on SDA equipment, and (2) gathering information on the present computer in-



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EXPENSE REPORTS	3,000	70	3,000

Fig. 1 — Typical Information Flow Diagram

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put system. The first part of the analysis requires a knowledge of the SDA state-of-the-art, which can be obtained by technical seminars and various publications on the subject, including future articles in this series. The more difficult task is the one we are about to discuss — analyzing the present computer input system.

STEP 1: ORIENTATION – A general meeting of all personnel involved in the analysis group should take place at which each individual is told the types of data required and made familiar with the study's objectives. The makeup of this group must consist of both of the following types of personnel: (1) senior personnel familiar with present system operations both from a user and machine standpoint, and, (2) systems personnel with SDA experience who can envision system designs using various types of SDA equipment.

STEP 2: AREAS OF INVESTIGATION-The selection areas of investigation should depend upon the existence of some or all of the following conditions: (1) large data processing volume, (2) high input cost, (3) excessive data handling, (4) lengthy computer turnaround time, (5) unnecessary repetition of data, (6) high personnel requirements, (7) excessive use of computer for input processing, and (8) slow response time. The number of system functional areas selected by these conditions can often be reduced by eliminating those areas which have the same characteristics.

STEP 3: ANALYSIS – The analysis for each of the selected areas should involve consideration of the following factors: (1) present workload requirements, (2) present procedures, (3) personnel requirements, (4) document types and quantities, (5) machine record formats, (6) response time requirements, (7) man-machine interface, (8) types of SDA equipment to meet needs, its state-of-the-art reliability, and availability, and (9) cost of SDA implementation.

These factors can be analyzed by tracing the system data flow from source to computer via a system information flow diagram. An example of this is shown in Fig. 1 for processing work and payroll information. It represents the: (1) type of data (given by document name), (2) point of initial preparation, (3) method of preparation, (4) movement of data through system, (5) daily volume in terms of documents and characters, (6) copies, and (7) any computer feedback.

STEP 4: REORGANIZING SYSTEM GROUP-INGS – Based upon the gathered data, the system analyst may need to reorganize the system functional groups to determine the feasibility of certain types of SDA systems. The groupings are determined by such system considerations as: (1) where data is generated (i.e., office or outdoors), (2) how data is generated (i.e., handtyped or machine-printed), and (3) whether data is batched or in real-time. The actual system, of course, may well result in only one grouping. Information for each group can now be consolidated and summarized.

STEP 5: DETERMINING USER REQUIRE-MENTS – The system analyst can now indicate the specific user requirements for each grouping. These requirements should define the essential user needs and form a basis for developing the system. Performance factors are then generated to measure the feasibility and applicability of implementing various SDA techniques.

STEP 6: DOCUMENTATION—The result of the SDA analysis effort is a technical report which clearly describes the system's characteristics, existing problem areas, and data volumes; and points out the feasibility of employing SDA. It should also provide detailed cost estimates for candidate SDA systems. Recommendations should be given for proceeding into the system design phase.

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THE CENSUS

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In an era when hundreds of authors are vying for the honor of producing the most offensive book of the year, a strong candidate is the Bureau of the Budget. The book is called *The Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 1971.* (Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. \$1.50.) Open to any page and you are bound to find either items that should not be there at all, or items that are overpriced by an order of magnitude. The census falls handily into both categories.

The 1970 decennial census will cost in excess of \$250,000,000 or about \$1.25 per head counted. With the kind of epistemological splendor that can only be found in government (where the last six zeroes are ignored) two justifications are offered for this expenditure.

1. It is called for in the Constitution.

2. "We can't know where we're going if we don't know where we are at."

Somehow, no Supreme Court judge felt that the 1960 census was inadequate under the provisions of the Constitution. Expenditures for that census were less than half the 1970 figures. In fact, the framers of the constitution themselves were quite content with the first census (1790), a rough head count taken by mounted enumerators. That census was fairly effective, economical, and, best of all, performed without the ugly threat of compulsion.

As for the second justification, it is absolutely irrelevant to the spending of \$250,000,000. We could probably know our present population to within 0.1% for a total expenditure of two million dollars. Counting the other quarter million people and picking up some pointless statistics about cooking fuel, clothes dryers, and concrete slab foundations will have to account for the remaining \$248,000,000.

The enumeration called for in the Constitution could be performed at essentially no cost. Ten years ago, we paid \$127,982,000 to find out that the population of the United States was 179,323,-175 on April 1, 1960. The Internal Revenue Service reported, at the same time and for free, that on April 15, 1960 there were 176,325,912 exemptions claimed. The IRS figures could be used without modification to provide a free 98% accurate census every year. Some sophisticated sampling techniques would refine the accuracy even more at a relatively-small cost.

Suppose, for the moment, that it were absolutely essential to collect all the information presently being collected in the census. It still boggles the mind to think of how \$250,000,000 can be spent in the process. (Remember that the six computers and numerous sense mark readers used in the census were purchased or developed under separate appropriation and do not figure in the \$250 million.)

For a start, the decennial census has a dedicated team of 75 full-time programmers; not just this year, but every year. Thus, programming manpower for each census is 750 man-years. (The Bureau of the Census also has another 75 programmers that do something else.) The combined capacity of this team, assuming they are all completely incompetent, is a staggering 247,000 lines of code per year or 2.5 million lines per census. That makes a pile of program listings 60' high!

Total cost of programming will run about ten million dollars. It is difficult to believe that the greediest software house would dare to bid the job at more than one million.

But why bother to save on a programming staff of 75 when the bureau has a peak staff of over 23,000 employees and pays an average GS salary of \$9,803? Most of these employees are enumerators, engaged in ferreting out information that people choose not to give. A census that was totally voluntary would cost at least \$150,000,000 less (but would still be an atrocious waste).

And now, most important of all, is the question: Why is our cooperation in the census mandatory? Do we really want our government to collect information, under threat of force, on every single citizen of our country? Do we want our government to build a data bank with the name and address of every single citizen, his race, age, sex, and number of children?

That data bank is being built now with slight regard for what we want. There are loud protestations from the government that the information will be kept absolutely confidential. **But the information is all there.** The confidentiality guarantees can be changed or ignored. Murphy's Law calls to mind chilling visions of a government printingout names and addresses of minority group members to be eliminated or of women with more than two children to be sterilized.

Can't happen here? History has shown that governments can change and become capable of any excess. Rights are not protected by giving unlimited powers to the state and trusting that they won't be used, but rather by limiting the powers of government. • What do you call the first and only communications processor that actually cuts your computer overhead, saves you line charges, interfaces to any terminal, concentrates data, controls hundreds of lines, or just a few,

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ON-LINE

A NEW POINT OF VIEW

On-Line is a regular monthly column concerned with various developments in computer technology particularly in the areas of computer graphics and computer-aided design. The author, Thurber J. Moffett, is a nationally-recognized expert in interactive graphic systems. Readers are invited to submit comments and questions regarding subjects covered in this column to: On-Line, MODERN DATA, 3 Lockland Avenue, Framingham, Mass. 01701

Donald E. Craig, principal consultant to Auerbach Corporation, was a Commander at the Naval Ship Engineering Center four years ago. He and a crony, Wallace E. Dietrich, Technical Director of the Computer-Aided Ship Design and Construction Office, were then promoting a Computer-Aided Design Office within the Naval Ship Engineering Center. Today it is running nicely under Wally.

The two have recently worked together again collaborating on a new observation about the future of computer-aided design and manufacturing. They start by pointing out that, in a hardwareproducing environment, marketing and design data are the principal determinants of major manufacturing activities. Cost estimates of potential product designs along with market analysis form the basis of marketing decisions. Design data also impacts field support and user maintenance. Engineering decisions, therefore, highly influence the entire life cycle of a hardware unit. Studies have shown that, in the United States, white-collar labor constitutes approximately half of all labor costs and consists largely of information handling. Even the costs large manufacturers carry as material costs follow this pattern at the supplier industry level. Hence, it can be assumed that a large fraction of the cost of many hardware items is for organizing and handling data originating primarily from design data. The studies have shown, for instance, that engineers and scientists normally spend 20-30% of their time in data searching.

Craig and Dietrich conclude from this, as have many others, that there is clearly a significant cost saving potential in capturing design data as it is developed in such a way that it can be used directly by marketing, manufacturing, and support functions. They point to the irony in today's practices which still permit the discarding of computer-prepared design data after it is used in the immediate design process, despite a generally well-informed industrial management that understands that much of this data must be regenerated from source data to make it machine usable again for later processes.

The government has found that in defense industries there are about 800 generic pieces of technical data used between the start of conceptual design and the hardware's removal as an operational system from service 10 to 30 years hence. More than half of these pieces are used in the early design and marketing stages, i.e., the earliest decisions tend to be the more important, even though they involve only relatively-small numbers of people.

The foregoing characteristics have prompted many to think that industrial integrated data handling systems should be centered around design data systems instead of around the planning, production, or cost accounting data systems on which they have traditionally been based. After analyzing the relationship between list structures of several engineering and manufacturing functions, Craig and Dietrich concluded that another approach might be more fruitful. They suggest that most of the necessary subfiles and links between subfiles exist in a complete material control system and that these systems, therefore, provide an excellent nucleus for integrated on-line design and manufacturing systems. They think material control-based integrated systems can be made operational more quickly and suspect that the development of such technical/business integrated data systems will be the most important near-term trend. They expect this trend to lead eventually to a reversal of the time sequence of product definition first and factory creation second by pointing the way to more nearly automatic, intelligent, and versatile manufacturing facilities with the capability of adapting themselves to new products thus minimizing time and the need for large increments of new capital investment.

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THE 1010² COMMANDMENTS

The EDP school at which I am employed has a computer room and a large number of students. To alleviate the problem of crowding in the computer room and to insure all students equal time on the computer, the instructors developed some general rules and guidelines for the smooth operation of the laboratory periods. This prompted one student to write the following.

1. Thou shalt not cheat others of their turn.

2. Thou shalt not list thyself twice.

3. Thou shalt not mistreat the RPG generator.

 $\overline{4}$. Thou shalt not leave used cards on the CPU.

5. Thou shalt not call thy mistakes machine errors and run again un-fairly.

6. Thou shalt not run before thy neighbor.

7. Thou shalt not leave the CPU running.

8. Thou shalt not holler at, spindle, or mutilate one another.

9. Thou shalt not leave the machine without non-processing.

10. Thou shalt not be the seventh person in the computer room.

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MURPHY, THE TIME-SHARER

Ages ago an eminent scientist by the name of Murphy set forth an irrefutable law comprised of three hypotheses. Briefly stated, Murphy's Law says:

1. If anything can go wrong it will.

2. Nothing is as simple as it seems.

3. Everything takes longer than it should.

Scientists throughout the ages have proven these laws again and again; in fact, many times non-scientific persons have experienced their veracity. While Murphy lived before the age of computer time-sharing, it is obvious that the old gentleman foresaw this age when he formulated his hypotheses.

Consider a few proofs of Murphy's Law when computer time-sharing.

Hypothesis 1: If anything can go wrong it will.

You have just completed typing a large quantity of data to the computer. You are about to save it when:

- a. You kick the terminal power plug with your foot.
- b. The terminal becomes hopelessly jammed.
- c. The phone company unplugs you.
- d. The computer center has a power failure.
- e. A friend slaps you on the back and you bump the "off" switch.

f. Lightning strikes your terminal.

g. A bulldozer knocks over a telephone pole.

- h. A violent electrical storm disrupts all communications.
- i. In swatting at a mosquito you hit the "off" switch.
- j. You discover that you really weren't "on-line" after all!

Hypothesis 2: Nothing is as simple as it seems.

You wish to make a minor modification to an existing program (which is used regularly by 300 people). Taking full advantage of the ease in modifying a program with computer time-sharing, you:

a. Replace the wrong statement.

b. Add a line of "garbage" to the program, rendering it inoperable.

c. Use a previously-used statement number.

d. Cause the program to loop endlessly. (This takes 15 minutes to discover.)

e. No longer can duplicate the test problem results. (Further checking shows that the original program has never given correct results.)

f. Destroy the old program and forget to save the revised program.

g. After result (f) you discover that you don't have a listing of the program.

Hypothesis 3: Everything takes longer than it should.

It is five minutes before a very important conference (which includes the company president). You need some additional calculated results and a program is available on the time-sharing service. Taking full advantage of the "instant results" provided by time-sharing, you rush to the terminal and discover that:

a. There is no paper at the terminal.

b. A 6'5", 250-pound bully is already using the terminal.

c. The telephone has been disconnected.

d. You can't remember your "ID."

e. The last user became frustrated and buried an axe in the terminal.

f. The computer has just been taken "off-line" for a 10-minute test.

g. Management has removed all the terminals as part of an austerity program!

While these are just a few isolated examples which proves that Murphy may have been a time-sharing user, more evidence is being collected each day to substantiate this possibility. Therefore, the user of timesharing will do well to remember that Murphy's Law does control him when he is at this terminal. Hopefully, a forewarned user can minimize the wrath of this law.

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EXECUTIVE: "Want to make a deal?" EDP SPECIALIST: "What kind of deal?" EXECUTIVE: "I'll stop attending EDP seminars if you'll stop trying to tell me how to manage my business!"

It is true that a corporation is a system: it has inputs, executes processes upon them, and produces outputs. But this is no reason for believing that the business system is within the domain of the system analyst. The system analyst understands systems and procedures, application analysis, and programming. But he does not necessarily understand company policy, the elements of management, and how to get people to work with each other.

If a system analyst does not understand management, how can he plan a management information system, whose function it is to aid the management process? Who planned the management information systems before computers came upon the scene? True, managers did not then have the benefit of EDP, but they did make decisions, decisions based upon information which these managers had previously organized.

Several different systems are being discussed here. The relationships among them may be given as in Fig. 1. The business system exists within an environmental system consisting of suppliers, consumers, competitors, and others. To aid the business system in its varied tasks, there exists within it a management information system. This management information system is part and parcel of the business system. However, there may be technological systems which are used to improve the capabilities of the management information system. In the old days these consisted of filing cabi-



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Fig. 1 Relationship between a business system, MIS, and the business environment.

nets, typewriters, cash registers, adding machines, calculators, punched card systems, mimeograph machines, accounting machines, bookkeeping machines, etc. Recently, computers have been added to the list.

We, as technologists, should step back and take a better look at all these systems before making "suggestions" to management. To begin with, what type of system is the business system? We know it is dynamic, not static. By dynamic, we mean that it possesses feedback. This implies that it is often difficult to determine which are the inputs and which the outputs. For instance, a saturation of the market with a product this year may cause a reduction in the number of incoming orders next year. The business system also is adaptable to changes in its environment. People often refer to this by saying that a business is a growing thing.

To find out what is meant by adaptability, let us focus our attention upon an entity we all consider to be adaptable: man. In Fig. 2, which is an illustration of a youth playing a violin, a continuous loop exists between the boy and his violin. The music produced by his bowing is picked up by his ears and fed to his brain; the brain, in turn, supplies signals to his hands and arms to guide the bowing. A second loop relates the budding maestro to the sheet music on a stand before him. He looks at the music and plays. As he completes one measure, he refers back to the music to determine what to do next. All along the way he follows other sheet music directions referring to speed, volume, and style. The music controls his playing.

There is a third loop here. The youth foresees for himself a future as a concert violinist. To adapt himself to this environment that he forecasts for himself, he goes Thursday to his violin teacher who shows him how to read music and how to play. He returns home and practices according to the guidelines the teacher has given him. The following Thursday he returns to the teacher for more instruction. This third loop is an adaptability loop. It enables the youth to reach his long-range goal.

The business system may also be described with 3 loops, as shown in Fig. 3. The 3 loops are:

• THE OPERATION LOOP—executes a process upon an element in its environment;

• THE CONTROL LOOP—monitors the operation loop and modifies it;

• THE ADAPTABILITY LOOP—regulates the previous two loops to assure that the system reaches its goals.

Where does planning fit in? Planning is the engine which drives the adaptability loop. But not as directly as many of us think. It is simple-minded to think that to plan all one need do is to set objectives and then determine what resources are necessary to achieve them. Can **anyone** plan to become a concert violinist? There are many interacting forces: many individuals each with his own goals, background, and point of view; many departments and sections, each with its own mission; many external influences provided by government, banks, competitors, stockholders, and teachers. If we don't fully understand the behavior of the three loops, we cannot hope to be able to plan. And if we do understand, then we know that all we may try to do is insert a planning function in the adaptability loop with the hope of guiding the direction of adaptability over the long run.

The modified loop diagram is as shown in Fig. 4. The operation loop is as before: inputs from the environment are processed to produce outputs returned to the environment. Some of these outputs are monitored to see how things are going; the processing is modified to bring the operation loop back to the way it is supposed to operate. This is determined by the plan. In contrast to this control of day-to-day operations, the plan also presents guidelines for evaluating long-range performance to see if long-range goals are being reached. If not, the plan is modified.

If the business system is dynamic and adaptable, why do we insist on describing it by means of an organization chart which is the most static type of model that can be found? The organization chart tells as much about the business system as a floor plan tells about the home of a family. Good models show the dynamic nature of the operation, control, and adaptability loops.

A management information system is a translation of this dynamic adaptable model of the corporation into a set of data items plus a group of procedures. This information system itself is dynamic and adaptable, that is, it can be depicted by operation, control, and adaptability loops. The op-



Fig. 2 The adaptability loop of the budding maestro.

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Fig. 4 The place for planning within the three loops.



eration loop executes all the functions needed to aid the 3 loops of the business system. The control loop of the information system monitors the output-reports, displays, messages-to see if the information system is operating according to plan. Statistics of use and of value achieved through use are kept for this purpose. If the information system is not conforming to the plan, changes are made in the data, relationships among data, or in the procedures, to bring the performance back to what is expected. The adaptability loop forecasts an information system for the future and a plan is made to reach these long-range goals. Periodically, the operation of the information system is compared with these goals to see if the system is approaching them. If not, modifications are made.

The MIS is not anybody's model of the corporation. It is a reflection of how the executive sees the corporation. The executive makes the decisions. The executive must use his own models.

But you ask, what does the normal executive know about modeling? Plenty, we answer. What is a financial statement but a model? What is a schedule but a model? What is an accounting system but a model?

If the executive is his own modeler, what are all the operations research men, management science people, mathematicians, system analysts, and programmers doing? They are all technologists with specific areas of expertise who can aid the executive by supplying specific techniques to add rigor to the modeling.

The executive plans his MIS; the EDP technologist designs tools to aid him. Which is counter to the way things have been going. When computers first arrived, data processing experts convinced their managers that here lies a new tool that managers must understand in order to improve their decision-making. The managers fell for the line and have been so busy trying to fathom the mysteries of data processing that they neglected their real task: management.

The more the manager became involved in data processing, the more the EDP man tried to tell the manager how to manage. Of course the manager did not listen. The net result has been frustration for both the manager and the EDP man.

It is time that both the manager and the EDP technologist be allowed to return to their respective specialties. Let us remove the EDP handcuffs from the manager so that he can return to management. Let us remove the management blinders from the EDP technologist so that he can see what the manager is telling him.

This confusion between executive and EDP technologist was increased by the manufacturer's concentration upon building computers which were general-purpose. These were then programmed by programmers to accomplish tasks required by the manager. Because he was thoroughly confused by the jargon, the manager was forced to learn EDP to try to get the machines to do what he wanted them to do.

This situation was bad. But it became intolerable with the advent of MIS!

Let the executive plan his own MIS. Let the EDP technologist design the necessary EDP tools – data bases, procedures, and processing systems—and submit requirements to the manufacturer. And then, let the manufacturer configure computing systems out of an array of hardware and software modules to meet these requirements. In this 3-cornered situation, let the EDP technologist have the additional sensitive task of bridging the gap between executive and manufacturer, a task of supreme importance for assuring a responsive well-integrated management information system.

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PLANNING A DATA COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Part 2 - Common Carrier Facilities (Cont'd)

C ontinuing on from last month's article in which the author surveyed AT&T's data communication facilities and services, this month's article gives some practical cost comparison guidelines and also reveals some interesting new services now in the planning stages at AT&T.

Evaluating a data collection or distribution system in terms of communications costs alone is roughly comparable to evaluating a racehorse by examining his neck and ribcage. One really does not get the entire picture. Nevertheless, there are factors which can and should be reviewed.

Our central point of reference is going to be data transmission over a distance of 1000 airline miles from point-to-point. This will be examined using service on the DDD Network, private line voice grade data circuits, WATS, and wideband transmission. Also to be included will be various transmission speeds. Some standards should be set at this point: (a) a word will consist of six characters; (b) a character will consist of ten bits, information and control; (c) the DDD rates will be representative full-time rates; and (d) since terminal charges vary so widely, only very general statements will be made as to their cost.

Let's take a look at Fig. 1 which depicts the amount of time, in minutes, to send 5000 words of data at varying character rates. Note that there is a leveling effect as the maximum speed is approached. For a 40 percent increase in character rate, from 120 cps to 200 cps, there is a 40 percent decrease in transmission time required; for a 20 percent increase in character rate, from 160 cps to 200 cps, there is a 20 percent decrease in transmission time. That does not include operating or set-up time. If the call requires human intervention on both ends, add one minute for operating time. If the called station is equipped for unattended service, the times on the graph are valid.

In Fig. 2, the cost curve for the transmission of 5000 words at the same character rate takes the same shape as the time curve, which one would expect. Fig. 3 plots the cost of the Bell System DATA-PHONE data set that would be required at the various speeds. There is an interesting effect here: while the cost to transmit 5000 words at the maximum rate is about one-ninth that of the minimum, the monthly cost for the maximum rate data set is only three times the minimum. That will vary somewhat from one carrier to another.

It is clearly, then, to the users' advantage from a

communications stand-point to transmit data at the higher character rates. There is a significant increase in throughput for the cost incurred. That cost advantage must be weighed, however, against the increased cost of terminals, for they will undoubtedly be more expensive at the higher speeds.

Cost considerations become more complex when comparing one service with another to determine optimum economic advantage. Let's compare DDD, WATS, and private line services to determine at what point on the cost curve one becomes more economical than the others. The transmission distance is still 1000 miles and, since the difference in rates between private line and exchange data sets are minor, facility costs only will be compared. This comparison is going to be made on a monthly basis since both private line and WATS are billed by month. A 22-day business month will be used.

In Fig. 4, these cost comparisons are brought more clearly into focus. The charges apply whether you transmit at ten cps or at 200 cps. The WATS and private line charges are fixed. The crossover point for DDD and private line is two hours per day of data transmission. (On DDD charges, a ten percent Federal Tax is applied, which, in this case, brings the two hour a day DDD cost above that of a private line bill.) The crossover point on WATS is closer to twoand-a-half hours. A representative Band 3 WATS charge and applicable Federal Tax was used here. That does not constitute a completely valid comparison of the advantage of WATS. By definition, WATS is not normally used for two-point service as we are illustrating. If a user had several remote locations in a region 1000 miles from a data center, WATS could prove to be far more economical than DDD or multiple private lines. And, there are other considerations, for example, with private line data channels the speed can be increased to 240 characters per second using data sets. Also, as stated above, WATS is either one-way outgoing or one-way incoming. This could affect the user's system procedures and not just the communications.

Where does wideband service fit into this comparison? On a private line basis, it is unfavorable. The monthly charges for the most common wideband service would be over \$10,000, more than ten times that of one private line circuit. It should be noted here, however, that the transfer rate capacity of that wideband service is 5000 characters per second or about 25 times that of a voice grade facility. This cost and transmission rate disparity negates any direct comparison of voice and wideband services. On DATA-PHONE 50, however, it might be possible to take advantage of high speed data transfer at less cost than dedicated wideband facilities. The key to DATA-PHONE 50 would be the proximity of the communicating locations to a wideband switching location. In our example, New York and Chicago can be considered because they are close to being 1000 miles apart. The cost of access at each end to the wideband network plus the usage cost would have to be reviewed. An important point should be made here: normally, one does not suddenly decide to subscribe to wideband but, rather, the need for wideband develops over a period of time as the data processing applications become more critical and the information to be transmitted becomes voluminous.

INTERCONNECTION

So far, we have dealt with data services offered in total by the Bell System. For many years, data transmission on the DDD Network was provided only through carrier supplied data sets. Since 1969, however, the rules have been changed and users have been allowed to provide their own data sets, connected to the network by acoustical coupling or electrical connection. Electrical connection to the DDD Network is provided by the telephone company through a Data Access Arrangement (DAA) which is primarily a device to limit the output of user-provided terminal equipment in order to protect the integrity of the network. This DAA must be provided, installed, and maintained by the telephone company.

PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE

The Bell System will continue to offer new communications services and communications terminals to keep pace with technological advances in the data processing/data transmission field and to meet user requirements. Many of the future offerings do not readily lend themselves to specific groupings but there are certain categories that can be defined. Initially, let's look at the area of data sets and communications terminals. DATA-PHONE data sets have historically been provided in the half-duplex or fullduplex mode. Recently, however, the need for a simplex, or one-way transmission only, mode has developed. Simplex data sets that transmit only, or receive only, are now available at slow speed-the 100 Series up to 30 cps-and at voice grade speeds-the 200 Series up to 120 cps. And, since fewer component parts are required for one-way transmission, these data sets are less expensive than half- or full-duplex sets. Significant savings may be realized in data systems that encompass large numbers of remote distribution or data collection points.

The 203 DATA-PHONE data set has been introduced recently as a tariff offering and can be provided at transmission rates of 1800 bps (180 cps) and 3600 bps (360 cps) on DATA-PHONE service in either the simplex or half-duplex mode. On private line service, the 203 will operate at 2400 bps and 4800 bps in the simplex, half- or full-duplex mode. The



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extension of the 203 data set on private line to operate at 7200 bps, 720 cps, is now under development. Use of the 203 data set on the DDD Network nearly doubles the long standing maximum rate of 2000 bps, 200 cps, which should mean a considerable savings in transmission time.

A new communications terminal has been introduced, the Magnetic Tape Transceiver, that combines the capability of off-line preparation and storage of data with the ability to transmit and receive data at high speeds. The transceiver is a teletypewriter terminal that will permit storage of data on a magnetic tape cassette rather than in paper tape. The cassette provides high volume accumulation and retention of repetitive information such as customer locations and billing information. Variable information is entered from the keyboard. Data transmission can be handled in two ways. If the data on the cassette is to be sent, data sets that operate at variable voice grade speeds may be used. For on-line operations such as timesharing, however, a telegraph grade data set is used. A switch on the transceiver determines the selected mode. A switch on the transceiver permits convenient, high volume storage of data, the convenience, economy, and flexibility of magnetic tape over paper tape, simplified error detection and correction of input, and high-speed transmission to minimize line time.

DATREX (Registered Trademark) service will be introduced in the near future. It is a low-cost, private line system that provides concentrated access from remote teletypewriter stations to a customer-provided multiport computer. At a user location, a large volume of teletypewriter stations require access to a computer, though not all stations are on-line simultaneously. With DATREX, a Bell System line concentrator would be provided with direct lines to the teletypewriters and direct trunks to computer ports. The initial service will be provided on an "originate only" basis from the teletypewriters to the computer. The station line terminations will be packaged in groups 32, up to 128, and the trunks will come in quantities of 8, 16, or 32.

In Fig. 5(A) DATREX on a local basis is shown with direct trunks from the concentrator to the computer. In Fig. 5(B), the stations and concentrator are at a remote location. The teletypewriters, which will be 33 or 35 type on DATREX, will be connected to the concentrator locally on direct lines. The service may be expanded to include model 37 or a user-provided terminal in the future. In Fig. 5(B), however, the concentrator is connected to a 1A Data Station—a telephone-company-provided frequency division multiplexer. A multiplexer is a device that enables the user to derive a number of lesser grade channels from one voice grade channel. Derivation is accomplished



Fig. 1 Transmission time to send 5000 words using the DDT networks.



Fig. 2 Long distance daytime charges to send 5000 words 1000 miles.



Fig. 3 Cost of a DATA-PHONE data set at various speeds.

here by selecting sub voice frequencies in the voice bandwidth. The 1A should be introduced about the same time as DATREX. The data station is connected to a private line data channel to the central computer center. At the center, the channel terminates in a data station that interfaces the computer. Utilizing the data stations to capacity, seventeen (17) five-level channels or eight (8) eight-level telegraph channels will be derived from the one voice grade data circuit. The 1A Data Station will be introduced, in the near future, as a stand-alone service offering what is designed, initially, to work with five-level (28-type) and eight-level (33 & 35 type) teletypewriter equipment. Later, user-provided terminals will be included. It was shown here with DATREX to illustrate a potential application.

The benefits of both services dovetail to a certain extent. Both systems will reduce the number of trunk, or access, lines to the computer. With DATREX, the number of computer ports should be decreased. The customer can exercise much greater control over communications. Cost control of data transmission should also be derived from either service since the terminals no longer access the computer on a one-line-per-terminal basis.

Now under consideration as a service offering is a common user wideband network. This would be a nationwide network of wideband facilities, comparable to a miniature DDD, for use by anyone as the need arises. The customer would probably pay a minimum monthly charge for a terminal and access, locally, to the wideband network. The customer would be billed for his usage of that network on a time and distance basis. One significant point is that this network would be far larger in size than the present DATA-PHONE 50 Network.

The network would be for wideband data transmission only, both digital and analog. Automatic alternate routing would be standard. Stations would be equipped for manual or automatic answer. Touch-Tone sets would be used for signalling and a uniform numbering plan would be included. The most important factor is that the user would have access to this network on a local basis regardless of his location. It should be stressed here that the network is being analyzed for market potential and may never become a service offering.

In the field of private line teletypewriter systems, the 85 and 86 Data Selective Calling Systems have been introduced. The 85A1 and 85A2 are the two offerings provided on half-duplex service utilizing 33, 35, and 37 teletypewriter equipment. The 85A1 system operates at 100 wpm with 33 and 35 equipment. The 85A2 operates at 150 wpm with 37 equipment only. The 1967 USASCII code is used.

The systems consist of telegraph grade facilities, appropriate outlying stations, and a line controller. The line controller, in this case, is a user-provided computer. The computer assumes responsibility for controlling the on-line activities of each station by polling for traffic, analyzing all messages, and routing them to the appropriate receiving stations. The outlying stations have been improved over past systems by replacing the electro-mechanical internal controls with solid-state electronic controllers. These electronic controllers provide a more flexible, faster outlying station that can be more readily adapted to

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Fig. 4 Cost comparison of Long Distance, WATS, and Private Line for 1000 mile transmission.

computer systems that have different operational procedures.

The 86 systems are similiar to the 85 except that the facilities and equipment are arranged for additional optional features. The 86A network is provided with 33 and 35 equipment at 100 wpm, half-duplex, while the 86B utilizes 37 equipment at 150 wpm on full-duplex. On all systems, a user-provided terminal may be substituted, with a specified interface arrangement, for teletypewriter station equipment.

PICTUREPHONE (Registered Trademark) service will be introduced this year. It will give the capability of talking to and seeing the called party. PICTUREPHONE will bring an added dimension to telephone communications. True face-to-face dialogue will be created without the physical presence of all participants at the same location.

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The equipment provided to a PICTUREPHONE subscriber will consist of four components: a display unit with a picture tube, camera tube, and loudspeaker built in; a control unit containing a microphone; a twelve button Touch-Tone telephone; and a special service unit housing a power supply, logic circuits, and transmission circuits. The service unit will be installed out of sight.

The PICTUREPHONE system will utilize existing telephone facilities as much as possible. Subscribers will be able to make voice-only calls from PICTURE-PHONE sets. Optional features, such as loudspeakers,



Fig. 5 DATREX, a new private line system that will be introduced by Bell in the near future.

card and automatic dialers, and key telephone systems also will be available. PICTUREPHONE service lines will be provided with voice-only extension or PBX attendant answer, if requested. Special light indicators will be provided to identify PICTURE-PHONE calls.

The applications of PICTUREPHONE service are almost limitless. In addition to individual face-to-face conversation, conferences may be held without traveling to a central location. Objects may be displayed, as well as graphic and written material, eliminating the need to transport them to the distant point. In the data field, it will be possible to display computer output on a PICTUREPHONE SCREEN. The subscriber's dialogue with the computer will be via the Touch-Tone set. These are just a few of many potential uses.

SUMMARY

I hope this article has laid the foundation for a broad appreciation of diversity and potential complexity of data communications. It is an inexact science that demands considerable attention and knowledge. Also, like the data processing field, data communications is changing rapidly if for no other reason than to be compatible with new developments in computers and terminals. By design and of necessity, the information presented here has been introductory in nature. Hopefully, the reader has a better appreciation of the many facets of data communications and that appreciation will generate questions that should be answered in planning a data communications system.

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TECHNOLOGY PROFILE

INTERACTIVE CRT DISPLAY TERMINALS

Part 2 - Alphanumeric CRT Terminals

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article is the second in a three-part series which updates the original Technology Profile on CRT Terminals which appeared in the July, August, and September 1968 issues of MODERN DATA. Now out-of-print, the original series generated thousands of requests for reprints and follow-up surveys. The purpose of this updated series of articles is to present background information on the characteristics and uses of interactive CRT display terminals together with a comprehensive listing of companies supplying them. Part 1 of this series (May) discussed the present and future of the terminal market, terminal interfacing techniques and problems, and software requirements. This article (Part 2) covers the hardware characteristics of alphanumeric and limited-graphic terminals, and provides a tabulation of the important characteristics of each terminal now being marketed. Part 3 (in July) will describe and tabulate terminals with full graphic capability.





A typical alphanumeric CRT terminal is designed for either local or remote interfacing to a computer system, and has four major parts: the keyboard, the cathode-ray tube and deflection system, the memory and control logic, and the interface.

This article describes each of these major parts only to the degree that a basic understanding and appreciation of the various approaches implemented in their design would interest a prospective purchaser. As with all broad categories of user equipment, a knowledge of trade-offs and options is required of the user before he can intelligently choose the equipment best suited for his own particular application and price requirements. The text of this article briefly describes the generalized trade-offs applicable to all interactive CRT display terminals. The two tables which follow relate these trade-offs with the specific options available in today's marketplace. Table 1, Alphanumeric CRT Terminals, covers the keyboard CRT terminals that do not provide a graphic capability. Table 2, Alphanumeric CRT Terminals With Limited Graphics, covers the few alphanumeric terminals that also provide a matrix of dots or a grid of lines which can be selectively intensified for simple graphic presentations.

CRT OPERATION

The basic parts of a cathode-ray tube are shown in Fig. 1. A heater causes a stream of electrons to be emitted from the cathode. This stream is then either accelerated toward the phosphor on the face of the CRT, or terminated by applying an appropriate voltage to the control grid, thereby deter-
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TABLE 1 • ALPHANUMERIC CRT TERMINALS

	American Terminal Systems			Applied Digital Data Systems		
DW-33	265	266	267	Envoy 600	Envoy 640	
9x7 1800 72 25	7x5 128, 256, 512 or 960 32 4, 8, 16 or 30	7x5 256, 512, 1024 or 1920 64 4, 8, 16 or 30	7x5 320, 640, 1280 or 2400 80 4, 8, 16 or <mark>3</mark> 0	4x3 512 32 16	4x3 1024 64 16	
character character na yes optional optional	none page horizontal yes optional none	see OPTIONS see OPTIONS horizontal yes optional none	see OPTIONS see OPTIONS horizontal yes optional none	none none yes ndi N/A	character character format yes yes	
20ma or 60ma loop half & full 110 yes no no	RS232B or loop half & full up to 9600 no no optional @ \$500	RS232B or loop half & full up to 9600 yes no optional @ \$500	RS232B or loop half & full up to 9600 yes no optional @ \$500	acoustic (integral coupler) half 110 & 300 yes no no	acoustic (integral coupler) half 110 & 300 yes no no	
64 ASCII 5x7 video ⊣	64 ASCII 4x12 video 	64 ASCII 4x12 video 	64 ASCII 4x12 video 	64 ASCII 5x7 video 	64 ASCII 5x7 video	
RS232B interface, printer, answer back	lower case, parallel interface, printer	Same, plus insert & delete by line & char. @ \$600.	Same as 266.	-	-	
\$3,500 —	\$1,790	\$2390 	\$2490 —	\$3195 	\$3695	
single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	
A buffered teletypewriter substitute with editing.	Message terminal; 8 lines @ \$1970, 16 @ \$2300.	Edit terminal; 8 lines @ \$2590, 16 @ \$2790, 30 @ \$3190.	Keypunch/teletype- writer substitute; 8 lines @ \$2690, 16 @ \$2990, 30 @ \$3490.	Portable. Black characters on white background. Editing in conversational mode is possible.	Similar to 600, but with character insert & delete.	
	DW-33 9x7 1800 72 25 character character character character optional optional 20ma or 60ma loop half & full 110 yes no no 64 ASCII 5x7 video RS232B interface, printer, answer back \$3,500 single unit A buffered teletypewriter substitute with editing.	DW-332659x77x51800128, 256, 512 or 9607232254, 8, 16 or 30characternonerayesoptionaloptionaloptionalnone20ma or 60ma loopRS232B or loophalf & fullnaf & full110yesyesyeaoptionalnone20ma or 60ma loopnaf & fullhalf & fullnone110ye 9600yesnosingle unit64 ASCIIA bufferedMessage terminal; 8teletypewritersubstitute withediting.\$1970, 16 @\$2300.\$1970, 16 @	DW-332652669x77x57x51800128, 256, 512 or 960256, 512, 1024 or 192072254, 8, 16 or 304, 8, 16 or 30254, 8, 16 or 304, 8, 16 or 304, 8, 16 or 30characternonesee OPTIONSnayesyesoptionaloptionaloptionaloptionaloptionalnone20ma or 60ma loopRS232B or loophalf & fullhalf & full110up to 9600yesyesnonononononononononononononononosesyesnononononononononononononononononostoptional @ \$500optional @ \$500optional @ \$50064 ASCII5x7 video-rRS232B interface,printer, answer backinterface, printersingle unitsingle unitsingle unitA bufferedteletpyewritersubstitute withediting.\$2300.\$2300.\$2590, 16 @ \$2790, 30 @ \$3190.	DW-33 265 266 267 9x7 7x5 7x5 7x5 7x5 1800 128, 256, 512 or 960 256, 512, 1024 or 1920 320, 640, 1280 or 2400 72 32 4, 8, 16 or 30 4, 8, 16 or 30 4, 8, 16 or 30 character none see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS optional optional optional optional none yes yes yes yes yes optional optional none see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS optional optional none none none yes yes yes yes yes no no none none none none no no no no no no no no no no no no no no no no no </td <td>DW-33265266267Envoy 6009x7 18007x5 128, 256, 512 or 960 32 4, 8, 16 or 307x5 256, 512, 1024 or 1920 320, 640, 1280 or 2400 30, 640, 1280 or 2400 312 32 164x3 512 32 32 16character character none pagenone see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS none none nonenone none none none optional nonenone none none none optional nonenone none none none optional nonenone see OPTIONS see OPTIONS none none nonenone none none none none nonenone none none none none20ma or 60ma loop half & full up to 9600 up to 9600<b< td=""></b<></td>	DW-33265266267Envoy 6009x7 18007x5 128, 256, 512 or 960 32 4, 8, 16 or 307x5 256, 512, 1024 or 1920 320, 640, 1280 or 2400 30, 640, 1280 or 2400 312 32 164x3 512 32 32 16character character none pagenone see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS see OPTIONS none none nonenone none none none optional nonenone none none none optional nonenone none none none optional nonenone see OPTIONS see OPTIONS none none nonenone none none none none nonenone none none none none20ma or 60ma loop half & full up to 9600 up to 9600 <b< td=""></b<>	

NOTE: Purchase prices are for standard terminal configurations (including keyboard and interface) without maintenance. Lease prices include maintenance. See text for a complete explanation of pricing.

Manufacturer	Applied Digital Data Systems (cont'd)		Atlantic Technology		Beehive Electrotech	
Model	Consul 800	Consul 840/880	ATC 2000 (960)	ATC 2000 (1920)	Alpha 101/102	Alpha 103/105
Screen Size, In.	7x5	7x5	10.5 x 8	10.5 ×8	9x7	9x7
Char./Unit	512	1024, 1600, @\$500	960	1920	800	800
Positions/Line	32	64 or 80	40, 64 or 80	40. 64 or 80	40	40
Lines Per Unit	16	16 or 20	48, 30 or 24	24, 15 or 12	20	20
Insert by:	none	character	character	character	none	none
Delete by:	none	character	character	character	character	none
Tabulation	none	format	format	format	horizontal	none
Page Roll	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes
Split Screen	no	yes	yes	yes	optional	optional @ \$400
Format Entry	N/A	yes	yes	yes	optional	optional
Interface Type	RS232B	R\$232B	RS232B orS360 local	RS232B or S/360 local	RS232B	RS232B or parallel
Duplex Mode	half	half	half	half	half & full	half & full
Bit Rate	110 & 300	110 & 300	1200, 2400 or 4800	1200, 2400 or 4800	up to 2400	110-300, 2400 optiona
TTY Substitute 2260/65	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes
Substitute	no	no	yes	yes	optional @ \$500	no
Polling	no	no	yes	yes	no	no
Char./Codes	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	66 ASCII	66 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII
Display Method	5x7 video	5x7 video	5x5 stroke	5x5 stroke	5x7 video	5x7 video
Phosphor	-	-	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	-	- 2
Options	Built-in acoustic or hardwire modem @ \$425	same	lower case @ \$1200, printer @ \$4100, limited graphics	same	printer, lower case, parallel interface	tabulation @\$200, block xmit @ \$200, cassette
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$2995 —	\$3495 —	\$8250 \$260	\$10,000 \$300	\$3495	\$3495
Expansion	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$12,250, 4 @ \$27,250	1 @ \$12,500, 2 @ \$16,000	single unit	single unit
Romarks	Transmit by character, message or page. Edit submode changes char and retransmits entire line.	Similar to 800. Formats are displayed in gray on white, keyed data in black.	Has edit & control features not in 2260. Also expands at 240 and 480 chars.		TTY-interchangeable, but xmits by blocks. Model 102 is IBM compatible.	Cursor & selective erase cost \$200 each. Buffered unit.

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mining to what degree the phosphor is excited. The focusing electrode shapes the electron stream into a narrow beam, which is then deflected by an electrostatic or electromagnetic field (or both) to excite the phosphor on the inside of the glass faceplate at the proper position. The yoke provides deflection in both horizontal and vertical directions, with the strength of the field determining the amount of deflection in each. The tables show this screen size in inches wide by inches high. Most manufacturers replying to **MODERN DATA's** request for information supplied only a CRT diagonal measurement, so screen sizes may be only to the nearest inch.

In the shadow-mask type of color CRT, there are separate control grids and focusing electrodes for the three beams used to generate the red, green, and blue primary colors. After being deflected, the beams pass through a mask of regularlyspaced round holes to reach the phosphor. Each of the beams passes through at a different angle, and the mask is aligned with a pattern of red, green, and blue phosphor dots such that each beam excites only the dots of its assigned color. The Delta

Manufacturer	Bunker-Ramo (Conn.)		Bunker-Radio (Calif.)	Burroughs		Computek	
Model	2205/17	2212	BR-700	B9351	B9352	100	
Screen Size, In.	8.75 x 6.25	4x3	8.75×6.25	12×9	7.5x8.5 or 8.5x7.5	9.3×7	
Char./Unit	888 or 960	444	960	1019	960	1000,1095 or 1040	
Positions/Line	37 or 80	37	80	80	40 or 80	50,73 or 80	
Lines Per Unit	24 or 12	12	12	25	24 or 12	20,15 or 13	
Insert by:	character	character	line	optional line & char	none	see OPTIONS	
Delete by:	line & character	line & character	line	optional line & char	none	see OPTIONS	
abulation	format	format	no	horizontal	horizontal	optional	
Page Roll	no	no	no	no	no	optional	
Split Screen	yes	yes	yes	optional	optional	optional	
Format Entry	no	no	yes	-	-	optional	
Interface Type	RS232B or parallel	RS232B or parallel	R\$232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B or parallel	
Duplex Mode	half	half	half	_	-	half, full & echo	
Bit Rate	1200-2400	1200-2400	up to 2400	up to 4800	up to 2400	up to 1,000,000	
TTY Substitute	no	no	no	no	no	optional	
2260/65							
Substitute	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Polling	yes	yes	yes	-	optional	no	
Char./Codes	62 ASCII	62 ASCII	63 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	
Display Method	5x7 sawtooth	5x7 sawtooth	5x7 sawtooth	stroke	stroke	7x9 dot	
hosphor	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	P4 (white)	P31 (green)	P4 (white)	
Options	lower case, monitors, printer, tape punch	same	monitors, lower case, printer	printer, programmable cursor, multiplexer	printer, modem expander	line & character edi cassettes, printer	
Purchase Price	\$6895	\$6030	\$56,550		_	\$5,200	
Monthly Lease	\$216	\$198	\$2,623	-	-	none	
Expansion	1 @ \$16,055, 9 @ \$53,155	1 @ \$15,190, 18 @ \$61,120	1 @ \$56,550, 16 @ \$148,100	1 to 4 units	single unit	single unit	
Remarks	Highly modular and flexible. Expands to 18 or 36 units at reduced chars for each.	Same system except for financial-type terminal. Expands to 36 units at 222 chars. each.	Drum file of 96 to 384 pages for local or on- line management information.	Also expnds to 8 units @ 507 chars, 16 units @ 251 chars.	Up to 16 units to one line.	Has firmware processor. Quantity sales preferred.	
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NOTE: Purchase prices are for standard terminal configurations (including keyboard and interface) without maintenance. Lease prices include maintenance. See text for a complete explanation of pricing.

Data Systems Delta 1/2000 is the only color CRT terminal in the tables; Viatron has optional color monitors.

Since nearly all CRT terminals use phosphors that glow for only a very short time after being excited (usually about 50 microseconds and seldom more than one-tenth of a second), the picture must be constantly rewritten (refreshed) for a flicker-free presentation. An exception is the directview storage tube, whose phosphor can store an image if excited for a sufficient time with a highenergy electron beam. A separate, diffuse lowenergy beam "floods" the entire screen, causing the phosphor elements with the image to glow more brightly than the others. The high-energy beam can also be used to present unstored information by exciting the phosphor for less time than that required to store the image. Displays of this type are referred to as having "write-through" capability. Storage tubes typically have low image brightness and contrast, and are best used in subdued light; also, the time needed to write the stored image may be slow, usually at the rate of 20 microseconds per point.

Manufacturer	Computek (Cont'd)	Computer Consoles	Computer Terminal	Transceiver Systems	Conrac	Control Data
Model	400/12	520-724	Datapoint 3300	Execuport 220TV	201	214
Screen Size, In. Char./Unit Positions/Line Lines Per Unit	8.25×6.4 3400 85 40	11.25x5.75 960, 1920 @ \$1200 80 12, 24 optional	9x7 1800 72 25	N/A 800 40 20	7.5x8.5 or 11x7.5 960 dot, 640 stroke 40 or 80 24 or 12 dot, 16 or 8 stroke	8x6 1000 or 1040 50 or 80 20 or 13
Insert by: Delete by: Tabulation Poge Roll Split Screen Format Entry	none none none yes yes	line & character line & character horizontal optional @ \$300 yes yes	none none no yes optional no	none none yos no no	see OPTIONS line optional no optional optional	
Interface Type Duplex Mode Bit Rate TTY Substitute	RS232B full up to 20,000	RS232B half 1200, 2400 optional ng	RS232B or loop half & full 110-600, 1200-4800 @ \$400 yes	acoustic (integral coupler) half & full 110, 165 & 300 yes	RS232B or loop half & echo up to 2400 no	RS232B half & full 2000, 2400 no
2260/65 Substitute Polling	no no	yes yes	no no	no no	no optional	no
Char./Codes Display Method Phosphor	96 ASCII curve & stroke storage P1 (green)	59 ASCII 5x7 video —	64 ASCII 5x7 sawtooth P31 (green)	64 ASCII 5x7 video N/A	69 ASCII 5x7 dot or 3x3 stroke P4 (white) or P31 (green)	64 ASCII 5x7 sawtooth P4 (white)
Options	vertically oriented CRT, parallel interface	computer tape, printers, paper tape, lower case	cassette @ \$2250, printer, coded cursor	cassettes, TTY instead of thermal printer	character insert & delete, parity xmit, printe r	-
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$7,400 none	\$10,090 \$252	\$5000 \$164	about \$5400 —	see REMARKS none	\$6250 \$140
Expansion	single unit	1 @ \$10,090, 6 @ \$28,790	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit
Remarks	FORTRAN softwave for format control by computer. Upgrades to vector & curve graphics.	Also for offline data entry. Expansion reduces number of lines per unit.	Buffered. Cursor can be optionally programmed from computer.	Video is attached to Execuport 300 thermal printer. Any TV receiver for CRT.	Sold only to Original Equipment Manufacturers; user price customarily \$6000 to \$8000.	Controller in separat

DEFLECTION METHODS

For refreshed CRTs, one of three patterns of deflecting the beam to generate the picture is used: video; sawtooth; or programmed scan.

Video scan is used in TV sets: the electron beam is swept through odd-numbered horizontal lines of the picture on one pass, then through the even-numbered lines on the next pass, thus drawing a complete 525-line picture in one-thirtieth of a second. Characters displayed by video must, of course, be made of dot patterns, with the beam unblanked (that is, the phosphor excited) for each dot of each character. Terminals with video scan control logic often use inexpensive TV sets for CRTs, and these terminals can also be interfaced to closed-circuit TV Systems.

With the sawtooth scan, the beam is deflected to consecutive character positions, then at each position it is deflected through a series of short horizontal or vertical strokes to describe a rectangle whose dimensions are the character width and height. Except for the monoscope and

Manufacturer	Control Data (Cont'd)	Courier Ter	minal Systems	Data 100	Delta Data Systems	
Model	216-4	Executerm 1	Executerm 60	73	TeleTerm 1	TeleTerm 2
Screen Size, In.	8×6	6.4x4.8	6.4x4.8	9x7	11x9	11x9
Char./Unit	1000 or 1040	256, 512 optional @ \$320	240, 480 optional @ \$450	960, 1920 @ \$800	500, up to 2500 optional	500, up to 2500 optional
Positions/Line	50 or 80	40	40	80	80	80
Lines Per Unit	20 or 13	15	6, 12 optional	12, 24 optional	27	27
Insert by:	optional line & char	character	character	-	none	line & character
Delete by:	optional line & char	character	character	-	none	line & character
Tabulation	optional horiz & vert	horizontal	horizontal	horizontal	format	horizontal
Page Roll	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Split Screen	no	optional @ \$350	yes	-	yes	yes
Format Entry	no	yes	yes	-	yes	yes
Interface Type	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	R\$232B
Duplex Mode	half & full	half & full	full	full & echo	half & full	half & full
Bit Rate	2400	110, 150, 300, 600, 1200	1200 & 2400	110-1800	up to 4,000,000	up to 4,000,000
TTY Substitute 2260/65	no	yes	no	yes	yes	no
Substitute	na	no	yes	no	no	optional
Polling	-	no	yes	no	no	optional
Char./Codes	64 ASCII	63 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII
Display Method Phosphor	5x7 sawtooth P4 (white)	7x8 sawtooth 	7x9 sawtooth	5x7 video P4 (white)	7x9 video 	7x9 video —
Options	printers	lower case @ \$150, answerback @ \$200, printer @ \$2150	line addressing, printer, multi-station adapter	printer, numeric keyboard	lower case or 80x27 line graphics, printer, cassette	same
Purchase Price	-	\$3800	\$5150	under \$4000	\$3000	\$3500
Monthly Lease	-	\$137	\$235	under \$120	\$90	\$100
Expansion	6 units @ \$35,500	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit
Remarks	Expansion of 1-12 total of display & printer units.	Has a switch for conversational or edit mode.	Conditioned private line service required.	Buffered. Characters either white on black or black on white. Available in October 1970.	Buffered. Any 27 consecutive lines in memory are displayable.	Optional 2260 substitute with MultiTerm 2 controlle

maintenance. Lease prices include maintenance. See text for a complete explanation of pricing.

shaped-beam methods of character generation described later, characters drawn this way are made of dot patterns. Character width, character-tocharacter spacing, and line-to-line spacing can be separately adjusted.

Programmed scan indicates that the beam is deflected to sequential positions as directed by the control logic. This is the most efficient display method, as it minimizes the number of unintensified moves that must be traced by the deflection system. However, it requires more expensive CRTs with yokes capable of high-precision deflec-

tion. Characters drawn this way can be formed of either dots or consecutive short line segments (strokes). Stroke characters are easier to read. All storage tube terminals use programmed scan and draw characters of closely-spaced dots.

Some sawtooth scan terminals, and all programmed scan terminals, can bypass a character position if no character is to be displayed there. Thus, the number of character positions per line times the number of lines of characters per unit can exceed the number of displayable characters the control logic holds (characters per unit in the

Manufacturer D	elta Data Systems (Cont'd)	Digital Scientific	Foto-Mem	Hazeltine		Honeywell
Model	TeleTerm 3	2102	Foto-Vision	1760	2000	2317 VIP
Screen Size, In. Char./Unit	11x9 500, up to 2500 optional	N/A 800	8x6 1440	7x5 or 9x7 1760 or 1998	9x7 1998	9x6.25 888 or 960
Positions/Line Lines Per Unit	80 27	32 25	72 20	55 or 74 32 or 27	74 27	37 or 80 24 or 12
Insert by: Delete by: Tabulation Page Roll Split Screen Format Entry	line & character line & character horizontal yes yes yes	none none none no no no no	character character none yes no no	line & character line & character format no yes no	line & character line & character format yes no	character line & character format no yes no
Interface Type Duplex Mode Bit Rate	RS232B half & full up to 4,000,000	RS232B 110, 1200, 2400	RS232B or parallel 300	RS232B 	RS232B half & full 110-1200, 9600 ontional	RS232B half & full 1200-2400
TY Substitute 2260/65 Substitute Polling	no yes no	no no	no no	no no no	yes no	no no yes
Char./Codes Display Method	64ASCII 7x9 video	64 ASCII 5x7 video	64 ASCII 10x14 video (5x7 pattern)	64 ASCII 5x7 video	64 ASCII 5x7 video	62 ASCII 5x7 sawtooth
hosphor	-	N/A	→	-	- Section 1	P31 (green)
Options	same	cursor @ \$500, printer, parallel interface	cassette, paper tape, blink, printer, disk	96 ASCII codes, printer, cassettes	cassettes, printer, monitors	special keyboards, printers, lower case
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$4500 \$120	\$4870 \$130	\$3205 	under \$5000 non o	\$2995 \$88	\$22,890 \$564
Expansion	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$22,890, 9 @ \$59,850
Remarks	Includes all features of TeleTerm 2.	Buffered. Uses any TV set as CRT. Line & character positions computer-addressable. Cursor optional.	Will interface with FM- 390 mass optical memory for archival storage.	Unprotected data is brighter. Addressable cursor.	Addressable cursor. First delivery July 1970.	Expands at 960, 888, 480, 444 & 222 chars per unit; 9, 18 or 36 units maximum.

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tables). For applications with tabular or textual information having many blanks, the ratio of meaningful data that can be displayed to refreshing memory storage is increased.

CHARACTER GENERATION

The monoscope and shaped beam methods of character generation have the character definitions built into the CRT. In the monoscope CRT, the character set is etched into a polished metal plate and the electron beam is scanned over the etching of the character to be displayed. A secondary emission of electrons from the etched area is amplified and directed to the faceplate. Terminals using monoscope CRTs are more expensive, but have extremely well-defined characters.

The character set for the shaped beam CRT is stencilled into a thin metal sheet. The beam is scanned over the stencil of the character to be displayed on its way to the faceplate, and the dis-

Manufacturer	Honeywel	I (Cont'd)	Hypertech	IB	M	Infoton
Model	2323 VIP	7210	GTU-1	2260	2265	Vista-1
Screen Size, In.	9x6.25	8x6	-	9x4	9x4	9x7
Char./Unit	960	1024	240 or 300	960	960	320, 640, 640, 1280
Positions/Line	80	-	20 or 25	80	64 or 80	32, 32, 64, 64
Lines Per Unit	12	-	12	12	15 or 12	10, 20, 10, 20
nsert by:	character	_	-	none	none	none
Delete by:	line & character	-	-	none	none	none
abulation	format	-	format	no	optional @ \$180	none
age Roll	no	-	no	no	no	yes
plit Screen	yes	yes	3 records	no	no	no
ormat Entry	no	-	yes	no	no	no
Interface Type	RS232B	-	RS232B	RS232B or S/360 channel	RS232B	RS232B, others optional
Duplex Mode	half & full	-	-	half	half	half & echo
Sit Rate	1200-2400	up to 9600	-	1200, 2400	1200, 2400	optional
TY Substitute	ng	-	no	no	no	ves
260/65						/
ubstitute	no		no	the real thing	the real thing	no
Polling	yes	-	no	yes	yes	no
Char./Codes	62 ASCII	64 ASCII	63 ASCII	64 ASCII or EBCDIC	64 ASCII	64 ASCII
Display Method	5x7 sawtooth	-	5×7	sawtooth	stroke	5x7 video
hosphor	P31 (green)	-	-	P39 (green), P4 (white)	P39 (green)	P4 (white)
Options	printer @ \$2150, \$3150 or \$3300	-	cassette	printer, nondestructive cursor, line addressing	printers @ \$5215, line addressing, destructive cursor	printer, cassette, pap tape in & out
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$10,500 \$258	\$5750 —	-	\$23,310 \$570	\$14,625 \$369	\$1495 (320 chars) \$73
Expansion	single unit	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$23,310, 8 @ \$47,430	single unit	single unit
lemarks	Made to Honeywell specs by Bunker-Ramo, these units are similar to B-R 2205.	Preliminary data. First delivery July 1970.	Offline or online entry of formatted data. Keyboard entry program for format control.	Also expands to 16 units @ 480 chars, 24 units @ 240 chars, both 40 chars per line.	1 to 16 units per S/360 communication channel. May be networked with 2260s.	Unbuffered. 640 char @ \$1995, 1280 @ \$2495.

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played letter takes the shape of the stencil.

Thus, with the monoscope and shaped beam methods, the control logic interprets the binarycoded representation of a character as a position on the plate or sheet; all other methods have the dot or stroke patterns for each character stored in digital form within the control logic. The sequence of unblanking commands for the video scan obviously does not correspond to the ordering of characters on the CRT. There is an extra step, a digital-to-video conversion, in which the control logic converts the character code to the proper video pattern and writes it into a serial-bit-transfer circulating memory which is used to refresh the picture.

Five dots wide by seven dots high is the most popular matrix for the design of characters, although other sizes are common. The tables show the character matrix width by height (if applicable) and the display methods: storage; monoscope; shaped; video; sawtoooth; dot; or stroke. The last two are required in the tables only for the

TABLE 1 • ALPHANUMERIC CRT TERMINALSCont'd.

Manufacturer	Infoton		ш	Logitron	Mark Computer Systems		
Nodel	Vista-2	Vista-3	Alphascope 3100	Logiport/1	880	920	
Screen Size, In.	9x7	9x7	7.5×4.4	7x5	7x5	9x7	
Char./Unit	320, 640, 640, 1280	640,1280	720 or 1360	512	256	1024	
ositions/Line	32, 32, 64, 64	64	80	32	32 or 8	64 or 16	
ines Per Unit	10, 20, 10, 20	10,20	9 or 17	16	8 or 32	16 or 64	
sert by:	line & character	line & character	character	none	character	character	
elete by:	line & character	line & character	character	none	character	character	
abulation	format	format	optional	none	format	format	
age Roll	yes	ves	no	ves	_	_	
plit Screen	ves	ves	optional	no	ves	ves	
ormat Entry	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	
nterface Type	RS232B, others optional	RS232C, others optional	RS232B or parallel	acoustic (integral coupler)	RS232B or parallel	RS232B or parallel	
Juplex Mode	half	half	half	half & full	-	-	
it Rate	up to 2400, 9600 optional	up to 2400,9600 optional	1200 or 2400	110, 300	-	8 ⁻	
TY Substitute 260/65	no	no	no	yes		-	
ubstitute	no	yes	yes	no	-	-	
olling	no	yes	yes	no	-	-	
har./Codes	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	67 ASCII	64 ASCII	-		
isplay Method	5x7 video	5x7 video	5x7 video	5x7 dot	-	-	
hosphor	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P12 (orange)	P4 (white)	-	-	
options	Same	same	printer @ \$84, preprocessor @ \$4390, scrambler @ \$109	-	-	-	
urchase Price	\$1995 (320 chars)	\$4,000	_	\$2,950	\$3800	\$4300	
Aonthly Lease	\$95	\$170	4 units @ \$643	-	-	<u>–</u>	
xpansion	single unit	single unit	multiples of 4 units to 64	single unit	single unit	single unit	
emarks	Buffered. 640 chars @ \$2495, 1280 @ \$2995.	Buffered. 1280 characters @ \$4,500	One line on CRT reserved for program information activated by 1 of 5 function keys.	Portable unit with built-in acoustic coupler.	Preliminary data. First delivery June 1970.		

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purpose of distinguishing programmed scan terminals.

CHARACTER MEMORY

Video scan and storage tube terminals need not retain the binary-coded character after the pattern has been written into the circulating memory or phosphor, and can be unbuffered. Other terminals must retain the character codes in a separate character memory, as the control logic continuously reads and decodes consecutive characters to refresh the picture. This buffering permits text editing features to be included in the control logic. Most terminals have a memory character capacity equal to the number of displayable characters plus a few for logical control; a few terminals have additional character memory for local information storage.

The tables indicate the character code for the terminal and the number of different characters that can be displayed. More than 64 characters generally indicates lower-case letters are available.

Manufacturer	Megadata	The National Cash Register		Photophysics	Raytheon		
Model	S/R 1000	795-100	795-620	'45'	DIDS-401	DIDS-402	
Screen Size, In. Char./Unit Positions/Line Lines Per Unit	N/A 800, 1600 optional 40, 80 optional 20	9.5x7.5 1024 54 32	9.5×7.5 780 64 32	7x5 1000 40 25	8.5x6.5 520, 1040 @ \$660 40 or 80 13	8.5x6.5 520, 1040, @ \$660 40 or 80 13	
Insert by: Delete by: Tabulation Page Roll Split Screen Format Entry	none none no no no	line & character line & character fixed spacing no optional optional	line & character line & character fixed spacing no optional optional	character character optional optional optional optional	character character optional @ \$110 no no no	character character none no no no	
Interface Type Duplex Mode Bit Rate	acoustic (integral coupler) up to 660	R\$232B half & full 1000-2400	RS232B half & full 110-2400	RS232B half full & echo 110-1200, 2400 optional	RS232B half 2000 or 2400	RS232B half 1200	
2260/65 Substitute Polling	no no	no yes	no yes	optional optional	optional optional @ \$400	no optional @ \$440	
Char./Codes Display Method Phosphor	64 ASCII 5x7 video N/A	64 ASCII stroke P4 (white)	64 ASCII stroke P4 (white)	64 ASCII 5x7 video —	64 ASCII monoscope P31 (green)	64 ASCII monoscope P31 (green)	
Options	-	printer, NCR 315 interface	printer, conversational mode	line insert & delete, 40x25 line graphics, blink	printer adapter @ \$3949	multiplexer @ \$1160, printer adapter @ \$4200	
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$3350 —	\$9625 \$275	\$8750 \$250	\$9950 \$250	\$16,010 on request	\$6600 on request	
Expansion	single unit	1 @ \$9625, 3 @ \$15,575	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$16,010, 64 @ \$307,840	single unit	
Remarks	Portable, with built-in coupler. Uses any TV set as CRT.	Built by Sanders to NCR specs.; design similar to Sanders 720.	Similar to Sanders, 620.	Has integral electro- photographic printer for hardcopy.	Memory and editing logic are in terminals, not controller.		

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KEYBOARD ENTRY AND EDITING

All terminals, except the Digital Scientific 2102, display a cursor symbol to show the position of the next character to be keyed in. Except for the IBM 2260, where it is an optional feature, the cursor is nondestructive and can be freely moved from one character position to another without erasing any characters it bypasses. Control keys are provided to move the cursor, and most terminals permit moving the cursor left or right one character, going to the leftmost character of the next line (or going down one line), going to the leftmost character of the previous line (or going up one line), and going to the leftmost character of the top line. Terminals with extensive editing features have more freedom of movement for the cursor.

Most terminals with editing have character replace as the primary edit function; that is, typing a letter on the keyboard will place it at the cursor position (erasing the letter previously there) and space the cursor to the right. The majority also

Manufacturer	Rayth	Raytheon (Cont'd)		RCA		Sanders Associates	
Model	DIDS-402 (M8)	DIDS-402-3	70/751	70/752	620	720	
Screen Size, In.	8.5×6.5	8.5×6.5	8×5.5	8×5.5	9:5x7.5 or 7.5x9.5	7.5x9.5 or 9.5x7.5	
Char./Unit	1040	480, 520, 960, 1040	1080 or 972	1080 or 1134	750	1024	
Positions/Line	80	40, 40, 80, 80	54, 60 or 81	54 or 81	64 or 52, 84 optional	52 or 64, 84 optiona	
Lines Per Unit	13	12, 13, 12, 13	20, 18 or 12	20 or 14	32 or 40	40 or 32	
Insert by:	line & character	character	line	line	line & character	line & character	
Delete by:	line & character	character	none	none	line & character	line & character	
Tabulation	none	none	format	format	see REMARKS	see 620 REMARKS	
Page Roll	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Split Screen	no	no	optional @ \$375	optional @ \$850	optional	optional	
Format Entry	no	no	-	-	optional	optional	
Interface Type	RS232B	R\$232B	RS232B or parallel	RS232B or parallel	RS232B	RS232B or parallel	
Duplex Mode	half	half	full	half	half & full	half & full	
Bit Rate	1200	up to 2400	up to 2400	1200	110, 300, 1200, 1800, 2400	up to 47,500	
TTY Substitute	no	no	no	no	no	no	
2260/65					with 731 buffer on	with 731 buffer on	
Substitute	no	yes	no	no	S/360	S/360	
Polling	yes	yes	optional @ \$940	optional @ \$850	yes	yes	
Char./Codes	96 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII, 96 optional	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	
Display Method	monoscope	monoscope	monoscope	monoscope	stroke	stroke	
Phosphor	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P31 (green)	
Options ~	2	multiplexer @ \$1160	variable start-of- transmission position @ \$0	printer adapter @ \$1700, switch @ \$5900	printer, conversational mode, multiplexer	printer, multiplexer	
Purchase Price	\$10,000	\$6600	\$25,430	\$8325 (\$6400 after	\$5500	\$6353	
Monthly Lease	on request	on request	\$443 + \$50 for cable	11/70) \$164 (\$110 after 11/70)	\$180	\$192	
Expansion	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$25,430, 2 @ \$28,300	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$6353, 3 @ \$11, 709	
Remarks	With lower case.		Expands to 4 units @ 540 chars, 8 @ 270 chars. Controller takes 1-4 clusters of units.	Video data switch for 1-8 terminals per line. 3% off without unbundled software.	Optional "tabulation" is 4 spaces to right or down. 731 buffer required for S/360 operation.	Expands to 6 units @ 512 chars, 12 @ 256 chars.	

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permits all or part of a line to be erased without affecting other lines. Tables indicate those terminals which additionally provide for insertion and deletion of lines and characters within a line.

For line insert, all lines below the cursor move down one, leaving room for a new line to be entered. With line delete, the line with the cursor is erased and all lines below move up. Character insert and character delete are similar, with letters to the right of the cursor shifting to the right or left as characters are inserted or deleted. Some models, such as the Spiras Irascope, permit only blanks to be inserted, after which character replace is used to enter the inserted information.

A large number of the buffered terminals provide protected and unprotected character fields (identified as **Split Screen** in the tables), which facilitate the entry of formatted data. The protected data, or format, is sent by the computer or recalled from local storage on command, and the operator enters the variable information in the blank, or unprotected, areas of the screen. The tab key places the cursor at the next unprotected character. Certain off-line data entry units, such as

Manufacturer	Spiras Systems	Stromberg DatagraphiX	Sugarman Laboratories	Sycor	1	rec
Model	Irascope	1110	Video-T6	Key-Cassette	540/545	550/555
Screen Size, In. Char./Unit Positions/Line Lines Per Unit	9.5x7 1008 40 to 80 32	10×10 1030 80 35	11x9 1600 80 20	310 31 10	9x6.5 256 32 8	9x6.5 512 32 16
Insert by: Delete by: Tabulation Page Roll Split Screen Format Entry	character character optional @ \$250 no optional @ \$750 optional	character 	character character horizontal yes yes yes	none none format no yes yes	optional line & char. optional line & char optional no optional no	optional line & char optional line & char optional no optional no
Interface Type Duplex Mode Bit Rate	RS232B half 1200, up to 9600	RS232B or parallel 2000 & 2400	RS232B or loop half & full 110 to 2400	optional RS232B 100 to 1200	parallel, RS232B @ \$400 half up to 48,500	parallel, RS232B @ \$400 half up to 48,500
TTY Substitute 2260/65 Substitute Polling	no no	no yes yes	yes optional optional	no no no	no yes yes	no yes yes
Char./Codes Display Method Phosphor	64 ASCII monoscope P31 (green)	64 ASCII shaped P31 (green)	64 ASCII 5x7 video white or green	62 ASCII 5x7 —	64 ASCII 3x3 stroke P4 (white), P31 optional	64 ASCII 3x3 stroke P4 (white), P31 optional
Options	lower case @ \$995, cassette @ \$1900, printer @ \$995	multiplexer	cassettes, printer buffer	printer, second cassette, 9-channel computer tape	printer adapter, panel display, editing @ \$425	same
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$5995 —	-	under \$6,000 -	\$8,000 \$175	\$4,750	\$4,900
Expansion	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	up to 32 units	1 @ 22,257, 16 @ \$66,612
Remarks	Also a peripheral for SPIRAS-65 computer. Specialized versions available.	Available with programmed controller for local storage.	Transmits by char, line or block. Any letter may be black on white or versa.	Designed for off-line entry of data onto cassettes. Has ROM miniprocessor.	Line addressing available. Multistation controller is programmable.	

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those made by Hypertech, Sycor, and Viatron, also have character copy and left-zero-fill features. Most terminals with formatting permit the formats to be entered from the keyboard and most transmit only the unprotected data as the message.

Almost all teletypewriter-substitute terminals, and some others, have a **page roll** feature (also called scroll). If the screen is full, all lines will move up one and the top line is lost when a new line is entered at the bottom. This feature is useful for conversational mode applications, especially with dial-up time-sharing systems.

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INTERFACING

Since terminal interfacing problems were discussed in detail in Part 1 of this series, only brief descriptions of the table entries are given here. Interface type can be current-loop teletypewriter, a plug conforming to standard RS232B of the Electronic Industries Association, for serial transmission over data lines, parallel computer interface, built-in acoustic or hardwired modem, or some special type. Transmission modes are indicated in the tables as half-duplex (computer to

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Manufacturer	TEC (Cont'd)	Ultronic Systems	Uni	ivac	Via	tron
Model	560/565	Videomaster 7000	Uniscope 400	Uniscope 300	System 21 (2101)	System 21 (2111)
Screen Size, In.	9×6.5	9.5×7.5	10×5	10×5	-	12 1 2 2 1 2 2 2 2 2
Char./Unit	10000	960	480,512,960,1024	1024	320	320
Positions/Line	50	80, 64 optional	80,32,80,64	64	20	20
Lines Per Unit	20	12, 15 optional	6,16,12,16	16	16	16
Insert by:	optional line & char	none	line & character	line & character	none	character
Delete by:	optional line & char	none	line & character	line & character	none	optional character
Tabulation	optional	optional	horizontal	horizontal	format	format
	ng	na	_	ves	no	no
Split Screen	optional	optional	4	ves	ves (4 records)	ves (4 records)
Format Entry	no	-	-	-	yes	yes
Interface Type	parallel, RS232B @ \$400	RS232B	RS232B,CCITT, others	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B
Duplex Mode	half	half	-	-	half	half
Bit Rate	up to 48.500	1200 & 2400	up to 9600	up to 4800	600-1200	600-1200
TTY Substitute	no	no	no	no	no	no
2260/65						
Substitute	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
Polling	yes	yes	in multiplexer	yes	no	no
Char./Codes	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII, 96 optional	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII
Display Method	3x3 stroke	5x7 video	stroke	stroke	_	-
Phosphor	P4 (white), P31 optional	P4 (white)	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	-	-
Options	same	printer, programmable concentrator, multiplexer	multiplexer for 1-31 units, 50 Hz, printer adapter	function keys with overlays	cassette @ \$184, print robot @ \$1200, computers, others	same
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$5,150 —	\$4,980 \$156	\$3,655 \$110	\$15,140 \$410	\$2,498 (no cassettes) \$51 (no cassettes)	\$2,784 (no cassettes) \$58 (no cassettes)
Expansion	up to 8 units	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$15,140, 24 @ \$99,120	single unit	single unit
Remarks		Has line addressing.	H. Contraction	Computer can unconditionally transmit. Expands to 48 units at 512 chars.	Designed for entry of data onto cassettes, but will function on-line.	Input & output to cassettes, reformatting & key verification provided.

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display alternates with keyboard to display and computer), full-duplex (computer to display simultaneous with keyboard to display and computer) and echoplex (computer to display simultaneous with keyboard to computer). Terminals that are teletypewriter substitutes are hardwarecompatible with them and do not require reprogramming. Terminals that are IBM 2260 or 2265 substitutes will operate under OS or DOS BTAM and QTAM without rewriting software. Polling features may be built into the terminal or multiplexers optionally available for clustering terminals in polling configurations.

LIMITED GRAPHICS

Certain terminals include a matrix of dots or a grid of horizontal or vertical lines, parts of which can be intensified for simple graphic presentations.

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Manufacturer		Video Systems		Wyle Compu	ter Products	Xerox Data Systems
Model	VST/1000	VST/2000	VST/5000	600 Computerminal	800 Computerminal	7550/7555
Screen Size, In. Char./Unit Positions/Line Lines Per Unit	9x7 648 36 18	9x7 1296 72 18	9x7 1296 72 18	6x4.5 256 32 8	9x6 1024 64 16	9x6.5 2048 86 32
Insert by: Delete by: Tabulation Page Roll Split Screen Format Entry	none none none no (page flip) no no	none none none no (page flip) no no	none none none no (page flip) no no	none none horizontal view 8 of 32 lines yes no	none none optional no optional no	line & character line & character no yes no no
Interface Type Duplex Mode Bit Rate TTY Substitute 2260/65 Substitute Polling	RS232B or loop half & full 110,150,300 yes no no	RS232B or loop ha!f & full 110,150,300,600,1200 yes no no	RS232B or loop ha!f & full 110,150,300,600,1200 yes no no	R\$232B full 600,1200 no yes	RS232B ha'f 110-2400 no yes yes	parallel, optional RS232B echo, optional half 150 (1800 for 7555) no no no
Char./Codes Display Method Phosphor	64 ASCII video P4 (white)	64 ASCII video P4 (white)	64 ASCII video P4 (white)	56 ASCII or IBM 1050 3x3 stroke P4 (white)	64 ASCII 5x7 video	96 ASCII monoscope P31 (green)
Options	printer, magtape	printer, magtape, 2400 bps	printer, magtape, 2400 bps	printer driver @ \$500, function keys & lamps	printer driver, line addressing, keys & lamps	block transmit, printer adapter
Purchase Price Monthly Lease	\$3,990 \$141	\$4,590 \$155	\$4,990 \$185	\$4,750 	=	\$10,000 -
Expansion	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	single <mark>unit</mark>
Remarks	Buffered. One of two pages is displayed; the second appears when first is filled.	Buffered. One of two pages is displayed; the second appears when first is filled.	Buffered. One of four pages is displayed from total of 5184 retained characters. New pages appear successively as pages are filled.	1024-char memory for 32 lines storage. Semi- custom keys & lamps for 11 or more units.	Custom formatting available for units ordered in quantity.	Transmits by single chars. High-speed 7555 is \$12,500 purchase.

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These are described, with the matrix width and height, in Table 2. Displays having graphics as an option and all other units are in Table 1.

PRICING

All prices are for terminals with keyboard and communications interface and include those features not listed as optional. Purchase prices do not include maintenance. Monthly lease prices are for one-year lease contracts or the minimum lease period, whichever is greater, and include maintenance. Prices shown for those terminals using a customer-supplied TV receiver for the CRT include \$100 (\$3 per month) for the TV.

Purchase prices may also be shown for multiterminal-with-single-controller configurations under "Expansion." If the one-terminal expansion price

Manufacturer	c	computer Communication	15	Compute	er Optics	Delta Data Systems
Model	CC-30	CC-33	CC-36	CO:70	CO:75	Delta 1
Screen Size, In.	8×6.5	8×6.5	8×6.5	9.5x7.5	9.5×7.5	9×7
Char./Unit	800,960 optional	800,960 optional	800,960 optional	3000	1500	960
Positions/Line	40	40	40	100	100	40
Lines Per Unit	20,24 optional	20,24 optional	20,24 optional	30	15	24
Insert by:	none	none	none	character	character	line & character
Delete by:	none	none	none	character	character	line & character
Tabulation	none	none	none	optional	optional	none
Page Roll	no	no	no	no	no	yes
Split Screen	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Format Entry	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Interface Type	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B or parallel	RS232B or parallel
Duplex Mode	half & echo	full	half & echo	half & full	ha'f & full	half & full
Bit Rate	up to 50,000	up to 50,000	up to 50,000	110 to 2400	110 to 2400	up to 150,000
TTY Substitute	no	yes	no	no	no	no
2260/65						
Substitute	see REMARKS	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Polling	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
Char./Codes	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	64 ASCII	88 ASCII	88 ASCII	64 ASCII
Display Method	5x7 video	5x7 video	5x7 video	16x18 video	16x18 video	5x7 video
Phosphor	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P31 (green)	P31 (green)	-
Graphics Grid Size	108x85 dot	108x85 dot	108x85 dot	100x30 line	100x15 line	128x64 dot
Options	light pen, printer, card	light pen, TTY, printer,	light pen, impact	transmit blocks, line	same	light pen, printe.,
	reader, parallel interface	card reader	printer @ \$10,000	insert & delete, cassettes		lower case, cassettes
Purchase Price	\$7 670	\$8 545	\$23.900	\$8,750	\$9 825	\$5.500
Monthly Lease	\$215+\$125 installation	-	-	-	-	-
Expansion	single unit	single unit	single unit	single unit	1 @ \$9825, 8 @ \$33,200	optional
Remarks	A 2260 substitute under OS or DOS with CCAM software. Programmable cursor. TV receiver CRT.	A superset of the CC- 30.	Real-time & batch unit; includes card reader & printer. CC-30 superset.	High-quality serif letters. Horiz & vert. line graphics. Lines of text are addressable.		Conversational mode. programmable cursor.

TABLE 2 • ALPHANUMERIC CRT TERMINALS WITH LIMITED GRAPHICS

differs from the single-terminal purchase price, both a self-contained terminal and one terminal with a multiterminal controller are available. For the maximum number of units under Expansion, the number of characters per terminal is the same as for one terminal unless otherwise indicated under "Remarks."

For more information on the CRT terminals described in this article, refer to the reader inquiry numbers listed in Table 3.

NEXT MONTH. Part 3 of our Technology Profile on Interactive CRT Display Terminals will be GRAPHIC CRT TERMINALS

TABLE 3 • REFERENCE LITERATURE

For more information on the CRT display terminals described in Tables 1 and 2, circle the appropriate numbers listed below on the reader inquiry card.

Company Card Num	uiry ber
Alphacom Inc. (formerly Alphameric Data), Cranbury, N.J.	200
American Terminal Systems, Chatsworth, Cal	201
Applied Digital Data Systems, Hauppauge, N.Y	202
Atlantic Technology Corp., Somers Point, N.J.	203
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The Bunker-Ramo Corp., Stamford, Conn	205
The Bunker-Ramo Corp., Canoga Park, Cal	206
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TABLE 2 • ALPHANUMERIC CRT TERMINALS WITH LIMITED GRAPHICS Cont'd.

Manufacturer Del	ta Data Systems (Cont'd)		General Electric		International Computer Terminals	Unicom
Model	Delta 1/2000	765	775	785	SPD 10/20	CT-3000
Screen Size, In.	13×10	11x9	11x9	11x9	9.5x7	-
Char./Unit	960	1012	1012	2024	960 or 1920	400
Positions/Line	40	46	46	92	64	40
ines Per Unit	24	22	22	22	15 or 30	10 or 20
nsert by:	line & character		-	2	line & character	line & character
elete by:	line & character	_	_	_	line & character	line & character
abulation	none	horizontal	horizontal	horizontal	yes	_
age Roll	yes	no	no	no	Ves	ves
plit Screen	yes	no	ho	no	yes	-
ormat Entry	yes	no	no	no	yes	no
nterface Type	RS232B or parallel	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B	RS232B
Ouplex Mode	half & full	half & full	half & full	half & full	half & full	half & full
it Rate	up to 150.000	1200	2000 2400 4800	2000 2400 4800	up to 4800	_
TY Substitute	no	no	ng	no	Ves	no
260/65					Ves	
ubstitute	ves	no	no	20	,	00
olling	yes	no	optional	optional	yes	no
har./Codes	64 ASCII	ASCII	ASCII	ASCII	ASCIL	64 ASCII
isplay Method	5x7 video	video	video	video	7x10 video	5x7 video
hosphor	-	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	P4 (white)	_	_
raphics Grid Size	128x64 dot	46x22 line	46x22 line	92x22 line	-	
Options	same	function keys, party line	same plus special keyboards, printer, non-modem interface	same as 775	multiplexer, printer, paper tape reader, 2K core	polling.
Purchase Price		\$4010	\$7000	t00/0	#0000	
Nonthly Lease	-	-	-	-	\$9000 \$150 (5-year)	1
xpansion	optional	1 @ \$6010, 2 @ \$9500	1 @ \$7000, 2 @ \$10,700	single unit	1 @ \$9000, 2 @ \$11,390	single unit
temarks	Multicolor CRT. One to 7 colors selected from console or computer.	Party line permits any one of 8 displays to access controller.			Contains 1K, 16-bit minicomputer. Programmable to emulate any terminal. Large quantity discounts.	Preliminary data

Computer Terminal Corp., San Antonio, Texas 212 Computer Transceiver Systems Inc., Paramus, N.J. 213 Conrac Corp., Covina, Cal. 214 Control Data Corp., Minneapolis, Minn. 215 Data 100 Corp., Minneapolis, Minn. 217 Delta Data Systems Inc., Cornwall Heights, Pa. 218 Digital Scientific Corp., San Diego, Cal. 219 Foto-Mem Inc., Natick, Mass. 220 General Electric Co., Oklahoma City, Okla. 221 Hazeltine Corp., Little Neck, N.Y. 222 Honeywell Inc., Wellesley Hills, Mass. 223 Hypertech Corp., Harwood Heights, III. 224 Infoton Inc., Burlington, Mass. 225 International Business Machines Corp., White Plains, N.Y. .. 226 International Computer Terminals Corp., Framingham, Mass. 227 International Telephone and Telegraph Corp., East Rutherford, N.J. 228 Logitron Inc., Cambridge, Mass. 229

Megadata Computer and Commu. Corp., Deer Park, N.Y	231
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Spiras Systems Inc., Waltham, Mass	237
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Mark Computer Systems Inc., Plainview, N.Y. 230

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Bennett Landsman, Instructor

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TAPE TRANSPORTS

A line of continuous transports with limited electronics includes the Series 0700, with 7" reels, the Series 0800, with 8-1/2" reels, and the Series 1000, with 10-1/2" reels. All models are presently available in both 7- and 9-track. The 7-track is offered with selectable densities of 200 bpi, 556 bpi, and 800 bpi; the 9-track with 800 bpi. Both models are available with read/ write or read-after-write heads. Tape speeds up to 37-1/2 ips are available. Features include 180 degree wrap-around capstan, mechanical read azimuth adjustment, electronic write head deskewing, tape cleaner, solenoid-operated file protect, optical compliance arm-sensors, reel motor failsafe brakes, and the use of proprietary design capstan and reel motors. Single quantity prices for the Series 0700 are \$2750 for the Model 0707-1 7-track, or Model 0709-1 9-track read/write; and \$3500 for the Model 0707-2, or 0709-2 read-after-write. Cipher Data Products, Inc., San Diego, Cal.

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REGISTER-RECORDER

The SPICE register-recorder performs functions similar to those of a conventional cash register except that the system components automatically lead the sales clerk through its operation by a series of sequential lights, thereby facilitating the input of sales and inventory data for transmission to a computer normally located at a time-sharing center. The computer verifies that all entries of the item number by the sales clerk are valid. All required computations, such as price, extensions, sales taxes, totals, and change are performed automatically through the system. Information transmitted to the computer by the registerrecorder is stored on magnetic tape which is converted by a communications controller, and then fed into the retailer's central computer system. Alpex Computer Corp., Danbury, Conn.

Circle No. 282 on Inquiry Card.

REMOTE OCR SYSTEM

A compact optical character recognition system for office installation, Unit ROCR System/70 is an extension of Cognitronics Remote Optical Character Recognition (ROCR) operations, and utilizes the same components currently employed in the company's commercial ROCR service centers. ROCR System/70 can process up to 1800 documents per hour inhouse or from remote scanners. It consists of the standard Cognitronics remote desk-top scanner with automatic feed, a display console and keyboard, and a central processing unit in one desk-sized package. A magnetic tape unit is also available. Cognitronics Corp., ROCR Div., New York, N.Y.

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The Atron 501 "Datamanager", unlike conventional minis, is strictly a business-minded computer for manipulating volumes of data in addition to normal business calculations. Data editing operations, such as MOVE ITEM and LEFT JUSTIFY which can take 30 or more instructions in most large or small processors, require only one instruction. The processor is specifically designed to handle data in strings as well as single characters. This advantage allows the user to operate on volumes of data with each instruction. The basic machine sells for less than \$6,000 in quantity and includes four highspeed buffered I/O channels with full buffer address control into available direct memory access ports. To complement the 501, Atron also supplies high- and medium-speed card readers and printers, magnetic tape drives, fixed head disk systems, and TTY and communications subsystems. The Datamanager is available in a stand-alone cabinet, rack-mounted, or packaged to customer specifications. Atron Corp., St. Paul, Minn.

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TAPE AND CARD FOLDER

Up to 35 data processing cards and program sheets or up to 20 feet of perforated tape with its program sheet are accommodated in a new folder. The folders are made with both right and left hand pockets and are made of heavy Kraft stock. A diagonal cut on the opposite side makes identification of contents easier. Prices are \$12.30 per hundred in 100 lots up to 500, and \$11.00 per hundred in lots over 500. Econ-100, Minneapolis, Minn.

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NEW PRODUCTS

MINI-DISKS

Two economy-line disk memories, the 7102 and 7102E, are minimum capacity models featuring a 17msec. average access time to 560K bits of storage, and read/write and track selection electronics. The 7102E is priced at \$2700 in unit quantities and is packaged without rack-mounting hardware or power supply. The 7102 Model provides rack-mounting hardware and a compatible power supply for an additional \$500. Data Disc Inc., Palo Alto, Cal.

Circle No. 301 on Inquiry Card.

DISK CONTROLLERS

Information Data Systems has announced two models of its 5000 Series disk memory system controllers, one for use with the Interdata Model 3, and one for the Data General Nova. The controller systems utilize IDS's standard 7000 Series disk memory units, which offer capacities up to 2.4 megabits with an average access time of 16.5 msec. IDS, Inc., Detroit, Mich.

Circle No. 313 on Inquiry Card.



CARD READER

The C600 Series of 600 cpm 80-column card readers includes a table model and a rack-mounted unit. Protective features include: feed stop and operator attention lights for "output hopper full," "output hopper empty," and "three successive pick failures;" a motor shutdown on card jam; and a front cover interlock switch. Input hopper capacity is 900 cards and the output hopper capacity is 1,000 cards. Unloading on-the-fly is always permissible and loading onthe-fly is permissible as long as there are 200 or more cards in the input hopper. The C600 units read data column by column. Peripheral Dynamics, Philadelphia, Pa.

Circle No. 316 on Inquiry Card.



NEW MINI

Lockheed's latest mini, the MAC Jr., retains most of the features of the company's earlier MAC 16 and is compatible with the 16's peripheral devices and most of its software. The MAC Jr. is priced under \$8,000 in its basic 4K configuration with 4 hardware priority interrupts and integral power supply. The MAC Jr. is also available with a maximum of 8K 16-bit words of 1 usec. memory and 16 hardware priority interrupts. Data Products Div. of Lockheed Electronics Co., Los Angeles, Cal.

Circle No. 275 on Inquiry Card.

DISPLAY TERMINALS

The CO:70 communications terminal display system features a 3,-000-character upper- and lowercase alphanumeric presentation plus complete editing capabilities. Additional features include: an 88character ASCII set, and protected formatting. *Computer Optics*, *Bethel*, *Conn*.

Circle No. 297 on Inquiry Card.



TAPE CONVERTER

The Digi-Data "System 31" provides a means for converting computer-compatible magnetic tape to IBM MTST or Model 50 tape. A code conversion option is available to convert from computer code to MTST code. The system is a fully off-line unit - not wired to the computer or the MTST. A full 24,-000-character cartridge is written in four minutes. Typical applications are: transferring master name and address information from the computer for special letters, transferring computer-sorted information to MTST tape for typewriter printing, and as a return unit for MTST information processed in the computer. Digi-Data Corp., Bladensburg, Md.

Circle No. 303 on Inquiry Card.

MINI-DRUM MEMORIES

A line of mini-drum memories for small computers features head-pertrack design. Prices start at \$1500, which includes 8 data tracks, 2 clock tracks, and all read-write electronics packaged on a drum assembly of 9 cubic inches. Data storage capacities range from 131K to 5 million bits. California Peripherals Div. of Datum, Inc., Anaheim, Cal.

Circle No. 279 on Inquiry Card.

FIVE NEW DISK SYSTEMS

Iomec, Inc.'s new Iodisc Series 2000 memory systems range in capacity from 24 to 96 million bits and use either removable disk cartridges or combinations of removable cartridges and fixed disks. Iodisc 2011, smallest of the new units, has a capacity of 24 megabits on one removable disk cartridge operating on one drive. Io-



disc 2012, shown, has 48-megabit capacity on one removable cartridge and one fixed disk operating on one drive. Iodisc 2023 goes up to 72 megabits on two removable cartridges and one fixed disk operating on two drives. Iodisc 2024, largest of the new systems, has 96megabit capacity on two removable cartridges and two fixed disks operating on two drives. *Iomec Inc.*, *Santa Clara, Cal.*

Circle No. 293 on Inquiry Card.



DESK-TOP LINEPRINTERS

The first models of a new family of low-cost, impact line printers are desk-top models designed to handle a wide range of printing requirements. The units incorporate a character belt mechanism with individual characters which snap on and off the belt, allowing special characters or special codes to be easily accommodated. The



TAPE CERTIFIER FOR USER MARKET

The Kybe Model TMS-200 (for Tape Management System) is said to be the first computer magnetic tape certifier designed and priced for the computer user instead of

SCAN CONVERTER

The Execuport 220 TV scan converter displays the input/output of a data transceiver on any conventional TV set. The unit is compatible with CTSI's portable, highspeed thermal page-printing data transceiver, the Execuport 300, and displays 40 characters per line on 20 lines. Additional features include page roll capability and a cursor. Unit price is about \$1,500. *Computer Transceiver Systems, Inc., Teaneck, N.J.*

Circle No. 302 on Inquiry Card.

Model 200 (shown) prints 80 columns at the rate of 205 lpm. The Model 400 prints 132 columns at 410 lpm. Since printers use a proprietory logic technique to adjust each print line for maximum speed with the particular character set contained in the buffer, these print speeds are minimum. Both printers utilize 64-character sets with up to 128 characters optional on the Model 200, and 48 or 96 characters on the Model 400. Both models are available in fully-buffered versions with a variety of optional features and interfaces. First units are scheduled for delivery in June with OEM quantity prices as low as \$4300. Odec Computer Systems. Inc., E. Providence, R.I.

Circle No. 319 on Inquiry Card.

the tape manufacturer. The TMS-200 performs all basic functions of currently-available tape certifiers at considerably less cost. Purchase prices range from \$13,500 for a certifier configured for 7-channel, 800bpi tape – to \$19,500 for a certifier configured for 7- and 9-channel, 800-bpi and 3200-fci tape formats. The units rent under a one-year contract for from \$540 a month to \$770 a month. The TMS-200 counts and charts errors on magnetic tape, has a start-stop function which allows for manual correction of errors, and automatically cleans the tape prior to the test run. Kybe Corp., Waltham, Mass.

Circle No. 318 on Inquiry Card.

DISTRIBUTED TERMINAL

APT-1000 office The computer/computer terminal from Fedder Data Centers is designed to be linked with Fedder's own largescale processing centers. It can, however, also function as a standalone unit for input preparation, output printing, verification, totaling, editing, and formatting. The APT-1000 features a standard typewriter keyboard, a separate set of numerical keys in the familiar 10key format, and a 30 cps printing unit. When used with Fedder's Data Centers, the APT-1000 will enable Fedder customers to accumulate data and transactions during the normal daily business hours without the need for the central computer. Each night, the APT-1000 will automatically interchange the data with Fedder's IBM 360s. Later, the same evening, the computer "calls" the APT-1000 and transmits a summary report of the data received earlier. The standard APT-1000 will automatically intertape cassette drives with a total on-line capacity of 250,000 characters and two levels of memory for programs and data. Optional features include punched card readers and punches, paper tape readers and punches, 7- or 9-track magnetic tape units, line printers, and random access storage devices. Fedder Data Centers, Inc., Baltimore, Md.

Circle No. 283 on Inquiry Card.



NEW SOFTWARE AND SERVICES

SOFTWARE BUILDING SYSTEM

AED, a system for building machine-independent, modular software systems, is said to embody a new and fundamental advance in software technology - one that makes it possible to configure software to a customer's specifications, as hardware has been for years, by assembling completely developed and thoroughly tested modular components, and connecting them into an integrated system. The AED System consists of a highlevel, general-purpose language with special features for system programming, and a teachable engineering discipline to guide its proper usage; a library of fully-de-"off-the-shelf" software bugged components that are incorporated directly into the system being built; and high-level system-generating systems for producing madeto-order components as well as for assemblying, modifying, and testing the system. AED-built systems are said to operate on any-generation hardware, and application programs can operate on small or even SofTech, mini-computers. Inc., Waltham, Mass.

Circle No. 354 on Inquiry Card.

EXEC 8 ANSI COBOL

A Cobol compiler to run under Univac's EXEC 8 operating system conforms with American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards, and operates in the signover-punch mode. It includes insequential file access dexed capabilities as direct Cobol verbs. Univac is also developing conversion aids which convert from competitive data formats to Univac data formats, and from competitive source code to Univac ANSI source code. Univac Div. of Sperry Rand, Philadelphia, Pa.

Circle No. 351 on Inquiry Card.

BACK-OFFICE PACKAGES

A group of computer programs is designed to help brokerage houses solve back-office paperwork problems. Called Brokerage Accounting System Elements (BASE), the programs enable an IBM S/360 to calculate the effect of security trading on most key areas of brokerage house activities. BASE can generate up to 75 reports that reflect the status of purchases, sales, stock records, dividends, transfers, customer statements, and "fails". The packages can be used with any S/360 Model 30 or larger having at least 64,000 bytes of core storage and operating under DOS. BASE is scheduled to be available under a license agreement in the second quarter of 1971 at a monthly charge of \$800. IBM Data Processing Div., White Plains, N.Y.

Circle No. 347 on Inquiry Card.

FORTRAN UTILITY SYSTEM

A FORTRAN Utility System called "FUS" automatically debugs. times, and checks out FORTRAN programs on batch or time-sharing computers. The first part of FUS is called FADS, for Fortran Automatic Debugging System. FADS is a comprehensive symbolic display system that offers programmers the ability to examine in detail the computational flow of FORTRAN source code at all desired points of interest. The second part of FUS is called FATS, for Fortran Automatic Timing System. FATS automatically times desired subroutines and displays a complete CPU report. FACS, for FORTRAN Automatic Checkout System is the third part of FUS. FACS automatically displays all source statements not used during execution. FUS now operates on IBM and Univac computers. Digital Solutions Inc., Edison. N.J.

Circle No. 345 on Inquiry Card.

PROJECT REPORTING SYSTEM

TARGET is a proprietary package designed to help management optimize the use of existing manpower. The TARGET system has six levels of reporting and provides the capability to control the activities of analysts and programmers in a data processing installation. The system includes current time and cost data, and critical status and summary information of each project, system, program, and task. The reports also include programmer and analyst backlog and history information. An analyst worksheet is generated weekly, thus documenting the effort expended and remaining on a given project. The package uses 44K and is now available for IBM S/360 DOS users. The three-year lease price of \$4,-500 includes user's manuals and installation assistance. Computer Business Consultants, Chicago, Ill.

Circle No. 339 on Inquiry Card.

SYSTEM MANAGEMENT FOR OS/360

SYSMAC provides a set of tools for managing S/360 in a multiprogrammed environment. It Monitors, Accounts, and Controls the major computer activities under OS/MVT. A 600 to 4,000 byte region contains OS/MVT interface programs which record the computer resources used for each job. This includes CPU time, accountable core time, core size, number of job steps, terminal connect time, number of tape and disk mounts, of cards number read and punched, and the number of lines printed. This data is used to develop the logical billing for each job as if it were running in the computer by itself. All collected data is logged by time of day and may be used by the installation to develop computer utilization analyses. A package of seven application programs produce four monthly reports designed for the computer center, the computer user, financial management, and general corporate management. Prices start at \$4,900. Hygain Technologies, Inc., Westport, Conn.

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COMMERCIAL PAPER SYSTEM

A commercial paper system to reduce the borrowing costs of subscribers is designed for firms with a high volume and high turnover of borrowing for finance operations. The program can be substituted for either manual or for older computer-based programs. It allows regular monitoring of weighted costs of individual loans of equal face value but differing maturities; balancing cash positions between bank accounts; and locating idle cash to reduce need for borrowings. Cash requirements can be projected on a day to day basis, thus permitting borrowings to be concentrated on low-cost, unsecured one-to-five-day notes. The program is available on a customdesigned basis or through the detime-sharing service. veloper's Allis-Chalmers, Milwaukee, Wisc. Circle No. 337 on Inquiry Card.

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

OSCAP (Operating System Communication Application Program) is designed to give the user a complete message switching capability in an OS/360 multi-programming environment. OSCAP provides all the classical message switching functions including message retrieval; header analysis and formatting including time and date stamping, and sequence numbering; and disk queuing and intercept. Messages, which can be of any length, may be routed to multiple or alternate destinations. Any user-designated terminal can act as supervisor and broadcast messages and inquire of the system. Network statistics are kept for printed reports and off-line billing routines. The system operates under OS/360 MFT or MVT without any modifications, and requires one pack of an IBM 2311 or 2314. Core requirements are dependent upon the network size, but typically a 20-line system containing 50 terminals would require a 40K-byte partition. OSCAP may be purchased for \$40,000 or leased for \$1,500 per month. Complex Systems Inc., New York, N.Y.

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Hardwire or Acoustical

RFL Does It All



Whether your needs are for a hardwire coupler to connect directly to a standard telephone line (through a Data Access Arrangement) or for an acoustical connection, the new RFL Model 13AO/TTY is your best bet. It does both, and it's a *simple* transition from hardwire to acoustical.

Designed primarily for computer time sharing applications and intercommunication links with Teletype terminals, the 13AO/TTY is also compatible with Bell 103A Dataphones. The Model 13AO/TTY is a com-

pact unit (5"x4"x12") which operates over 2 or 4 wire circuits up to 300 bits per second, full or half-duplex. Unlike other couplers, it has built-in transmit and receive filters, to assure optimum operating performance.

RFL offers outright purchase or rental plans, and like all RFL communications equipment, the Model 13AO/TTY is built with the know how that has made RFL a leader in communications systems and instrumentation equipment for over half a century. Write or phone for full details.



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NEW SOFTWARE AND SERVICES

CLOTHING INDUSTRY PACKAGE

MIRG, for Manufacturers' Internal Report Generator, is said to be the first control system dedicated to the special requirements of the ready-to-wear clothing industry. The goal of this system, to be offered on a service basis, is to provide manufacturers with reports and analyses of sales, production, and inventory, while handling garment ticketing, shipping, and billing. Systems Interaction Corp., New York, N.Y.

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Vista makes it big with any mini-computer.

Vista is an alphanumeric display terminal that's fast, silent, easy to read. Far more efficient than her ancestor, the KSR-33 teletype. And completely compatible with whatever mini-computer you're using.

A completely self-contained, stand alone unit, Vista comes with keyboard, video presentation, control and refresh electronics, data phone interface and power supply. All keyboard operations, including cursor movement, are transmitted and received permitting software editing. Standard interfaces connect to modems up to 1800 baud. Parallel and current loop interfaces are available as options. Vista is available for immediate delivery, for as little as \$1495.00. For further details, write for our free brochure or call.



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SOFTWARE MONITOR

SUPERMON, written in Assembler F (or G) level, is an MVT Software Monitor which enables the OS/360 MVT user to monitor hardware and software performance over a given period of time. A series of reports is produced which aid in the identification of areas of low utilization and performance bottlenecks. There is a series of up to eleven reports, followed by a page which summarizes both these reports and the run itself. Monitoring is performed by counting various events and using a sampling technique. The program consists of 3,000 cards and is available for \$310.00. COSMIC, Athens, Ga.

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SORTING SUB-PROGRAM

UNISORT is an assembly language sub-program which calls OS/360 Cobol sort routines with a sort area size specified by the calling program. UNISORT also makes it possible to perform a sort within a level E Cobol program; allows CALLS to other subroutines from sort input and output procedures; and can itself be called by Fortran, PL I, or assembly language programs. UNISORT is available with source and object decks, and with programming and installation instructions for \$350. United Computing Corp., Carson, Cal.

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DIGITAL FILTER PROGRAM

A new digital-filter program for designing a wide choice of digital filter types (Chebyshev, elliptic, Gaussian, etc.) also allows for user-specified transfer functions. Filters can be of the lowpass, bandpass, bandstop, or highpass types. The program calculates digital filter coefficients in both decimal and binary form, and gives the locations of the poles and zeros of the desired filter function. It also prints and plots the frequency and time response characteristics for complete filter design and analysis. Technology Service Corp., Santa Monica, Cal.

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TEXTBOOK SERIES

IBM and Addison-Wesley's new "Systems Programming Series" of texts for primary and advanced systems professionals are described in this 12-page brochure. Topics covered include a profile of the reader audience, the subject matter of the various books in the series, and a statement of aims and objectives. Addison-Wesley Publishing Co., Reading, Mass.

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COMPUTER SUPPLIES CATALOG

Sixteen-page catalog presents the entire line of pressure-sensitive EDP supplies manufactured by the W.H. Brady Co.'s Computer Supplies Div. Included are descriptions of tab labels produced on continuous fan-folded, pin-feed, liner-carriers; keypunch correction seals; latch leaders and connectors for reel-to-reel hook-up of magnetic tape; splices for punched tape paper; seals for correcting MICR bank checks; and self-sticking magnetic tape markers. W.H. Brady Co., Milwaukee, Wisc.

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SUPPLIES CATALOG

A new supplies catalog lists over three hundred rolled and folded paper products for data communications and business machines, and a complete line of perforated tape handlers. *Paper Manufacturers Co.*, *Philadelphia*, *Pa*.

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RETAIL STORE OPERATIONS

Specialized services for computerbased control of retail store operations are described in a four-page brochure titled "Retail EDP Systems: For Retailers Who Would Rather Be In The Retail Business Than The Computer Business." The brochure details the application systems available to the industry. Scientific Resources Corp., Retail Services Operation, Montgomeryville, Pa.

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3-D PLOTTERS

A series of applications memos from Spatial Data Systems, Inc. describe some of the uses of their three-dimensional digital plotting systems. These console-type systems produce 11" x 17" plots by means of a series of vertical wires firmly fixed into lightweight, removable plotting boards which become permanent, removable hard-copy records. Plots are visible from any angle, displaying mathematical functions or empirical data involving any three variables. Spatial Data Systems, Inc., Goleta, Cal.

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PORTABLE TERMINAL

A six-page brochure describes the PortaCom, an ASCII keyboard which weighs less than 30 pounds and is hand-carried in its own attache case. Data Products Corp., Systems Div., Woodland Hills, Cal.

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MAG TAPE UNIT & CONTROLLER

Specification sheet on the Daedalus Model 119 tape unit & controller describes the IBM-compatible unit's manual controls and indicators, error conditions recognized by the controller, and complete operating parameters. The Model 119 is available as an optional accessory to the Daedalus 711 Programmable Data Terminal and interfaces directly with the terminal's built-in universal I/O. Daedalus Computer Products, Inc., North Syracuse, N.Y.

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CAPABILITIES BROCHURE

Brochure describes Computer System Architects Inc.'s consulting services for developers of computer-related products. The brochure contains sections on nature of services, business methods, and corporate make-up. *Computer System Architects Inc.*, *Cambridge, Mass.*

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DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM

A twelve-page brochure describes DOCUMATIC, an automatic documentation system for programs written in IBM S/360 RPG. *Data Usage Corp.*, *Ft. Lee*, *N.J.*

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MINICOMPUTER PROGRAMMING

The P-2000 Fundamental Executive, P-2000 Programmer's Console Program, and the P-2000 Formatter for use with Westinghouse Electric's Prodac 2000 Series of computing control systems are described in three illustrated bulletins. The 16-page bulletin on the Fundamental Executive describes in detail the software system of the Prodac 2000. The four-page bulletin on the P-2000 Programmer's Console Program describes operation of minimum and basic programmer's console configurations. The P-2000 Formatter is a set of Fortran routines in the P-2000 program library. Westinghouse Electric Corp., Hagan/Computer Systems Div., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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GLASS MEMORY MODULES

Four-page illustrated application note describes the use of glass digital memory modules in high-speed buffers for computer terminals and other data transmission systems. *Electronic Products Div. of Corning Glass Works, Corning, N.Y.*

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FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

A 12-page brochure describes facsimile transmission of priority documents, graphs, charts, and photographs. Facsimile Communications Industries, Inc., New York, N.Y.

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COBOL PROGRAM GENERATOR

A new booklet describes improved and additional capabilities in the SCORE III Cobol Program Generator, a reporting and file management system. *Atlantic Software Inc.*, *Philadelphia*, *Pa*.

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NEW LITERATURE

CASH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

"Accounts Payable/Cash Management" is the title and subject of a 6page foldout brochure which describes a comprehensive, modular Cobol system consisting of eight processing programs. The system uses two main files: the master file, and the monthly cost distribution is a month-to-date file of costs categorized by a flexible five-level, 19-digit, cost distribution. URS Data Sciences Co., San Mateo, Cal.

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REDCOR CONVERSION MODULES

The latest issue of the Redcor Conversion Module short form catalog contains updated specifications on all of Redcor's user-oriented conversion modules. This line includes the spread of individual circuits needed to construct a wide variety of multiplexers, analog-to-digital converters, DACs, simultaneous sample and holds, data distributors, and other data handling functions similar to this class of products. *Redcor Corporation, Woodland Hills, Cal.*

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DEC'S FOCAL

A 32-page softcover pamphlet entitled FOCAL describes Digital Equipment Corp.'s conversational language for a variety of engineering applicants. The pamphlet explains in simplified terms how the PDP-8/L and PDP-8/I small computers are programmed to solve such problems as square roots, sinusoidal expressions, and series evaluation. Digital Equipment Corp., Maynard, Mass.

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VENTURE FINANCING GUIDE

Twelve-page brochure entitled "A Guide to Venture Capital Financing" has been prepared to assist new and aspiring entrepreneurs in their efforts to raise capital and finance their new ventures. *American Science Associates, New York, N.Y.*

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