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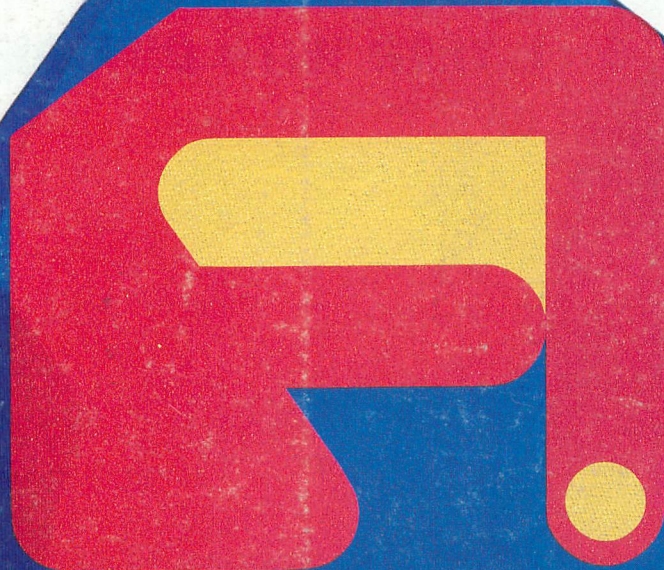
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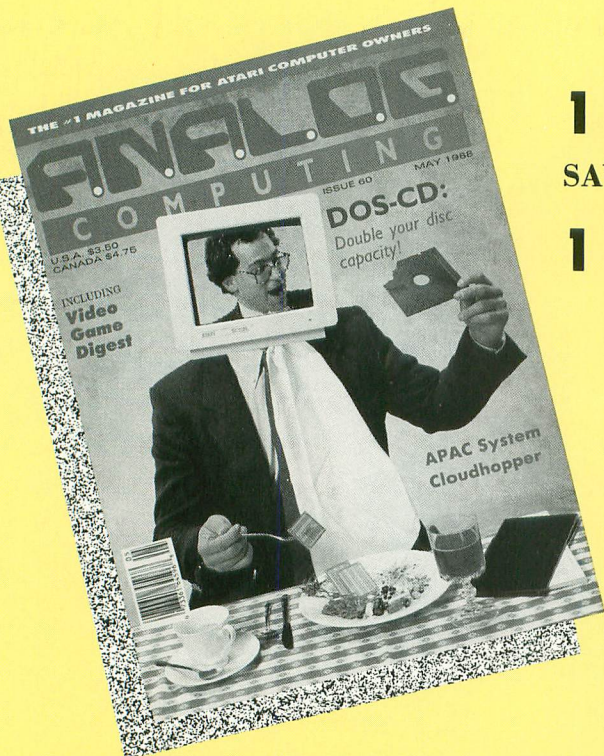
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Ever since the release of the **XE Game System**, the controversy has raged as Atari computer owners all over the country continue to question the company's wisdom in staying active in the electronic entertainment industry. Many believe that for Atari to be assured of continued success, it must obtain its niche in the business world, a place where a connection to **Space Invaders** and **Pole Position** is fatal. How, they say, can Atari gain the respect it deserves in the "real" world when they insist on being a toy manufacturer?

One might better ask: How can a company thrive if they choose to ignore existing opportunities in favor of pursuing long-shots?

The fact is that Atari's biggest market has always been in home electronics, not in business, an area that is almost wholly dominated by IBM fanatics. With this in mind, one has to wonder if Atari hasn't already—knowingly or unknowingly, with or without regrets—chosen the home electronics market as its permanent battleground. And if this is indeed the case, why fight it? The company image we might like to see Atari gain has very little to do with the realities of marketing—realities that are governed almost solely by profit.

Consider this: Atari has admitted that the sales of the 8-bit com-



puter line have been poor at best, and except for a handful of releases from small developers, there's been very little new software. Atari itself released about a half dozen new titles—including **Silent Butler**, **Star Raiders II**, **Music Painter** and **Atari Planetarium**—a while back, but has since lapsed back into silence.

What's to be done?

According to Atari's Neil Harris, the XE Game System is part of the solution. The idea was to release a new machine that could provide some competition for Nintendo's entertainment system (it seems that the video game craze is not as dead as some believe, as evidenced by the sales of not only Atari's entries into the market, but by their two major opponents, Nintendo and

Sega), while at the same time, boost interest in the existing 8-bit line of computers.

Remember, cartridges for the XE Game System are compatible with the 8-bit computers. It's Atari's hope that the new machine will rekindle the interest of third-party software developers (the fact that cartridge-based software is much harder to pirate will certainly help), who can take advantage of a double audience: both video game owners and computer owners.

Atari feels that they can sell enough of the new machines to make software developers sit up and take notice. They also believe that, because the XE Game System is expandable and comes with Atari BASIC, many people, in the midst of their gaming, will discover a latent interest in computing and move up to other

machines. The more people that make that transition, the more demand there'll be for more "serious" software—and the more incentive there'll be for developers to meet that demand.

What's in it for you? Hopefully, this'll mean many new titles for your XL or XE computers—because the cartridges being released for the XE Game Machine are 100% compatible with the 8-bit computer line. And if the scenario discussed in the preceding paragraph—game system owners discovering an interest in computing—comes about, perhaps there'll be more

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forthcoming than just games.

Sound unlikely? Maybe. Evaluating a potential market is a tough job, one that is fraught with pitfalls. The number of variables involved, often variables the manufacturer is unaware of until it's too late, make marketing anything but a science.

All we can do right now is sit back and see what happens as the entertainment system giants jockey for position in the marketplace. If the XE Game System is the success that Atari predicts it'll be, it should bring good things for owners of 8-bit computer systems. If nothing else, it'll mean continued health for Atari in the future and a flow of revenue to finance other new and exciting projects.

Hey. We all have to make the money where we can. **A**



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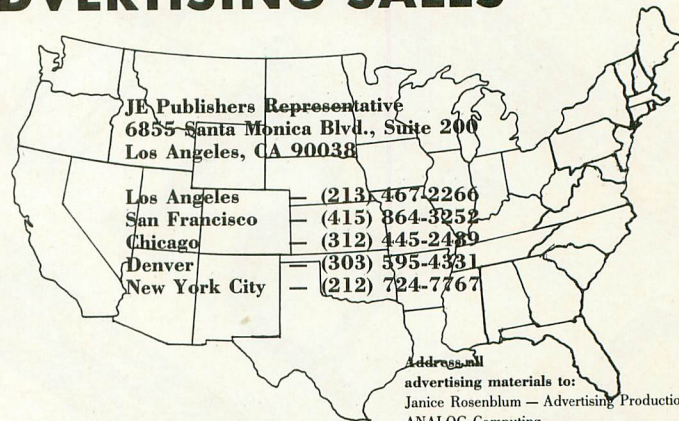
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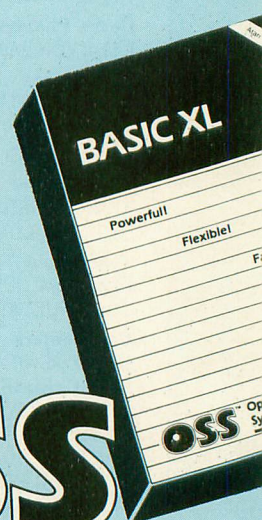
8-Bit News

by Frank Cohen

ICD Buys OSS

In a move to expand their product line, ICD has begun marketing the Optimized Systems Software product line. OSS was one of the first software companies to support the Atari 800 in the early 1980's. Popular OSS products such as Action and Mac 65 are available through ICD and its dealer network. ICD began talking with OSS late in 1987 with a contract signed in January of 1988. OSS has been struggling for the past year. Bareware, OSS's line of inexpensive ST software, never really caught on due to OSS's financial woes. ICD is currently reviewing the feasibility of the Bareware line.

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The OSS logo consists of a stylized 'Q' inside a circle, followed by the letters 'OSS' in a bold, sans-serif font.

hard disk drive when upgrading to ST systems. A \$20 cable is needed to connect the ICD hard disk to the ICD MIO Board.

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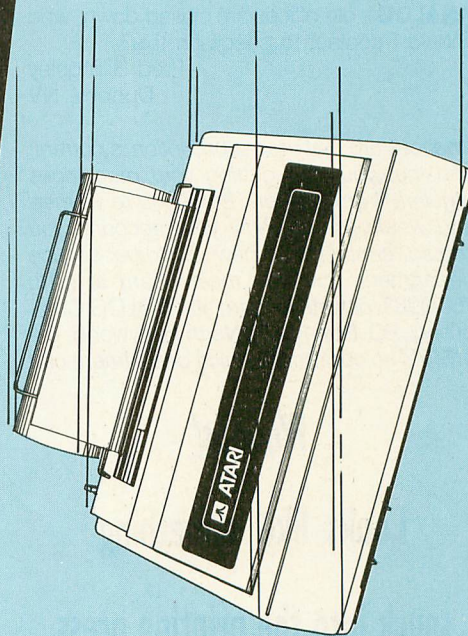
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Dataque Software, 3308 Park Avenue West, P.O. Box 134, Ontario, Ohio 44862



ICD Announces SpartaDOS X

ICD will be shipping SpartaDOS X in mid-1988. The new disk operating system for 8 bit users will come in a plug-in cartridge and support 'fast' disk I/O routines. Loading of DOS will take half the time it takes to load the current system utilities. SpartaDOS X is compatible with the new Atari XF551 Disk Drive. ICD, 1220 Rock Street, Rockford, IL 61101-1437, (815) 968-2228



Atari Ships the XF551 Disk Drive

The XF551 floppy disk drive is now shipping. The XF551 is a replacement for the older Atari 1050 floppy disk drive. The XF551 is a double-sided double-density drive that comes with Atari DOS 2.5. The unit is capable of storing 130K bytes using the DOS 2.5, and will later be capable of storing 130K bytes using the new ADOS from Atari, when it becomes available later this year. The XF551 is also compatible with ICD's SpartaDOS 3.2. The XF551 carries a suggested list price of \$219.95.

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Atari Income Falls

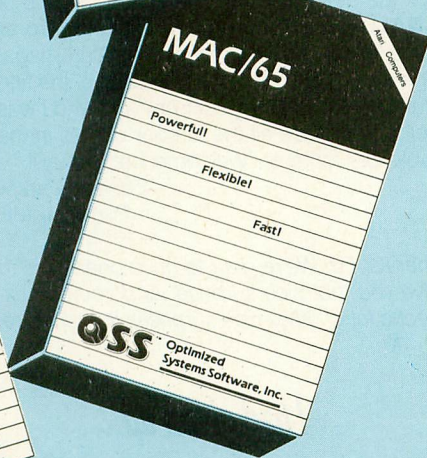
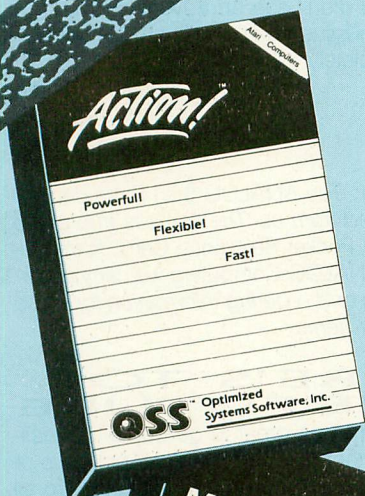
Atari Corp. said net income for the fourth quarter '87 dropped to \$18.70 million from \$23 million. The decrease was mostly due to continued losses from Federated Group, an Atari subsidiary. The Federated Group was purchased in 1987 to provide an outlet for Atari computer products. Atari has estimated Federated's return to the black in the fourth quarter of 1988. Atari expects Federated to break-even for calendar '88. Atari sales overall for 1987 were posted at \$493.17 million, indicating healthy sales in home computers (51% of sales), video games (23%) and retail business (26%).

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MIO Board

ICD has temporarily discontinued production of the 1 Megabyte MIO board due to the high price of DRAM memory chips. The MIO board gives your Atari computer a hard disk controller, serial and parallel port, and an externally powered RAM Disk. ICD currently sells the 256K version for \$199. DRAM chip prices have risen greatly, making the 1 Megabyte version of the MIO board very costly. Production will resume later this year when DRAM chip prices are expected to fall.

The ICD MIO board allows you to add an ST compatible ICD hard disk to your 8 bit system. ICD is currently shipping 20 to 100 megabyte disk drives that range in price from \$699 to \$1699. 8 bit owners can use the same



Reader Comment

To say our mailbox has been full lately would be like saying the ocean contains a little water. Now that **ANALOG Computing** is back on the stands, it seems that everyone has the same questions regarding subscriptions, back issues and other related topics. This month's Reader Comment focuses on those questions.

I WANT SERVICE!

It's been a long time since I've received my magazines, and I'm worried that my subscription might not be current. Now that **ANALOG's** old offices are closed down, who should I contact to check on this?

—Fred Billingsley
Dunphy, NV

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LABYRINTH DRAWS A BLANK

Help! I was busily typing in Labyrinth from the April issue, and when I got to Lines 2150 and 2160, I discovered that a couple of numbers were smudged. Please tell me what they're supposed to be so I can finish typing in the game. I'm trying to play it.

—Glen Richards
Windsor, CT

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Elliot White
Portland, OR

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I just picked up the April issue of **ANALOG Computing** on the newsstand, and now I would like to know how I can get the disk for that issue. The programs look great, but I'm afraid I'm not much of a tylist.

—Al Wallach
Lancaster, SC

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—Dennis Anderson
San Diego, CA

Never fear. The ANALOG 8-bit Extra can still be ordered from us. The same is true of the ANALOG Pocket Reference Card. Future issues of ANALOG Computing will carry advertisements and ordering information for these and other items.

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—Edward Parker
Portland, ME

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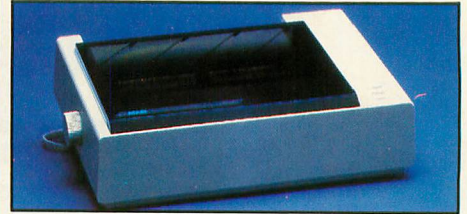


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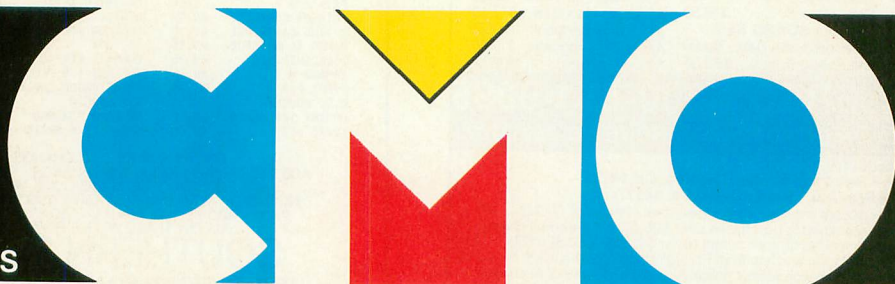
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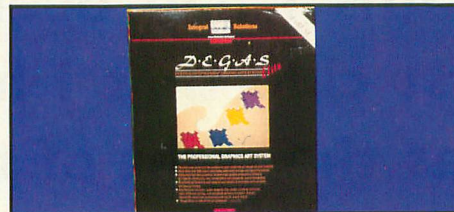
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Set-up

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■ recently bought a used GEMINI-15 dot-matrix printer with a 132-column-wide carriage. I took it home, hooked it up, loaded some paper, and began listing the BASIC programs I had been writing. My first clue that I had a problem was the sight of the print head marching off the right edge of the 80-column paper, inking its way across the rubber roller. The manual revealed that the printer's programmable features have default settings that load in automatically each time the power is turned on. The default right margin of a Gemini 15 turns out to be 132.

by Jackson Beebe

To change these settings, you must send Functional Commands, or function codes, to the printer, using LPRINT statements. Function codes consist of an ESC command in combination with other numbers and letters. For example, to select italics, you type LPRINT CHR\$(27);CHR\$(52). The CHR\$ function returns the character represented by the ATASCII number code specified, e.g. CHR\$(27) is ESCAPE, CHR\$(52) is '4'. All printer options and examples of command statements needed are listed in the printer manual. Typing function codes for the options you want to use allows you to print or list text in any format. To avoid having to look up and type all those codes every time I wanted to use my printer I wrote Gem Set-up, a BASIC utility program that allows you to choose type styles and sizes, turn options on or off, alter the top, bottom, left and right margins, and change line spacing, all without any knowledge of printer function codes or programming. Instructions are available from the menu by choosing Help.

How It Works

Line 50 calls a subroutine at the end of the program (line 1190) that dimensions the string variables and initializes the default values for the menu. Lines 1230-1260 zero out the error register (memory location 195), and set error trapping to line 1250, which turns the screen red, and prints a message if the printer is off (error 138). Users may customize the default right margin, by resetting the value of R in line 1280.

Lines 70-290 turn the screen and border black, and print the menu with the current values of the options and functions, as well as their permissible ranges. Options that are on/off (such as Condensed print or Italics), use an asterisk on the menu to indicate that the option is on. Boxes are drawn around menu items (lines 70-90) using control characters found in your owner's manual. Line 290 opens an IOCB to the keyboard for input. This eliminates the question mark and the need to type RETURN at the COMMAND prompt.

Lines 310-590 are a stack of If-Then statements that respond to correct menu choices, in either upper or lower cases. These lines send the printer func-

tion codes, then reprint updated values on the menu and return to line 290 for input. They also send the program to input and error checking routines. Simple on/off choices are handled right in the If-Then statements. These make use of the asterisk's presence or absence, to determine whether to toggle a function on or off. If the asterisk is present the program assumes the function is on, and toggles it off, erases the asterisk from the menu, and loads a blank in the assigned string variable (C\$). If the asterisk is absent, the program toggles the function on, assigns an asterisk to the variable (C\$), and prints it. If the input 'falls through' all the If-Then statements without finding a match, line 600 considers it an error and returns to line 290 to await more input.

For options that require numerical input (such as Bottom Margin), the variable LINE is set to the first line number of the routine (see line 630). LINE holds the 'return address' of the function while GOSUB 1010 sends the program to an error checking subroutine. If the input is null, line 1010 POPs the stack (necessary when jumping out of a subroutine, to keep return addresses straight), and goes to the line number stored in LINE to reprint the input prompt. If input is not null, lines 1020-1040 check the input one character at a time to insure the ATASCII code is correct for numbers. Errors send the program to line 1050, which prints an error statement, waits for a count of 200, POPs the stack, and goes to the line number stored in LINE. If no errors are found the input is checked for correct numerical range. Input of numbers (line 620) is done using string variables (A\$), to take advantage of Atari's string commands to check each character at subroutine 1010. On return, the string variable is converted to a numerical variable using the VAL function (line 640), then checked for correct numerical range. Errors send the program to line 1070, which prints an error statement, waits for a count of 200, and returns. Finally, control codes are sent to the printer, the previous menu entry is erased by printing blanks over it, the new value is printed at the proper place on the menu, and the program goes to line 290 to await more input. This

process is similar for Page Length, Left Margin, Right Margin, Line Spacing, and Top Line.

Mini print selects superscript mode, which produces a very tiny print. When this option is in use, use a smaller value for line spacing, like 6/72. An excellent tiny print style can be obtained by choosing Condensed and Mini print with a Spacing of 5.

Proportional Spacing is slightly more involved. When it is selected from the menu, the program first checks the status of the Proportional Flag (PFL is initialized to zero at line 1210). If Proportional Spacing is off (PFL=0; line 790), an input prompt is printed, input is checked for numbers and value, and control codes are sent to the printer. The existing value of Font is erased, the Font status is stored in a temporary variable MEM\$, and the Font variable is assigned a blank (F\$=" "). Most of this is required in case the Help function is used while Proportional Spacing is turned on. When this happens, it is necessary to reprint all values correctly when leaving Help and returning to the menu. Finally, line 830 loads the correct value in P\$, prints the current Proportional Spacing value on the menu, sets the Proportional Flag to on (PFL=1), and returns to line 290 for input.

If Proportional Spacing is already on, lines 770-780 send the printer function codes to turn Proportional Spacing off, reload the correct menu value of Font from MEM\$, reprint the correct Font on the menu, erase the Proportional Spacing value on the menu, reset the flag (PFL=0), assign a blank to P\$, and return to line 290 for input.

Line spacing may be set in 1/72 of an inch increments. Normal default spacing is 1/6 inch (12/72). You can double space by choosing 24 (24/72), triple space with 36 (36/72), etc. Line spacing should be set *after* type size is selected.

Selecting Help from the menu turns the screen green, and gives you instructions. Pushing RETURN reprints the menu.

Using Gem Set-up

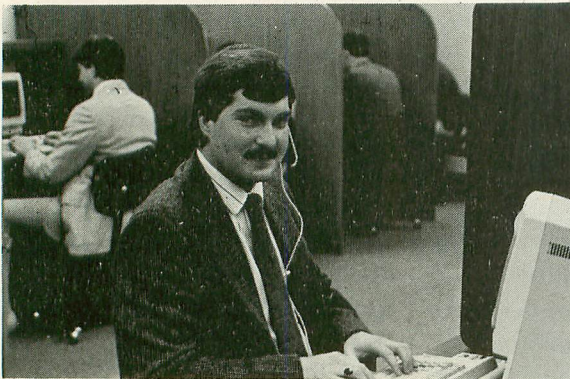
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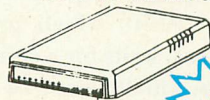
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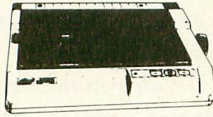
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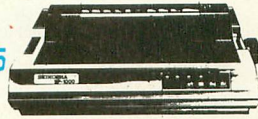
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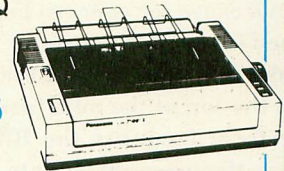


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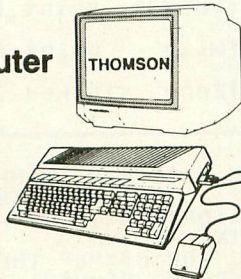


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print head with the top of a form, then turn on the printer's power and run the program. Choose the type style, options, and margins that you need. Each time you select a new value for an option, the printer will 'creep' up one line. This is not a cause for concern because a form feed is sent to the printer when you Quit the program, aligning the print head with the top of the next form. To avoid the form feed, use the BREAK key to leave the program. Quit to BASIC, and send your output to the printer. To list a BASIC program, load it into memory, then type LIST 'P:' or LIST 'P:',10,50 to list the range of lines 10 through 50.

Perforations can be skipped when printing by altering the bottom margin and the top line. Setting the bottom margin to 2 and the top line to 3 gives you two blank lines before and after each perforation. Set margins last; they vary with the type size selected.

STAR Version

Gemini and Star printers have sever-

al small differences in their function codes. Listing 1 is the Gemini Version. To modify the program for printers, make the following changes to Listing 1.

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line 10  change GEMSETUP
          to STRSETUP
line 80  change inverse
          GEMSETUP to in-
          verse STRSETUP
line 200 change (1-6) to (1)
line 580 change CHR$(86) to
          CHR$(92)
line 590 change CHR$(86) to
          CHR$(92)
line 770 replace with: 770 IF
          PFL=1 THEN
          LPRINT CHR$(27);
          CHR$(112);
          CHR$(0);FS=MEM$
          :POSITION 22,7:?
          FS: POSITION
          22,13:? ""
line 780 remains the same
line 790 replace with: 790 IF
          PFL=0 THEN
          P=1:LPRINT
          CHR$(27);
          CHR$(112);
          CHR$(1):POSITION
          22,7:? ""
          MEM$=FS:FS=""
line 800 replace with: 800 IF
          PFL=0 THEN POSI-
          TION 22,13: ?
          P:PFL=1:GOTO
          290
line 810 delete
line 830
line 1090 change inverse
          GEMSETUP to in-
          verse STRSETUP
line 1100 change GEMINI to
          STAR

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The Near Letter Quality option (Font=N) is only present in the Star 10/15 printers.

Type font may be toggled between Pica(P), Elite(E), and Near Letter Quality (N—Star 10/15.) Option N on Gemini produces Condensed print.

Unidirectional print may be used for accurate alignment of vertical and horizontal lines.

If you renumber the program, take special care to manually enter new values for LINE in the lines currently numbered 630, 680, 730, 800, 860, 910, 960 and 1160 (eight places). Without this, the program will not return to the correct line if errors are found in the error checking subroutine.

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Listing 1: BASIC

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KT 10 REM ** GEMSETUP ** 9/86
PU 20 REM Sets Gemini printer from Atari
NM 30 REM Jackson Beebe/807 W. Hill St/Ur-
    bana/Illinois/61801
ZU 40 REM ** INITIALIZE **
QM 50 GOSUB 1190
RT 60 REM ** MAIN MENU **
EV 70 ? CHR$(125):POKE 710,0:POKE 712,0:P
    OSITION 4,0:? ""
TH 80 ? " Ver 3.1 GEMSETUP J. Beebe
JP 90 ? "
QU 100 ? " |B|Bottom margin |";B;" |";:
    POSITION 27,3:? "(0-16) |"
TN 110 ? " |C|Condensed |";C$;" |";
VK 120 ? " |D|Double strike |";D$;" |";
QK 130 ? " |E|Emphasized |";E$;" |";
DL 140 ? " |F|Font |";F$;" |";
    :POSITION 27,7:? "(P/E/N) |"
VX 150 ? " |G|Page length |";G$:POSITION
    ON 25,8:? ""|";:POSITION 27,8:? "(1-127
    ) |"
EQ 160 ? " |H|Help | |
XO 170 ? " |I|Italics |";I$;" |";
LS 180 ? " |L|Left margin |";L$:POSITI
    ON 25,11:? ""|";:POSITION 27,11:? "(1-2
    55) |"
UI 190 ? " |M|Mini print |";M$;" |";
EI 200 ? " |P|Proportional |";P$:POSITI
    ON 25,13:? ""|"; (1-6) |"
XV 210 ? " |Q|Quit to BASIC | |

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KT 220 ? " |R|Right margin |";R$:POSITI
    ON 25,15:? ""|";:POSITION 27,15:? "(1-25
    5) |"
VD 230 ? " |S|Spacing 72nds |";S$;" |";
    (1-127) |"
OP 240 ? " |T|Top line |";T$:POSITI
    ON 25,17:? ""|";:POSITION 27,17:? "(1-16
    ) |"
HX 250 ? " |U|Unidir print |";U$;" |";
GR 260 ? " |W|Wide print |";W$;" |";
EI 270 ? " |Z|Zero slashed |";Z$;" |";
FS 280 ? "
XU 290 POSITION 2,22:? " COMMAND >
    ";:CLOSE #1:OPEN #1,4,0,"K":GET #1,K
PX 300 B$=CHR$(K)
DI 310 IF B$="B" OR B$="b" THEN 620
FX 320 IF (B$="C" OR B$="c") AND C$="" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(15):C$="*":POSITION 22
    ,4:? C$:GOTO 290
BR 330 IF (B$="C" OR B$="c") AND C$="*" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(18):C$="" :POSITION 22
    ,4:? C$:GOTO 290
AM 340 IF (B$="D" OR B$="d") AND D$="" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(71):D$="*":PO
    SITION 22,5:? D$:GOTO 290
PF 350 IF (B$="D" OR B$="d") AND D$="*" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(72):D$="" :PO
    SITION 22,5:? D$:GOTO 290
EP 360 IF (B$="E" OR B$="e") AND E$="" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(69):E$="*":PO
    SITION 22,6:? E$:GOTO 290
WK 370 IF (B$="E" OR B$="e") AND E$="*" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(70):E$="" :PO
    SITION 22,6:? E$:GOTO 290
XE 380 IF (B$="F" OR B$="f") AND F$="P" T
    HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(66);CHR$(2):F
    $="E":POSITION 22,7:? F$:GOTO 290
PT 390 IF (B$="F" OR B$="f") AND F$="E" T

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HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(66);CHR$(4):F
$="M":POSITION 22,7:? F$:GOTO 290
YY 400 IF (B$="F" OR B$="f") AND F$="N" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(66);CHR$(1):F
$="P":POSITION 22,7:? F$:GOTO 290
PW 410 IF B$="G" OR B$="g" THEN 670
XD 420 IF B$="H" OR B$="h" THEN 1090
OM 430 IF (B$="I" OR B$="i") AND I$=" " T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(52):I$="*":PO
SITION 22,10:? I$:GOTO 290
CV 440 IF (B$="I" OR B$="i") AND I$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(53):I$=" ":PO
SITION 22,10:? I$:GOTO 290
RX 450 IF B$="L" OR B$="l" THEN 720
WS 460 IF (B$="M" OR B$="m") AND M$=" " T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(83);CHR$(0):M
$="*":POSITION 22,12:? M$:GOTO 290
JZ 470 IF (B$="M" OR B$="m") AND M$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(84)
UG 480 IF (B$="M" OR B$="m") AND M$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(72):M$=" ":PO
SITION 22,12:? M$:GOTO 290
DK 490 IF B$="P" OR B$="p" THEN 770
IY 500 IF B$="Q" OR B$="q" THEN POSITION
1,22:? " ":POSITION 1,2
EF 1:LPRINT CHR$(12):GRAPHICS 0:END
510 IF B$="R" OR B$="r" THEN 850
AU 520 IF B$="S" OR B$="s" THEN 900
ID 530 IF B$="T" OR B$="t" THEN 950
XI 540 IF (B$="U" OR B$="u") AND U$=" " T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(85);CHR$(1):U
$="*":POSITION 22,18:? U$:GOTO 290
DH 550 IF (B$="U" OR B$="u") AND U$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(85);CHR$(0):U
$=" ":POSITION 22,18:? U$:GOTO 290
YW 560 IF (B$="W" OR B$="w") AND W$=" " T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(87);CHR$(1):W
$="*":POSITION 22,19:? W$:GOTO 290
EV 570 IF (B$="W" OR B$="w") AND W$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(87);CHR$(0):W
$=" ":POSITION 22,19:? W$:GOTO 290
UZ 580 IF (B$="Z" OR B$="z") AND Z$=" " T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(86);CHR$(1):Z
$="*":POSITION 22,20:? Z$:GOTO 290
AY 590 IF (B$="Z" OR B$="z") AND Z$="*" T
HEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(86);CHR$(0):Z
$=" ":POSITION 22,20:? Z$:GOTO 290
UI 600 GOTO 290:REM WRONG INPUT
JD 610 REM ** BOTTOM MARGIN **
IW 620 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW bottom margin
":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
AH 630 LINE=620:GOSUB 1010
OS 640 B=VAL(A$):IF B<0 OR B>16 THEN GOSU
B 1070:GOTO 620
ID 650 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(78);CHR$(B):;
POSITION 22,3:? " ":POSITION 22,3:?
B:;GOTO 290
HR 660 REM ** PAGE LENGTH **
ZW 670 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW page length
":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
CU 680 LINE=670:GOSUB 1010
US 690 G=VAL(A$):IF G<0 OR G>127 THEN GOS
UB 1070:GOTO 670
KO 700 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(67);CHR$(G):P
OSITION 22,8:? " ":POSITION 22,8:? G
:GOTO 290
MP 710 REM ** LEFT MARGIN **
KE 720 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW left margin
":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
AS 730 LINE=720:GOSUB 1010
YF 740 L=VAL(A$):IF L<1 OR L>255 THEN GOS
UB 1070:GOTO 720
FU 750 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(77);CHR$(L):P
OSITION 22,11:? " ":POSITION 22,11:?
L:GOTO 290
DN 760 REM ** PROPORTIONAL **
KM 770 IF PFL=1 THEN LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(
90);CHR$(0):F$=MEM$:POSITION 22,7:? F
$:POSITION 22,13:? " "
LM 780 IF PFL=1 THEN PFL=0:P$=" ":GOTO 29
0
ZE 790 IF PFL=0 THEN POSITION 4,22:? "Let
ter spacing ":POSITION 25,22:
INPUT A$
DM 800 LINE=790:GOSUB 1010
WS 810 P=VAL(A$):IF P<1 OR P>6 THEN GOSUB
1070:GOTO 790
ID 820 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(90):CHR$(P):P

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POSITION 22,7:? " ":MEM$=F$:F$=" "
PH 830 P$=STR$(P):POSITION 22,13:? P:PFL=
1:GOTO 290
HU 840 REM ** RIGHT MARGIN **
SJ 850 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW right margin
":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
CO 860 LINE=850:GOSUB 1010
RR 870 R=VAL(A$):IF R<1 OR R>255 THEN GOS
UB 1070:GOTO 850
UE 880 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(81);CHR$(R):P
OSITION 22,15:? " ":POSITION 22,15:?
R:GOTO 290
YZ 890 REM ** LINE SPACING **
HL 900 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW line spacing
X/72 ":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
AO 910 LINE=900:GOSUB 1010
PO 920 S=VAL(A$):S$=A$:IF S<1 OR S>127 TH
EN GOSUB 1070:GOTO 900
FZ 930 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(65);CHR$(S):P
OSITION 22,16:? " ":POSITION 22,16:?
S$:GOTO 290
JZ 940 REM ** TOP LINE **
PG 950 POSITION 4,22:? "NEW top line
":POSITION 25,22:INPUT A$
DB 960 LINE=950:GOSUB 1010
IY 970 T=VAL(A$):IF T<1 OR T>16 THEN GOSU
B 1070:GOTO 950
DC 980 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(82);CHR$(T):P
OSITION 22,17:? " ":POSITION 22,17:?
T:GOTO 290
YX 990 REM ** SUBROUTINES **
GC 1000 REM ** CHECK FOR NUMBERS **
ID 1010 IF A$="" THEN POP:GOTO LINE
NW 1020 FOR X=1 TO LEN(A$)
KS 1030 IF ASC(A$(X,X))<48 OR ASC(A$(X,X)
)>57 THEN 1050
MS 1040 NEXT X:RETURN
ZC 1050 POSITION 4,22:? "*" must be numbe
rs * "":FOR X=1 TO 200:NEXT X:POP
:GOTO LINE
RN 1060 REM ** ERROR MESSAGE **
KU 1070 POSITION 4,22:? "*" WRONG number
s * "":FOR X=1 TO 200:NEXT X:RET
URN
CM 1080 REM ** INSTRUCTIONS **
LS 1090 PRINT CHR$(125):POKE 710,180:POKE
712,180:POSITION 2,0:? " HELP?
for GEMSETUP "
WH 1100 ? :? " Sets up GEMINI printer
":? " for Atari 8-bit computer "
TT 1110 ? :? "1. Set paper and turn on p
rinter.":? :? "2. Using BASIC, run GE
MSETUP."
TO 1120 ? :? "3. Enter commands to set t
he type,":? " margins, and special
functions."
VZ 1130 ? " Re-selecting functions, to
ggle":? " them on and off."
NC 1140 ? :? "4. Set margins last, as th
ey vary":? " with each type size."
BT 1150 ? :? "5. Program performs a form
feed on":? " Quit, to realign pape
r."
MD 1160 ? :? "6. Default right margin ma
y be":? " custom set at line 1280."
GL 1170 POSITION 4,23:? " push
<RETURN> "":INPUT B$:POKE 710
,0:POKE 712,0:GOTO 70
HX 1180 REM ** INITIALIZE **
UO 1190 DIM B$(3)
IG 1200 DIM A$(3),C$(1),D$(1),E$(1),F$(1)
,I$(1),M$(1),S$(3),U$(1),MEM$(1),P$(1)
,W$(1),Z$(1)
UU 1210 B=0:G=66:L=1:PFL=0:S=12:T=1
LN 1220 C$=" ":D$=" ":E$=" ":F$="P":I$="
":M$=" ":S$="12":U$=" ":W$=" ":Z$=" "
KD 1230 POKE 195,0:TRAP 1250
JO 1240 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(64)
SU 1250 IF PEEK(195)=138 THEN ? "K":POSIT
ION 4,10:POKE 710,36:? "*" * TURN O
N PRINTER * *"
TJ 1260 IF PEEK(195)=138 THEN POSITION 4,
20:? " push <RETURN> to begin
":INPUT B$:RUN
MV 1270 REM ** DEFAULT RIGHT MARGIN **
FR 1280 R=70:LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(81);CHR
$(R):REM ( change R for new default )
BE 1290 RETURN

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48k disk or cassette

Micro

by Jerry Olejarz

■ Imagine a cold, dark, damp dungeon. Here are ten prisoners being held by the evil giant *Egsgard*. Your quest? *To rescue them, of course!*

Each captive is being held in a separate cell located in one of the rooms in the dungeon. The entire crypt consists of six levels, each level being a six-by-six square of rooms (that's 216 rooms!). While a cell will be in one room, the key you need to open it will be in another. Each lock has its own key—no other key will fit. Once you have a key, you must try it in every lock until you have a match. Being a puny

Screen Set-up

The upper half of the screen shows the room you presently occupy. Below and to the right of this display is a map of the level you're on (the room you're in is highlighted). Each position on the map represents one room. The symbol displayed shows the contents of that room (for example, if the map shows a monster to the right of the room you're in, then the room to your right contains a monster). An empty room is displayed as a dot on the map. The word *empty* is used loosely, though, for the entire dungeon is infested with the enchanted boulders of Endorra. These stones appear ordinary when observed, but are quick to move when not watched. They cause you no harm, but can get in your way while you travel around the crypt. Be careful in your travels because you never know what could be in a room—even one that was empty before. Monsters, stars and potions often show up in rooms that were empty when you last left them. It is wise to watch the map when passing through doors so you know an instant before you enter a room just what you're getting into.

To the left of the map are the star,

Your game is over when you die
or when you have rescued all of
the prisoners.

human, you can only carry one giant key at a time; so it'll take some time before you rescue all the prisoners. . . if you do at all.

dungeon

key, level and saved indicators. You begin the game with two stars, but you will find more in the dungeon. Below this is the key indicator, which merely shows a key if you have one. The level reading tells which floor of the dungeon you're on, and the saved indicator tells you how many captives you've freed. At the bottom left are the score and bonus readings.

Throughout the dungeon are a number of monsters, left by the giant to guard the prisoners. They stay in their own rooms, but should you happen upon one, it will not hesitate to attack you.

Game Play

To move from room to room, just run through the open door in the desired direction (using joystick in PORT O). To move from level to level, you must find

the room on your level which contains an arrow pointing in the desired direction. This is the teleporter, and it appears pointing either up or down. Just touch it and you will instantly be sent to the next level. Note, however, that the transporters are not necessarily aligned. When you move to a new level, you will likely need to travel a bit to get to the opposite arrow in order to return.

Throughout the dungeon are a number of monsters, left by the giant to guard the prisoners. They stay in their own rooms, but should you happen upon one, it will not hesitate to attack you. If you touch him, you die. Being human, you have only one life; so it is wise to be careful when dealing with the beasts. They can be destroyed using the throwing stars and a little hand-eye coordination. The stars are thrown using the fire button while pointing the joystick in the desired direction. There are more monsters than stars; so don't be too generous with your ammo. Remember to watch the number of stars you have...it's not unusual to get killed thinking you have a star when you actually have none.

The crypt also contains a great many magic potions which bring about changes to your score or bonus level. Remember to watch your bonus, for when it runs out, you die.

To pick up any object, maneuver your player to touch it. If you can take it, a tune plays and it is yours; otherwise you hear a buzzing noise. You may carry only one key and seven stars at any one time. Magic potions, which can be drunk at any time, are taken the same way, but they are not carried.

Exercise great care in your adventures, and remember...

watch your map!

Once you have a key and have found a cell, you must try the key in the lock to see if it fits. To do this, stand below the lock and push up on the joystick. If you have the right key, the cell and the key disappear and the prisoner teleports out of the dungeon. If you have the wrong key or no key at all, you hear the buzzer. Your game is over when you die or when you have rescued all of the prisoners.

MICRODUNGEON is a simple game which can be played by almost anyone, yet it takes skill and wisdom to play effectively. If you have any suggestions or any questions on game-play or programming, please write to me c/o **ANALOG Computing**.

Exercise great care in your adventures, and remember...*watch your map!*

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Listing 1: BASIC

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M5 10 REM MICRODUNGEON
KZ 11 REM JERRY OLEJARZ
UI 12 REM FOR ANALOG MAGAZINE
FT 13 REM APR/86
JM 14 REM THANK TO OLSIR,PC5 Fiesta
VW 50 DIM M(216),R(216),K(10),C(10),RD$(2
20),Z$(20),O$(9),B$(80),G$(9),T51$(24)
,T52$(20)
NM 55 GOSUB 2100
LF 100 O$="+++++":Z$="|1111111111111111
111111":GM=1:GOSUB 2997:POKE 756,M
5R 110 PL=0:PY=0:PX=0:CK=-1:C5=2:5X=9:5Y=
3:5C=0:BL=1000:CO=0:AAB=41:COLOR 130
YD 120 PLOT 0,0:DRAWTO 19,0:PLOT 0,12:DR
AWTO 19,12:DRAWTO 19,19:DRAWTO 0,19:DR
AWTO 0,12:PLOT 12,12:DRAWTO 12,19
NE 130 POKE 752,1:"K":RESTORE 135:FOR X
=1 TO 4:READ G$:POSITION 2,13+X:? #6;G
$:NEXT X
WJ 135 DATA STARS -,K0,LEVEL r,saved
ZL 140 GOSUB 2950:POSITION 5,4:? #6;"adve
nturer":POSITION 7,6:? #6;"beware"
UY 155 FOR P=0 TO 216:R(P)=38:M(P)=93:NEX
T P:M(0)=R(0):GOSUB 2950
LB 156 RESTORE 180:FOR X1=1 TO 7:READ V1,
V2:V0=0:GW=198:IF V2=35 OR V2=36 THEN
GW=195:IF V2=36 THEN V0=1
XE 157 FOR X2=V0 TO V1:GOSUB GW:R(X)=V2:I
F V2=37 THEN K(X2)=X
DF 158 IF V2=33 THEN C(X2)=X
KU 159 NEXT X2:NEXT X1:GOSUB 2930
ID 180 DATA 9,39,19,41,9,37,9,33,5,36,4,3
5,19,42
CP 190 ? "K"
"?: " SCORE |1111M
MICRODUNGEON|]"
WR 191 ? " BONUS |1 1988 ANAL
OG MAG|":? "
GL 195 X=INT(RND(0)*36)+36*X2:IF R(X)<38
THEN 195
AH 196 RETURN
ZP 198 X=INT(RND(0)*215)+1:IF R(X)<38 TH
EN 198
AQ 199 RETURN
MA 200 RD$="
IT 205 RD$(101)="
KJ 207 RD$(181)="
UP 210 IF PY=0 THEN RD$(30,31)="
UF 211 IF PX=0 THEN RD$(84,84)="":RD$(10
4,104)="K"
VW 212 IF PX=5 THEN RD$(97,97)="":RD$(11
7,117)="
OB 213 IF PY=5 THEN RD$(189,192)="":R
D$(209,212)="
NA 214 PR=36*PL+6*PY+PX:Z=INT(RND(0)*5):I
F Z=0 THEN 216
LU 215 FOR P=1 TO Z:RC=173:GOSUB 310:NEXT
P
KH 216 IF R(PR)<38 THEN GOSUB 300
JY 217 IF M(PR)<R(PR) THEN M(PR)=R(PR):5
C=5C+2
EK 220 FOR P=0 TO 5:POSITION 13,13+P:FOR
Q=0 TO 5:? #6;CHR$(M(36*PL+6*P+Q));:NE
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XT Q:NEXT P
QL 221 SOUND 1,200,10,10:LOCATE 13+PX,13+
PY,Z:COLOR Z-32:PLOT 13+PX,13+PY:SOUND
1,0,0,0
UN 222 AAA=AAA+1:IF AAA>2 THEN AAA=0:GOSUB
B 198:AAB=80-AAB:R(X)=AAB
DB 225 FOR P=0 TO 10:POSITION 0,P+1:? #6;
Z$:NEXT P
VE 226 FOR P=10 TO 0 STEP -1:POSITION 0,P
+1:? #6;RD$(P*20+1,P*20+20):NEXT P
UR 227 COLOR PL+17:PLOT 10,16:COLOR (CK)-
1)*5:PLOT 10,15:COLOR C5+16:PLOT 10,14
:GOSUB 2990
WR 250 COLOR 8:PLOT 5X,5Y:IF PEEK(77)>0 T
HEN POKE 77,0:BL=BL-1:GOSUB 2990:IF BL
<1 THEN 500
QP 255 J=STICK(0):IF J=15 THEN 270
DR 260 P5X=5X+(J=6)+(J=7)+(J=5)-(J=10)-(J
=11)-(J=9)
SL 261 P5Y=5Y+(J=9)+(J=13)+(J=5)-(J=10)-(
J=14)-(J=6):IF STRIG(0)=0 THEN 370
M5 262 LOCATE P5X,P5Y,PZ:IF PZ<>32 THEN 3
50
FI 265 SOUND 1,250,10,10:COLOR 32:PLOT 5X
,5Y:5X=P5X:5Y=P5Y:COLOR 8:PLOT 5X,5Y:5
OUND 1,0,0,0
TL 270 IF R(PR)=41 AND MM>4 THEN 274
5R 273 MM=MM+1:GOTO 250
YI 274 MM=0:POX=OX+(OX<5X)-(OX>5X):POY=OY
+(OY<5Y)-(OY>5Y)
YZ 276 LOCATE POX,POY,W:IF W=8 THEN 480
MT 277 IF W<>32 THEN 250
BA 278 COLOR 32:PLOT OX,OY:OX=POX:OY=POY:
COLOR 41:PLOT OX,OY:GOTO 250
MD 300 RC=R(PR):IF RC=33 THEN 320
ZU 310 MM=0:OX=7+INT(RND(0)*6):OY=4+INT(R
ND(0)*5):PS=(OY-1)*20+OX+1:RD$(PS,PS)=
CHR$(RC):RETURN
RH 320 RD$(106,109)="[:;":RD$(125,129)="
[<["":RD$(145,148)="",!<":RETURN
B5 350 IF PZ<>32 AND PZ<43 THEN GOTO ((PZ*
10)+70)
UR 355 WZ=(5X=9 OR 5X=10):IF WZ AND P5Y=2
AND PZ<>186 THEN 5Y=5Y+7:PY=PY-1:GOTO
200
YX 356 IF WZ AND P5Y=11 THEN 5Y=5Y-7:PY=P
Y+1:GOTO 200
WB 357 IF (5X=16 AND 5Y=6) AND P5X=17 THE
N 5X=5X-13:PX=PX+1:GOTO 200
JT 358 IF (5X=3 AND 5Y=6) AND P5X=2 THEN
5X=5X+13:PX=PX-1:GOTO 200
PD 360 GOTO 270
UD 370 IF C5=0 THEN 250
VI 372 C5=C5-1:COLOR C5+16:PLOT 10,14
CD 373 T=0:XA=P5X-5X:YA=P5Y-5Y:TX=5X:TY=5
Y
NC 374 LOCATE TX+XA,TY+YA,W:T=T+1
KE 375 COLOR 32:IF NOT (TX=5X AND TY=5Y)
THEN PLOT TX,TY
PS 376 IF W<>32 THEN 380
UF 377 SOUND 0,10*T,10,10:TX=TX+XA:TY=TY+
YA:COLOR 39:PLOT TX,TY
LD 378 FOR DD=1 TO 10:NEXT DD:SOUND 0,0,0
,0:GOTO 374
B5 380 IF W<>41 THEN GOSUB 2980:GOTO 250
PH 385 PLOT OX,OY:R(PR)=38:M(PR)=38:COLOR
6:PLOT 13+PX,13+PY:COLOR 0:GOSUB 2970
:5C=5C+100:GOSUB 2990:GOTO 250
HS 400 P=-1:IF CK<0 THEN GOSUB 2980:GOTO
250
JT 404 P=P+1:IF C(P)=PR THEN 408
PB 406 GOTO 404
SW 408 IF CK<>P THEN GOSUB 2980:GOTO 250
BK 410 RD$(106,109)="":RD$(125,129)="
"":RD$(145,148)="":POSITION 5,
6:? #6;RD$(106,148)
QU 412 CK=-1:R(PR)=38:M(PR)=38:COLOR 6:PL
OT 13+PX,13+PY:COLOR 0:PLOT 10,15:GOSUB
B 2970
IT 414 W=CHSET+112:FOR P=7 TO 0 STEP -1:P
OKE W+P,0:SOUND 1,30*P,10,2*P:SOUND 0,
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15*P,10,P:FOR Q=1 TO 20:NEXT Q:NEXT P
BX 416 COLOR 32:PLOT 6,7:FOR P=0 TO 7:POKE
E W+P,PEEK(W-48+P):NEXT P:SC=5C+200:GO
SUB 2990:CO=CO+1:IF CO=10 THEN 500
MY 417 COLOR CO+16:PLOT 10,17
OW 418 GOTO 250
XW 420 PL=PL+1
AQ 424 SX=9:SY=3:I=10*(PZ-35.5):FOR P=150
*(I<0) TO 150*(I>0) STEP I:SOUND 0,P,1
0,10:NEXT P:SOUND 0,0,0:GOTO 200
WB 430 PL=PL-1:GOTO 424
UX 440 P=-1:IF CK>-1 THEN GOSUB 2980:GOTO
250
SR 444 P=P+1:IF K(P)=PR THEN 448
RB 446 GOTO 444
SG 448 CK=P:COLOR 5:PLOT 10,15
XW 450 M(PR)=38:R(PR)=38:SC=5C+50:GOSUB 2
990:COLOR 32:PLOT 0X,0Y:COLOR 6:PLOT 1
3+PX,13+PY:GOSUB 2970:GOTO 250
AC 460 IF C5>6 THEN GOSUB 2980:GOTO 250
PB 464 C5=C5+1:COLOR C5+16:PLOT 10,14:GOT
0 450
EV 480 GOSUB 2980:GOTO 500
BN 490 Z=INT(RND(0)*10)
SO 491 IF Z<3 THEN SC=5C-INT(RND(0)*50):G
OTO 450
OO 492 IF Z>3 AND Z<7 THEN Z=5*5GN(Z-5):5
C=5C-50:BL=INT((Z-2)*BL/(Z-3)):GOTO 45
0
NP 494 SC=5C-(50+INT(RND(0)*50)):IF 5C<-5
0 THEN SC=-50
PX 495 GOTO 450
HA 500 FOR P=0 TO 17:POSITION 0,P+1:Z #6;
Z$:NEXT P
KF 520 IF CO<10 THEN 530
GB 522 BL=BL-5:SC=5C+5:GOSUB 2990:SOUND 0
,BL/4,10,2:IF BL<5 AND BL>0 THEN SC=5C
+BL-5:BL=5:GOTO 522
UG 523 IF BL>0 THEN 522
FI 525 POSITION 2,3:Z #6;"congratulations
":POSITION 3,5:Z #6;"You succeeded":GO
TO 540
TR 530 POSITION 3,3:Z #6;"Your quest has"
:POSITION 2,5:Z #6;"ended in failure"
UP 540 POSITION 8,9:Z #6;"game":POSITION
8,10:Z #6;"over"
UP 542 POSITION 2,14:Z #6;"hit START key
":POSITION 4,16:Z #6;"restart game"
YW 550 ? " SCORE ";SC:?" "
BD 580 IF PEEK(53279)=7 AND STRIG(0)=1 TH
EN GOSUB 2950:GOTO 580
MC 590 GOTO 100
ZJ 2100 M=PEEK(106)-8:POKE 106,M-1:CHSET=
M*256:GM=0:GOSUB 2997:GOSUB 2200
IW 2102 RESTORE 2110
FO 2105 FOR P=1 TO 32:READ X:BS(P,P)=CHR$(
X):NEXT P
ER 2110 DATA 104,104,133,213,104,133,212
NV 2112 DATA 104,133,215,104,133,214,162
JW 2114 DATA 4,160,0,177,212,145,214
PE 2116 DATA 200,208,249,230,213,230,215
SG 2118 DATA 202,208,240,96
QF 2120 Z=USR(ADR(B$),224*256,CHSET)
HH 2130 POKE M-1,0:RESTORE 2150
QX 2135 READ C:IF C>0 THEN FOR Q=0 TO 7:R
EAD A:POKE (CHSET+C*8+Q),A:NEXT Q:GOTO
2135
HE 2140 GOSUB 2250:RETURN
FB 2150 DATA 2,255,129,189,165,165,189,12
9,255
EY 2151 DATA 5,28,20,28,8,8,24,8,24
HL 2152 DATA 9,62,127,73,91,127,127,127,8
5
SW 2154 DATA 8,24,24,60,90,24,36,36,36
UK 2156 DATA 7,0,8,16,92,58,8,16,0
AZ 2158 DATA 26,255,255,255,255,255,255,2
55,255
DX 2160 DATA 27,254,252,250,246,238,222,1
90,126
OU 2162 DATA 28,254,252,248,240,224,192,1

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28,0
KY 2164 DATA 29,127,127,127,127,127,127,1
27,127
ML 2166 DATA 30,127,63,95,111,119,123,125
,126
UN 2168 DATA 31,127,63,31,15,7,3,1,0
HT 2170 DATA 12,0,255,255,255,255,255,255
,255
LD 2172 DATA 11,255,128,176,176,160,160,1
28,128
HF 2174 DATA 15,255,1,13,13,5,5,1,1
IV 2176 DATA 59,0,1,3,7,15,31,63,127
VM 2178 DATA 60,0,128,192,224,240,248,252
,254
GM 2180 DATA 61,170,85,170,85,170,85,170,
85
DG 2182 DATA 6,0,0,0,24,24,0,0,0
GZ 2184 DATA 3,0,8,28,62,8,8,8,0
HQ 2186 DATA 4,0,8,8,8,62,28,8,0
XM 2188 DATA 1,28,54,34,127,119,119,62,0
HD 2190 DATA 14,24,24,60,90,24,36,36,36
KJ 2192 DATA 10,0,8,8,8,28,54,54,28
NF 2194 DATA 13,0,0,14,63,127,253,243,126
LJ 2199 DATA 0
OL 2200 Z=PEEK(560)+256*PEEK(561):POKE Z+
3,66:POKE Z+11,7:POKE Z+12,6
GB 2210 POKE Z+23,6:POKE Z+24,6:POKE Z+25
,6:POKE Z+26,65:POKE Z+27,PEEK(560):PO
KE Z+28,PEEK(561)
RX 2215 COLOR ASC(" "):PLOT 8,5:DRAWTO 31
,5:PLOT 8,8:DRAWTO 32,8
QP 2220 RESTORE 2225:FOR Z=1 TO 6:READ X,
Y,T51$:POSITION X,Y:Z T51$:NEXT Z
RQ 2225 DATA 12,2,ANALOG COMPUTING,16,3,p
resents,4,6, Microdungeon,12,7,By Jerry
Olejarz
UH 2227 DATA 8,13,INITIALIZING EVERYTHING
-,13,14,PLEASE WAIT...
AN 2230 RETURN
OT 2250 T51$=" HIT fire BUTTON TO ":T52$=
" START THE GAME "
IT 2252 COLOR 32:PLOT 8,13:DRAWTO 31,13:P
LOT 26,14:DRAWTO 13,14:POKE 756,M
PV 2255 FOR X=0 TO 19:POSITION 19-X,17:Z
T51$(1,X+1):POSITION 0,18:Z T52$(20-X,
20):IF STRIG(0)=0 THEN RETURN
QK 2257 SOUND 0,10*X,8,4:SOUND 1,10*(19-X
),8,4:NEXT X:KA=-2:K=8
YT 2260 IF STRIG(0)=0 THEN RETURN
WA 2265 K=K+KA:IF K<3 OR K>15 THEN KA=-KA
:C=INT(RND(0)*16):GOSUB 2950:GOTO 2265
XR 2267 SETCOLOR 3,C,K:IF STRIG(0)=0 THEN
RETURN
TA 2268 GOTO 2260
UK 2900 REM SMALL SUBS
HN 2930 FOR P=0 TO 3:SOUND P,0,0,0:NEXT P
:RETURN
QY 2950 FOR P=0 TO 2:RESTORE 2955:Z=INT(R
ND(0)*7):FOR Q=1 TO Z:READ G:NEXT Q:RE
AD N
NN 2952 SOUND P,N,10,1:NEXT P:RETURN
SG 2955 DATA 243,193,162,121,96,81,60,47,
40
EM 2960 GOSUB 198:AAB=80-AAB:R(X)=AAB:RET
URN
FB 2970 RESTORE 2975:FOR P=0 TO 8:READ N:
SOUND 0,N,10,8:FOR Q=1 TO 9:NEXT Q:NEX
T P:RETURN
RX 2975 DATA 251,217,193,162,162,193,162,
162,0
IT 2980 FOR V=15 TO 0 STEP -1:SOUND 0,255
-10*V,10,V:SOUND 1,255-10*V,8,V/2:NEXT
V:RETURN
LZ 2990 ? 0$;SC;" "?: 0$;BL;" "?: "↓":RET
URN
RC 2997 GRAPHICS GM:IF GM<>1 THEN SETCOLO
R 2,0,0:GOTO 2999
LL 2998 SETCOLOR 2,0,4
TP 2999 SETCOLOR 1,4,14:SETCOLOR 3,12,8:5
ETCOLOR 0,8,6:POKE 82,0:POKE 752,1:?"
K":RETURN

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U t i l i t y
48k disk or cassette

Character Transfer Utility



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Yes, *Atari* fans, yet another accessory for the famous *ANALOG Create-A-Font* (Issue 22). This utility will allow you to move characters or blocks of characters between fonts, without resorting to the tedious task of recreating each character everywhere you wish to use it. And it'll work not only with *Create-A-Font*, but with any other font editor that saves its data in the conventional way.

Using the Program

Type in the program using Basic Editor II, then save it. Once you're up and running you'd better have a disk full of fonts ready to roll.

When you run the program, you will be asked for the filename of your Base Font. This is the font you wish to modify. If you want to start fresh, press RETURN and the standard Atari font will be used. If you need to see the disk's directory, press D.

Next, you can press T to load a Transfer Font (the font you'll be moving characters from). All transfers will be from the Transfer Font to the Base Font.

Briefly, the function menu is as follows...

Gr.1,2 — toggles between full and half font saves.

Base Font — allows you to view the base font at any time.

Save — asks for filename, then saves the Base Font to disk.

Dir — lists the directory of

drive one.

Transfer — starts the transfer sequence. First you choose between a block transfer or segment transfer. A block transfer moves complete rows of characters (full block) or half rows (half blocks). Full or half blocks can be transferred to any other full or half block positions. Segment transfer is for moving other than full or half blocks. To choose a segment, use the up and down arrows to select the main row to transfer from, and then, using the left and right arrows, position the left pointer to the leftmost end of the segment and the right pointer to the rightmost end. Note that the segment transferred is between the pointers only. Hit RETURN and choose the segment of the Base Font to move to. Press RETURN again, and the transfer will take place.

Load new — will load a new Transfer or Base Font. Files can be loaded from multiple disk drives, but if you don't specify a device name, D1: is assumed (the same with Save). You can escape a load or save (in case you change your mind or want to look at the directory) by hitting RETURN at the prompt.

Clear — will load the standard Atari font into either the Transfer or Base Fonts.

Quit — returns you to BASIC

Modifications

There's some room at the bottom of the function menu for any added features you might want to include for your own purposes. The program is laid out very simply, and modifications should be easy to add since the main section just uses GOSUBs to access a variety of small routines. Here are a few suggestions to help customize Character Transfer Utility to your own needs.

If you have BASIC XL/XE, the font loading and saving can be sped up tremendously by using

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530 OPEN #2,4,FILE$:BGET
#2,CHB,1024: CLOSE #2:
RETURN
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in place of lines 530 and 540 to
load a font, and 560 OPEN
#2,8,0,FILE$:BPUT #2,NCB1,SV:
CLOSE #2:RETURN
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in place of lines 560 and 570 to
save a font. A POKE 54286,64
before will turn the screen a solid
color (eliminate the flashing), and
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a POKE 54286,192 after will restore the display to normal.

In the Transfer routine, the segment pointers can be made to remain in their last positions between transfers (they are reset to the ends normally) by deleting the HP1=3 and HP2=36 in line 1870.

The Directory function, as is, lists all programs on the disk. All my fonts have the filename extender .FNT. If you keep track of your files using this method, the

“D:***” at line 2220 can be changed to “D:*.FNT” to list only the font files.

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Character Transfer Utility

Listing 1: BASIC

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BG 10 REM CHRFR.BAS -- ANALOG COMPUTING
GT 20 DIM FILE$(15),FN$(15),D$(2),B$(4),T
$(8),NA$(8),DR$(17),ML$(20)
HE 30 DIM BL(4)
HG 40 D$="D":B$="Base":T$="Transfer"
NK 50 VP=8:BL(0)=512:BL(1)=0:BL(2)=256:BL
(3)=768:SV=1023
WY 60 SEG=0:HP1=3:HP2=36:ST1=0:ST2=0:BLK1
=0:BLK2=0:STAD1=0:STAD2=0:ADV=0:LN=0
MV 70 L=0:R=0:CHB=0:HP3=2:VP2=17:CH=0:C=0
:PIT=0:S=0
CX 80 RT=PEEK(106):NC1=RT-8:NC2=RT-12:NCB
1=NC1*256:NCB2=NC2*256
RN 90 POKE 204,NC1:POKE 206,224
UQ 100 FOR Z=1 TO 20:READ A:ML$(Z,Z)=CHR$(
A):NEXT Z
TW 110 DATA 104,162,4,160,0,177,205,145,2
03,200,208,249,230,206,230,204,202,208
,242,96
TA 120 ? "K":POKE 559,0:POKE 752,1:POKE 7
10,80
DE 130 POKE 1024,NC2:REM SET AT XFR FONT
EB 140 FOR Z=0 TO 200
SQ 150 READ A
JG 160 IF A=-1 THEN 190
BE 170 POKE 1536+Z,A
MV 180 NEXT Z
EJ 190 DLSTART=PEEK(560)+PEEK(561)*256
VJ 200 POKE DLSTART+8,130
HU 210 POKE DLSTART+11,130
MG 220 POKE DLSTART+17,130
IQ 230 POKE DLSTART+21,130
LQ 240 POKE DLSTART+25,130
EE 250 FOR Z=0 TO 200
ST 260 READ A
EE 270 IF A=-1 THEN 300
BA 280 POKE 1680+Z,A
MY 290 NEXT Z
BD 300 Q=USR(1680)
OH 310 POKE 54286,192
PD 320 DATA 72,169,6,141,10,212,141,24,20
8,169
GC 330 DATA 0,141,23,208,169,26,141,0,2,1
69
NR 340 DATA 6,141,1,2,104,64,72,173,0,4
TO 350 DATA 141,10,212,141,9,212,169,0,14
1,24
NZ 360 DATA 208,169,10,141,23,208,169,58,
141,0
SU 370 DATA 2,169,6,141,1,2,104,64,72,169
SZ 380 DATA 224,141,10,212,141,9,212,169,
144,141
KL 390 DATA 24,208,169,10,141,23,208,169,
89,141
SJ 400 DATA 0,2,169,6,141,1,2,104,64,72
KI 410 DATA 169,164,141,10,212,141,24,208
,169,0
FL 420 DATA 141,23,208,169,115,141,0,2,16
9,6
YI 430 DATA 141,1,2,104,64,72,169,80,141,
10
MQ 440 DATA 212,141,24,208,169,10,141,23,
208,104
CH 450 DATA 64,-1
BW 460 DATA 104,160,176,162,6,169,7,32,92
EK 470 DATA 228,96,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
KS 480 DATA 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0

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LU 490 DATA 0,0,0,169,0,141,0,2,169,6
FN 500 DATA 141,1,2,76,98,228,-1
NE 510 GOTO 1080
WO 520 C=INT((40-(14+LEN(FILE$)))/2):GOSU
B 630:POSITION C,18:?"** Getting ";FI
LE$;"**"
ZR 530 POKE 54286,64:OPEN #2,4,0,FILE$:PO
KE 54286,192:FOR Z=CHB TO CHB+1023
AT 540 GET #2,CH:POKE Z,CH:NEXT Z:CLOSE #
2:RETURN
RJ 550 C=INT((40-(13+LEN(FILE$)))/2):POSI
TION C,18:?"** Saving ";FILE$;"**"
QZ 560 POKE 54286,64:OPEN #2,8,0,FILE$:PO
KE 54286,192:FOR Z=NCB1 TO NCB1+SV
DC 570 PUT #2,PEEK(Z):NEXT Z:POKE 54286,6
4:CLOSE #2:POKE 54286,192:GOSUB 630:RE
TURN
QT 580 ADV=0:STAD1=NCB1+BLK1+ST1:STAD2=NC
B2+BLK2+ST2
PA 590 FOR Z=STAD2 TO STAD2+LN
ME 600 POKE STAD1+ADV,PEEK(Z):ADV=ADV+1
TC 610 NEXT Z:RETURN
ZA 620 CLOSE #1:OPEN #1,4,0,"K":GET #1,K
:CLOSE #1:RETURN
LP 630 FOR BL=17 TO 18:POSITION 4,BL:?"
":NEXT
BL:RETURN
HN 640 FOR BL=19 TO 20:POSITION 4,BL:?"
":NEXT
BL:RETURN
FZ 650 POSITION 1,VP:?" ":RETURN
GZ 660 POSITION 1,VP:?" VP-7;CHR$(127):RET
URN
IB 670 POSITION HP1,7:?" CHR$(255):POSITIO
N HP1,12:?" CHR$(255):RETURN
HC 680 POSITION HP2,7:?" CHR$(254):POSITIO
N HP2,12:?" CHR$(254):RETURN
EP 690 POSITION HP1,7:?" ":POSITION HP1,
12:?" ":RETURN
FZ 700 POSITION HP2,7:?" ":POSITION HP2,
12:?" ":RETURN
HU 710 IF VP=8 AND K=45 THEN GOSUB 650:VP
=11:GOSUB 660:RETURN
CJ 720 IF VP=11 AND K=61 THEN GOSUB 650:V
P=8:GOSUB 660:RETURN
NH 730 IF K=61 THEN GOSUB 650:VP=VP+1:GOS
UB 660:RETURN
QV 740 IF K=45 THEN GOSUB 650:VP=VP-1:GOS
UB 660:RETURN
ZN 750 RETURN
FS 760 IF K=76 THEN L=1:R=0:RETURN
DO 770 IF K=82 THEN R=1:L=0:RETURN
FV 780 IF K=42 AND R=1 AND HP2=36 THEN RE
TURN
KM 790 IF K=43 AND L=1 AND HP1=3 THEN RET
URN
QR 800 IF K=42 AND L=1 AND HP1=HP2-1 THEN
RETURN
SL 810 IF K=43 AND R=1 AND HP2=HP1+1 THEN
RETURN
DC 820 IF K=43 AND R=1 THEN GOSUB 700:HP2
=HP2-1:GOSUB 680:RETURN
ZL 830 IF K=42 AND R=1 THEN GOSUB 700:HP2
=HP2+1:GOSUB 680:RETURN
EK 840 IF K=43 AND L=1 THEN GOSUB 690:HP1
=HP1-1:GOSUB 670:RETURN
AT 850 IF K=42 AND L=1 THEN GOSUB 690:HP1

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=HP1+1:GOSUB 670:RETURN
ZQ 860 RETURN
UX 870 IF K=43 AND HP1=3 THEN RETURN
VO 880 IF K=42 AND HP2=36 THEN RETURN
YC 890 IF K=43 THEN GOSUB 690:GOSUB 700:H
P1=HP1-1:HP2=HP2-1:GOSUB 670:GOSUB 680
:RETURN
PI 900 IF K=42 THEN GOSUB 690:GOSUB 700:H
P1=HP1+1:HP2=HP2+1:GOSUB 670:GOSUB 680
:RETURN
ZH 910 RETURN
ZM 920 PIT=30:FOR S=4 TO 14 STEP 2
WG 930 SOUND 0,PIT,10,5:SOUND 1,PIT+10,10
,S
DM 940 PIT=PIT-5:NEXT S:SOUND 0,0,0,0:SOU
ND 1,0,0,0:RETURN
BZ 950 POSITION 12,20:?"* Hit any Key *"
:GOSUB 620:RETURN
JT 960 GOSUB 630:POSITION 10,18:?"Select
Main Block..."
TU 970 POSITION 11,20:?"Use ";CHR$(28);C
HR$(29);" Then RETURN":RETURN
DQ 980 POSITION 6,17:?"Enter ";NA$;" Fon
t File Name":POSITION 6,18:?"Here..."
;:INPUT FN$:RETURN
BB 990 IF FN$(2,2)=":" OR FN$(3,3)=":" TH
EN FILE$=FN$:RETURN
TA 1000 FILE$=D$:FILE$(3)=FN$:RETURN
XU 1010 IF SV=1023 THEN SV=511:POSITION 7
,22:?"Half":RETURN
IT 1020 IF SV=511 THEN SV=1023:POSITION 7
,22:?"Full":RETURN
XA 1030 CLOSE #2:POKE 54286,192:GOSUB 630
:POSITION 9,18:?"...Font Not Found..."
:GOSUB 950
KD 1040 POKE 766,1:GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:RE
TURN
FL 1050 GOSUB 1030:POKE 766,0:GOTO 1230
FQ 1060 GOSUB 1030:POKE 766,0:GOTO 1050
AB 1070 GOSUB 1030:GOTO 1290
DP 1080 POSITION 4,1:?"CHARACTER BLOCK T
RANSFER UTILITY"
HV 1090 POSITION 13,3:?"Function Menu"
CO 1100 POSITION 3,4:?"[R.1,2 [BASE F
ONT [SAVE [DIR"
VO 1110 POSITION 3,5:?"[TRANSFER [LOAD M
EW [CLEAR [QUIT"
KE 1120 POSITION 15,16:?"Messages.."
YS 1130 POKE 766,1:H=4:V=8:FOR Z=0 TO 127
ZN 1140 IF H>35 THEN H=4:V=V+1
ME 1150 POSITION H,V:?"CHR$(Z):H=H+1:NEXT
Z:POKE 766,0
JH 1160 POSITION 6,17:?"Do you wish to s
tart with a"
WG 1170 POSITION 2,22:?"Save=Full Font
(C)1988 A.N.A.L.O.G"
QW 1180 POKE 204,NC2:POKE 206,224
KZ 1190 Q=USR(ADR(ML$))
YT 1200 POSITION 6,18:?"base font?":POKE
559,34:GOSUB 620
YT 1210 GOSUB 630
AY 1220 IF K<>89 THEN 1260
PF 1230 TRAP 1050:NA$=B$:GOSUB 980
AI 1240 IF FN$="" THEN 1260
AB 1250 GOSUB 990:CHB=NCB1:GOSUB 520:GOSU
B 920:GOTO 1280
QB 1260 POKE 204,NC1:POKE 206,224
KV 1270 Q=USR(ADR(ML$))
NX 1280 GOSUB 630:POKE 1024,NC2:POSITION
13,13:?"transfer font":POKE 766,1
UN 1290 POSITION 6,18:?" Please Select
Function ":GOSUB 620
ET 1300 IF K=66 THEN 1880

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VG 1310 IF K=84 THEN 1400
AN 1320 IF K=76 THEN 1910
UX 1330 IF K=83 THEN 2040
BB 1340 IF K=67 THEN 2090
E5 1350 IF K=71 THEN GOSUB 1010:GOTO 1290
EV 1360 IF K=81 THEN GRAPHICS 0:END
XT 1370 IF K=68 THEN 2220
FB 1380 IF K=81 THEN GRAPHICS 0:END
TG 1390 GOTO 1290
SK 1400 GOSUB 660:POSITION 6,13:?"from..
"
YM 1410 GOSUB 630:POSITION 11,18:?"[LOCK
or [SEGMENT":GOSUB 620
ZE 1420 IF K=83 THEN SEG=1:GOSUB 670:GOSU
B 680:GOTO 1450
FC 1430 IF K=66 THEN SEG=0:GOTO 1450
PR 1440 GOTO 1410
CG 1450 GOSUB 960
YZ 1460 GOSUB 620
MV 1470 GOSUB 710:BLK2=BL(VP-8)
EK 1480 IF K=155 AND SEG=1 THEN 1590
TU 1490 IF K=155 AND SEG=0 THEN 1510
RU 1500 GOTO 1460
EK 1510 GOSUB 640:POSITION 6,18:?" [Half
Block or [Full Block ":GOSUB 620
YZ 1520 IF K=72 THEN 1550
IU 1530 IF K=70 THEN ST2=0:LN=255:GOTO 16
60
QF 1540 GOTO 1510
MH 1550 POSITION 6,18:?" [first Half or
[second Half ":GOSUB 620
HA 1560 IF K=70 THEN ST2=0:LN=127:GOTO 16
60
PA 1570 IF K=83 THEN ST2=128:LN=ST2-1:GOT
O 1660
SR 1580 GOTO 1550
XJ 1590 GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:POSITION 6,17
:?"Choose [left or [right pointer"
ER 1600 POSITION 9,19:?"Use ";CHR$(30);C
HR$(31);" Then Hit RETURN":L=1
YO 1610 GOSUB 620
CZ 1620 IF K=155 AND (HP2-(HP1+1))=0 THEN
GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:GOTO 1290
JW 1630 IF K=155 THEN L=1:R=0:ST2=(HP1-3)
*8:LN=((HP2-(HP1+1))*8)-1:GOTO 1660
BJ 1640 GOSUB 760
QW 1650 GOTO 1610
TT 1660 POKE 1024,NC1:POSITION 6,13:?"to
..... base font "
ZN 1670 GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:GOSUB 960
ZJ 1680 GOSUB 620
MM 1690 GOSUB 710:BLK1=BL(VP-8)
MV 1700 IF K=155 AND SEG=0 THEN 1730
EZ 1710 IF K=155 AND SEG=1 THEN 1780
UC 1720 GOTO 1680
JR 1730 IF LN=255 THEN ST1=0:GOTO 1840
MI 1740 POSITION 6,18:?" [first Half or
[second Half ":GOSUB 620
AN 1750 IF K=70 THEN ST1=0:GOTO 1840
UC 1760 IF K=83 THEN ST1=128:GOTO 1840
TD 1770 GOTO 1740
TJ 1780 POSITION 10,18:?"Move Segment wi
th ";CHR$(30);CHR$(31)
VB 1790 GOSUB 640:POSITION 12,20:?"Then
Hit RETURN"
YP 1800 GOSUB 620
CW 1810 IF K=155 THEN L=0:R=0:ST1=(HP1-3)
*8:GOTO 1840
CG 1820 GOSUB 870
RF 1830 GOTO 1800
BP 1840 GOSUB 580
IL 1850 GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:POSITION 11,1

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8:? "TRANSFER COMPLETE..":GOSUB 950:GO
SUB 640
LK 1860 GOSUB 690:GOSUB 700:POSITION 1,VP
:? " ":POSITION 6,13:? "
ZF 1870 HP1=3:HP2=36:POKE 1024,NC2:POSITI
ON 13,13:? "transfer font":GOTO 1290
YA 1880 POKE 1024,NC1:POSITION 13,13:? "
base font ":POSITION 6,18:? "This is
your new BASE FONT.."
CN 1890 GOSUB 950
DC 1900 GOSUB 640:POKE 1024,NC2:POSITION
13,13:? "transfer font":GOTO 1290
WU 1910 POKE 766,0:POSITION 8,18:? "Base
Font or Transfer Font"
YX 1920 GOSUB 620
VU 1930 IF K=66 THEN GOSUB 630:GOTO 1960
CT 1940 IF K=84 THEN GOSUB 630:GOTO 2000
SZ 1950 GOTO 1920
RC 1960 TRAP 1070:NA$=B$:GOSUB 980
VZ 1970 IF FN$="" THEN GOSUB 630:GOSUB 64
0:POKE 766,1:GOTO 1290
XZ 1980 GOSUB 990:CHB=NCB1:GOSUB 520:GOSU
B 920
JN 1990 POKE 766,1:GOSUB 630:GOTO 1290
DP 2000 TRAP 1070:NA$=T$:GOSUB 980
UQ 2010 IF FN$="" THEN GOSUB 630:GOSUB 64
0:POKE 766,1:GOTO 1290
XN 2020 GOSUB 990:CHB=NCB2:GOSUB 520:GOSU
B 920
IE 2030 POKE 766,1:GOSUB 630:GOTO 1290
OV 2040 POKE 766,0:GOSUB 630:POSITION 6,1
7:? "Enter NEW FONT File Name":POSITIO
N 6,18:? "Here..":INPUT FN$
VC 2050 IF FN$="" THEN GOSUB 630:GOSUB 64
0:POKE 766,1:GOTO 1290

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FX 2060 GOSUB 990:GOSUB 630:GOSUB 550:GOS
UB 920
EB 2070 POSITION 12,18:? "save Complete..
":GOSUB 950
GX 2080 POKE 766,1:GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:GO
TO 1290
FK 2090 POSITION 8,18:? "Base Font or Tra
nsfer Font"
YC 2100 GOSUB 620
IU 2110 IF K=66 THEN GOSUB 630:GOTO 2140
PT 2120 IF K=84 THEN GOSUB 630:GOTO 2190
NX 2130 GOTO 2100
GV 2140 POSITION 9,17:? "Your BASE FONT i
s now":POSITION 12,18:? "ATARI STANDAR
D"
PX 2150 POKE 204,NC1:POKE 206,224
KR 2160 Q=USR(ADR(ML$))
BU 2170 GOSUB 950
VX 2180 GOSUB 630:GOSUB 640:GOTO 1290
RA 2190 POKE 204,NC2:POKE 206,224
KB 2200 Q=USR(ADR(ML$))
SH 2210 GOTO 1290
VJ 2220 GOSUB 630:POKE 54286,64:OPEN #2,6
,0,"D:*.*)"
DA 2230 INPUT #2,DR$
SW 2240 IF VP2>19 AND HP3=19 THEN HP3=2:V
P2=17:POKE 54286,192:GOSUB 950:GOSUB 6
30:GOSUB 640:POKE 54286,64
RC 2250 IF VP2>19 THEN HP3=19:VP2=17
PM 2260 IF DR$(5,8)="FREE" THEN 2290
QH 2270 POSITION HP3,VP2:? DR$:VP2=VP2+1
QN 2280 GOTO 2230
DY 2290 CLOSE #2:POKE 54286,192:POSITION
HP3+2,VP2:? DR$:GOSUB 950:GOSUB 630:GO
SUB 640:HP3=2:VP2=17:GOTO 1290

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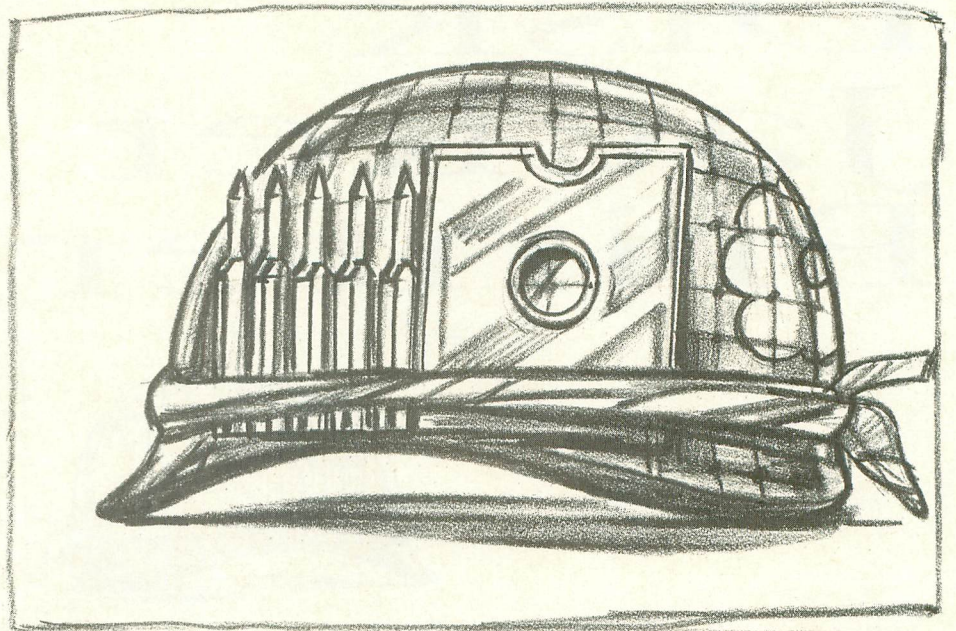
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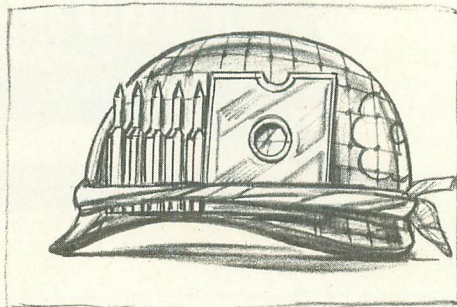


printed master disk directory works, but it is often very long and must be updated frequently to be useful. Disk labels can be used, but are often too small and hard to read.

by Robert Plotkin

Disk Jacket Printer

Disk Jacket Printer



The answer is to print individual disk jackets which may be cut out and used for each disk. All disk information, including disk title, number of free sectors, and a sorted disk directory, is printed directly onto the jacket with any Epson compatible printer.

Using The Program

After typing in Listing 1, run the program. The screen will be cleared, and at the top of the screen "TITLE A" will appear to indicate that you are select-

ing a two line title for side A of the disk. Simply enter each line followed by RETURN, or RETURN alone for a blank line. Each line may contain up to 17 characters, and may include graphics characters and inverse characters. After both lines are entered, insert the indicated side of your disk, and press RETURN to load the directory into memory. If you do not want to print anything on the disk jacket for this side of the disk, press ESCAPE instead. There may be a slight delay while the directory is alphabetized in memory. Now follow the above directions for side B of your disk. Up to 48 filenames can be stored in memory for each side of the disk.

Next the screen will be cleared, and you will be given four choices. By typing "G" you can change the printer graphics density (1-Single density, 2-Double density). Printing with single density graphics will be faster, while double density print will be darker. You can type "N" to create a new disk jacket. This can either be used after a disk jacket is printed, or to correct any errors made while creating the jacket. Type "Q" to exit the program. The fourth option "P" will print the disk jacket. Disk titles will be centered when printed, and directories will be alphabetized. Be sure that your printer is connected and turned on. The screen will turn black during the printing to increase speed.

When the jacket is printed, cut it out, following the dotted lines in Figure 1. Now fold the paper along the space between both of the large rectangles. Both sides should now appear right side up, and the back side should be approximately 3/4" taller than the front. On either side of the front, there will be extra paper which should be folded around to the back, and taped or glued in place.

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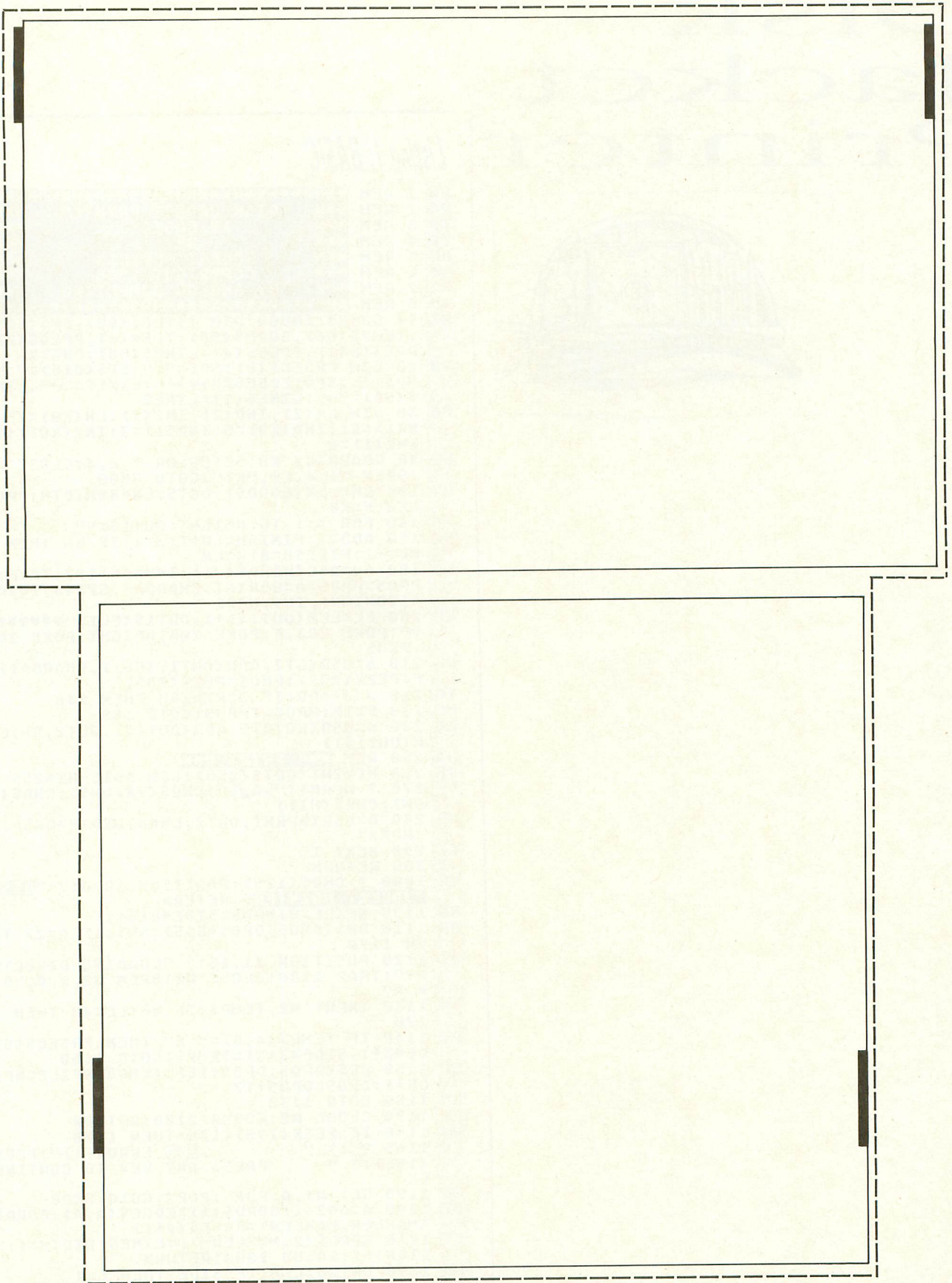
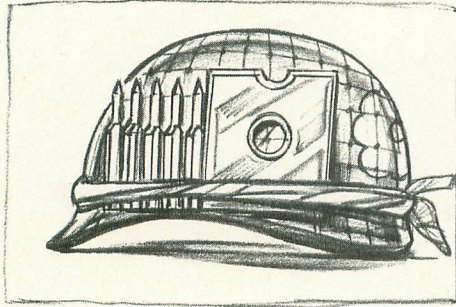


Figure 1

Disk Jacket Printer



Listing 1: BASIC

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HW 1 REM *****
RB 2 REM ***   DISK JACKET PRINTER   ***
TP 3 REM ***   IN BASIC               ***
YQ 4 REM ***   BY                     ***
AR 5 REM ***   ROBERT PLOTKIN        ***
GA 6 REM ***   COPYRIGHT 1988        ***
XG 7 REM ***   BY ANALOG COMPUTING    ***
ID 8 REM *****
KZ 10 GOSUB 10000:DIM TITLE$(68),SP$(816)
    ,TEMP$(50),BORD$(50),TLEN(4),PFLAG(2),
    DR$(1632),EDGES(4),LINES(50):DNS=2
UN 20 DIM FRSEC$(6):SP$="" :SP$(816)="" :
    SP$(2)=SP$:EDGES="" :LINES="" :LINE
    $(50)="" :LINES(2)=LINES
FC 30 DIM LN(2),IND(2),IN2(2):LN(K0)=25:L
    N(1)=21:IND(K0)=5:IND(1)=3:IN2(K0)=12:
    IN2(1)=8
BL 40 GRAPHICS K0:SETCOLOR 2,8,4:CLOSE #1
    :OPEN #1,4,K0,"K":GOTO 5000
HY 100 LN=LEN(BORD$):DOTS=LN*8*WIDTH:PP05
    =K0:F=K0
X5 140 FOR I=1 TO HEIGHT:OUT1$=""
UF 150 ADD=1:FINISH=LN+1:J=1:IF BW THEN A
    DD=-1:FINISH=0:J=LN
ED 160 AV=ASC(BORD$(J)):INV=AV)127:TF=F:T
    PPOS=PP05:A=USR(GT,CHARDAT,57344,IU(AV
    -128*INV),INV,UPD)
GU 200 FL=LEN(OUT1$)+1:OUT1$(FL)="♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥
    ♥":POKE 203,F:POKE 204,HEIGHT:POKE 205
    ,PP05
UX 210 A=USR(GT2,ADR(OUT1$(FL)),CHARDAT):
    F=PEEK(203):PP05=PEEK(205)
TC 220 J=J+ADD:IF J=FINISH THEN 240
ML 230 F=TF:PP05=TPP05:GOTO 160
EB 240 A=USR(ROTATE,ADR(OUT1$),OUT2,BW,LE
    N(OUT1$))
UG 250 REM *** PRINT ***
DE 260 HI=INT(DOTS/256):LOW=DOTS-HI*256
DW 270 ? #PRNT;"EA/E";CHR$(74+DNS);CHR$(L
    OW);CHR$(HI);
UO 280 A=USR(APRNT,OUT2,LN*8,WIDTH*DNS):?
    #PRNT
GK 290 NEXT I
YZ 300 RETURN
CR 1000 ? CHR$(125):POSITION 10,0:? "DISK
    JACKET PRINTER":RETURN
XG 1100 NFILE=0:DPOS=SIDE*816+1
UN 1110 DR$(DPOS,DPOS+815)=SP$:IF A=27 TH
    EN 1170
QS 1120 POSITION 11,16:? "LOADING DIRECTO
    RY":TRAP 1180:CLOSE #2:OPEN #2,6,0,"D:
    *,*"
SC 1130 INPUT #2,TEMP$:IF NFILE=48 THEN 1
    170
PT 1140 IF TEMP$(4,5)=" F" THEN FRSEC$(SI
    DE*3+1,SIDE*3+3)=TEMP$:GOTO 1160
EF 1150 DR$(DPOS,DPOS+16)=TEMP$:NFILE=NFI
    LE+1:DPOS=DPOS+17
PH 1160 GOTO 1130
FL 1170 CLOSE #2:GOSUB 2100:RETURN
WJ 1180 IF PEEK(195)=136 THEN 1170
FQ 1185 ? :? " [Y/N] ERROR!!";PEEK
    (195):? " PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINU
    E"
WB 1190 GET #1,A:POP :POP :GOTO 5000
UI 1200 A=A*2+1:BORD$(1)=EDGES(A,A):BORD$
    (MAXLEN,MAXLEN)=EDGES(A+1)
DT 1210 BORD$(2,MAXLEN-1)=LINES:WIDTH=1:H
    EIGHT=1:GOSUB 2000:RETURN
WH 1300 CNT=0:L=0:IF SIDE THEN L=1
AB 1310 IN=INT((17-TLEN(SIDE*2+L))/2):TEM
    P$=TITLES(SIDE*34+L*17+1,SIDE*34+L*17+
    17):LN=LN(SIDE):IND=IND(SIDE)+IN
JM 1320 SLEN=17-IN:FILL=1:GOSUB 1400
OU 1330 IF SIDE THEN BORD$(1,1)=CHR$(2):B
    ORD$(LN,LN)=CHR$(2):GOTO 1350

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GT 1340 BORD$(1)=CHR$(22):BORD$(LN)=CHR$(
22)
XB 1350 WIDTH=2:HEIGHT=3:GOSUB 2000:L=1-L
:CNT=CNT+1
MM 1360 IF CNT<2 THEN 1310
BA 1370 RETURN
KQ 1400 BORD$="|":BORD$(LN)="|":BORD$(2,L
N-1)=SP$
UV 1420 IF FILL AND PFLAG(SIDE) THEN BORD
$(IND,IND+SLEN-1)=TEMP$
AQ 1430 RETURN
LE 1500 LN=MAXLEN:FILL=0:GOSUB 1400:WIDTH
=1:HEIGHT=1:GOSUB 2000:RETURN
XD 1600 TEMP$="SIDE A FREE SECTORS
":TEMP$(6,6)=CHR$(SIDE+65)
YS 1610 TEMP$(11,13)=FRSEC$(SIDE*3+1):LN=
MAXLEN:SLEN=26:IND=IN2(SIDE):FILL=1:GO
SUB 1400:WIDTH=1:HEIGHT=2
DP 1620 GOSUB 2000:RETURN
FK 1700 DPOS=1:IND=8:WIDTH=1:HEIGHT=1:SLE
N=35:FILL=1:DA=34:IF SIDE THEN DPOS=15
99:IND=4:DA=-34
BI 1710 FOR L=0 TO 23:TEMP$=DR$(DPOS,DPOS
+16):TEMP$(18)=" ":TEMP$(19)=DR$(DPOS+
17,DPOS+33)
HK 1730 LN=MAXLEN:GOSUB 1400:GOSUB 2000:D
POS=DPOS+DA:NEXT L:RETURN
RN 2000 BW=0:UPD=0:IF SIDE THEN BW=1:UPD=
1:BORD$(LEN(BORD$)+1)=SP$(1,(3-WIDTH)*
2)
GF 2010 GOSUB 100:RETURN
DK 2100 CURR=SIDE*816+1:IF NFILE<2 THEN 2
170
NS 2110 FOR OUT=1 TO NFILE-1:MATCH=CURR+1
7
XG 2120 FOR IN=1 TO NFILE-OUT
GZ 2130 IF DR$(MATCH+2,MATCH+9)=DR$(CURR
+2,CURR+9) THEN 2150
OZ 2140 I=MATCH+16:J=CURR+16:TEMP$=DR$(MA
TCH,I):DR$(MATCH,I)=DR$(CURR,J):DR$(CU
RR,J)=TEMP$
FU 2150 MATCH=MATCH+17:NEXT IN
HX 2160 CURR=CURR+17:NEXT OUT
AX 2170 RETURN
XW 5000 REM *** START OF PROGRAM ***
LD 5010 FOR SIDE=0 TO 1:GOSUB 1000:POSITI
ON 16,2:? "TITLE ";CHR$(SIDE+65)
TW 5020 TPOS=SIDE*34+1:POKE 752,0:TITLE$(
TPOS,TPOS+33)=SP$
IR 5030 POSITION 8,4:? "ENTER A TWO LINE
TITLE":? " PRESS <RETURN> AFTER EACH
LINE"
QV 5040 ? " MAXIMUM 17 CHARACTERS PER L
INE"
VH 5050 FOR I=0 TO 1:A=I*2:POSITION 12,9+
A:? "-----":POSITION 11,8+
A:INPUT TEMP$
JO 5060 A=LEN(TEMP$):IF A>17 THEN A=17
UM 5070 TLEN(I+SIDE*2)=A:TITLE$(TPOS+I*17
,TPOS+I*17+16)=TEMP$:NEXT I
GY 5080 POKE 752,1:POSITION 9,12:? "INSER
T DISK->SIDE ";CHR$(SIDE+65):POSITION
5,14
CA 5090 ? "OR PRESS <ESC> FOR NO DIRECTOR
Y":GET #1,A:PFLAG(SIDE)=1:IF A=27 THEN
PFLAG(SIDE)=0
EG 5100 GOSUB 1100:NEXT SIDE
IU 5110 GOSUB 1000:POKE 82,10:POSITION 10
,8:? "Graphics Density->":? "New Disk
Jacket":? "Quit Program"
IE 5120 ? " PRINT":POKE 82,2
KA 5130 POSITION 28,8:? CHR$(DN5+176):GET
#1,A
PA 5140 IF A=71 THEN DN5=3-DN5:GOTO 5190
KA 5150 IF A=80 THEN GOSUB 5200:GOTO 5190
UL 5160 IF A=78 THEN 5010
DT 5170 IF A=81 THEN POSITION 15,13:? "QU
IT(Y/N)?:? " GET #1,A:POSITION 15,13:? "
"
FH 5180 IF A=89 THEN GRAPHICS 0:END
RM 5190 GOTO 5130

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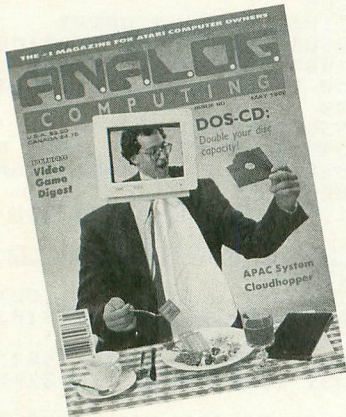
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NA 5200 REM *** PRINT JACKET ***
FF 5210 POKE 559,0:TRAP 5270:CLOSE #PRNT:
OPEN #PRNT,8,K0,"P:":SIDE=0:MAXLEN=49
IQ 5220 A=0:GOSUB 1200:GOSUB 1300:GOSUB 1
500:GOSUB 1600:GOSUB 1500:GOSUB 1700:A
=1:GOSUB 1200
TB 5230 SIDE=1:MAXLEN=41:? #PRNT
DN 5240 A=1:GOSUB 1200:GOSUB 1700:GOSUB 1
500:GOSUB 1600:GOSUB 1500:GOSUB 1300
EB 5250 FOR L=0 TO 6:GOSUB 1500:NEXT L:A=
0:GOSUB 1200
UQ 5260 POKE 559,34:GOTO 5130
NQ 5270 POKE 559,34:? :? " I/O ERROR!
!";PEEK(195):? " PRESS ANY KEY
TO CONTINUE"
TG 5280 GET #1,A:POP:POP:POSITION 14,13
:? " :GOTO 5130
BG 10000 REM *** INITIALIZATION ***
JQ 10010 K0=0:PRNT=3
IY 10020 DIM IV(127),CHARDAT$(8),OUT1$(96
0),OUT2$(960),ROTATE$(109),GT$(83),PRN
T$(61),GT2$(45)
HR 10040 FOR I=K0 TO 31:IV(I)=(I+64)*8:NE
XT I:FOR I=32 TO 95:IV(I)=(I-32)*8:NEX
T I
OB 10050 FOR I=96 TO 127:IV(I)=I*8:NEXT I
HC 10070 OUT2$(1)=" ":OUT2$(960)=" ":OUT2
$(2)=OUT2$:GT=ADR(GT$):GT2=ADR(GT2$):A
PRNT=ADR(PRNT$)
FV 10080 CHARDAT$="*****":CHARDAT=ADR(
CHARDAT$):OUT2=ADR(OUT2$):ROTATE=ADR(R
OTATE$)
QA 10090 REM *** CREATE ML STRINGS ***
SM 10100 RESTORE 10000:FOR I=1 TO 109:REA
D A:ROTATE$(I,I)=CHR$(A):NEXT I
UR 10110 FOR I=1 TO 83:READ A:GT$(I,I)=C
HRS(A):NEXT I
VK 10120 FOR I=1 TO 45:READ A:GT2$(I,I)=C
HR$(A):NEXT I
AD 10130 FOR I=1 TO 61:READ A:PRNT$(I,I)=
CHR$(A):NEXT I
DQ 10140 RETURN
DB 12000 DATA 104,104,133,213,104,133,212
,104,133,215,104,133,214,104,104,133,2
16,104,133,222,104,133,221,160,0
LW 12010 DATA 132,220,162,0,177,212,230,2
12,208,2,230,213,149,228,232,224,8,208
,241,162,0,22,228,42,232
EB 12020 DATA 224,8,208,248,166,216,240,8
,133,219,152,73,7,168,165,219,145,214,
230,220,165,220,164,220,201
SN 12030 DATA 8,208,222,162,8,165,221,56,
233,1,133,221,176,2,198,222,230,214,20
8,2,230,215,202,208,236
AN 12040 DATA 166,221,208,175,166,222,208
,171,96
DO 12050 DATA 104,162,10,104,149,212,202,
208,250,166,215,240,4,198,215,198,215,
165,219,133,223,165,220,133,224
OU 12060 DATA 165,217,24,101,223,144,2,23
0,224,133,223,165,224,101,218,133,224,
160,0,177,223,69,215,153,225
BY 12070 DATA 0,200,152,201,9,208,243,160
,0,132,217,165,213,240,4,152,73,7,168,
185,225,0,164,217,145
RF 12080 DATA 221,200,152,201,8,208,233,9
6
OP 12090 DATA 104,104,133,217,104,133,216
,104,133,219,104,133,218,162,0,134,220
,164,205,177,218,164,220,145,216
DR 12100 DATA 230,203,165,203,197,204,208
,6,169,0,133,203,230,205,232,224,8,208
,227,96
VK 12110 DATA 104,162,6,104,149,211,202,2
08,250,162,11,142,114,3,162,0,142,120,
3,142,121,3,160,0,132
JP 12120 DATA 220,177,216,162,48,32,86,22
8,230,220,166,220,228,212,208,243,230,
216,208,2,230,217,198,214,208
RB 12130 DATA 227,165,215,240,5,198,215,2
4,144,218,96

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Fast Print

by Bill Bodenstein

After using an Atari 800 for two years, I was immediately impressed with the faster screen output on XL and XE models. When you spend as much time LISTing as I do, speed is very important. But as fast as the newer print character routines in the operating system are, screen output can be made even faster. Two to three times faster.

Want proof? Just type in the data in Listing 1 using M/L Editor. M/L Editor will create an object file—name it AUTO-RUN.SYS, or FASTPRNT.OBJ to load from DOS—that when binary loaded, handles all output sent to the screen editor device (“E:”). You’ll find the source code in Listing 2.

A Test Drive

Okay, you’ve got the Fast Print routine loaded and running. From BASIC, load any long BASIC program for a demonstration. Now type “LIST”. Pret-

ty speedy, huh? Notice that a “press any key” prompt appears at the bottom of the screen everytime the screen fills up, letting you read the text before it scrolls up and away. To disable this pause feature, just POKE a zero into location 847. POKE any non-zero value to restore the pause. Also, to disable Fast Print, type POKE 846,0. POKEing any non-zero value back into 846 will once again relieve the operating system of some of the work. Pressing RESET completely disables Fast Print, requiring reloading before you can use it

again.

Changing the Object Code

If you understand assembly language, take a look at Listing 2. The program “pokes” most of the characters it receives directly into screen RAM, and lets the OS handle the complicated stuff, like control characters and scrolling.

The initialization routine sets both locations 846 and 847 (\$34E and \$34F) to one. If you’d like the pause feature off when loaded, change the LDA #1 in line 940 to LDA #0.

Because Fast Print is active constantly, I was forced to place it in Page 6. If put in LOMEM, going to DOS would write over it and cause a crash. If a more favored machine language program already resides in Page 6 of memory, you can always assemble the code elsewhere, higher up in RAM. If you choose unprotected memory, be very careful that you store nothing else there. Press RESET first if you should need to.

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Fast Print

Listing 1: M/L Editor Data

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1000 DATA 255,255,0,5,104,5,173,9,2,20
1,6,240,85,141,219,6,5052
1010 DATA 173,8,2,141,218,6,120,169,17
4,141,8,2,169,6,141,9,2715
1020 DATA 2,88,160,15,185,0,228,153,20
2,6,136,16,247,169,255,141,707
1030 DATA 208,6,169,5,141,209,6,169,20
2,141,33,3,169,6,141,34,3697
1040 DATA 3,162,0,169,12,157,66,3,32,8
6,228,169,3,157,66,3,2490
1050 DATA 169,12,157,74,3,169,103,157,
68,3,169,5,157,69,3,32,1141
1060 DATA 86,228,169,1,141,78,3,169,1,
141,79,3,96,69,58,0,67
1070 DATA 6,201,6,172,78,3,208,3,76,13
0,6,164,87,208,249,164,8492
1080 DATA 17,240,73,172,255,2,208,247,
172,79,3,240,82,201,125,208,1537
1090 DATA 7,160,0,140,201,6,240,224,20
1,155,240,6,166,85,228,83,657
1100 DATA 144,61,238,201,6,32,130,6,17
4,201,6,224,21,144,47,160,5948
1110 DATA 0,140,201,6,185,184,6,145,94
,200,192,17,208,246,169,255,3173
1120 DATA 141,252,2,205,252,2,208,9,16
6,17,208,247,160,128,132,17,8431
1130 DATA 96,141,252,2,160,0,152,145,9
4,200,192,17,208,249,96,166,744
1140 DATA 85,228,83,176,16,170,41,127,
201,125,176,8,201,32,176,16,6085
1150 DATA 201,27,144,12,138,168,173,7,
228,72,173,6,228,72,152,96,7385
1160 DATA 201,96,8,138,40,176,3,56,233
,32,160,0,145,94,230,85,6042
1170 DATA 230,99,230,94,208,2,230,95,1
77,94,133,93,73,128,145,94,7618
1180 DATA 96,72,169,0,141,201,6,104,10
8,218,6,0,0,156,240,242,7586
1190 DATA 229,243,243,128,225,238,249,
128,235,229,249,158,0,226,2,227,4332
1200 DATA 2,0,5,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,
0,0,1217
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Listing 2: Assembly

```
10 *****
20 ** FAST PRINT **
30 ** By Bill Bodenstein **
40 ** 11/24/86 **
50 *****
60 ;
70 ;This m/l routine will put
80 ;characters directly into screen
90 ;memory for faster printing.
0100 ;Output sent to the screen
0110 ;editor is routed here.
0120 ;
0130 ** EQUATES **
0140 ;
0150 RGTMARGIN = $53
0160 CURSCOL = $55
0170 KEYPRESS = $02FC
0180 NOKEY = 255
0190 BRKKEY = $11
0200 BREAK = 128
0210 CLEAR = 125
0220 RETURN = 155
0230 ;
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0240 ICCOM = $0342
0250 ICBADR = $0344
0260 ICBAUX = $034A
0270 FPFLG = $034E
0280 PAUSEFLG = $034F
0290 OPEN = 3
0300 CLOSE = 12
0310 INOUT = 12
0320 CIO = $E456
0330 EHANDTAB = $E400
0340 ;
0350 VKEYBD = $0208
0360 ;
0370 ;
0380 *= $0500
0390 ;
0400 INITIALIZE
0410 SETKEYINT
0420 LDA VKEYBD+1 ;Change keybd
0430 CMP # >NEWKEYINT ;interrupt
0440 BEQ SETFLGS ;vector to go
0450 STA OLDKEYINT+1 ;to here
0460 LDA VKEYBD ;before
0470 STA OLDKEYINT ;handling
0480 SEI ;keypress
0490 LDA # <NEWKEYINT
0500 STA VKEYBD
0510 LDA # >NEWKEYINT
0520 STA VKEYBD+1
0530 CLI
0540 ;
0550 COPYEHAND
0560 LDY #15 ;Move E handler
0570 COPYBYTE LDA EHANDTAB,Y ;table
0580 STA NEWEHAND,Y ;from o.s. to
0590 DEY ;Fast Print
0600 BPL COPYBYTE
0610 ;
0620 SETNEWPUT
0630 LDA # <IEPUTCHAR-11 ;Set new
0640 STA NEWEHAND+6 ;put char
0650 LDA # >IEPUTCHAR-11 ;vector
0660 STA NEWEHAND+7 ;to F.P.
0670 ;
0680 SETNEWHAND
0690 LDA # <NEWEHAND
0700 STA $0321
0710 LDA # >NEWEHAND
0720 STA $0322
0730 ;
0740 CLOSESCR
0750 LDX #0 ;Close editor
0760 LDA #CLOSE
0770 STA ICCOM,X
0780 JSR CIO
0790 ;
0800 OPENSCR
0810 LDA #OPEN ;Then open it
0820 STA ICCOM,X
0830 LDA #INOUT
0840 STA ICBAUX,X
0850 LDA # <EDEV
0860 STA ICBADR,X
0870 LDA # >EDEV
0880 STA ICBADR+1,X
0890 JSR CIO
0900 ;
0910 SETFLGS
0920 LDA #1 ;Set flags:
0930 STA FPFLG ;Fast Print on
0940 LDA #1
0950 STA PAUSEFLG ;Pause on
0960 RTS
0970 ;
0980 ;
0990 EDEV .BYTE "E:"
1000 ;
1010 ;
1020 *= $0600
1030 ;
1040 ;Receive a character being put
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1050 ;to the screen editor.
1060 ;
1070 EPUTCHAR
1080 FPON?
1090     LDY FPFLG     ;Go to o.s. if
1100     BNE GR0?     ;F.P. off
1110 GO.05 JMP PRINTCHAR
1120 ;
1130 GR0?
1140     LDY $57     ;Go to o.s. if
1150     BNE GO.05   ;not text mode
1160 ;
1170 BREAK?
1180     LDY BRKKEY  ;Abort if
1190     BEQ ABORTOUTPUT ;broken
1200 ;
1210 CTRL1?
1220     LDY $02FF   ;Loop if CTRL-1
1230     BNE BREAK? ;pressed
1240 ;
1250 PAUSEON?
1260     LDY PAUSEFLG
1270     BEQ FASTPRINTCHAR
1280 ;
1290 CLEAR?
1300     CMP #CLEAR  ;If clear char,
1310     BNE COUNTLINE ;reset row
1320     LDY #0      ;counter
1330     STY ROWCNTR
1340     BEQ GO.05
1350 ;
1360 COUNTLINE
1370     CMP #RETURN ;Keep count of #
1380     BEQ INCLINE ;of lines
1390     LDX CURSCOL ;printed
1400     CPX RGTMARGIN
1410     BCC FASTPRINTCHAR
1420 INCLINE INC ROWCNTR
1430 ;
1440 ;Every 22nd line printed, pause
1450 ;output and wait for keypress.
1460 ;
1470 PAUSESCR?
1480     JSR PRINTCHAR
1490     LDX ROWCNTR
1500     CPX #21
1510     BCC LEAVE
1520 ;
1530 PUTMSG
1540     LDY #0      ;Print prompt
1550     STY ROWCNTR ;message
1560 PUTBYTE LDA MSG,Y
1570     STA ($5E),Y
1580     INY
1590     CPY # (ROWCNTR-MSG)
1600     BNE PUTBYTE
1610 ;
1620     LDA #NOKEY  ;Clear last
1630     STA KEYPRESS ;key pressed
1640 ;
1650 WAITFORKEY
1660     CMP KEYPRESS ;Wait for user
1670     BNE CONTOUTPUT ;to hit a key
1680     LDX BRKKEY
1690     BNE WAITFORKEY
1700 ;
1710 ABORTOUTPUT
1720     LDY #BREAK  ;<BREAK> pressed
1730     STY BRKKEY
1740     RTS
1750 ;
1760 CONTOUTPUT
1770     STA KEYPRESS ;Clear keypress
1780 CLRMSG
1790     LDY #0      ;Clear prompt
1800     TYA         ;msg
1810 CLRBYTE STA ($5E),Y
1820     INY
1830     CPY # (ROWCNTR-MSG)
1840     BNE CLRBYTE
1850 LEAVE RTS

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1860 ;
1870 ;Put character directly in
1880 ;screen memory unless scrolling
1890 ;or control character.
1900 ;
1910 FASTPRINTCHAR
1920     LDX CURSCOL
1930     CPX RGTMARGIN
1940     BCS PRINTCHAR
1950     TAX
1960     AND #127     ;Is char a
1970     CMP #125     ;non-control
1980     BCS PRINTIT  ;char?
1990     CMP #32
2000     BCS PUTIT
2010     CMP #27
2020     BCC PUTIT
2030 ;
2040 PRINTIT
2050     TXA
2060 PRINTCHAR
2070     TAY         ;Print this char
2080     LDA EHANDTAB+7 ;with o.s.
2090     PHA         ;routine
2100     LDA EHANDTAB+6
2110     PHA
2120     TYA
2130     RTS
2140 ;
2150 PUTIT
2160 CONVCHAR
2170     CMP #96     ;Convert to
2180     PHP         ;internal
2190     TXA         ;charset
2200     PLP
2210     BCS PUTCHAR
2220     SEC
2230     SBC #32
2240 ;
2250 PUTCHAR
2260     LDY #0      ;Put char in
2270     STA ($5E),Y ;curs pos in
2280 ;             ;screen mem
2290 MOVCURS
2300     INC CURSCOL ;Move cursor
2310     INC $63     ;pointers to
2320     INC $5E     ;next column
2330     BNE PUTCURS
2340     INC $5F
2350 ;
2360 PUTCURS
2370     LDA ($5E),Y ;Save char under
2380     STA $5D     ;cursor and
2390     EOR #128   ;inverse it
2400     STA ($5E),Y
2410 ;
2420 EXITPUTCHAR RTS
2430 ;
2440 ;
2450 ;Clear row counter for screen
2460 ;pause everytime a key is
2470 ;pressed.
2480 ;
2490 NEWKEYINT
2500     PHA
2510     LDA #0
2520     STA ROWCNTR
2530     PLA
2540     JMP (OLDKEYINT)
2550 ;
2560 ;
2570 MSG .SBYTE " <press any key>"
2580 ROWCNTR .BYTE 0
2590 NEWHAND *= #+16
2600 OLDKEYINT *= #+2
2610 ;
2620 ENDFP
2630 ;
2640 ;
2650     *= $02E0
2660     .WORD INITIALIZE

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U t i l i t y

The Atari Disk Utilities Package is a necessary tool in using any Atari computer with a disk drive. Well, it isn't *really* necessary, with all of the DOS-functions-from-BASIC utilities available. But these programs eat up memory otherwise usable by BASIC (or whatever language you happen to be programming in). So Atari has the right idea in having a disk-resident DOS instead of a memory-resident one. But the menu is sometimes awkward to use. For example, when you try to format a disk, you're first asked the drive number, then you're asked if you're sure, then you have to press RETURN. Wouldn't it be nice to *escape* from all those prompts?

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by Robert Berry

One way would be to buy one of those DOS-from-BASIC utilities. Or you could invest in a completely new Disk Operating System. But if you don't want to spend any money, you can take a look at *COM-DOS*.

COM-DOS is a replacement Disk Utilities Package, compatible with Atari DOS 2.0 & 2.5. It is a command-driven DOS, so if you can type well, you'll probably like *COM-DOS* better than the menu of Atari's DOS. *COM-DOS* provides all functions on the DOS menu except duplicate disk (and, with DOS 2.5, the Format Single option). Plus, it adds several functions not on the menu. Its functions just like the Atari DUP, MEM.SAV files work the same, and it is completely compatible with the 130XE ramdisk.

Typing It In

To use *COM-DOS*, first type in Listing 1, using M/L Editor found elsewhere in this issue. Name the resulting file DUP.SYS. Listing 2 is the assembly source listing, created using MAC/65.

Using COM-DOS

When the READY prompt comes up (assuming you booted with BASIC installed), type DOS. When it has loaded in, you'll see the title and a prompt to enter a command. To view the command list, type "HELP" and press RETURN. The screen will clear, and all of the commands supported by *COM-DOS* will be displayed. Before I discuss the commands themselves, I must warn you about the syntax these commands use. Unlike BASIC and most other languages, *COM-DOS* is very picky about syntax. BASIC will remove any extra spaces in a program line and insert any that were left out. *COM-DOS* will not. Each command must be entered with no spaces before it. It won't hurt anything if you do insert unnecessary spaces, but *COM-DOS* won't accept it as a valid command. Also, each command must use capital letters and no inverse characters. Again, failure to obey that rule won't hurt any-

thing; the program will just refuse the command. Figure 1 lists the commands in their proper syntaxes, along with examples of their usage.

Here is a list of the *COM-DOS* commands and their functions:

HELP—As you have seen, HELP lists all of the commands supported by *COM-DOS*.

LOCK D:FILENAME.EXT—Locks the file specified.

UNLOCK D:FILENAME.EXT—Unlocks the file specified.

DELETE D:FILENAME.EXT—Deletes the file specified.

RENAME D:OLDNAME,NEWNAME—Renames file D:OLDNAME, NEWNAME.

DIRn—Displays the directory of drive #n. The number isn't necessary; the default is drive #1, but, if a different drive is specified, it becomes the default.

FORMATn—Formats the disk in drive #n. The default is drive #1, and it stays drive #1, even if a new drive is specified, so be careful with this command. Remember that you are not asked if you're sure; so be especially careful with this one!

WDOSn—Writes DOS.SYS to drive #n; the default is (and stays) drive #1. This command doesn't write DUP.SYS; so you must either COPY or DUPLICATE DUP.SYS.

WMEMn—Writes MEM.SAV to the disk in drive #n. The default is always drive #1.

BSAVE D: FILENAME, START, END—Saves the memory from START to END on the file specified. START and END must be decimal numbers! When the file is saved, you will be prompted for a RUN/INIT address. If you want to append one to the file, enter it (again, in decimal), and press RETURN. The address will be appended to the file. If you don't want to specify a RUN/INIT address, just press RETURN. The file will be closed after either response.

BLOAD D:FILENAME.EXT—Loads a binary file, just as option 'L' from the DOS menu does.

COPY D:FILE1,D2:FILE2—Copies FILE1 to D2:FILE2. The

first file can be appended to the second file by placing a slash (/) after the second filename. Any legal device can be substituted for either (or both) filenames.

DUP D:FILENAME—Duplicates the file specified. WARNING: This function will usually erase any programs in memory; so be careful with this command too. You'll be prompted to insert the source disk, then the destination disk.

BOOT filename.ext—Makes the file specified automatically run when the disk in drive #1 is booted. This command writes an AUTORUN.SYS file to the disk; so if one already exists, delete it. The file must be a SAVEd BASIC program. Also, note that the 'D:' designation is not specified in this command, just the filename itself.

GO ADDR—Executes a machine language routine at decimal address ADDR. The address must be a decimal number; if it isn't, there's no telling what might happen.

?hxn—Converts the four-digit hexadecimal number specified into a decimal number. Notice that there is no space between the question mark and the hex number.

REBOOT—Reboots the computer. Remember, there are no questions asked, so anything in memory is erased (REBOOT is identical to turning the computer off and on again).

CLICK—On XL/XE computers, this command toggles the key-click on/off. It has no effect on 400/800 computers.

STATUS—Tells whether the write-verify function is on or off, the current active drives, and the maximum number of files that can be open at one time. If you want to change any of these, follow the prompts. The first question is whether you want to toggle the write-verify function. Press Y or N, then RETURN. Remember, turning off write-verify will make the computer save files faster, but the reliability is decreased. If you use high-quality disks, you can usually live without write-verify. Otherwise, I would suggest leaving write-verify on.

The next deals with active drives. If you don't want to change them, type N and press RETURN. If you do want to change them, answer Y to the

prompt and press RETURN. Type the drive numbers, one at a time, pressing RETURN after each one. Enter O when you're finished. For example, to activate only drive 1, you would type:

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Y <RETURN>
1 <RETURN>
0 <RETURN>
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Then the next question will come up. If you want to change the number of files that can be opened at one time, type Y, then RETURN. Then enter the maximum number of files and press RETURN.

The changes will be made after each entry. To save DOS with your defaults, use WDOS. If you want to escape from the questions and not change anything, you can press RETURN at any prompt to take you back to the 'Enter command' prompt. BASIC—Returns control to BASIC (or whatever cartridge is plugged in). If a MEM.SAV file was present on the disk in drive #1 (or the ramdisk if you have a 130XE), and you didn't use the DUP command, anything you

had in memory will still be there.

COM-DOS has some extra features I added for safety and comfort. First, the break key is disabled, so you can't accidentally press it and wipe out everything that was in memory. Second, the background color is changed to dark green and the cursor flashes. Third, any errors that are encountered during I/O will be reported to the user. Finally, if you have an XL/XE machine, fine scrolling is enabled, and the Click command allows you to toggle the keyclick on and off.

I wrote COM-DOS using MAC/65 and the macros provided in the manual. It started out as a command-driven DOS with nine commands. At the time I wrote the first version, it hadn't occurred to me to use the macros, and the program didn't work the way I wanted it to. I gave up that project and started the second version. In that one, I had it load into

memory as an AUTORUN.SYS file, and it added the original nine commands to BASIC, eliminating the need for DUP.SYS. But it didn't work like I wanted it to either (it locked up for no apparent reason). After giving that up, I realized that the macros might help me. They did, but the resulting code is extremely long. The advantage is that the program works nearly flawlessly. Notice I said *nearly*. I would strongly suggest saving any important programs or data in memory before using the following commands: BLOAD (unless you know that it will load into safe memory); DUP (it usually erases anything in memory); REBOOT (it's obvious!); and GO (it might not always recover).

COM-DOS should work with any programs that Atari DOS works with, since it uses DOS.SYS and is almost exactly the same length as Atari's Disk Utilities Package. You can make copies of COM-DOS by using WDOS to write DOS.SYS, then copying or duplicating DUP.SYS to another disk.

The two-letter checksum code preceding the line numbers here is *not* a part of the BASIC program. For further information, see the "BASIC Editor II," in issue 47.

Listing 1.
BASIC listing.

Command	Function
HELP	Lists commands.
LOCK D:FILENAME	Locks FILENAME.
UNLOCK D:FILENAME	Unlocks FILENAME.
DELETE D:FILENAME	Deletes FILENAME.
RENAME: D:FILE1,FILE2	Renames FILE1 in drive 1.
DIRn	Displays directory of drive #n.
DIR	Shows directory of last drive specified in DIR command.
FORMATn	Formats disk in drive #n. Defaults to drive 1.
WDOSn	Writes DOS.SYS to drive #n. Defaults to drive 1.
WMEMn	Writes MEM.SAV to drive #n. Defaults to drive 1.
BSAVE D:FILENAME,1536,1664	Saves memory between 1536 and 1664 (decimal) to FILENAME.
BLOAD D:FILENAME	Loads binary file FILENAME.
COPY D:FILE1,D4:FILE1	Copies FILE1 from drive 1 to drive 4.
COPY D:FILE1,D2:FILE2	Copies FILE1 from drive 1 to FILE2 on drive 2.
COPY D:FILE1,D2:FILE1/	Copies FILE1 from drive 1 and appends it to FILE1 already existing on drive 2.
COPY D:FILENAME,P:	Copies FILENAME to printer.
COPY E:.,P:	Copies anything typed on the screen to the printer.
COPY C:,D:FILENAME	Copies a cassette file to D:FILENAME.
DUP D:FILENAME	Duplicates FILENAME.
BOOT FILENAME.BAS	Makes SAVEd BASIC program FILENAME.BAS run automatically when disk is booted.
GO 1536	Runs at decimal address 1536 (page six).
?E474	Converts 4-digit hex number E474 to a decimal number (58484).
?00CB	The hex number MUST be four digits! This example prints 203.
REBOOT	Reboots the computer.
CLICK	Toggles the keyclick on XL/XE computers.
STATUS	Shows current status described in article.
BASIC	Returns to cartridge.

COM-DOs

1000 DATA 255,255,26,29,21,30,49,32,22
4,2,225,2,0,0,255,255,5283
1010 DATA 255,255,128,6,188,6,169,2,13
3,84,162,0,169,9,157,66,3911
1020 DATA 3,169,170,157,68,3,169,6,157
69,3,169,1,157,72,3,1591
1030 DATA 157,73,3,32,86,228,169,0,133
84,169,12,141,252,2,96,5418
1040 DATA 82,85,78,34,68,58,0,0,0,0,
0,0,0,46,0,3040
1050 DATA 0,0,155,224,2,225,2,128,6,0,
1,2,3,4,5,6,5164
1060 DATA 7,8,9,0,0,0,0,0,0,10,11,12,
13,14,15,2140
1070 DATA 160,0,162,0,185,249,29,201,1
55,240,93,221,128,5,208,5,8350
1080 DATA 232,200,76,136,29,200,185,24
9,29,201,155,208,248,200,200,200,5812
1090 DATA 185,249,29,201,255,240,5,162
0,76,136,29,76,203,29,253,7627
1100 DATA 67,111,109,109,97,110,100,32
110,111,116,32,115,117,112,112,4618
1110 DATA 111,114,116,101,100,33,155,1
62,0,169,9,157,66,3,169,179,5252
1120 DATA 157,68,3,169,29,157,69,3,169
24,157,72,3,169,0,157,2961
1130 DATA 73,3,32,86,228,76,85,33,185,
250,29,133,203,185,251,29,9642
1140 DATA 133,204,108,203,0,70,79,82,7
7,65,84,155,24,31,76,79,1723
1150 DATA 67,75,155,145,31,85,78,76,79
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 3180 DATA 68,58,102,105,108,101,44,98,
 101,103,105,110,44,101,110,100,5978
 3190 DATA 32,32,32,82,69,66,79,79,84,1
 55,32,66,76,79,65,68,3243
 3200 DATA 32,68,58,102,105,108,101,110
 ,97,109,101,46,101,120,116,32,5581
 3210 DATA 32,32,32,32,71,79,32,97,100,
 100,114,155,32,67,79,80,4192
 3220 DATA 89,32,68,58,102,105,108,101,
 49,44,68,50,58,102,105,108,4227
 3230 DATA 101,50,91,47,93,32,66,65,83,
 73,67,155,32,68,85,80,3528
 3240 DATA 32,68,226,42,221,43,58,102,1
 05,108,101,110,97,109,101,46,6333
 3250 DATA 101,120,116,32,32,32,32,3
 2,32,83,84,65,84,85,83,2052
 3260 DATA 155,32,66,79,79,84,32,102,10
 5,108,101,110,97,109,101,46,5426
 3270 DATA 101,120,116,32,32,32,32,3
 2,32,32,67,76,73,67,75,898
 3280 DATA 155,32,63,104,120,110,109,32
 ,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,9583
 3290 DATA 32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,3
 2,32,72,69,76,80,155,1907
 3300 DATA 155,110,61,100,114,105,118,1
 01,32,110,117,109,98,101,114,32,5985
 3310 DATA 40,49,45,56,41,155,104,120,1
 10,109,32,61,32,52,45,100,3213
 3320 DATA 105,103,105,116,32,104,101,1
 20,32,110,117,109,98,101,114,155,7722
 3330 DATA 65,108,108,32,105,110,112,11
 7,116,32,77,85,83,84,32,98,4502
 3340 DATA 101,32,105,110,32,100,101,99
 ,105,109,97,108,46,155,169,131,8316
 3350 DATA 133,243,169,5,133,244,169,0,
 133,242,32,0,216,32,210,217,1655
 3360 DATA 108,212,0,162,0,169,11,157,6
 6,3,169,197,157,68,3,169,7476
 3370 DATA 30,157,69,3,169,14,157,72,3,
 169,0,157,73,3,32,86,2985
 3380 DATA 228,173,121,7,201,80,240,39,
 76,202,43,79,78,155,162,0,7561
 3390 DATA 169,9,157,66,3,169,199,157,6
 8,3,169,43,157,69,3,169,6763
 3400 DATA 3,157,222,43,217,44,72,3,169
 ,0,157,73,3,32,86,228,5981
 3410 DATA 76,16,44,76,242,43,79,70,70,
 155,162,0,169,9,157,66,6231
 3420 DATA 3,169,238,157,68,3,169,43,15
 7,69,3,169,4,157,72,3,4530
 3430 DATA 169,0,157,73,3,32,86,228,162
 ,0,169,11,157,66,3,169,6158
 3440 DATA 211,157,68,3,169,30,157,69,3
 ,169,15,157,72,3,169,0,4136
 3450 DATA 157,73,3,32,86,228,173,10,7,

41,1,240,5,169,49,32,4021
 3460 DATA 236,44,173,10,7,41,2,240,5,1
 69,50,32,236,44,173,10,5666
 3470 DATA 7,41,4,240,5,169,51,32,236,4
 4,173,10,7,41,8,240,5395
 3480 DATA 5,169,52,32,236,44,173,10,7,
 41,128,240,5,169,56,32,5386
 3490 DATA 236,44,76,110,44,155,162,0,1
 69,9,157,66,3,169,109,157,7448
 3500 DATA 68,3,169,44,157,69,3,169,1,1
 57,72,3,169,0,157,73,4956
 3510 DATA 3,32,86,228,162,0,169,11,157
 ,66,3,169,226,157,68,3,7166
 3520 DATA 169,30,157,69,3,169,54,157,7
 2,3,169,0,157,73,3,32,3316
 3530 DATA 86,228,173,9,7,133,212,169,0
 ,133,213,32,170,217,32,230,1761
 3540 DATA 216,160,255,200,185,128,5,16
 ,250,41,127,153,128,5,169,155,139
 3550 DATA 153,129,5,162,0,169,9,157,66
 ,3,169,128,157,68,3,169,6718
 3560 DATA 5,157,218,44,213,45,69,3,169
 ,255,157,72,3,169,0,157,8130
 3570 DATA 73,3,32,86,228,76,14,45,141,
 26,29,162,0,169,11,157,4978
 3580 DATA 66,3,169,26,157,68,3,169,29,
 157,69,3,169,2,157,72,5187
 3590 DATA 3,169,0,157,73,3,32,86,228,9
 6,76,18,45,155,162,0,5103
 3600 DATA 169,9,157,66,3,169,17,157,68
 ,3,169,45,157,69,3,169,5723
 3610 DATA 1,157,72,3,169,0,157,73,3,32
 ,86,228,76,85,45,84,4907
 3620 DATA 111,103,103,108,101,32,87,11
 4,105,116,101,32,86,101,114,105,6418
 3630 DATA 102,121,32,111,110,47,111,10
 2,102,32,40,89,47,78,41,63,3011
 3640 DATA 155,162,0,169,9,157,66,3,169
 ,51,157,68,3,169,45,157,6434
 3650 DATA 69,3,169,34,157,72,3,169,0,1
 57,73,3,32,86,228,162,6999
 3660 DATA 0,169,5,157,66,3,169,252,157
 ,68,3,169,28,157,69,3,5987
 3670 DATA 169,255,157,72,3,169,0,157,7
 3,3,32,86,228,173,252,28,9078
 3680 DATA 201,89,240,10,201,155,208,3,
 76,85,33,76,170,45,173,121,8414
 3690 DATA 7,73,7,141,121,7,76,201,45,6
 7,104,97,110,103,101,32,5497
 3700 DATA 97,99,116,105,118,101,32,100
 ,114,105,118,101,115,32,40,89,5536
 3710 DATA 47,78,41,63,155,162,0,169,9,
 157,66,3,169,173,157,68,7862
 3720 DATA 3,169,214,45,209,46,45,157,6
 9,3,169,28,157,72,3,169,6419
 3730 DATA 0,157,73,3,32,86,228,162,0,1
 69,5,157,66,3,169,252,8939
 3740 DATA 157,68,3,169,28,157,69,3,169
 ,255,157,72,3,169,0,157,7886
 3750 DATA 73,3,32,86,228,173,252,28,20
 1,89,240,10,201,155,208,3,1845
 3760 DATA 76,85,33,76,63,47,76,95,46,8
 4,121,112,101,32,116,104,5392
 3770 DATA 101,32,100,114,105,118,101,3
 2,110,117,109,98,101,114,115,44,6760
 3780 DATA 32,111,110,101,32,97,116,32,
 97,32,116,105,109,101,44,112,5590
 3790 DATA 114,101,115,115,105,110,103,
 32,82,69,84,85,82,78,32,97,4635
 3800 DATA 102,116,101,114,32,101,97,99
 ,104,32,111,110,101,46,155,162,7801
 3810 DATA 0,169,9,157,66,3,169,25,157,
 68,3,169,46,157,69,3,4567
 3820 DATA 169,70,157,72,3,169,0,157,73
 ,3,32,86,228,76,158,46,6378
 3830 DATA 69,110,116,101,114,32,48,32,
 119,104,101,110,32,121,111,117,6414
 3840 DATA 39,114,101,32,102,105,110,10
 5,115,104,101,100,46,155,162,0,6872
 3850 DATA 169,9,157,66,3,169,128,157,6

8,3,169,46,157,69,3,169,6762
 3860 DATA 30,157,72,3,169,0,157,73,3,3
 2,86,228,169,0,141,25,5701
 3870 DATA 29,162,0,169,5,157,66,3,169,
 252,157,68,3,169,28,157,8273
 3880 DATA 69,3,210,46,205,47,169,255,1
 57,72,3,169,0,157,73,3,6834
 3890 DATA 32,86,228,173,252,28,201,48,
 240,83,201,49,240,19,201,50,1679
 3900 DATA 240,27,201,51,240,35,201,52,
 240,43,201,56,240,51,76,57,9593
 3910 DATA 47,169,1,24,109,25,29,141,25
 ,29,76,193,46,169,2,24,3465
 3920 DATA 109,25,29,141,25,29,76,193,4
 6,169,4,24,109,25,29,141,3999
 3930 DATA 25,29,76,193,46,169,8,24,109
 ,25,29,141,25,29,76,193,4706
 3940 DATA 46,169,128,24,109,25,29,141,
 25,29,76,193,46,173,25,29,4356
 3950 DATA 141,10,7,76,125,47,67,104,97
 ,110,103,101,32,110,117,109,6417
 3960 DATA 98,101,114,32,111,102,32,102
 ,105,108,101,115,32,116,104,97,6605
 3970 DATA 116,32,99,97,110,32,98,101,3
 2,32,32,111,112,101,110,4701
 3980 DATA 32,115,105,109,117,108,116,9
 7,110,101,111,117,115,108,121,63,8269
 3990 DATA 155,162,0,169,9,157,66,3,169
 ,66,157,68,3,169,47,157,6964
 4000 DATA 69,3,169,59,157,72,3,169,0,1
 57,73,3,32,86,228,162,7449
 4010 DATA 0,169,5,157,66,3,169,252,157
 ,68,3,169,28,157,69,3,6337
 4020 DATA 169,255,157,72,3,169,0,157,7
 3,3,32,86,228,173,252,28,9428
 4030 DATA 201,89,240,3,76,85,33,76,252
 ,47,72,111,119,32,109,97,6914
 4040 DATA 110,121,206,47,201,48,32,102
 ,105,108,101,115,32,100,111,32,6040
 4050 DATA 121,111,117,32,119,97,110,11
 6,32,111,112,101,110,32,97,116,6778
 4060 DATA 32,32,32,111,110,101,32,1
 16,105,109,101,32,40,49,45,3494
 4070 DATA 55,41,63,155,162,0,169,9,157
 ,66,3,169,198,157,68,3,7055
 4080 DATA 169,47,157,69,3,169,54,157,7
 2,3,169,0,157,73,3,32,3910
 4090 DATA 86,228,162,0,169,5,157,66,3,
 169,252,157,68,3,169,28,7902
 4100 DATA 157,69,3,169,255,157,72,3,16
 9,0,157,73,3,32,86,228,7374
 4110 DATA 169,252,133,243,169,28,133,2
 44,169,0,133,242,32,0,216,32,106
 4120 DATA 210,217,165,212,141,9,7,76,8
 5,33,173,219,2,73,255,141,278
 4130 DATA 219,2,76,85,33,173,129,5,32,
 192,48,133,206,173,130,5,8529
 4140 DATA 32,192,48,133,205,32,200,48,
 133,213,173,131,5,32,192,48,9196
 4150 DATA 133,206,173,132,5,32,192,48,
 133,205,32,200,48,133,212,32,9864
 4160 DATA 170,217,32,230,216,160,255,2
 00,185,128,5,16,250,41,127,153,2574
 4170 DATA 128,5,169,155,153,129,5,162,
 0,169,9,157,66,3,169,128,7461
 4180 DATA 157,68,3,169,5,157,69,3,169,
 255,157,72,3,169,0,157,8211
 4190 DATA 73,3,32,86,228,76,85,33,56,2
 33,48,170,189,109,29,96,8520
 4200 DATA 165,206,202,48,209,48,10,10,
 10,10,24,101,205,96,224,2,6125
 4210 DATA 225,2,179,33,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,
 0,0,0,0,5108

Listing 2: Assembly

10 ;COM-DOS By Robert Berry
 20 ;Replacement Disk Utilities
 30 ;Package
 40 ;

COM-DOS

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50 ;Created using MAC/65 Macros
60 ; and another one, POKE.
70 .INCLUDE #D:SYSEQU.M65
80 LBUFF = $0580
90 PTR = $CB
0100 AFP = $D800
0110 FSUB = $DA60
0120 FPI = $D9D2
0130 FR0 = $D4
0140 FR1 = $E0
0150 INBUFF = $F3
0160 CIK = $F2
0170 IFP = $D9AA
0180 FASC = $D8E6
0190 FMOVE = $DDB6
0200 TRAMSZ = $08
0210 RESETV = $E474
0220 REBOOT = $E477
0230 RAMTOP = $6A
0240 DOSLOAD = $15C8
0250 LOLEN = $CB
0260 HILEN = $CC
0270 DRVBYT = $070A
0280 WVERIFY = $0779
0290 SABYTE = $0709
0300 POKMSK = $10
0310 IRQEN = $D20E
0320 CONSOL = $D01F
0330 CDTMU2 = $021A
0340 CDTMA2 = $0228
0350 CHACT = $02F3
0360 NOCLIK = $02DB
0370 COLOR1 = $02C5
0380 COLOR2 = $02C6
0390 FINE = $026E
0400 LOBYTE = $CD
0410 HIBYTE = $CE
0420 *= $1CFC
0430 CBUFF
0440 *= *+15
0450 N1BUFF
0460 *= *+7
0470 N2BUFF
0480 *= *+7
0490 DRNUM
0500 *= *+1
0510 BUFF2
0520 .BYTE "1 "
0530 INIDAT ; Run address data
0540 .BYTE 224,2,225,2
0550 RUNDAT
0560 .BYTE 0,0
0570 NNN
0580 .BYTE 255,255
0590 PROG
0600 .BYTE 255,255,128,6,188,6
0610 .BYTE 169,2,133,84,162,0
0620 .BYTE 169,9,157,66,3,169
0630 .BYTE 170,157,68,3,169,6
0640 .BYTE 157,69,3,169,1,157
0650 .BYTE 72,3,157,73,3,32
0660 .BYTE 86,228,169,0,133,84
0670 .BYTE 169,12,141,252,2,96
0680 .BYTE 82,85,78,34,68,58
0690 FILEDAT
0700 .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0
0710 .BYTE 0,0,46,0,0,0
0720 .BYTE 155,224,2,225,2,128,6
0730 HEX
0740 .BYTE 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,0
0741 .BYTE 0,0,0,0,0,0,10,11,12
0742 .BYTE 13,14,15
0750 CHECK
0760 LDY #0
0770 LDX #0
0780 CMPLOOP
0790 LDA TAB,Y
0800 CMP #EOL ;End of command?
0810 BEQ GOTCOM ;Yes!
0820 CMP LBUFF,X ;No, compare next
0830 BNE FINDEND ;branch FINDEND

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0840 INX
0850 INY
0860 JMP CMPLOOP
0870 ;
0880 ;Commands are not the same so
0881 ; far, so we must move to next
0882 ; command.
0890 ;
0900 FINDEND
0910 INY
0920 LDA TAB,Y
0930 CMP #EOL ;End of next comm
and?
0940 BNE FINDEND ;No, do it again
0950 INY ;Skip over
0960 INY
0970 INY
0980 LDA TAB,Y
0990 CMP #255 ;End reached?
1000 BEQ ENDTAB
1010 ;
1020 ;Not end of table, so reset X-reg
1021 ;and jump back to CMPLOOP
1030 ;
1040 LDX #0
1050 JMP CMPLOOP
1060 ENDTAB
1070 PRINT 0,"[Command not suppo
rted!"
1080 JMP MAINLOOP
1090 GOTCOM
1100 ;
1110 ;Goes here if a command is found.
1120 ;
1130 LDA TAB+1,Y
1140 STA PTR
1150 LDA TAB+2,Y
1160 STA PTR+1
1170 JMP (PTR)
1180 ;
1190 ;This is the command table. The
1200 ;format is:
1210 ;.BYTE "COMMAND",EOL
1220 ;.WORD COMMAND
1230 ;
1240 ;A 255 should be placed at the
1250 ;end of the table.
1260 ;
1270 TAB
1280 .BYTE "FORMAT",EOL
1290 .WORD FORMAT
1300 .BYTE "LOCK",EOL
1310 .WORD LOCK
1320 .BYTE "UNLOCK",EOL
1330 .WORD UNLOCK
1340 .BYTE "DELETE",EOL
1350 .WORD DELETE
1360 .BYTE "RENAME",EOL
1370 .WORD RENAME
1380 .BYTE "DIR",EOL
1390 .WORD DIR
1400 .BYTE "BASIC",EOL
1410 .WORD BASIC
1420 .BYTE "REBOOT",EOL
1430 .WORD REBOOT
1440 .BYTE "BLOAD",EOL
1450 .WORD BLOAD
1460 .BYTE "COPY",EOL
1470 .WORD COPY
1480 .BYTE "DUP",EOL
1490 .WORD DUPLICATE
1500 .BYTE "WDOS",EOL
1510 .WORD WDOS
1520 .BYTE "WMEM",EOL
1530 .WORD WMEM
1540 .BYTE "BSAVE",EOL
1550 .WORD BSAVE
1560 .BYTE "BOOT",EOL
1570 .WORD BOOT
1580 .BYTE "HELP",EOL
1590 .WORD HELP

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1600 .BYTE "GO",EOL
1610 .WORD GO
1620 .BYTE "STATUS",EOL
1630 .WORD STATUS
1640 .BYTE "CLICK",EOL
1650 .WORD CLICK
1660 .BYTE "?",EOL
1670 .WORD HEXDEC
1680 .BYTE 255 ;End of table
1690 FMTFILE
1700 .BYTE "D1:",EOL
1710 DIRFILE
1720 .BYTE "D1:*. *",EOL
1730 DIRMSG
1740 .BYTE "Directory - Drive #1"
1741 .BYTE EOL
1750 DOSSYS
1760 .BYTE "D1:DO5.SYS",EOL
1770 MEMSAV
1780 .BYTE "D1:MEM.SAV",EOL
1790 WVERMSG
1800 .BYTE "Write Verify: "
1810 DRIVEMSG
1820 .BYTE "Active Drives: "
1830 MAXFILES
1840 .BYTE "Maximum # of files th"
1841 .BYTE "at can be open simu"
1842 .BYTE "ltaneously: "
1850 FORMAT
1860 LDA LBUFF+6
1870 CMP #8
1880 BNE OKFMT
1890 PRINT 0,"Can't format drive
8 from COM-DO5!"
1900 JMP MAINLOOP
1910 OKFMT
1920 STA FMTFILE+1
1930 XIO 254,1,0,0,FMTFILE
1940 CPY #1
1950 BNE FMterr
1960 JMP MAINLOOP
1970 FMterr
1980 JMP ERROR
1990 LOCK
2000 XIO 35,1,0,0,LBUFF+5
2010 CPY #1
2020 BNE LCKERR
2030 JMP MAINLOOP
2040 LCKERR
2050 JMP ERROR
2060 UNLOCK
2070 XIO 36,1,0,0,LBUFF+7
2080 CPY #1
2090 BNE UNLERR
2100 JMP MAINLOOP
2110 UNLERR
2120 JMP ERROR
2130 DELETE
2140 XIO 33,1,0,0,LBUFF+7
2150 CPY #1
2160 BNE DELERR
2170 JMP MAINLOOP
2180 DELERR
2190 JMP ERROR
2200 RENAME
2210 XIO 32,1,0,0,LBUFF+7
2220 CPY #1
2230 BNE RENERR
2240 JMP MAINLOOP
2250 RENERR
2260 JMP ERROR
2270 DIR
2280 LDA LBUFF+3
2290 CMP #EOL
2300 BEQ GETDIR
2310 STA DIRFILE+1
2320 STA DIRMSG+19
2330 GETDIR
2340 OPEN 1,6,0,DIRFILE
2350 CPY #1
2360 BEQ SDIRLOOP

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2370 JMP ERROR
2380 SDIRLOOP
2390 PRINT 0,DIRMSG
2400 DIRLOOP
2410 INPUT 1,LBUFF
2420 CPY #136
2430 BEQ DIRDONE
2440 CPY #1
2450 BEQ PRINTIT
2460 JMP ERROR
2470 PRINTIT
2480 PRINT 0,LBUFF
2490 JMP DIRLOOP
2500 DIRDONE
2510 CLOSE 1
2520 JMP MAINLOOP
2530 ERROR
2540 STY FR0 ;Store error
2550 ;Now close IOCB's 1 & 2
2560 CLOSE 1
2570 CLOSE 2
2580 LDA #0 ;Clear hi byte
2590 STA FR0+1
2600 JSR IFP
2610 ;
2620 ;Error code now in FP format,
2630 ;stored at FR0.
2640 ;
2650 JSR FASC
2660 ;
2670 ;Error code now in ATASCII format
2680 ;in LBUFF.
2690 ;
2700 ;Now find end of string, add
2710 ;carriage return.
2720 ;
2730 LDY #5FF
2740 ELOOP
2750 INY
2760 LDA LBUFF,Y
2770 BPL ELOOP
2780 AND #57F ;Un-invert char.
2790 STA LBUFF,Y
2800 LDA #EOL
2810 STA LBUFF+1,Y ;Store EOL
2820 ;
2830 ;Now in ATASCII format in LBUFF
2840 ;with EOL at end of it.
2850 ;
2860 BPUT 0,ERRMSG,12
2870 PRINT 0,LBUFF
2880 JMP MAINLOOP
2890 ;
2900 ;
2910 ;
2920 ERRMSG
2930 .BYTE "I/O Error - "
2940 ;
2950 ;
2960 ;
2970 MAINLOOP
2980 LDA #202
2990 STA COLOR1
3000 LDA #240
3010 STA COLOR2
3020 BPUT 0,EMSG,16
3030 POKE 764,255
3040 INPUT 0,LBUFF
3050 JMP CHECK
3060 EMSG
3070 .BYTE EOL,"Enter command:"
3071 .BYTE EOL
3080 ;
3090 ;
3100 ;
3110 BEGIN
3120 LDA #255
3130 STA FINE
3135 ; Do I/O to enable fine scrolling
3140 OPEN 6,8,0,"E:"
3150 PRINT 0,"KCOM-DO5 Ver.

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3.1      02/06/86"
3160     LDA POKMSK
3170     AND #$7F
3180     STA POKMSK
3190     STA IRQEN
3200     LDA # <VBROUT
3210     STA CDTMA2
3220     LDA # >VBROUT
3230     STA CDTMA2+1
3240     LDA #10
3250     STA CDTMV2
3260     JMP MAINLOOP
3270     VBROUT
3280     LDA CHACT
3290     EOR #$03
3300     STA CHACT
3310     LDA #10
3320     STA CDTMV2
3330     RTS
3340     ;
3350     ;
3360     ;
3370     BASIC
3380     LDA TRAMSZ
3390     BEQ NOBAS
3400     JMP RESETV
3410     NOBAS
3420     PRINT 0,"No Cartridge!"
3430     JMP MAINLOOP
3440     BLOAD
3450     OPEN 1,4,0,LBUFF+6
3460     JSR DOSLOAD
3470     JMP MAINLOOP
3480     ;
3490     ;
3500     COPY
3510     ;Format: COPY D1:file,D2:FILE2
3520     LDY #7
3530     CLOOP
3540     LDA LBUFF,Y
3550     CMP #',
3560     BEQ FNDCOMMA
3570     INY
3580     JMP CLOOP
3590     FNDCOMMA
3600     LDA #EOL
3610     STA LBUFF,Y
3620     INY
3630     LDX #0
3640     CLOOP2
3650     LDA LBUFF,Y
3660     STA CBUFF,X
3670     CMP #EOL
3680     BEQ MOVEDONE
3690     INY
3700     INX
3710     JMP CLOOP2
3720     MOVEDONE
3730     OPEN 1,4,0,LBUFF+5
3740     CPY #1
3750     BEQ FRSTOK
3760     JMP ERROR
3770     FRSTOK
3780     LDY #$FF
3790     SLLOOP
3800     INY
3810     LDA CBUFF,Y
3820     CMP #'/' ;Append?
3830     BEQ APPENDIT
3840     CMP #EOL
3850     BNE SLLOOP
3860     OPEN 2,8,0,CBUFF
3870     CPY #1
3880     BEQ SCNDOK
3890     JMP ERROR
3900     APPENDIT
3910     LDA #EOL
3920     STA CBUFF,Y

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3930     OPEN 2,9,0,CBUFF
3940     CPY #1
3950     BEQ SCNDOK
3960     JMP ERROR
3970     SCNDOK
3980     BGET 1,ENDCOMDO5,128
3990     CPY #136
4000     BEQ ITSOK
4010     CPY #1
4020     BEQ PUT128
4030     JMP ERROR
4040     PUT128
4050     BPUT 2,ENDCOMDO5,128
4060     JMP SCNDOK
4070     ITSOK
4080     LDA ICBLLEN,X
4090     STA LOLEN
4100     LDA ICBLLEN+1,X
4110     STA HILEN
4120     LDX #$20
4130     JSR PUTBYTES
4140     JMP CONTCOPY
4150     PUTBYTES
4160     LDA #CPBINR
4170     STA ICCOM,X
4180     LDA # <ENDCOMDO5
4190     STA ICBADR,X
4200     LDA # >ENDCOMDO5
4210     STA ICBADR+1,X
4220     LDA LOLEN
4230     STA ICBLLEN,X
4240     LDA HILEN
4250     STA ICBLLEN+1,X
4260     JSR CIO
4270     RTS
4280     CONTCOPY
4290     CPY #1
4300     BEQ ITSOK2
4310     JMP ERROR
4320     ITSOK2
4330     CLOSE 1
4340     CLOSE 2
4350     PRINT 0,"File copied."
4360     JMP MAINLOOP
4370     ;
4380     ;DUPLICATE - Will duplicate the
4390     ;file specified after command.
4400     ;
4410     DUPLICATE
4420     PRINT 0,"Insert source disk
, press RETURN."
4430     POKE 764,255
4440     DGLOOP
4450     LDA 764
4460     CMP #12
4470     BNE DGLOOP
4480     OPEN 1,4,0,LBUFF+4
4490     CPY #1
4500     BEQ DUPOK
4510     JMP ERROR
4520     DUPOK
4530     BGET 1,ENDCOMDO5,60000
4540     CPY #136
4550     BEQ DUPOK2
4560     JMP ERROR
4570     DUPOK2
4580     LDA ICBLLEN,X
4590     STA LOLEN
4600     LDA ICBLLEN+1,X
4610     STA HILEN
4620     CLOSE 1
4630     PRINT 0,"Insert destination
disk, press RETURN"
4640     POKE 764,255
4650     GETLOOP
4660     LDA 764
4670     CMP #12
4680     BNE GETLOOP

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The Magic of Tesselations

by Allan Moose and Marian Lorenz

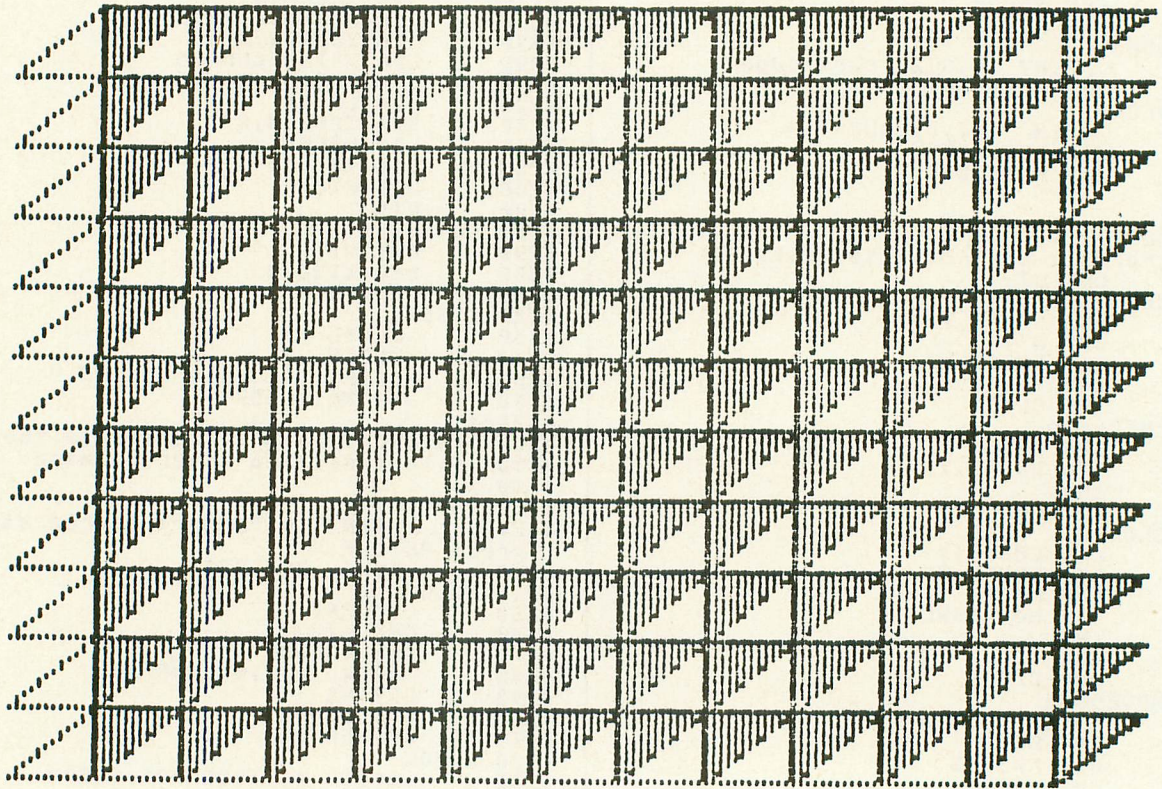


Figure 1

Tesselations may be an unfamiliar word, but you see them every day. They appear in the arrangements of bathroom tiles, linoleum patterns, parquet floors, or fabrics, just to name a few common places where they are found. A tessellation is the complete covering of a flat surface by one or more figures in a pattern where there are no overlapping of the figures and no open spaces. For many years tessellations were studied mainly by mathematicians. However, since the publication of Martin Gardner's "Mathematical Games" columns in *Scientific American* that were devoted to tiling, tessellations have become a pastime for people from all walks of life.

Most of us are familiar with portions of M. C. Escher's work from posters, calendars and jigsaw puzzles. He is one of the most famous graphic artists whose work includes some extremely intricate tessellations. In the commentary accompanying his book, *The Graphic Work of M. C. Escher*, Escher said that "the regular division of the plane . . . is the richest source of inspiration that I have ever struck; nor has it yet dried up." His original inspiration came from a study of the work of the Moors, particularly in the Alhambra in Spain, where the floors and walls were decorated with abstract geometrical tilings. Escher was first and foremost an artist, with no formal training in mathematics. Yet as he worked he found that he often had "more in common with mathematicians than with my fellow artists." This of course can be attributed to the fact that his works often exhibit symmetries of design that tend

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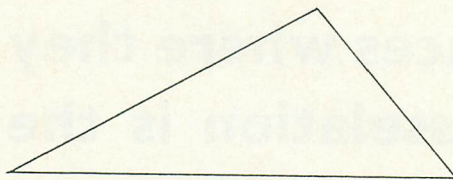
to be more often studied by scientists than by artists.

In this article we will discuss some basic concepts and present several programs that will allow you to experiment with plane tessellations on your computer. In other words, with these programs you can build a graphic composition around a geometrical theme. Since Escher was not bound by religious taboos as the Moors were, many of his tessellations often make use of two or more living figures carefully designed to interlock in such a way that they will tile a flat surface. Here our goal will be more modest - we'll work with polygons.

Of the regular polygons (geometric

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figures with all sides the same length)—only three, the equilateral triangle, square, and regular hexagon—can be used to make a tessellation. However, if we drop the requirement that the polygons must be regular, then the possibilities increase enormously. There is, in fact, an infinite number of irregular polygons that will tessellate. For example, take any triangle:



Flip it about one side and mate a pair

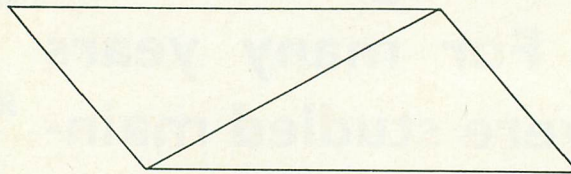
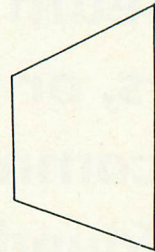
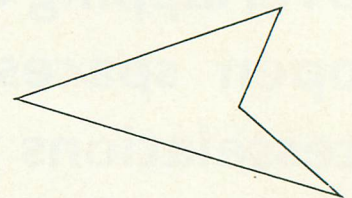


Figure 1 is the output from the program in Listing 2 which tiles a surface using triangles. Similarly, any quadrilateral, no matter whether it's convex (all angles less than 180):

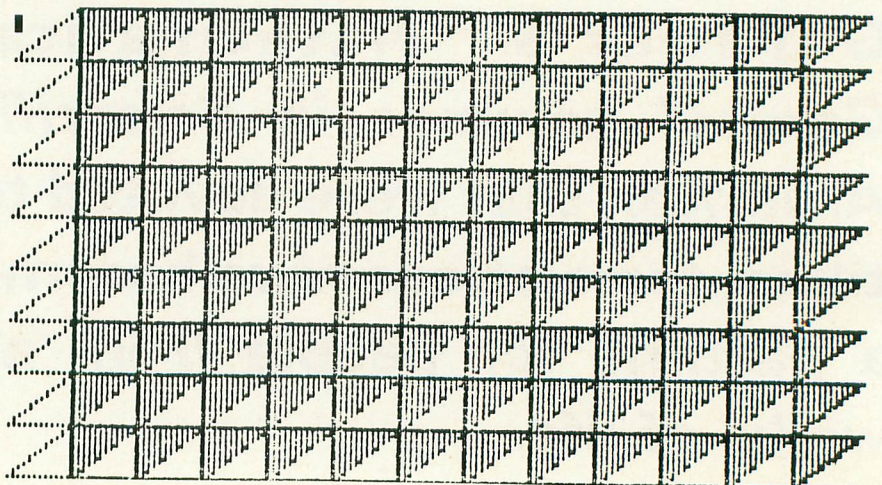


or not convex:



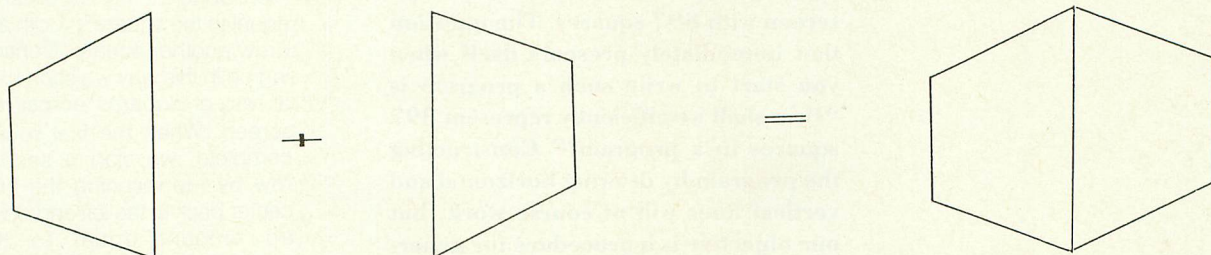
The resulting quadrilateral-like figure will tile a plane surface.

Figure 1



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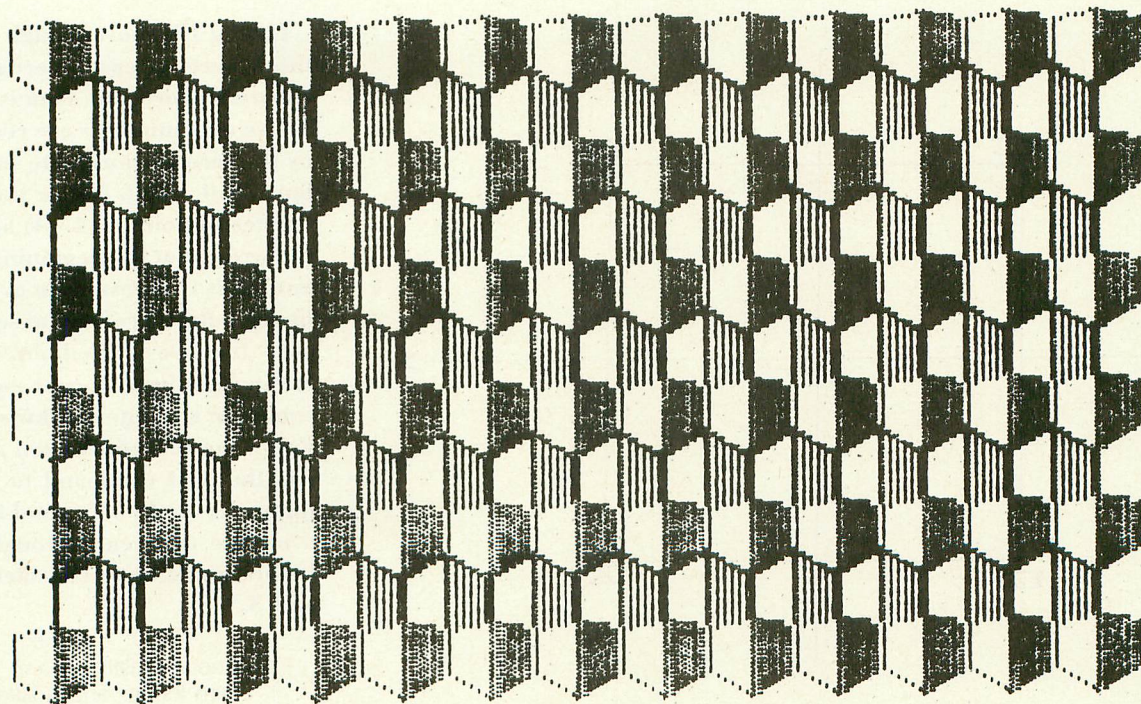
can tile the plane. This idea is similar to what we did with the triangle.



Flip and match

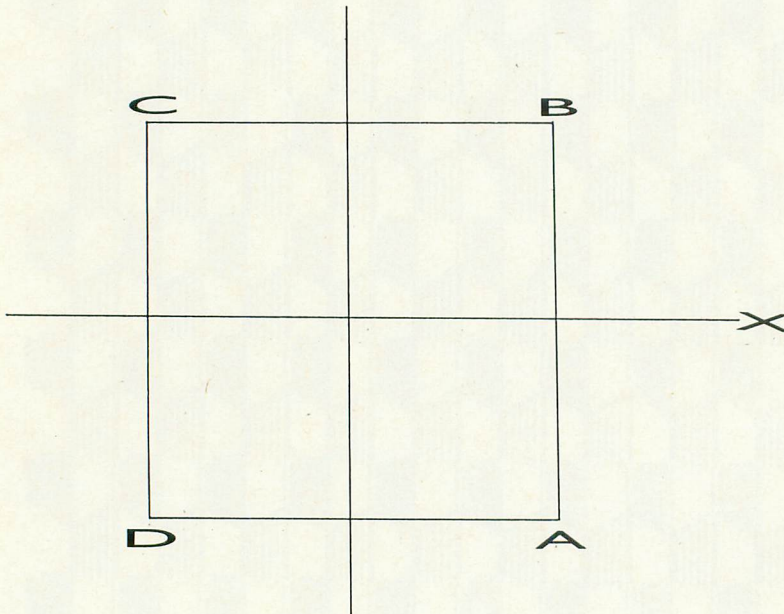
But now when each row of figures is drawn, we have to introduce a new flip. Figure 2, the output from the program in Listing 3, illustrates this.

Figure 2



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The purpose of the program in Listing 1 is to illustrate the essential concept of all subsequent tiling programs in as simple and direct a manner as possible. Listing 1 covers a full Graphics 8 screen with 897 squares. The question that immediately presents itself when you start to write such a program is "How shall we efficiently represent 897 squares in a program?" Constructing the program by drawing horizontal and vertical lines will of course work, but our objective is a procedure for generating tilings with arbitrary shapes. Do we have to include data numbers for the coordinates of each corner? (A little arithmetic shows that at the minimum we would need 897 points.) No; the idea is much simpler. Instead of drawing 897 different squares, we draw the "same" square 897 times. The way to do this is to imagine that our square is drawn on an X/Y coordinate system, which we'll call our "Local Coordinate System" (LCS):



The coordinates of the vertices (corners) A, B, C, D in the LCS are all the data we'll need.

Now, imagine that we position the LCS on the screen so that the square fits into the upper left-hand corner and we draw it in. Then we shift the center of the LCS to the right a distance equal to the square's width and draw another square. Continuing on in this way we soon have a row of squares across the screen. When the first row is complete, we start a second row by repositioning the LCS center back at the left and down an amount equal to the square's height. Repeating these steps soon fills in the whole computer screen.

In order to implement these ideas as a program we need three parts:

- Two FOR-NEXT loops to move the local coordinate system's center.
- A routine to convert the position of the LCS's center and the square's coordinate data into CRT screen coordinates.
- A sequence of drawing commands.

Listing 1 is short enough that each of these parts is easily recognized. The square's coordinate data is in line 50. These data numbers are read and used by the screen coordinate subroutine in lines 260 - 290. Notice that the coordinates of point A (4, -4) appear twice in the data: at the beginning and at the end. This is necessary in order to close up the leftmost column of squares. Also note that we started drawing at the lower right-hand corner and drew the square in a counterclockwise direction. Following this convention allows us to use the XIO command to fill in later tilings. It would be a good idea to take a minute and read through Listing 1 before going on to consider Listings 2 and 3.

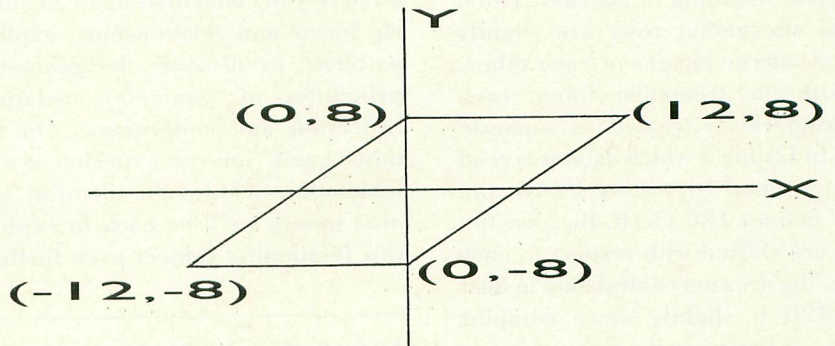
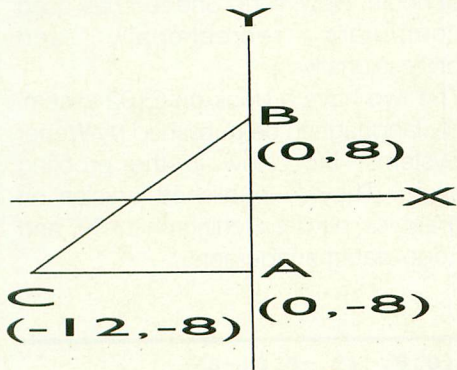
Although Listing 2 and Listing 3 are longer and a little more complicated than Listing 1 the basic procedure is the same. The programs are longer because the fundamental title has

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to be drawn in several different positions. For example, Listing 2, which tiles the plane in triangles, first draws a triangle like this

same size and shape next to it like this

lines 190 and 200. The graphics portion of the program is in

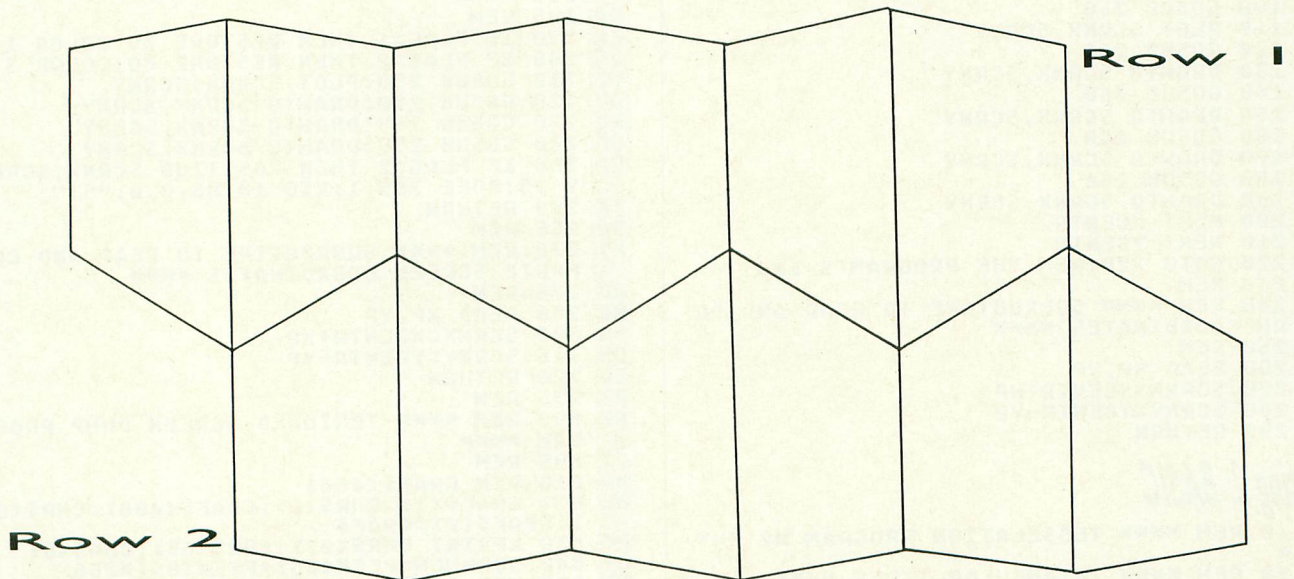


and then puts another of the

and fills it in with color using the XIO command in line 250. Each triangle is treated as a separate set of data. To control which triangle is drawn, a flag is set in line 110 or 130 and tested in

lines 60 to 320.

Listing 3 is even more ambitious because it makes a tessellation using a quadrilateral as shown:



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Examining the quadrilaterals 1 through 4, we see that they're mated in pairs to form a hexagon. Since a hexagon formed from a pair of the quadrilaterals is irregular, we need to complete the tiling in alternate rows. These alternating rows are slightly shifted mirror images of each other. As with the triangular tiling, each quadrilateral is treated as separate data. In Listing 3 which dataset is read is determined by testing FLAG and ROW in lines 480 - 510. Because the rows are shifted with respect to each other, the drawing control loop in lines 160-320 is slightly more complex than in the two previous programs in

that we can no longer use FOR-NEXT loops. However, the basic drawing procedure is the same.

By using the ideas we have presented here you could investigate geometric forms and relationships, explore patterns, or discover the geometric principles of symmetry, rotation, reflection and congruence. On the other hand, you can experiment with tessellations just for the tile of it! And next month we'll be back to explore this fascinating subject even further.

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Listing 1: BASIC

```
QZ 10 REM **** TESSELLATION PROGRAM #1 ***
*
IR 20 REM **** SQUARE TILES ****
OX 30 REM **** BY ALLAN MOOSE AND MARIAN
LORENZ ****
RU 40 GRAPHICS 24:COLOR 1
QK 50 DATA 4,-4,4,4,-4,4,-4,-4,4,-4
YQ 60 REM **** DRAWING CONTROL LOOP ****
RT 70 FOR YCENTR=4 TO 186 STEP 8
LR 80 FOR XCENR=4 TO 314 STEP 8
KM 90 RESTORE 50
TR 100 GOSUB 260
WG 110 PLOT SCRNX,SCRNY
TV 120 GOSUB 260
PG 130 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
TZ 140 GOSUB 260
PK 150 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UD 160 GOSUB 260
PO 170 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UH 180 GOSUB 260
PS 190 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
VF 200 NEXT XCENR
VR 210 NEXT YCENTR
VT 220 GOTO 220:REM THE PROGRAM'S END
QT 230 REM
JY 240 REM **** SUBROUTINE TO READ AND DR
AW COORDINATES ****
QX 250 REM
NI 260 READ XP,YP
TD 270 SCRNX=XCENR+XP
VZ 280 SCRNY=YCENTR-YP
ZQ 290 RETURN
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Listing 2: BASIC

```
SH 10 REM **** TESSELLATION PROGRAM #2 ***
*
AY 20 REM **** TRIANGULAR TILES ****
OX 30 REM **** BY ALLAN MOOSE AND MARIAN
LORENZ ****
ON 40 PRINT "K":PRINT "LOADING SCREEN DUM
P..."
MH 50 GOSUB 1000
PL 60 GRAPHICS 31:POKE 708,46:POKE 709,19
2:POKE 712,60
FF 65 REM **** COORDINATE DATA ****
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GM 70 DATA 0,-8,0,8,-12,-8,0,-8
MU 80 DATA 0,-8,12,8,0,8,0,-8
ZC 85 REM **** DRAWING CONTROL LOOP ****
UV 90 FOR YCENTR=8 TO 176 STEP 16
QI 100 FOR XCENR=12 TO 144 STEP 12
WL 110 FLAG=1
UU 120 GOSUB 190
WZ 130 FLAG=2
UY 140 GOSUB 190
VO 150 NEXT XCENR
WA 160 NEXT YCENTR
FU 170 GOTO 810:REM GOTO THE SCREEN DUMP
RP 175 REM
ER 180 REM **** SUBROUTINE TO DRAW TRIANG
LES ****
RR 185 REM
ZY 190 IF FLAG=1 THEN RESTORE 70:COLOR 1
DS 200 IF FLAG=2 THEN RESTORE 80:COLOR 3
WZ 210 GOSUB 290:PLOT SCRNX,SCRNY
UB 220 GOSUB 290:DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UD 230 GOSUB 290:DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UF 240 GOSUB 290:DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
VD 250 IF FLAG=2 THEN POSITION SCRNX,SCRN
Y-15:POKE 765,1:XIO 18,#6,0,0,"5:"
ZK 260 RETURN
RO 265 REM
KT 270 REM **** SUBROUTINE TO READ AND CO
MPUTE SCREEN COORDINATES ****
RQ 275 REM
NO 290 READ XP,YP
SQ 300 SCRNX=XCENR+XP
UM 310 SCRNY=YCENTR-YP
ZD 320 RETURN
RZ 795 REM
XX 800 REM **** TEXTURED SCREEN DUMP PROG
RAM ****
RI 805 REM
NR 810 DIM GRAF$(400)
BU 820 GRAF$(1)=CHR$(0):GRAF$(400)=CHR$(0
):GRAF$(2)=GRAF$
MC 830 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(65);CHR$(8)
GY 840 SCRNMEM=PEEK(88)+PEEK(89)*256
MB 850 MEMLOC=SCRNMEM+40*191
DY 860 POKE 203,0:POKE 204,0:POKE 205,0
AT 870 FOR SCRNCOL=MEMLOC TO MEMLOC+39
CU 880 HIBYTE=INT(SCRNCOL/256)
BV 890 LOBYTE=SCRNCOL-HIBYTE*256
LZ 900 POKE 208,LOBYTE:POKE 209,HIBYTE
ZS 910 GRHI=INT(ADR(GRAF$)/256)
MU 920 GRLO=ADR(GRAF$)-GRHI*256
OV 930 POKE 206,GRLO:POKE 207,GRHI
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DN 940 DUMP=USR(1536)
QU 950 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(76);CHR$(144)
;CHR$(1);GRAF$
JX 960 NEXT SCRNCOL
OM 970 END
IO 1000 RESTORE 1030
YO 1010 FOR I=1536 TO 1697:READ ML:POKE I
,ML:NEXT I
AF 1020 RETURN
TQ 1030 DATA 104,169,192,133,203,160,0,17
7,208,170,41,192,201,128,208,9,133,204
,169,64,133,205,76,29,6
FW 1040 DATA 133,204,133,205,138,41,48,20
1,32,208,13,5,204,133,204,169,16,5,205
,133,205,76,57,6,5,204
DO 1050 DATA 133,204,5,205,133,205,138,41
,12,201,8,208,13,5,204,133,204,169,4,5
,205,133,205,76,85,6
QS 1060 DATA 5,204,133,204,5,205,133,205,
138,41,3,201,2,208,13,5,204,133,204,16
9,1,5,204,133,204
QC 1070 DATA 76,113,6,5,204,133,204,5,205
,133,205,230,206,208,2,230,207,165,204
,145,206,230,206,208,2,230,207
SF 1080 DATA 165,205,145,206,169,0,133,20
4,133,205,198,203,240,18,216
TQ 1090 DATA 56,165,208,233,40,133,208,14
4,3,76,5,6,198,209,76,5,6,96
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Listing 3: BASIC

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TP 10 REM **** TESSELIATION PROGRAM #3 ***
*
IK 20 REM **** QUADRILATERAL TILES ****
OX 30 REM **** BY ALLAN MOOSE AND MARIAN
LORENZ ****
ON 40 PRINT "K":PRINT "LOADING SCREEN DUM
P..."
MH 50 GOSUB 1000
ID 60 GRAPHICS 31:POKE 712,10:POKE 708,88
:POKE 710,24
IU 70 REM **** DATA FOR THE FIRST ROW ***
*
LQ 80 DATA -6,-4,0,-10,0,8,-6,6,-6,-4
QE 90 DATA 0,-10,6,-4,6,6,0,8,0,-10
IF 100 REM **** DATA FOR SECOND ROW ****
PI 110 DATA -6,4,0,10,0,-8,-6,-6,-6,4
WL 120 DATA 0,-8,6,-6,6,4,0,10,0,-8
TA 130 YCENTR=12:REM INITIALIZE Y-POSITIO
N
IO 140 REM **** DRAWING CONTROL LOOP ****
KF 150 REM **** DRAW ROW #1 ****
DL 160 FOR XCENTR=6 TO 150 STEP 12
CZ 170 FLAG=1:ROW=1
TU 180 GOSUB 340
XL 190 FLAG=2
TF 200 GOSUB 340
UH 210 NEXT XCENTR
KY 220 REM **** DRAW ROW #2 ****
ZR 230 YCENTR=YCENTR+14:IF YCENTR>164 THE
N GOTO 810
LC 240 REM **** DRAW ROW #2 ****
NY 250 FOR XCENTR=12 TO 150 STEP 12
DO 260 FLAG=1:ROW=2
TT 270 GOSUB 340
XK 280 FLAG=2
TX 290 GOSUB 340
UG 300 NEXT XCENTR
ZO 310 YCENTR=YCENTR+14:IF YCENTR>164 THE
N GOTO 810
KV 320 GOTO 160:REM LOOP BACK TO DRAW AND
THER ROW
RH 325 REM
DK 330 REM **** MAIN DRAWING SUBROUTINE *
***
RJ 335 REM
PW 340 GOSUB 480:GOSUB 540
WQ 350 PLOT SCRNX,SCRNY
UO 360 GOSUB 540
PQ 370 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
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US 380 GOSUB 540
PU 390 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UD 400 GOSUB 540
PF 410 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
UH 420 GOSUB 540
PJ 430 DRAWTO SCRNX,SCRNY
VZ 440 IF FLAG=2 AND ROW=1 THEN POSITION
SCRNX,SCRNY-17:POKE 765,2:XIO 18,#6,0,
0,"5:"
UN 450 IF FLAG=2 AND ROW=2 THEN POSITION
SCRNX,SCRNY-17:POKE 765,1:XIO 18,#6,0,
0,"5:"
ZM 460 RETURN
ZC 470 REM **** CHOOSE CORRECT DATA NUMBE
R5 ****
R5 475 REM
VI 480 IF FLAG=1 AND ROW=1 THEN RESTORE 8
0:COLOR 1
ZE 490 IF FLAG=2 AND ROW=1 THEN RESTORE 9
0:COLOR 2
GN 500 IF FLAG=1 AND ROW=2 THEN RESTORE 1
10:COLOR 3
GT 510 IF FLAG=2 AND ROW=2 THEN RESTORE 1
20:COLOR 2
ZF 520 RETURN
RJ 525 REM
KO 530 REM **** SUBROUTINE TO READ AND CO
MPUTE SCREEN COORDINATES ****
RL 535 REM
NH 540 READ XP,YP
TC 550 SCRNX=XCENTR+XP
VY 560 SCRNY=YCENTR-YP
ZP 570 RETURN
RZ 795 REM
WR 800 REM **** TEXTURED SCREEN DUMP ****
RI 805 REM
NR 810 DIM GRAF$(400)
BU 820 GRAF$(1)=CHR$(0):GRAF$(400)=CHR$(0)
:GRAF$(2)=GRAF$
MC 830 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(65);CHR$(8)
GY 840 SCRNMEM=PEEK(88)+PEEK(89)*256
MB 850 MEMLOC=SCRNMEM+40*191
DY 860 POKE 203,0:POKE 204,0:POKE 205,0
AT 870 FOR SCRNCOL=MEMLOC TO MEMLOC+39
CU 880 HIBYTE=INT(SCRNCOL/256)
BU 890 LOBYTE=SCRNCOL-HIBYTE*256
LZ 900 POKE 208,LOBYTE:POKE 209,HIBYTE
Z5 910 GRHI=INT(ADR(GRAF$)/256)
MU 920 GRLO=ADR(GRAF$)-GRHI*256
OV 930 POKE 206,GRLO:POKE 207,GRHI
DN 940 DUMP=USR(1536)
QU 950 LPRINT CHR$(27);CHR$(76);CHR$(144)
;CHR$(1);GRAF$
JX 960 NEXT SCRNCOL
OM 970 END
RK 980 REM
RX 990 REM **** MACHINE LANGUAGE DATA ***
*
IO 1000 RESTORE 1030
YO 1010 FOR I=1536 TO 1697:READ ML:POKE I
,ML:NEXT I
AF 1020 RETURN
TQ 1030 DATA 104,169,192,133,203,160,0,17
7,208,170,41,192,201,128,208,9,133,204
,169,64,133,205,76,29,6
FW 1040 DATA 133,204,133,205,138,41,48,20
1,32,208,13,5,204,133,204,169,16,5,205
,133,205,76,57,6,5,204
DO 1050 DATA 133,204,5,205,133,205,138,41
,12,201,8,208,13,5,204,133,204,169,4,5
,205,133,205,76,85,6
QS 1060 DATA 5,204,133,204,5,205,133,205,
138,41,3,201,2,208,13,5,204,133,204,16
9,1,5,204,133,204
QC 1070 DATA 76,113,6,5,204,133,204,5,205
,133,205,230,206,208,2,230,207,165,204
,145,206,230,206,208,2,230,207
SF 1080 DATA 165,205,145,206,169,0,133,20
4,133,205,198,203,240,18,216
TQ 1090 DATA 56,165,208,233,40,133,208,14
4,3,76,5,6,198,209,76,5,6,96
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One of the most pragmatically useful services on **DELPHI** is electronic mail, or **E-mail**. **ANALOG's ATARI SIG** provides direct access to **DELPHI's** electronic mail system, which happens to be one of the most powerful available anywhere.

There are two ways to get to mail from the **ATARI SIG**. The first is obvious, because it's a selection on the **SIG** menu: simply type **MAIL** (the selection is "MAIL (Electronic)"). The other route involves an "invisible" menu item, **DELPHI Mail**. I'll cover both of these in this column.

E-Mail

When you type **MAIL**, you enter **DELPHI's** electronic mail (**E-mail**) system. Basic E-mail operations include sending, reading, and forwarding messages, but **DELPHI E-mail** doesn't stop with the basics. There are a variety of enhancements you can use with these basic operations, including—among many others—sending the same message to several people at once, forwarding messages to other **DELPHI** members, and nonstop display of messages for fast download.

You can also send files from your personal Workspace (this is convenient when long messages are involved), and messages you read can be copied to Workspace files. Several customizing features are available,

among them automatic carbon copies, a "personal name" that appears next to your membername in the message you send, and automatic message forwarding.

DELPHI E-mail sports some sophisticated message filing and handling features too. Need to keep messages on related topics together? Use E-mail's powerful filing system to create named folders and move or copy messages among them. Want to delete individual messages, or all the messages you've read? One simple command does it. (And, if you accidentally delete the wrong messages, you can get them back!)

Here's a quick-reference summary of the E-mail commands you'll use most:

SEND

Type **SEND**, and **DELPHI** prompts you to enter the membername of the person to receive a message (To:), and the subject of the message (Subj:). Enter these and press **<RETURN>**, and the system prompts you to enter the message. Type your message (or send a file as an **ASCII** upload—7-bit text only) and **^Z** to send it. (Enter **^C** at any point to cancel the message.)

You can send the same message to multiple users by

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entering all of their names, separated by commas, at the To: prompt.

To send a file from your Workspace, simply type **SEND** <filename>, and you'll be prompted for the addressee and subject. After you enter this information, **DELPHI** sends a copy of the specified file to the addressee.

Displays the headers of the messages in the current folder. (**DIR** <folder name> lists the messages in the specific folder, and makes that the current folder.)

Use **DIR/FOLDERS** to see a list of available folders. The first time you try this, you'll find that one or two folders already exist: **MAIL**, which contains all messages that you've read and not deleted, and **NEWMAIL**, which contains unread mail. (If you have read some new mail and deleted it, you'll find a third folder, called **WASTEBASKET**. This is a temporary file that is automatically created to store deleted mail until you leave mail. It is purged and deleted when you leave E-mail.) It's worth

READ

noting here that you don't have to use the folder system if you don't want to. When you enter E-mail and have new messages, the **NEWMAIL** folder is always the current folder; when you enter E-mail and have no new messages, **MAIL** is always the current folder. The only time you need concern yourself with folders is when you wish to **MOVE** or **COPY** a message to a new folder, as explained below. (or press <RETURN>) Displays the next message, one screen at a time, with "More" prompts. **READ** followed by a message number displays the designated message, as does entering the number alone.

FORWARD

Sends a copy of the current message to a designated member or members. (You are prompted for an addressee and subject, as when you **SEND** a message.)

MOVE

Moves the current message to a designated folder. You can simply type **MOVE**, in which case you will be prompted for the name of the folder, or **MOVE** <name of folder>. (The **MOVED** message is deleted from the current folder.)

COPY

If the folder you specify does not exist, you'll be asked if you wish it to be created. Answer yes and **DELPHI** creates the named folder and moves the message to it.

EXTRACT

Copies the current message to a designated folder. Usage and options are the same as for **MOVE**, except the **MOVED** message is not deleted from the current folder. Copies the current message to a designated file in your personal Workspace. Usage and options are the same as for **MOVE**, but the message is not deleted.

SELECT

Hint: If you wish to view or download a long message nonstop and without the "More" prompts, type **EXTRACT TT**. This in effect "extracts" the message to your screen (TT). If you want to display all of your messages nonstop, type **EXTRACT /ALL TT**.

DELETE

Moves you to the designated folder, where all commands operate only on the messages in that folder. Erases the current message. (Actually, it moves the message to the **WASTEBASKET** folder.) To delete all the messages in the current folder, type **DELETE/ALL**. (This is a command that you may use

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COMPRESS

often, since you are charged for Workspace storage beyond a certain minimum, and your Mail files are part of your Workspace.)

This command reduces the size of the Mail files in your Workspace—something you'll want to do if you keep messages online, in folders or not.

To use this command, simply type **COMPRESS** at the **MAIL >** prompt, then wait a few seconds while **DELPHI** creates a new, smaller Mail file. Then, exit Mail, go to your personal Workspace, and type **DELETE MAIL.OLD**.

HELP

Type **HELP** to see a general overview of the E-mail system. Type **HELP** followed by a command (example: **HELP SEND**) to see specific information on using that command.

EXIT

Exit mail and return to the menu from which you entered it. (^Z has the same effect.)

You can use several commands in sequence to perform important tasks. For instance, if you accidentally delete a message, use **SELECT WASTEBASKET** to move to the folder containing deleted messages.

Once there, use **DIRECTORY** to find the message you wish to recover, **READ** it, then use **MOVE MAIL** to move it to your Mail file.

D-mail

Typing **DELPHI** takes you into the **DELPHI Mail** (or **D-mail**) system. D-mail offers a gateway to E-mail (type **MAIL**), and much more. For openers, there's Telex service, which gives you E-mail access to more than 1.7 million Telex terminals worldwide! (You can also receive Telex messages from any Telex user anywhere.) Type **HELP TELEX** for more information.

The D-mail menu also offers direct access to your personal Workspace, a language translation service, and some important Mail utilities, as shown on the menu below.

MAIL Menu:

BATCH Mailthru	MAIL (Electronic)
CATALOG of Mail Files	SCAN for New Messages
EXIT	TELEX/Easylink Workspace
HELP	
TII Translation Services	SetMail

DMAIL > (Mail, TII, Telex)

What's New on DELPHI

New Business Offerings

DELPHI's Business & Finance menu carries two recent additions: **CD Infoline** and **Mutual Funds Rates**. CD Infoline presents a daily update of the 20 U.S. banks with the highest "jumbo CD" interest rates. There is a surcharge of \$1.75 per report. Mutual Funds Rates provides quotes for some 1,700

mutual funds. A surcharge of 7¢ per quote is levied. Type **BUSINESS** at the **DELPHI** Main Menu for access to these services.

Alternate News Source

An interesting new feature on **DELPHI's** **NEWS-WEATHER-SPORTS** menu is **Views On News**. Hosted by Ellen Kaufman, manager of the **Micro Artists SIG**, it features regular contributions by several well-known **DELPHI** personalities. Primarily a forum for discussing current events, Views On News also offers features like Bob Fried's "Articles of Lasting Strangeness" (and they are). Type **NEWS VIEWS** to sample Views On News.

Tuesday Night (and other) Realtime Conferences

A reminder: **ANALOG'S ATARI SIG** hosts a realtime conference each Tuesday at 10 p.m., EST. You'll find the conferences an excellent venue for sharing information about Atari computers, getting answers to questions, and participating in friendly discussions of all types.

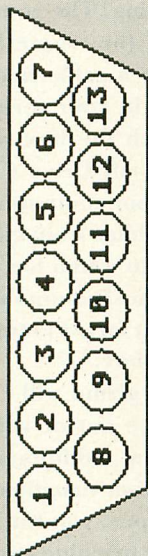
If you've a yen to chat online, though, you don't have to wait for Tuesday to roll around. Type **WHO** whenever you enter the **SIG**; the system will tell you if anyone is in conference (and chances are very good there will be a conference going on). Even if there are no conferences going on when you enter the **SIG**, you can probably start one by going to the conference area and typing **/PAGE** followed by one of the membernames listed when you typed **WHO**.

In addition to having published science fiction novels and books on rocketry, Michael A. Banks is the author of **DELPHI: The Official Guide and The Modem Book**, both from Brady Books. To order **DELPHI: The Official Guide**, type **GO GUIDE** at any **SIG** prompt.

Look for his articles on telecommunications and using **DELPHI** in the **ATARI SIG** databases. You can contact Banks on **DELPHI** by sending E-mail to membername **KZIN**.



Molex 13-Pin Connector
For Atari Serial Bus



RS232 Male Connector, DB25

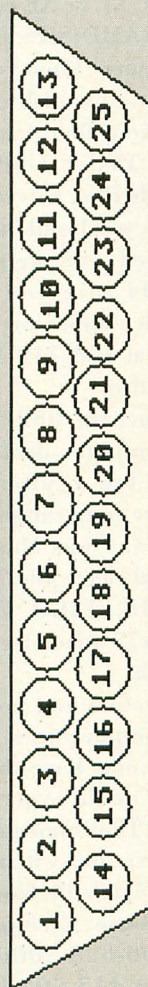


Figure 1

Rapid Swap

by Matthew J. W. Ratcliff

Many of us own several 8-bit Ataris for the simple reason that we want to keep up with the new technology. At the same time, it's pointless to sell the old equipment for a fraction of its original value. What to do? It's a shame to allow the extra computers around your house to go to waste, especially if you have children, a wife, husband, cat, or whomever, that vies with you for computer time on the one machine that is in use.

You could always hook up your extra computer to an old TV, and then juggle cables between the two Ataris. Not many people can afford, or justify, owning an extra set of peripherals (disk drive, printer, interface, etc.). But the hassle of juggling cables just isn't worth it, and is not good for the computers if you do so with the power on (a near necessity, if two people are to use the same disk drives frequently).

There *must* be a better way—and there is. I call it Rapid Swap. The best news is that it is inexpensive, and easy to build.

It would be handy to have a toggle switch that would automatically swap your entire serial bus full of Atari peripherals between systems. The problem is that it is tough to find a 13-pole toggle switch! Even those multipole rotary switches, like the ones found in RS232 switch boxes, are hard to come by.

Hey! That's it! Why not use an RS232 switch box? They're affordable, less than a \$50 mail order. Oh, but the connectors aren't the 13-pin serial bus type that Ataris use.

Well, that's where the work begins. You'll need three spare serial bus cables (for two-computer swapping). If you want to get a 4 or 5 position switch box, for sharing as many computers, you'll have to make more cables.

The connectors at the rear of an RS232 data switch box are 25-pin D-type females. You will need to purchase three male connectors and appropriate assembly hardware. You'll also need the usual electronics-kit building tools, such as a good low-wattage soldering iron, wire stripper, solder, wire cutters, a small screwdriver, and a multimeter for measuring continuity. You'll need an RS232 switch box also. Take your Atari serial bus cables and cut one end off each. You can try to save yourself a few bucks by cutting one in the middle, but you're likely to come up short, requiring your computers to sit closer together than you'd like.

Each cable might have the same color wires, or they may be completely different. (Murphy's law dictates that it is the latter, since that means more work for you. Even if they do have the same color codes, double check each.) You'll need

to check where each wire goes in the 13-pin connector at the opposite end. Set your meter on kilo-ohms or continuity checking. (Many have the latter, where you will hear a small beep if the test probes encounter a connection.)

See Figure 1 for appropriate pin numbering. Write down the consecutive pin numbers alongside the color wires they're associated with. There should be 13 unique colored wires (or solid with stripes). You may find that they're paired. The cables are usually lined with aluminum foil, and around that is twisted and uninsulated wire, called the shield. (This lies between the outer insulation of the cable and the wire bundles within.) There may be only six unique colors, each having a solid black wire twisted around it. If so, keep them twisted until ready to solder. If they get separated, you'll have to go back with the meter and check their routing again.

Note what type of backshells, or hoods your 25-pin connectors have. If they're two-piece, you can set them aside until everything else is done. If they're one piece, then you'll have to slide them onto the cable first. Next strip back the black outer insulation on the Atari cables about one to two inches. Treat the shield with care, this is soldered to pin 10 of the 13-pin molex connector (and will go to the same pin number on the 25-pin connector).

Strip back the insulation on each wire about 1/16th to 1/8th of an inch and warm up the soldering iron. Solder wires 1-13 from the 13-pin connector to the same numbered pins. If the exposed wire is short enough, you won't need to do any extra insulating when you've soldered it in place. You might want to put shrink tubing over the solder tabs and wires to be safe—if you aren't adept at soldering. Refer to Figure 1 and your colored-wire list frequently. Note that the pin numbering is shown as if you were looking at the business end of the connector (the part that plugs into the computer or switch box).

When you're done with each cable, use your meter to double check it. Make sure that pin 1 of the 13-pin molex connector goes to pin 1 of the RS232 connector, and so on. Double check them, triple check even. You don't want to cross any wires!

When all your cables are completed, it's time for testing. Plug the RS232 connectors into A and B (or 1 and 2, however your switchbox is labeled) on the box. Route the other ends to the SIO bus connector on each computer you'll be using. The connector labeled COMMON (or something similar) should have a cable hooking it to the first device in your serial bus chain.

Now switch the box to A, and boot computer A off Drive #1. Next switch to B, and boot computer B. Try printing to the printer from either computer. You've got to watch for timeouts. This will be the most common error you will get when you forget to turn the knob on the RS232 box.

This little gizmo will really help you get more use out of your computers, with minimal additional investment. Now, while your daughter is working on her term paper, you can flip the switch over to your machine and boot up Ballblazer! No more waiting in line for the computer!

If you have XL or XE computers, you can set up RAMDISKS and do most of your work there. Then you'll generally need to access the disk only when you want to make a final backup.

American TV, at 1-800-551-9995, sells I/O Cable Plug Kits for \$4.50 (connectors only; you build the cable). They may also sell complete SIO cables (which would save you some wiring time, but cost a little more). B & C Computervisions at 408-749-1003, sells the SIO cables also.

You can get an RS232 switch box from any computer dealer, but prices vary widely. For a two-position switch box the price may range from \$30 to \$70 or more. I was able to find one, new, at a local electronics specialty store for only \$35. JACO Enterprises at 408-996-0675 advertises them in *Byte* for \$45 each.

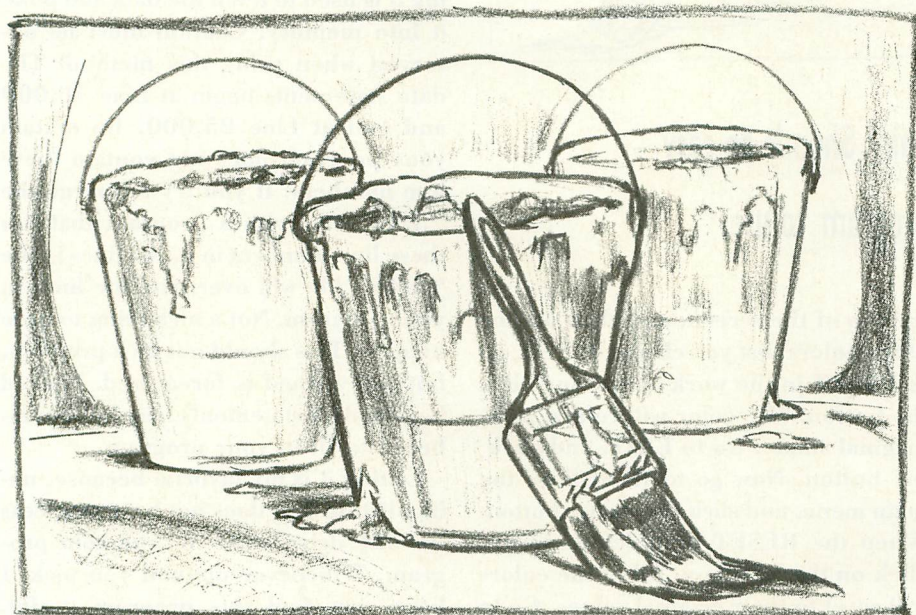
The connectors and housings (backshells) can be purchased at any Radio Shack. They may have the switch boxes too, but, I would expect, at a slightly higher price. The connectors (all but the 13-pin molex) and switch boxes would probably be available from electronics mail-order houses such as JDR Micro-devices at 800-638-5000 or JAMECO Electronics at 415-592-8097. **A**

ST Utility

low resolution

Paint Shop

by Jerry M. Beardsley



Before we get into the workings of Paint Shop, I would like to thank *James Luczak* for his very useful article "VDI Sampler", that appeared in the June issue of *ANALOG Computing*. I found myself turning to it so often, the cover fell off my copy. If you don't have a copy of that issue, it is well worth the time and effort spent to dig one up. And now, on to Paint Shop!

Typing In Paint Shop

Type in the program exactly as it appears in Listing 1. When you have finished, save a copy to disk, then use ST-Check (Issue 41) to make sure there are no typos. If your typing checks, you are ready to run Paint Shop.

Using Paint Shop

Paint Shop will run only in the low resolution mode. The first screen to come up will be the title screen. After a few seconds, a chime will sound, and a prompt will appear. When you press a key, a tone will sound, the screen will clear, and the Paint Shop work screen will come up. Notice that the screen is divided into three areas. The section at the top contains the 16 basic colors. The main menu is located in the area at the lower left. To the right of the menu is the work area.

Paint Shop is an easy program to use. The mouse is used for all input, except when loading or saving data. Move the

Welcome to *Paint Shop*, the program that lets you custom-mix your own colors, then save the data to disk for use in your own programs.

Paint Shop

cursor to the MIX COLOR option on the main menu, and click the mouse button. MIX COLOR will lighten, the work area will clear, and the color mixing graphics will appear.

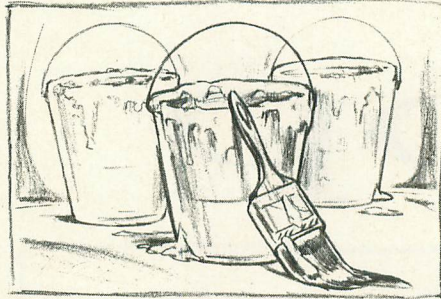
Move the cursor to NEW COLOR, and click the button. NEW COLOR will change to reverse video. Now go to the top of the screen, and click on one of the colors. The black box that appeared around the first color will move to this new color. This is the base color. You are now ready to begin your mixing.

The three sets of arrows in the work area are used for color mixing. They are labeled R, G, and B for red, green and blue. The arrows at the top (with + at the tips) add to that color. For example, if you click on the top arrow of the R, you will add some red to the base color. The arrows at the bottom (with - at the tips) subtract from that color. Note that the colors wrap around. That is, if you are adding color and the value becomes greater than 1,000 (the maximum allowed), the value will change to zero. This is also true when subtracting color, but the value goes from less than zero to 1,000.

Let's save our new color data to disk. Go to EXIT, and click the mouse button. Go to SAVE DATA on the main menu, and click the button. The work area will clear, and the SAVE DATA routine will begin. Type in a filename of not more than eight characters in length. Do not use an extender! If you enter an invalid filename, the program will let you know, then prompt you for a new entry. Press RETURN. The drive will come on, and "WORKING" will appear on the screen. After a few moments, "SAVE COMPLETE" will appear, and the drive will turn off. You have just saved your new colors to disk in two files; one with a ".DAT" extender and one with a ".BAS" ex-

tender. The use of these two files will be explained later.

Now let's go back and reset all of the colors to their original values. Go to MIX COLOR, and click the mouse button. When the color mixing graphics come up, click on NEW COLOR. Go to



Paint Shop is an easy program to use.

the top of the screen, and click on one of the colors that you changed. Next, go to RESET in the work areas, and click the button. The color will return to its original shade. Go to EXIT, and click the button. Now go to RESET on the main menu, and click the mouse button. When the RESET graphics come up, click on the YES box. All of the colors will reset to their original values. Go to QUIT on the main menu, and click the button. Click on the YES box. All of the system values, including the colors, will be reset to their default settings. The screen will clear, and the command window will appear.

Programming With Paint Shop

There are several ways to use the data

generated by Paint Shop. The two methods given here are the easiest for BASIC programmers to use. Both use VDI attribute function 14. The difference lies in where the data is stored. This is where the ".DAT" and ".BAS" files mentioned earlier come into play. The ".DAT" file is made up of raw data that must be loaded and poked into memory. Listing 2 handles that job. The ".BAS" file is composed of BASIC program lines containing data statements that contain the data for your colors. This file may be added to your own programs by using the merge option on the File Menu at the top of the screen. Listing 3 is used to fetch the data and poke it into memory. Caution must be observed when using this method! The data statements begin at Line 10,000 and end at Line 25,000. Be certain your program does not contain these line numbers. If you try to merge the ".BAS" file with a program that has these line numbers in it, the lines in the ".BAS" file will overwrite the lines in your program. Not a nice thing to have happen! This should not be a problem, but forewarned is forearmed. If need be, the data statements may be renumbered to fit in your program.

Listing 3 is my favorite because, unlike listing 2, it does not have to access the disk drive when you run your program. Whichever method you pick, I hope you find this program useful. Good luck and happy programming!

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Listing 1: ST BASIC

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10 ***** ST PAINT SHOP, VE
RSION 1.0 *****
20 ***** COPYRIGHT 1
986 *****
30 ***** BY JERRY M. BEA
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RDSLEY *****
40 '
50 '***** INITIALIZE VARIABLES, D
RAW TITLE SCREEN *****
60 FULLW 2: CLEARW 2: DIM DC(16,3): A=0: B
=1: C=2: D=3: E=4: F=5
70 G=6: H=7: I=8: J=9: K=10: L=22: M=15: BX1=
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B:BY1=L:BX2=304:BY2=188
80 T$(A)="ANALOG COMPUTING":T$(B)="PRE
SENTS":F$(J)="COPYRIGHT"
90 T$(C)="PAINT SHOP":T$(D)=", VERSION
1.0":T$(E)=" 1986 BY"
100 T$(F)="JERRY M. BEARDSLEY":T$(G)=C
HR$(189):T$(H)=CHR$(191)
110 T$(I)="One Moment Please":T$(J)="P
ress Any Key To Continue"
120 IF5=C:F5I=J:FLC=C:GOSUB SIFSTYLE:G
OSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB SFCOLOR
130 GOSUB BAR:IF5=B:F5I=B:FLC=B:BX1=BX
1+43:BY1=BY1+L
140 BX2=BX2-44:BY2=BY2-28:GOSUB SIFSTY
LE:GOSUB SFINDEX
150 GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB BAR:COLOR B,I,
E,B,B:LW=D:GOSUB SPLWIDTH
160 LINEF BX1-D,BY1-L,BX2+B,BY1-L:LINE
F BX2-B,BY1-L,BX2-B,BY2-L
170 LINEF BX2+B,BY2-L,BX1-D,BY2-L:LINE
F BX1-B,BY2-L,BX1-B,BY1-L
180 COLOR M:WM=C:TE=41:P$=T$(A):SX=BX1
+E*K+C:SY=BY1+11
190 GOSUB SMMODE:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSU
B TXTPRINT:SX=BX1+H*K+E
200 SY=BY1+C*K+H:P$=T$(B):GOSUB TXTPRI
NT:COLOR A:TE=33
210 SX=BX1+K:SY=BY1+H*K:P$=T$(C):GOSUB
TXTEFFECTS
220 GOSUB TXTPRINT:TE=A:COLOR D:SX=BX1
+J*K+C:P$=T$(H)
230 GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB TXTPRINT:CO
LOR A:TE=33:SX=BX1+K*K
240 P$=T$(D):GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB TX
TPRINT:SX=BX1+D*K
250 SY=BY1+H*K:COLOR C:P$=F$(J):GOSUB
TXTPRINT:COLOR D:TE=A
260 SX=BX1+K*K+E:SY=BY1+H*K-B:P$=T$(G)
:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS
270 GOSUB TXTPRINT:COLOR C:SX=BX1+11*K
+J:SY=SY+B:TE=33:P$=T$(E)
280 GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB TXTPRINT:SX
=BX1+E*K-G:SY=BY1+J*K
290 P$=T$(F):GOSUB TXTPRINT:SX=BX1+E*K
:SY=BY1+11*K:COLOR M
300 P$=T$(I):TE=I:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOS
UB TXTPRINT:CN$=","
310 M$(B)="MIX COLOR":M$(C)="LOAD DATA
":M$(D)="SAVE DATA"
320 M$(E)="RESET":M$(F)="QUIT":M$(G)="
Use Mouse To"
330 M$(H)="Make Selection":M$(I)="Ente
r Filename":M$(J)="Working"
340 F$(A)="Save":F$(B)="Load":F$(C)="
Complete"
350 F$(D)="(NO EXTENDER)":F$(E)="INCOR
RECT ENTRY"
360 F$(F)="Return To Exit":F$(G)=" YES
":F$(H)=" NO "
370 F$(I)="Are You Sure?":N=16:O=166:Q
=303:R=21:R1=1000
380 S=72:T=152:U=304:P8=112:P9=124:P10
=146:LN=10000
390 P1=20:P2=19:P3=14:P4=11:P5=13:P6=1
25:P7=158:DIM NC(N,D)
400 B$=" NEW COLOR ":C$="POINT AND CLI
CK":E$=" EXIT "
410 NT$="ANALOG COMPUTING"
420 M1$=SPACE$(B)+M$(E)+SPACE$(B):X1=J
:Y1=45:X2=30:Y2=61
430 FOR X=A TO M:POKE CONTRL,26:POKE C
ONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,C
440 POKE INTIN,X:POKE INTIN+C,B:VDISYS
(A):DC(X,A)=PEEK(INTOUT+C)
450 DC(X,B)=PEEK(INTOUT+E):DC(X,C)=PEE
K(INTOUT+G)
460 NC(X,A)=DC(X,A):NC(X,B)=DC(X,B):NC
(X,C)=DC(X,C):NEXT
470 COLOR B:GOSUB TXTPRINT:COLOR M:SX=
BX1+I:NF$="FILE NOT FOUND"
480 P$=T$(J):GOSUB TXTPRINT:GOTOXY A,A

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:PRINT CHR$(H):D$="DATA"
490 KEY=INP(C):SOUND B,M,E,G,B:SOUND B
,A,A,A,A:GOSUB HMCURSOR
500 '***** MAIN PROGRA
M LOOP *****
510 CLEARW C:GOSUB NEWTITLE:IF5=B:F5I=
B:FLC=H
520 RX1=C:RY1=L:RX2=Q:RY2=36:ID=J
530 GOSUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB
SFCOLOR:GOSUB RFRECT
540 IF5=A:F5I=A:FLC=B:RY1=21:RY2=37:GO
SUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX
550 GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB RFRECT:COLOR B
,A,B:SX=110:SY=35:TE=E:TH=K
560 P$=T$(C)+T$(H):GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GO
SUB TXTHEIGHT
570 GOSUB TXTPRINT:LINEF A,N,U,N:LINEF
Q,N,Q,O:LW=B
580 LINEF Q,O,A,O:LINEF A,O,A,N:BX1=X1
:BY1=Y1:BX2=X2:BY2=Y2:IF5=B
590 GOSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB SPLWIDTH:F5I=B
:GOSUB SIFSTYLE
600 FOR X=A TO M:IF X=I THEN BX1=J:BY1
=70:BX2=30:BY2=86
610 FLC=X:GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB BAR:LINE
F BX1-C,BY1-L,BX2,BY1-L
620 LINEF BX2,BY1-L,BX2,BY2-R:LINEF BX
2,BY2-R,BX1-C,BY2-R
630 LINEF BX1-C,BY2-R,BX1-C,BY1-L:BX1=
BX1+38:BX2=BX1+20:NEXT
640 LW=D:GOSUB SPLWIDTH:LINEF A,S,U,S:
LINEF T,S,T,O:SX=40:SY=110
650 RX1=G:RY1=97:RX2=148:RY2=112:TE=A:
GOSUB TXTEFFECTS
660 FOR X=B TO F:IF5=B:F5I=B:FLC=H:GOS
UB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX
670 GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB RFRECT:IF5=A:F
5I=A:FLC=B:GOSUB SIFSTYLE
680 GOSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB
RFRECT:RY1=RY2+D:RY2=RY1+M
690 P$=M$(X):GOSUB TXTPRINT:SY=RY2-C:N
EXT:IF5=B:F5I=B:FLC=A
700 GOSUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB
SFCOLOR
710 COLOR B:TE=I:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSU
B PROMPT
720 PICK=A:GOSUB SMCURSOR:GOSUB SMBUTT
ON:IF BP=A THEN 720
730 IF MX<C OR MX>149 THEN 720
740 IF MY>=97 AND MY<=110 THEN PICK=B:
SY=110:GOTO 790
750 IF MY>=115 AND MY<=128 THEN PICK=C
:SY=128:GOTO 790
760 IF MY>=135 AND MY<=145 THEN PICK=D
:SY=146:GOTO 790
770 IF MY>=153 AND MY<=163 THEN PICK=E
:SY=164:GOTO 790
780 IF MY>=171 AND MY<=181 THEN PICK=F
:SY=182
790 IF PICK=A THEN 720 ELSE GOTOXY A,A
:PRINT CHR$(H)
800 COLOR A:TE=A:SX=40:P$=M$(PICK):GOS
UB TXTEFFECTS
810 GOSUB HMCURSOR:GOSUB TXTPRINT:BX1=
157:BY1=96:BX2=301:BY2=186
820 ON PICK GOTO MIXCOLOR,LOADDATA,SAV
EDATA,SETFINISH,SETFINISH
830 MIXCOLOR:'*****
*****
840 CI=A:GOSUB BAR:IF5=A:F5I=A:FLC=B:G
OSUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX
850 GOSUB SFCOLOR:BX1=X1-C:BY1=Y1-B:BX
2=X2-C:BY2=Y2+C:GOSUB BAR
860 BX1=BX1-B:BY1=BY1-B:BX2=BX2+B:BY2=
BY2+B:GOSUB BAR:COLOR B
870 TH=C*K:GOSUB TXTHEIGHT:GOTOXY P2-B
,P4:PRINT CHR$(B)
880 GOTOXY P2-B,M:PRINT CHR$(C):GOTOXY
P2+C,P4:PRINT CHR$(B)
890 GOTOXY P2+C,M:PRINT CHR$(C):GOTOXY
P2+F,P4:PRINT CHR$(B)

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900 GOTOXY P2+F,M:PRINT CHR$(C):TH=J:G
05UB TXTHEIGHT
910 SX=167:SY=138:P$="R":GOSUB TXTPRIN
T
920 SX=5X+R+G:P$="G":GOSUB TXTPRINT
930 SX=5X+27:P$="B":GOSUB TXTPRINT
940 SX=5X-54:SY=105:P$="+":GOSUB TXTPR
INT
950 SX=5X+R+G:GOSUB TXTPRINT:5X=5X+R+G
:GOSUB TXTPRINT
960 SX=5X-54:SY=170:P$="~":GOSUB TXTPR
INT
970 SX=5X+R+G:GOSUB TXTPRINT:5X=5X+R+G
:GOSUB TXTPRINT
980 SX=5X+K+I:SY=120:P$=M1$:GOSUB TXTP
RINT
990 BX1=5X-B:BY1=5Y-H:BX2=295:BY2=5Y+C
:GOSUB BAR
1000 BX1=5X-C:BY1=5Y-I:BX2=296:BY2=5Y+
D:GOSUB BAR
1010 SY=5Y+37:P$=E$:GOSUB TXTPRINT
1020 BX1=5X-B:BY1=5Y-H:BX2=287:BY2=5Y+
C:GOSUB BAR
1030 BX1=5X-C:BY1=5Y-I:BX2=288:BY2=5Y+
D:GOSUB BAR
1040 SX=5X-53:SY=5Y+23:P$=B$:GOSUB TX
TPRINT
1050 BX1=5X-B:BY1=5Y-H:BX2=BX2-14:BY2=
5Y+C:GOSUB BAR
1060 BX1=5X-C:BY1=5Y-I:BX2=BX2+B:BY2=5
Y+D:GOSUB BAR
1070 BX1=X1-D:BY1=Y1-C:BX2=X2+D:BY2=Y2
+D
1080 PICK1=A:GOSUB SMCURSOR:GOSUB SMBU
TTON:IF BP=A THEN 1080
1090 IF MX<156 OR MX>299 OR MY<96 OR M
Y>185 THEN 1080
1100 IF MX>=165 AND MX<=175 AND MY>=P8
AND MY<=P9 THEN PICK1=B
1110 IF MX>=165 AND MX<=175 AND MY>=P1
0 AND MY<=P7 THEN PICK1=B
1120 IF MX>=192 AND MX<=202 AND MY>=P8
AND MY<=P9 THEN PICK1=C
1130 IF MX>=192 AND MX<=202 AND MY>=P1
0 AND MY<=P7 THEN PICK1=C
1140 IF MX>=219 AND MX<=230 AND MY>=P8
AND MY<=P9 THEN PICK1=D
1150 IF MX>=219 AND MX<=230 AND MY>=P1
0 AND MY<=P7 THEN PICK1=D
1160 IF MX>=239 AND MX<=294 AND MY>=P8
AND MY<=122 THEN PICK1=E
1170 IF MX>=239 AND MX<=285 AND MY>=14
9 AND MY<=P7 THEN PICK1=F
1180 IF MX>=188 AND MX<=274 AND MY>=17
2 AND MY<=181 THEN PICK1=G
1190 IF PICK1=A THEN 1080 ELSE GOTOXY
A,A:PRINT CHR$(H)
1200 ON PICK1 GOTO RED, GREEN, BLUE, PUTB
ACK, EXIT, NEWCOLOR
1210 RED: '*****
*****
1220 IF MY<=P9 THEN NC(CI,A)=NC(CI,A)+
P6
1230 IF MY>=P10 THEN NC(CI,A)=NC(CI,A)
-P6
1240 IT=A:GOSUB SETCOLOR:GOTO 1080
1250 GREEN: '*****
*****
1260 IF MY<=P9 THEN NC(CI,B)=NC(CI,B)+
P6
1270 IF MY>=P10 THEN NC(CI,B)=NC(CI,B)
-P6
1280 IT=B:GOSUB SETCOLOR:GOTO 1080
1290 BLUE: '*****
*****
1300 IF MY<=P9 THEN NC(CI,C)=NC(CI,C)+
P6
1310 IF MY>=P10 THEN NC(CI,C)=NC(CI,C)
-P6
1320 IT=C:GOSUB SETCOLOR:GOTO 1080
1330 PUTBACK: '*****
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*****
1340 GOSUB HMCURSOR:P$=M1$:5X=239:5Y=1
20:COLOR A:GOSUB TXTPRINT
1350 WM=E:GOSUB SWMODE:COLOR B:GOSUB T
XTPRINT
1360 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+C,A:PO
KE CONTRL+G,E
1370 POKE INTIN,CI:POKE INTIN+C,DC(CI,
A):POKE INTIN+E,DC(CI,B)
1380 POKE INTIN+G,DC(CI,C):VDISY5(A):N
C(CI,A)=DC(CI,A)
1390 NC(CI,B)=DC(CI,B):NC(CI,C)=DC(CI,
C):GOSUB PAUSE
1400 WM=B:GOSUB SWMODE:COLOR B:GOSUB T
XTPRINT
1410 GOSUB SMCURSOR:GOTO 1080
1420 EXIT: '*****
*****
1430 GOSUB HMCURSOR:P$=E$:5X=239:5Y=15
7:COLOR A:GOSUB TXTPRINT
1440 WM=E:GOSUB SWMODE:COLOR B:GOSUB T
XTPRINT:FLC=A:GOSUB SFCOLOR
1450 WM=C:GOSUB SWMODE:GOSUB BAR:BX1=B
X1+B:BY1=BY1+B:BX2=BX2+B
1460 BY2=BY2-B:GOSUB BAR:GOSUB PAUSE:G
OSUB CLEANUP:GOTO 720
1470 NEWCOLOR: '*****
*****
1480 GOSUB HMCURSOR:P$=B$:5X=186:5Y=18
0:COLOR A:GOSUB TXTPRINT
1490 WM=E:GOSUB SWMODE:COLOR B:GOSUB T
XTPRINT
1500 GOSUB SMCURSOR:WM=C:GOSUB SWMODE:
TX=-1
1510 GOSUB SMBUTTON:IF BP=A THEN 1510
1520 IF MX<J OR MX>294 OR MY<47 OR MY>
85 THEN 1510
1530 IF MY>=71 AND MY<=85 THEN AD=I EL
SE AD=A
1540 IF MX>=J AND MX<=28 THEN CI=AD:TX
=A:GOTO 1620
1550 IF MX>=47 AND MX<=66 THEN CI=AD+B
:TX=B:GOTO 1620
1560 IF MX>=85 AND MX<=104 THEN CI=AD+
C:TX=C:GOTO 1620
1570 IF MX>=123 AND MX<=142 THEN CI=AD
+D:TX=D:GOTO 1620
1580 IF MX>=161 AND MX<=180 THEN CI=AD
+E:TX=E:GOTO 1620
1590 IF MX>=199 AND MX<=218 THEN CI=AD
+F:TX=F:GOTO 1620
1600 IF MX>=237 AND MX<=257 THEN CI=AD
+G:TX=G:GOTO 1620
1610 IF MX>=275 AND MX<=294 THEN CI=AD
+H:TX=H:GOTO 1620
1620 IF TX<A THEN 1510 ELSE GOTOXY A,A
:PRINT CHR$(H)
1630 GOSUB HMCURSOR:FLC=A:GOSUB SFCOLO
R:GOSUB BAR
1640 BX1=BX1+B:BY1=BY1+B:BX2=BX2+B:BY2
=BY2-B:GOSUB BAR:FLC=B
1650 GOSUB SFCOLOR:IF CI>=I THEN BY1=7
0:BY2=86 ELSE BY1=Y1:BY2=Y2
1660 BX1=TX*38+H:BY1=BY1-B:BX2=BX1+24:
BY2=BY2+C:GOSUB BAR
1670 IF CI=A OR CI=I THEN BX1=X1-C:BX2
=X2+C:GOSUB BAR
1680 BX1=BX1-B:BY1=BY1-B:BX2=BX2+B:BY2
=BY2+B:GOSUB BAR
1690 WM=B:GOSUB SWMODE:GOSUB TXTPRINT:
GOSUB SMCURSOR:GOTO 1080
1700 LOADDATA: '*****
*****
1710 ON ERROR GOTO 1810
1720 ER=A:GOSUB BAR:TH=J:GOSUB TXTHEIG
HT:GOSUB GETNAME
1730 GOTOXY R,M:WRITE M$(J):OPEN "I",#
1,NAMES$
1740 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+C,A:PO
KE CONTRL+G,E:CT=C
1750 FOR X=A TO M:FOR Y=A TO C:INPUT#1
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,NC(X,Y)
1760 POKE INTIN,X:POKE INTIN+CT,NC(X,Y)
):VDISYS(A)
1770 CT=CT+C:IF Y=C THEN CT=Y
1780 NEXT Y,X:CLOSE:COLOR B:P$=F$(B)+F$(C)
1790 GOTOXY K+J,M:WRITE P$:GOSUB PAUSE
1800 GOSUB BAR:GOSUB CLEANUP:GOTO 720
1810 GOTOXY P2,M:PRINT NF$:GOSUB PAUSE:RESUME 1700
1820 SAVEDATA:'*****
*****
1830 ER=A:GOSUB BAR:TH=J:GOSUB TXTHEIGHT:GOSUB GETNAME
1840 GOTOXY R,M:WRITE M$(J):OPEN "0",#1,NAME$
1850 FOR X=A TO M:FOR Y=A TO C:WRITE#1,NC(X,Y):NEXT Y,X:CLOSE
1860 OPEN "0",#1,NAME1$:FOR X=A TO M
1870 PRINT #1,LN,D$:NC(X,A);CN$:NC(X,B);CN$:NC(X,C)
1880 LN=LN+R1:NEXT:CLOSE
1890 COLOR A:GOTOXY R,M:WRITE M$(J):COLOR B:P$=F$(A)+F$(C)
1900 GOTOXY K+J,M:WRITE P$:GOSUB PAUSE:GOSUB BAR
1910 GOSUB CLEANUP:GOTO 720
1920 SETFINISH:'*****
*****
1930 GOSUB BAR:IF5=A:F5I=A:FLC=B:GOSUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX
1940 GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB MAKESURE
1950 IF PICK=E AND CHOICE=G THEN GOSUB RESETIT
1960 IF PICK=F AND CHOICE=G THEN GOSUB ENDIT
1970 GOSUB CLEANUP:GOTO 720
1980 '***** SUBROUTINES *****
1990 MAKESURE:'*****
*****
2000 COLOR B:GOTOXY P2+B,K:PRINT F$(I):GOTOXY P2,P5:PRINT F$(G)
2010 BX1=172:BY1=133:BX2=212:BY2=150:GOSUB BAR
2020 BX1=BX1-B:BY1=BY1-B:BX2=BX2+B:BY2=BY2+B:GOSUB BAR
2030 GOTOXY 28,P5:PRINT F$(H):BX1=252:BY1=133:BX2=285:BY2=150
2040 GOSUB BAR:BX1=251:BY1=132:BX2=286:BY2=151:GOSUB BAR
2050 GOTOXY P2,M:PRINT C$:GOSUB SMCURSOR
OR
2060 GOSUB SMBUTTON:IF BP=A THEN 2060
2070 IF MY<134 OR MY>148 THEN 2060 ELSE COLOR A
2080 IF MX>=174 AND MX<=208 THEN CHOICE=G:X=P2:Y=P5
2090 IF MX>=251 AND MX<=284 THEN CHOICE=H:X=28:Y=P5
2100 IF CHOICE=A THEN 2060 ELSE GOTOXY X,Y:PRINT F$(CHOICE)
2110 NM=E:GOSUB SWMODE:COLOR B:GOTOXY X,Y:PRINT F$(CHOICE)
2120 PRINT CHR$(H):GOSUB PAUSE:GOSUB HMCURSOR:RETURN
2130 GETNAME:'*****
*****
2140 COLOR B:GOTOXY P2,J:PRINT M$(I):GOTOXY P2,P4:PRINT F$(D)
2150 GOTOXY P2,M:PRINT F$(F):GOTOXY P2,P5:INPUT "",NAME$
2160 COLOR A:GOTOXY P2,M:PRINT F$(F):COLOR B
2170 FOR NM=B TO LEN(NAME$)
2180 IF MID$(NAME$,NM,B)="" THEN ER=B:GOTO 2220
2190 NEXT:IF LEN(NAME$)=A THEN SOUND B,M,E,G,B:SOUND B,A,A,A,A
2200 IF LEN(NAME$)=A THEN GOSUB BAR:GOSUB CLEANUP:GOTO 720

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2210 IF LEN(NAME$)>I OR VAL(NAME$)>A THEN ER=B
2220 IF ER=B THEN GOTOXY P2,M:PRINT F$(E):GOSUB PAUSE
2230 IF ER=B AND PICK=C THEN LOADDATA
2240 IF ER=B AND PICK=D THEN SAVEDATA
2250 NAME1$=NAME$+".BAS":NAME$=NAME$+".DAT":RETURN
2260 CLEANUP:'*****
*****
2270 IF PICK=B THEN 5X=40:5Y=110
2280 BX1=157:BY1=96:BX2=301:BY2=186
2290 COLOR D:WM=C:IF5=B:F5I=B:FLC=A:TE=A:TH=K:GOSUB SWMODE
2300 GOSUB SIFSTYLE:GOSUB SFINDEX:GOSUB SFCOLOR:GOSUB BAR
2310 GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB TXTHEIGHT:P$=M$(PICK):GOSUB TXTPRINT
2320 COLOR B:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB TXTPRINT
2330 TE=I:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:GOSUB PROMPT:RETURN
2340 PROMPT:'*****
*****
2350 GOTOXY P1,K:PRINT M$(G):GOTOXY P2,P3:PRINT M$(H):RETURN
2360 PAUSE:'*****
*****
2370 FOR TIME=A TO 1000:NEXT:RETURN
2380 SMBUTTON:'*****
*****
2390 POKE CONTRL,124:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,A
2400 VDISYS(A):BP=PEEK(INTOUT):MX=PEEK(PTSOUT)
2410 MY=PEEK(PTSOUT+C):RETURN
2420 SMCURSOR:'*****
*****
2430 POKE CONTRL,122:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,B
2440 POKE INTIN,A:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2450 HMCURSOR:'*****
*****
2460 POKE CONTRL,123:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,A
2470 VDISYS(A):RETURN
2480 BAR:'*****
*****
2490 POKE CONTRL,11:POKE CONTRL+C,C:POKE CONTRL+K,B
2500 POKE PTSIN,BX1:POKE PTSIN+C,BY1:POKE PTSIN+E,BX2
2510 POKE PTSIN+G,BY2:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2520 RFRECT:'*****
*****
2530 POKE CONTRL,11:POKE CONTRL+C,C:POKE CONTRL+G,A
2540 POKE CONTRL+K,ID:POKE PTSIN,RX1:POKE PTSIN+C,RY1
2550 POKE PTSIN+E,RX2:POKE PTSIN+G,RY2
2560 VDISYS(A):RETURN
2570 SIFSTYLE:'*****
*****
2580 POKE CONTRL,23:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,B
2590 POKE INTIN,IF5:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2600 SFINDEX:'*****
*****
2610 POKE CONTRL,24:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,B
2620 POKE INTIN,F5I:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2630 SFCOLOR:'*****
*****
2640 POKE CONTRL,25:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,B
2650 POKE INTIN,FLC:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2660 SWMODE:'*****
*****
2670 POKE CONTRL,32:POKE CONTRL+C,A:POKE CONTRL+G,B
2680 POKE INTIN,WM:VDISYS(A):RETURN

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2690 TXTEFFECTS:'*****
*****
2700 POKE CONTRL,106:POKE CONTRL+C,B:PO
KE CONTRL+G,A
2710 POKE INTIN,TE:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2720 TXTPRINT:'*****
*****
2730 POKE CONTRL,I:POKE CONTRL+C,B:POK
E CONTRL+G,LEN(P$)
2740 FOR CH=A TO PEEK(CONTRL+G)
2750 POKE INTIN+(CH-B)*C,ASC(MID$(P$,C
H,B)):NEXT
2760 POKE PTSIN,5X:POKE PTSIN+C,5Y:VDI
S5(A):RETURN
2770 TXTHEIGHT:'*****
*****
2780 POKE CONTRL,107:POKE CONTRL+C,A:PO
KE CONTRL+G,B
2790 POKE INTIN,TH:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2800 SPLWIDTH:'*****
*****
2810 POKE CONTRL,16:POKE CONTRL+C,B:PO
KE CONTRL+G,A
2820 POKE PTSIN,LW:VDISYS(A):RETURN
2830 SETCOLOR:'*****
*****
2840 IF NC(CI,IT)>1000 THEN NC(CI,IT)=
A
2850 IF NC(CI,IT)<A THEN NC(CI,IT)=100
0
2860 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+C,A:PO
KE CONTRL+G,E
2870 POKE INTIN,CI:POKE INTIN+C,NC(CI,
A):POKE INTIN+E,NC(CI,B)
2880 POKE INTIN+G,NC(CI,C):VDISYS(A):R
ETURN
2890 RESETIT:'*****
*****
2900 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+C,B:PO
KE CONTRL+G,E:CT=C
2910 FOR X=A TO M:FOR Y=A TO C:POKE IN
TIN,X
2920 POKE INTIN+CT,DC(X,Y):VDISYS(A):N
C(X,Y)=DC(X,Y)
2930 CT=CT+C:IF Y=C THEN CT=Y
2940 NEXT Y,X:RETURN
2950 NEWTITLE:'*****
*****
2960 WH=GB:GINTIN=PEEK(WH+I):POKE GINT
IN+A,PEEK(SYSTAB+I)
2970 POKE GINTIN+C,C:WH=GB:GINTIN+E:NT$=
NT$+CHR$(A)
2980 POKE WH,VARPTR(NT$):GEMSYS(105):
RETURN
2990 ENDIT:'*****
*****
3000 TE=A:TH=J:WM=B:GOSUB TXTEFFECTS:G
OSUB TXTHEIGHT
3010 GOSUB SMODE:GOSUB RESETIT:CLEARW
C:NT$="OUTPUT"
3020 GOSUB NEWTITLE:GOSUB SMCURSOR:END

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Listing 1: Checksums

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10 data 837, 214, 484, 358, 697, 925
, 352, 809, 53, 292, 5021
110 data 918, 12, 706, 997, 602, 340
, 343, 699, 494, 806, 5917
210 data 278, 984, 349, 753, 702, 7,
389, 320, 805, 591, 5178
310 data 933, 798, 706, 136, 132, 71
7, 43, 850, 86, 62, 4463
410 data 391, 636, 182, 443, 234, 85
2, 679, 122, 905, 460, 4904
510 data 35, 205, 492, 672, 767, 976
, 833, 400, 729, 745, 5854
610 data 894, 18, 215, 475, 6, 453,
833, 910, 221, 599, 4624
710 data 374, 576, 727, 508, 727, 73
6, 742, 574, 454, 562, 5980

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810 data 491, 663, 125, 64, 646, 823
, 384, 704, 708, 887, 5495
910 data 68, 799, 402, 410, 592, 417
, 598, 578, 167, 273, 4304
1010 data 314, 268, 275, 470, 683, 7
40, 841, 980, 262, 444, 5277
1110 data 389, 433, 376, 430, 371, 4
34, 357, 506, 698, 258, 4252
1210 data 711, 511, 971, 416, 867, 5
17, 979, 421, 808, 516, 6717
1310 data 980, 419, 985, 258, 166, 5
56, 907, 736, 973, 161, 6141
1410 data 714, 813, 358, 81, 104, 90
4, 129, 362, 173, 784, 4422
1510 data 615, 701, 322, 281, 434, 4
73, 634, 658, 668, 658, 5444
1610 data 681, 371, 575, 625, 229, 2
36, 565, 848, 470, 0, 4600
1710 data 722, 316, 698, 290, 717, 3
64, 637, 242, 178, 808, 4972
1810 data 576, 48, 320, 720, 874, 7,
797, 77, 10, 504, 3933
1910 data 436, 183, 424, 458, 30, 78
7, 442, 393, 115, 52, 3320
2010 data 481, 826, 472, 917, 296, 5
99, 698, 226, 225, 389, 5129
2110 data 715, 176, 976, 545, 170, 5
86, 217, 512, 590, 358, 4845
2210 data 735, 981, 457, 504, 148, 9
95, 864, 40, 779, 829, 6332
2310 data 653, 251, 524, 13, 864, 89
2, 556, 131, 766, 303, 4953
2410 data 902, 132, 759, 572, 124, 7
63, 754, 744, 569, 94, 5413
2510 data 163, 970, 557, 235, 128, 7
56, 132, 562, 834, 970, 5307
2610 data 560, 814, 996, 565, 798, 9
64, 563, 782, 245, 772, 7059
2710 data 761, 183, 285, 774, 708, 1
3, 214, 784, 772, 99, 4593
2810 data 571, 784, 70, 359, 374, 57
3, 954, 699, 43, 297, 4724
2910 data 560, 652, 641, 759, 144, 3
35, 150, 857, 897, 181, 5176
3010 data 191, 199, 390

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Listing 2: ST BASIC

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10 OPEN "I",#1,"FILENAME":X=0:CT=2
20 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+2,0:POKE
CONTRL+6,4
30 WHILE X<>16:INPUT #1,CD:POKE INTIN,
X
40 POKE INTIN+CT,CD:VDISYS(0):CT=CT+2
50 IF CT=8 THEN CT=2:X=X+1
60 WEND:CLOSE

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Listing 2: Checksums

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10 data 999, 396, 75, 813, 197, 730,
3210

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Listing 3: ST BASIC

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10 POKE CONTRL,14:POKE CONTRL+2,0:POKE
CONTRL+6,4:CT=2
20 FOR X=0 TO 15:FOR Y=0 TO 2:READ CD
30 POKE INTIN,X:POKE INTIN+CT,CD:VDISY
5(0)
40 CT=CT+2:IF Y=2 THEN CT=Y
50 NEXT Y,X
10000 DATA COLOR DATA,COLOR DATA,COLOR
DATA
11000 DATA COLOR DATA,COLOR DATA,COLOR
DATA

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Listing 3: Checksums

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10 data 36, 436, 681, 344, 438, 517,
520, 2972

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The first time you boot up Gamestar's GFL Championship Football, it has the same kind of impact as a blind-side tackle. But after becoming more familiar with this football simulation, it sometimes seems as though the program's creators didn't quite connect on what could have been a very impressive touchdown pass. Had they done just a wee bit better, this program could have won the Super Bowl of computer sports simulations.

The concept behind GFL Championship Football is what separates it from the rest of the pack of football simulations. The program's creators deserve a lot of credit for going beyond the scope of other football games, which basically allow you to pick up teams and starting lineups and call the plays.

You do all that in this game too. But after you pick the plays—on offense, anyway—it's up to you to *run* them as well. If the offensive play is a pass, you become the intended receiver; if it's a running play, you carry the ball; and if it's a kick, you're the one who has to boot it.

Granted, a few other football simulations—even some created for cartridge-based home game systems—give the user some degree of control over on-screen activities. Typically, they present a view of most of the playing field as it would appear from above or from the sidelines and allow a player to manipulate an on-screen character or characters.

GFL Championship Football, however, is unique in that it presents a perspective that puts you right in the middle of the action. If your team has the ball, you'll be placed right in the shoes of the ball carrier, intended receiver, punter or kick returner. This perspective is effective at conveying the feel of playing real football. It's up to you to run precise pass routes, hit the right holes on running plays, sidestep tacklers on kick returns and unload a punt before it's blocked.

On defense, your role is much more limited. Whether playing against the computer or a human foe, you're limited to simply choosing alignments you hope will stop the opposing team's offensive progress. Once that's done, you don't even have to use the joystick until the next play. Although the field perspective remains the same, you just sit and watch while the computer manipulates the defensive players according to the strategy you selected.

By not allowing the joystick jockey to intercept passes and make tackles, GFL Championship Football loses some of its luster. Since one of the game's primary objectives is to put the computer gamer right in the middle of the action, and since this is what really makes GFL Championship Football stand out from the crowd, it seems strange that you should be forced to sit back and watch whenever your team goes on the defensive.

Another aspect of GFL Championship Football that I found awkward was its method of play selection. Whether you're on the offensive or defensive, you choose your plays with joystick and fire button after scrolling through an on-screen list of 34 possible offensive plays and 12 defensive alignments. In two-player games, either the defensive coach or offensive coach can make the first selection, but the offensive team will be penalized if a play is not called within 30 seconds.

The problem here is that whenever a play or alignment is selected, it is visible to the opposing coach. In real life, this would be like inviting the opposing coach into your huddle. Since the element of surprise—particularly on offense—is so important in the real game of football, this aspect of GFL Championship Football is very unrealistic. The only concession to the importance of tricky play-calling is the program's 'audibilizing' option, whereby either coach can call one other play after his opponent's first selection.

This can marginally help catch an opponent off-guard, but it still doesn't allow you to stun the defense with a bomb at a time when your foe should be expecting a short run over the middle. Perhaps the game's designers felt that because the program doesn't allow joystick control over the defensive players, it would put the defensive team at too big a disadvantage if the offense were allowed such leeway. In any event, the design effectively eliminates an important part of real football.

Some other elements of real football are also missing from GFL Championship Football. Their absence doesn't dramatically detract from game play, but could bother football aficionados who may be considering purchasing the program. Passes cannot be thrown to any player other than a wide receiver, and only the tailback can carry the ball on running plays. There are also no provisions for making laterals, fake punts, fake field goals or running other trick plays such as quarterback sneaks or ends-around.

My final criticism concerns the game's graphics. I feel somewhat guilty for registering this complaint, since the program's designers deserve plenty of credit for a graphic presentation that makes the player feel as though he or she is actually on the field running the plays. Nevertheless, the on-screen images are a little too cartoon-like for my taste. This was particularly noticeable on running plays, during which members of the offensive line seem to simply bob up and down, rather than block.

These criticisms notwithstanding, the copy-protected GFL Championship Football (the program is warranted for 90 days and thereafter will be replaced for \$7.50) is an outstanding football simulation. It meets the criteria of a good sports simulation, which is to say it accurately captures and conveys the look, feel and strategy of the sport on which it is based.

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BATTLEZONE

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Back in the days before sword-swinging Ninjas and automotive games overran the arcades of America, there were games like *Asteroids* and *Galaxian*. They were simple games that made no attempt to leave the world of two dimensions. They lacked *depth*. In fact, most games of the time were like this. Then along came Atari with a 3-D tank simulator called *Battlezone*, and for the first time an arcade game really caught my eye. The game, with its dark screen and none-too-bright green vector graphics—viewed through a targeting scope that shut out the rest of the world—had a surreal mood about it. The animation was smooth, and the sense of depth was incredible.

The game was a 3-D variation of the old *Tank* game that appeared in the late '70s. In *Tank* you took control of the title vehicle and tried to hunt down and destroy an enemy tank (usually controlled by a second player). The view was strictly 2-D, from overhead, with very simple graphics. *Battlezone* was revolutionary because it gave the player the perspective from *inside* the tank (this clearly limited the game to one player at a time), moving over an obstacle-strewn landscape on a search-and-destroy mission. Your view was limited to an arc forwards, but a radar scope provided vital information on the position of out-of-sight enemies and their shots. The primary menace came in the form of enemy tanks and "supertanks," along with annoying cruise-type missiles that periodically

charged your tank. Saucers, harmless but worth many points, provided a tempting distraction. The idea was simple: Blast the enemy without getting blasted!


The ST version is pretty true to the arcade original in many respects. In fact, a number of strategies used by players of the arcade machine do, in fact, work on the ST version, with slight modifications.

The graphics are not *exactly* like the arcade original's, but they're close enough. All the enemy vehicles are rendered in wireframe vector-type graphics, but the distant mountains and screen borders are "solid." The upper part of the screen, which contains the radar scope and scoring boxes, is rendered in relief and painted in camouflage! Further, on this *Battlezone* you can see the front of your tank's "treads" at the bottom of the screen, turning appropriately depending on how you are moving. The animation isn't as smooth as in a game like *Star-glider*, but it's not bad. There are six skill levels to choose from, and options of one- or two-player games. When you quit to the Desktop, the high score is saved to disk.

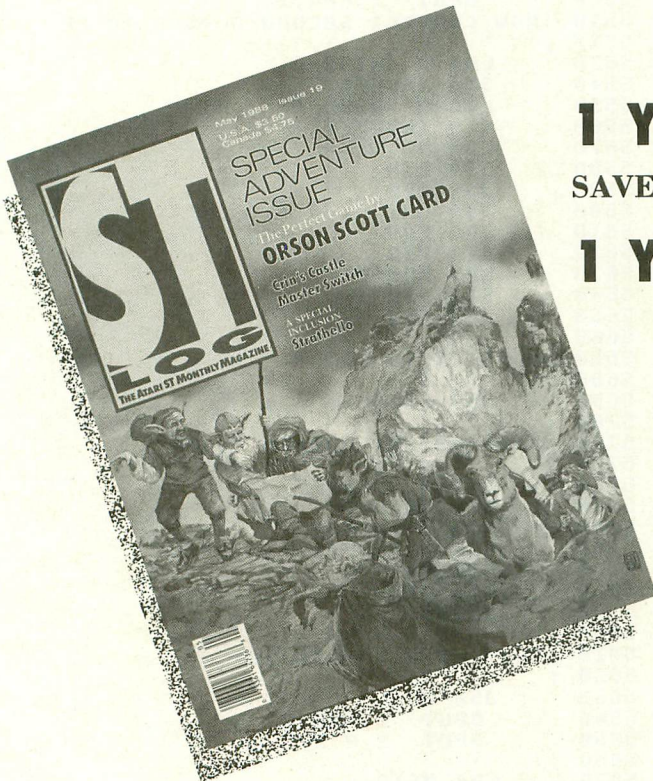
The biggest problem with *Battlezone* for the ST is the controls. The arcade game featured twin levers, allowing the player to control each tank tread, putting it into forward or reverse, permitting complex maneuvers. The single joystick control on the ST is clumsy by comparison. You can play the game with the keyboard, using the cursor keys for movement and

the space bar for "fire," but that control is no better, and in some ways worse, because the program can apparently read only two keys at the same time. So if you're holding down the up and left arrow keys to go forwards and turn left, pressing "fire" will avail you nothing! You'll have to release one of the other keys first. Don't get me wrong, the game is perfectly playable with a joystick, but the control just isn't the same with one stick. The game allows two players, either using two sticks or sharing one. Unfortunately no mode was included where a single player could plug two sticks into his ST and emulate the arcade controls.

This game was developed for Atari by the Caesar Studio in Budapest, Hungary, and project management was by Andromeda Software (whose name appears on the game's title screen). The graphics for the game were designed with *Art Director* (also by Caesar Studio).

Battlezone is nowhere as complex as *Star-glider* or *Arcticfox*, but that doesn't limit its appeal. Personally, I like blast-em games that involve some degree of strategy, but don't stray into the overly complex. *Battlezone* is simple, and challenging enough to merit attention, particularly at the low price at which Atari offers it. A final note: The game is not copy-protected, and the instructions urge you to make a backup and not use the master disk. This seems to be Atari's usual policy now, and I applaud it heartily. 

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4690 OPEN 1,8,0,LBUFF+4
4700 LDX #510
4710 JSR PUTBYTES
4720 CPY #1
4730 BEQ DUPOK3
4740 JMP ERROR
4750 DUPOK3
4760 CLOSE 1
4770 PRINT 0,"Duplication comple
te."
4780 JMP MAINLOOP
4790 WDO5
4800 LDA LBUFF+4
4810 STA DOSSYS+1
4820 OPEN 1,8,0,DOSSYS
4830 CPY #1
4840 BNE WDO5ERR
4850 CLOSE 1
4860 PRINT 0,"DOS.SYS file writt
en."
4870 JMP MAINLOOP
4880 WDO5ERR
4890 JMP ERROR
4900 WMEM
4910 LDA LBUFF+4
4920 CMP #'8
4930 BNE WMEMSAV
4940 PRINT 0,"Can't write MEM.5A
U to drive 8!"
4950 JMP MAINLOOP
4960 WMEMSAV
4970 STA MEMSAV+1
4980 OPEN 1,8,0,MEMSAV
4990 CPY #1
5000 BNE WMEMERR
5010 BPUT 1,ENDCOMDO5,5625
5020 CPY #1
5030 BNE WMEMERR
5040 CLOSE 1
5050 PRINT 0,"MEM.SAV file writt
en."
5060 JMP MAINLOOP
5070 WMEMERR
5080 JMP ERROR
5090 BSAVE
5100 LDY #6
5110 LDX #0
5120 BSVLOOP
5130 LDA LBUFF,Y
5140 CMP #',
5150 BEQ BENDFL
5160 STA CBUFF,X
5170 INY
5180 INX
5190 JMP BSVLOOP
5200 BENDFL
5210 LDA #EOL
5220 STA CBUFF,X
5230 LDX #0 ;Copy 1st #
5240 INY
5250 CN1LOOP
5260 LDA LBUFF,Y
5270 CMP #',
5280 BEQ CN1DONE
5290 STA N1BUFF,X
5300 INY
5310 INX
5320 JMP CN1LOOP
5330 CN1DONE
5340 LDA #EOL
5350 STA N1BUFF,X
5360 LDX #0
5370 INY
5380 CN2LOOP
5390 LDA LBUFF,Y
5400 STA N2BUFF,X
5410 CMP #EOL
5420 BEQ CN2DONE
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5430 INY
5440 INX
5450 JMP CN2LOOP
5455 ; Filename now in LBUFF, n1 in
5456 ; N1BUFF, n2 in N2BUFF.
5460 CN2DONE
5470 ;Open IOCB 1 for output
5480 OPEN 1,8,0,CBUFF
5490 ;
5500 BPUT 1,NNN,2
5510 ;Now convert second number to FP
5520 ;
5530 LDA # <N2BUFF
5540 STA INBUFF
5550 LDA # >N2BUFF
5560 STA INBUFF+1
5570 LDA #0
5580 STA CIX
5590 JSR AFP
5600 JSR FPI
5610 LDA FR0
5620 STA PTR
5630 LDA FR0+1
5640 STA PTR+1
5650 JSR IFP
5660 ;
5670 ;Move it to FR1
5680 ;
5690 JSR FMOVE
5700 ;
5710 ;Convert 1st number to FP
5720 ;
5730 LDA # <N1BUFF
5740 STA INBUFF
5750 LDA # >N1BUFF
5760 STA INBUFF+1
5770 LDA #0
5780 STA CIX
5790 JSR AFP
5800 ;
5810 ;Convert # to Integer
5820 ;
5830 JSR FPI
5840 BPUT 1,FR0,2
5850 BPUT 1,PTR,2
5860 ;
5870 LDX #510
5880 LDA FR0
5890 STA ICBADR,X
5900 LDA FR0+1
5910 STA ICBADR+1,X
5920 ;
5930 ;Convert 1st # back to FP
5940 ;
5950 JSR IFP
5960 JSR FMOVE ;Put it in FR1
5970 ;
5980 ;Convert 2nd # back to FP in FR0
5990 ;
6000 LDA # <N2BUFF
6010 STA INBUFF
6020 LDA # >N2BUFF
6030 STA INBUFF+1
6040 LDA #0
6050 STA CIX
6060 JSR AFP
6070 ;
6080 ;Do subtraction
6090 ;
6100 JSR FSUB
6110 JSR FPI ;Convert to int
6120 ;
6130 LDX #510
6140 INC FR0
6150 LDA FR0
6160 BEQ INCHI
6170 BNE STORIT
6180 INCHI
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COM-DOOS

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6190     INC FR0+1
6200  STORIT
6210     STA ICBLN,X
6220     LDA FR0+1
6230     STA ICBLN+1,X
6240     LDA #CPBINR
6250     STA ICCOM,X
6260     JSR CIO ;Put bytes
6270     PRINT 0,"Enter RUN address
        (press RETURN if none)"
6280     INPUT 0,LBUFF
6290     LDA LBUFF
6300     CMP #EOL
6310     BEQ GOMNLP
6320     LDA # <LBUFF
6330     STA INBUFF
6340     LDA # >LBUFF
6350     STA INBUFF+1
6360     LDA #0
6370     STA CIX
6380     JSR AFP
6390     JSR FPI
6400     LDA FR0
6410     STA RUNDAT
6420     LDA FR0+1
6430     STA RUNDAT+1
6440     BPUT 1,INIDAT,6
6450  GOMNLP
6460     CLOSE 1
6470     PRINT 0,"File saved."
6480     JMP MAINLOOP
6490  BOOT
6500     OPEN 1,4,0,"D:AUTORUN.SYS"
6510     CPY #170
6520     BEQ DOBOOT
6530     CLOSE 1
6540     PRINT 0,"D:AUTORUN.SYS file
        already exists!"
6550     JMP MAINLOOP
6560  DOBOOT
6570     CLOSE 1
6580     OPEN 1,8,0,"D:AUTORUN.SYS"
6590     LDY #0
6600  BOOTLOOP
6610     LDA LBUFF+5,Y
6620     STA FILEDAT,Y
6630     CMP #EOL
6640     BEQ DONEBOOT
6650     INY
6660     JMP BOOTLOOP
6670  DONEBOOT
6680     BPUT 1,PROG,73
6690     CLOSE 1
6700     JMP MAINLOOP
6710  HELP
6720     BPUT 0,HELPLST,ENDLST-HELPL
        ST
6730     JMP MAINLOOP
6740  HELPLST
6750     .BYTE "K"
6760     .BYTE " LOCK D:filename.ext"
6761     .BYTE " DIRn",EOL
6770     .BYTE " UNLOCK D:filename.ex"
6771     .BYTE "t FORMATn",EOL
6780     .BYTE " DELETE D:filename.ex"
6781     .BYTE "t WDO5n",EOL
6790     .BYTE " RENAME D:old,new"
6791     .BYTE " WMEMn",EOL
6800     .BYTE " BSAVE D:file,begin,e"
6801     .BYTE "nd REBOOT",EOL
6810     .BYTE " BLOAD D:filename.ext"
6811     .BYTE " GO addr",EOL
6820     .BYTE " COPY D:file1,D2:file"
6821     .BYTE "2[/] BASIC",EOL
6830     .BYTE " DUP D:filename.ext"
6831     .BYTE " STATUS",EOL
6840     .BYTE " BOOT filename.ext"
6841     .BYTE " CLICK",EOL
6850     .BYTE " ?hxnM "
6851     .BYTE " HELP",EOL
6860     .BYTE EOL,"n=drive number {1"

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6861     .BYTE EOL,"-8)",EOL
6870     .BYTE "hxnM = 4-digit hex nu"
6871     .BYTE "mber",EOL
6880     .BYTE "All input MUST be in "
6881     .BYTE "decimal.",EOL
6890  ENDLST
6900  GO
6910     LDA # <LBUFF+3
6920     STA INBUFF
6930     LDA # >LBUFF+3
6940     STA INBUFF+1
6950     LDA #0
6960     STA CIX
6970     JSR AFP
6980     JSR FPI
6990     JMP (FR0)
7000  STATUS
7010     BPUT 0,WVERMSG,14
7020     LDA WVERIFY
7030     CMP #80
7040     BEQ VEROFF
7050     PRINT 0,"ON"
7060     JMP DRIVES?
7070  VEROFF
7080     PRINT 0,"OFF"
7090  DRIVES?
7100     BPUT 0,DRIVEMSG,15
7110     LDA DRUBYT
7120     AND #501
7130     BEQ NXTBIT
7140     LDA #'1
7150     JSR PRBIT
7160  NXTBIT
7170     LDA DRUBYT
7180     AND #502
7190     BEQ NXTBIT2
7200     LDA #'2
7210     JSR PRBIT
7220  NXTBIT2
7230     LDA DRUBYT
7240     AND #504
7250     BEQ NXTBIT3
7260     LDA #'3
7270     JSR PRBIT
7280  NXTBIT3
7290     LDA DRUBYT
7300     AND #508
7310     BEQ NXTBIT4
7320     LDA #'4
7330     JSR PRBIT
7340  NXTBIT4
7350     LDA DRUBYT
7360     AND #580
7370     BEQ ENDDRIVE
7380     LDA #'8
7390     JSR PRBIT
7400  ENDDRIVE
7410     PRINT 0
7420     BPUT 0,MAXFILES,54
7430     LDA $ABYTE
7440     STA FR0
7450     LDA #0
7460     STA FR0+1
7470     JSR IFF
7480     JSR FASC
7490     LDY #$FF
7500  MAXLOOP
7510     INY
7520     LDA LBUFF,Y
7530     BPL MAXLOOP
7540     AND #$7F
7550     STA LBUFF,Y
7560     LDA #EOL
7570     STA LBUFF+1,Y
7580     PRINT 0,LBUFF
7590     JMP CHANGEM
7600  PRBIT
7610     STA BUFF2
7620     BPUT 0,BUFF2,2
7630     RTS
7640  CHANGEM

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7650     PRINT 0
7660     PRINT 0,"Toggle Write Verif
y on/off (Y/N)?"
7670     INPUT 0,CBUFF
7680     LDA CBUFF
7690     CMP #'Y
7700     BEQ CHWU
7710     CMP #EOL
7720     BNE CHCONT1
7730     JMP MAINLOOP
7740     CHCONT1
7750     JMP CHDRVS?
7760     CHWU
7770     LDA WVERIFY
7780     EOR #$07
7790     STA WVERIFY
7800     CHDRVS?
7810     PRINT 0,"Change active driv
es (Y/N)?"
7820     INPUT 0,CBUFF
7830     LDA CBUFF
7840     CMP #'Y
7850     BEQ CHNGDR
7860     CMP #EOL
7870     BNE CHCONT2
7880     JMP MAINLOOP
7890     CHCONT2
7900     JMP CHFLS?
7910     CHNGDR
7920     PRINT 0,"Type the drive num
bers, one at a time,pressing RETURN af
ter each one."
7930     PRINT 0,"Enter 0 when you'r
e finished."
7940     LDA #0
7950     STA DRNUM
7960     DRLOOP
7970     INPUT 0,CBUFF
7980     LDA CBUFF
7990     CMP #'0
8000     BEQ DONEDR
8010     CMP #'1
8020     BEQ DR1
8030     CMP #'2
8040     BEQ DR2
8050     CMP #'3
8060     BEQ DR3
8070     CMP #'4
8080     BEQ DR4
8090     CMP #'8
8100     BEQ DR8
8110     JMP DONEDR
8120     DR1
8130     LDA #1
8140     CLC
8150     ADC DRNUM
8160     STA DRNUM
8170     JMP DRLOOP
8180     DR2
8190     LDA #2
8200     CLC
8210     ADC DRNUM
8220     STA DRNUM
8230     JMP DRLOOP
8240     DR3
8250     LDA #4
8260     CLC
8270     ADC DRNUM
8280     STA DRNUM
8290     JMP DRLOOP
8300     DR4
8310     LDA #8
8320     CLC
8330     ADC DRNUM
8340     STA DRNUM
8350     JMP DRLOOP
8360     DR8
8370     LDA #128
8380     CLC
8390     ADC DRNUM
8400     STA DRNUM

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8410     JMP DRLOOP
8420     DONEDR
8430     LDA DRNUM
8440     STA DRVBYT
8450     CHFLS?
8460     PRINT 0,"Change number of f
iles that can be open simultaneousl
y?"
8470     INPUT 0,CBUFF
8480     LDA CBUFF
8490     CMP #'Y
8500     BEQ CHFLS
8510     JMP MAINLOOP
8520     CHFLS
8530     PRINT 0,"How many files do
you want open at one time (1-7)?"
8540     INPUT 0,CBUFF
8550     LDA # <CBUFF
8560     STA INBUFF
8570     LDA # >CBUFF
8580     STA INBUFF+1
8590     LDA #0
8600     STA CIX
8610     JSR AFP
8620     JSR FPI
8630     LDA FR0
8640     STA SABYTE
8650     JMP MAINLOOP
8660     CLICK
8670     LDA NOCLIK
8680     EOR #$FF
8690     STA NOCLIK
8700     JMP MAINLOOP
8710     HEXDEC
8720     LDA LBUFF+1
8730     JSR COMP
8740     STA HIBYTE
8750     LDA LBUFF+2
8760     JSR COMP
8770     STA LOBYTE
8780     JSR MULT
8790     STA FR0+1
8800     LDA LBUFF+3
8810     JSR COMP
8820     STA HIBYTE
8830     LDA LBUFF+4
8840     JSR COMP
8850     STA LOBYTE
8860     JSR MULT
8870     STA FR0
8880     JSR IFP
8890     JSR FASC
8900     LDY #$FF
8910     HDLOOP
8920     INY
8930     LDA LBUFF,Y
8940     BPL HDLOOP
8950     AND #$7F
8960     STA LBUFF,Y
8970     LDA #EOL
8980     STA LBUFF+1,Y
8990     PRINT 0,LBUFF
9000     JMP MAINLOOP
9010     COMP
9020     SEC
9030     SBC #48
9040     TAX
9050     LDA HEX,X
9060     RTS
9070     MULT
9080     LDA HIBYTE
9090     ASL A
9100     ASL A
9110     ASL A
9120     ASL A
9130     CLC
9140     ADC LOBYTE
9150     RTS
9160     ENDCOMDOS
9170     *= $02E0 ;Run address
9180     .WORD BEGIN

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by Dan Cermak

While SSI has been a prolific producer of war simulations for the 8-bit, it has, for some time, neglected the ST. I don't mean to imply that it has produced nothing for this, the greatest gaming machine yet produced (as those of you still trapped in Phantasie can well attest). No, I mean that they have yet to produce an ST war simulation, putting this graphics and speed workhorse to task in the genre which has always been their forte. Fortunately, they have now begun to rectify this oversight.

Colonial Conquest is the first in what I hope will be a long line of war simulations for the ST. And while this game lacks the complexity, and hence the realism of some of SSI's greatest simulations, it more than makes up for it with great graphics and a simple user interface. Basically a complex version of the classic board game Risk, *Colonial Conquest* pits up to six players against one another and the computer in a bid to take control of the world.

The era is 35 years around the turn of the last century (1880-1914, to be precise). The world is dominated by six major powers: England, Germany, France, The United States, Japan, and Russia, each ready, willing and able to build and expand their own empire. The industrial revolution has created a need for raw materials to supply and people to consume the output churning from the thousands of new factories. Increasing one's empire in size and population is seen as an easy and simultaneous solution to each problem, as well as being a patriotic cause to rally the populace behind, helping them to forget, at least temporarily, their monotonous, factory-enforced lives. And at this time in history, some parts of the world, especially Africa, were still unexplored and ripe for the picking. But while this historical backdrop is complex, the program itself is suprisingly

simple.

Game play takes place in three phases; build, movement, and combat. This is a game of men and money, much like the games played by real world leaders. Individuals make little difference; it is the masses and the megabucks that rule. Each country has a given amount of each, and those with a lot of both have large naval fleets as well. Those with little are easy targets. In the building phase, you strengthen your units, lend money to allies, spy on enemies to learn their strengths, and try to subvert other countries' control over minor nations. Money oftentimes sways the allegiances of these tiny, impoverished nations. After deciding on a strategy (which, in multiple player games, could require treaties and trust between rival nations as well as the occasional backstab), you enter the movement phase. Here you move armies, 1,000 men at a time, to adjacent areas. You are allowed 20 such moves. Finally, the combat phase determines the outcomes of any battles arising from the movement of troops into enemy territories. At the end of each round, each player is scored, gaining points for battles won, losing them for battles lost. Points are also awarded for taking control of an area, the exact amount determined by reference to the value and strength of the conquered nation.

The screen display is superb. The monitor is filled with a world map containing the 125 major and minor countries. Each of the six major countries is represented by a color; the minor ones are either a neutral grey or flying the colors of one of the big six. While only a portion of the map is visible at one time, touching the arrow against an edge of the screen scrolls the display up and down, left and right. In fact, by scrolling left and right you can repeatedly circle the earth, scrolling so smooth-

ly that some might become dizzy. The display resolution of the icons representing ports, supply centers, and fleets is so clear that one can't help but wonder what future simulations will be like, when control of thousands of units could literally fill the screen with these markers.

Like the screen images, documentation is likewise superb. The 26-page manual is organized simply and efficiently, with a page of short rules for the impatient, followed by a table of contents leading you to the various sections detailing the intricacies of the three phases, the implications of allowing a computer to control one or more major countries, and helpful hints and strategies. The last half of the booklet is devoted to an informative and entertaining essay on the politics and motivations of the era. Reading this section captures your imagination and fleshes out the blood battles waged on your screen. Tables and appendices contain the various values assigned to each country, and two maps (one plastic covered) show the world power structure in each of the historical scenarios. Even with all the instruction, I found it a little difficult to pick up on the game, probably due to the sparse ST-specific instructions, which failed to completely detail when to use the various windows and menus. Also, although you could play solo against the computer, the game yields the most enjoyment when three to six play, due to the fact that diplomacy plays a big part of the game.

But despite these blemishes, *Colonial Conquest* is an adequate war simulation. Although I'm dying for a complex simulation to make the crossover to this new medium, I am certain that with time more realistic, more strategic simulations will be offered. Until then, this one should satisfy all the war buffs. And if this is any indication of the future, then SSI is destined to conquer the ST.

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Quick, what values do you store at what addresses to enable player/missile graphics with single-line resolution? That's okay, I don't remember either. However, I learned long ago that the next best thing to knowing some useful tidbit of information is knowing where to find it when you need it.



by Karl Wiegers

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Bonzo (from "Attack of the Suicidal Road-Racing Aliens")

is fed up with being squashed.

Today he shoots back.

There are two ways to remember the useful tidbits required for player/missile graphics. The first is to keep a copy of *Mapping the Atari* by Ian Chadwick (COMPUTE! Books) handy. This book is absolutely indispensable for anyone programming an 8-bit Atari in assembly language (or any other language).

Even better, use your computer's memory instead of your own. Today I present a baker's dozen of macros that help you use player/missile graphics (PMG), display list interrupts (DLI), and vertical blank interrupts (VBI) in assembly programs. These macros simulate some of the commands Atari BASIC should have had but didn't. Many novice programmers are daunted by the minutiae associated with setting up PMG, but these macros are useful shortcuts to success. Along the way, we'll see how to manipulate missiles too. You see, Bonzo (from "Attack of the Suicidal Road-Racing Aliens") is fed up with being squashed. Today he shoots back.

Insecticide

We'd best begin with the "Whoops!" category. There's a small bug in the MOVE macro from two months ago. Please add this line to your MACRO.LIB file:

```
6115 LDY #0
```

Sorry about that.

Getting Started

Listing 1 contains the promised 13 new graphics macros. I decided to begin a new file of macros to be `.INCLUDE`d in future assembly programs, since the old `MACRO.LIB` file has become pretty long. Please enter Listing 1 into a file named `GRAPHICS.LIB`. If you write a program that doesn't use any of these macros, simply omit the `.INCLUDE` statement for this file.

If you're using the RAM disk file copier from last time, you should add `D1:GRAPHICS.LIB` to the list of files to be copied from the boot disk to the RAM disk. We can use the append fea-

ture of the DOS menu selection for copying files. Go to the DOS menu, choose item C to copy a file, and type:

```
E:\D:RAMDISK.FIL/A
```

This notation means that we want to copy from the screen editor (that is, the keyboard) to file D:RAMDISK.FIL, appending whatever we type on the keyboard to the present contents of D:RAMDISK.FIL. The cursor will then move to the beginning of the next line. Type:

```
D1:GRAPHICS.LIB
```

Press RETURN, and press control-3 to signify the end of the file. Your modified RAMDISK.FIL file should be written to the disk at this point. To verify that the change was made, copy from D:RAMDISK.FIL to E: and make sure all three lines appear:

```
D1:MACRO.LIB
D1:SUBS.LIB
D1:GRAPHICS.LIB
```

Graphics Shortcuts

Let's walk through the 13 macros in Listing 1. Most of the concepts will be familiar from our earlier graphics discussions, but I want to review a few points. These macros are all in MAC/65 format, but you should be able to adapt them to other macro assemblers with a little effort. The equates used by the macros are in Lines 170-280. You'll get a duplicate label error if any of these equates also appear elsewhere in your program.

The first entry is VBION in Lines 320-490. This routine simply turns on a vertical blank interrupt routine in your program. It requires one parameter, the address of the beginning of the VBI. I always label the beginning of my VBI routines as (guess what) "VBI"; so my calls to this macro are in the form :VBION VBI. It seems redundant, but it really isn't. All this routine does is insert your custom VBI routine

into the deferred VBI vector so it gets executed every sixtieth of a second, as it should.

The obvious counterpart is the next macro, VBIOFF, which requires no parameters. It simply resets the deferred VBI vector to the system default, thereby disabling the user-written routine. For both VBION and VBIOFF, you can change the LDA #7 statement to LDA #6 if you wish to use an immediate, rather than deferred, VBI routine. See Boot Camp in issue 49 for a discussion of VBIs.

Similarly, the DLION macro (Lines 660-860) enables display list interrupts by setting bit 7 at address NMIEN (\$D40E), Lines 780-800. DLION accepts one parameter, the address of your first DLI routine. I always call this (guess what) "DLI," so my use of this macro is in the form: DLION DLI. That address is stored in locations VDSLST, \$200-\$201 (Lines 810-840). Recall that if you're using multiple DLIs in the same screen, each DLI must itself store the address of the next DLI in VDSLST. Of course, it's still up to you to indicate the mode lines where you want the DLIs to occur, by setting bit 7 of each mode line instruction in the display list. See issue 46 for a DLI refresher.

As you might expect, the DLIOFF macro simply clears bit 7 in NMIEN if it's already set. Be careful, though. If you use DLIOFF before DLION, you can actually enable DLIs rather than disabling them. If you use these macros in the sensible order, all will be dandy.

Now to the player/missile graphics aids. SETPCOLOR (Lines 1020-1410) is virtually identical to our old SETCOLOR macro. However, SETPCOLOR sets one of the player color registers, whereas SETCOLOR processes a playfield color register. The four-player color registers are at addresses \$2C0-\$2C3, PCOLR0-PCOLR3. In case you ever need to change player colors using display list interrupts, these locations are the shadow registers for COLPM0-COLPM3 at \$D012-\$D015. Each color register controls the color of both a specific player and the missile as-

sociated with that player. Use SETPCOLOR just like you would SETCOLOR, with three parameters for the player number (0-3), hue (0-15) and luminance (0-15). Each parameter can be either a value or an address containing the values to be used.

The PWIDTH macro, Lines 1450-1660, lets you set each player independently to be normal (8 pixels), double (16 pixels), or quadruple (32 pixels) wide. Parameter 1 is the player number (0-3), and parameter 2 is the width to use (1, 2, or 4). The width of each player is determined by the bit pattern stored in bits 0 and 1 at addresses SIZEP0-SIZEP3 (\$D008-\$D00B). A bit pattern of 00 or 10 selects normal width; 01 doubles the player's width; and 11 produces quadruple width.

Several steps are required to actually enable player/missile graphics even after you've set up the player shapes, sizes and positions. Macro PMGON (Lines 1700-1880) does the dirty work. It takes one parameter, the address of the beginning of the block of RAM you reserved for PMG storage. Amazingly, I always give this address the label "PMG." Lines 1810-1820 tell the operating system where to find the PMG data. Line 1830 turns on players and missiles by setting bits 0 and 1 in GRCTL, \$D01D. Lines 1840-1860 set bits 2 and 3 in SDMCTL, \$22F, also required to activate PMG. Isn't a single statement like "PMGON PMG" a lot easier to remember than all this other junk? That's what macros are for.

Of course, the next macro is called PMGOFF, in Lines 1920-2020. It simply undoes most of what PMGON accomplished. No parameters are needed.

You probably recall that players can be displayed in either single-line or double-line resolution. The default is double-line, which means that each bit pattern in the player shape definition table shows up on two adjacent scan lines. The PMGRES macro in Lines 2060-2230 lets you choose the desired resolution. The parameter can either be 1 for single-line or 2 for double-line players. Recall also that PMG RAM al-

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All we do now is wait until
Bonzo hits the car with a
missile.



location and usage is different depending on the resolution you're using. Refer to issue 48 to refresh your memory.

You can also control the horizontal position of each player and missile, independently. I have two macros for these purposes, HPLAYER in Lines 2270-2430 and HMISSILE in Lines 2470-2630. These work in exactly the same way. Two parameters are needed, the player number (0-3) and the desired horizontal position, a value from 0-255. It wouldn't be difficult to modify these macros to accept as parameter 2 an address containing the desired horizontal position; give it a try. Remember that horizontal position values below about 48 and above 208 probably won't be visible on your TV or monitor screen.

Two sets of addresses are used in each of these macros. Locations HPOSP0-HPOSP3 (\$D000-\$D003) control horizontal positions for players, and HPOSM0-HPOSM3 (\$D004-\$D008) are used for missiles. However, these addresses are "write-only." You can't find out where a player is by peeking at the contents of one of these addresses. Hence, I set up parallel sets of data storage locations called XPOSP0-XPOSP3 and XPOSM0-XPOSM3. The HPLAYER and HMISSILE macros assume that you've done the same, and you'll get an undefined label error if you omit this step. Today's sample program will show what I mean.

Setting the widths of missiles is a bit more convoluted. A missile is just a 2-bit wide analog of the 8-bit wide player. Only one address, SIZEM (\$D00C), is devoted to controlling missile widths. Bits 0 and 1 handle missile 0, bits 2-3 are for missile 1, bits 4-5 apply to missile 2, bits 6-7 take care of missile 3. The pattern in each pair of bits again controls the missile width: 00 and 10 are normal; 01 is double; and 11 is quadruple.

The MWIDTH macro first creates the desired bit pattern based on the value in parameter 2 (1, 2, or 4). The value of parameter 1 tells us which missile to set. The loop in Lines 2890-2960 shifts

the desired bit pattern two bits to the left (more significant direction) until the bit pattern is in position corresponding to the correct missile. For example, for missile 0 we don't do any shifting, and for missile 2 we shift the pattern a total of four times (two passes through the loop), until our pattern is in bits 4-5. The resulting bit pattern is stored temporarily at address @TEMP within the macro definition (Line 2800). Finally, Lines 2980-3000 take the current contents of SIZEM, use the ORA instruction to set the desired two bits based on the contents of @TEMP (leaving the other six bits of SIZEM unchanged), and store the result back in SIZEM.

Confused? So was I. That's why I wrote the macro. Now I don't have to remember how it works every time I want to set the width of a missile. I simply let the computer do the thinking, while I try to handle the creativity end of business.

Our final macro sets the width of the playfield to normal (40 Graphics 0 characters), narrow (32 characters), or wide (48 characters) width. The playfield, of course, is the area of the monitor screen used for display of text, graphics and players. Our old friend SDMCTL (\$22F) is the main actor here again. The PLFIELD macro in Lines 3060-3390 requires one parameter to specify the desired width. A parameter of 0 turns off the display screen entirely, 1 is for narrow, 2 for standard and 3 for the wide playfield. The bit pattern in bits 0 and 1 of SDMCTL controls the playfield setting. A value of 00 means off, 01 is narrow, 10 is standard and 11 is wide.

The logic in the PLFIELD macro gets a little harrowing. It turns out to be a little tricky to simply set and clear specific bits in a byte, without affecting other contents of the byte. The AND, ORA and EOR instructions are useful, but you have to think carefully about what they do and in what order to use them. In the case of the narrow playfield, for example, I want to clear bit 1 and set bit 0. I chose a rather odd method to do this, but it works. Lines

3230-3240 perform two LSR (Logical Shift Right) operations. This simply throws away the contents of bits 0 and 1, while shifting the remaining six bits two positions to the right. Then two ASL (Accumulator Shift Left) instructions put the six high-order bits back where they belong and clear both bits 0 and 1. After that I use the ORA instructions in Line 3270 to selectively set bit 0. Whew!

You may wonder why I gave this last macro the awkward name of PLFIELD. Why not just come right out and say PLAYFIELD? Well, I tried PLAYFIELD. Unfortunately, MAC/65 interpreted this as a PLA instruction followed by YFIELD as a piece of data. So, I tried PLYFIELD, thinking that at least PLY isn't a 6502 mnemonic. Right, except that MAC/65 supports some extra opcodes that apply only to an enhanced NCR 65C02 microprocessor, and PLY happens to be such an instruction. It means to pull the Y-register from the stack. Hence, the more contrived PLFIELD. The moral is to be careful when naming macros, so MAC/65 doesn't misinterpret your macro name as some bizarre kind of instruction.

So now your toolbox is crammed with even more goodies. Let's see some of these babies in action.

Revenge of Bonzo

Remember Bonzo? He's the little guy with the death wish from "Attack of the Suicidal Road-Racing Aliens." Bonzo's changed his tune, and he's out to get back at the cars that kept doing him in. Today's sample program lets Bonzo shoot back at the cars. We'll see how to manipulate missiles, and how easy it is to set up a graphics program using these new (and some old) macros. In fact, the program in Listing 2 uses about 20 macros. As a special treat, I'll show you how to create the famous Atari rainbow character effect.

Please type in Listing 2. You'll have to assemble this program to disk, rather than just to memory, which might slow things down a bit. If you're using the

RAM disk, assemble to some file on drive D8: using a command like: ASM, #D8:BC58.OBJ. Don't forget to save a copy of the source code on disk before you BLOAD the assembled object code. Otherwise, the object file might overwrite the tail end of your source code. If you aren't using a RAM disk, change the drive designations for the .INCLUDE statements in Lines 210, 220, and 2850.

Here's the plan. Bonzo will remain at the bottom of the screen, and you can move him left or right within specified boundaries using a joystick in Port 1. A car will move across the screen from left to right. Bonzo shoots a missile at the car whenever you press the fire button on the joystick. If Bonzo scores a hit, the car explodes and a message appears. You can then either press START to play again or press RESET to exit from the program.

We'll use a VBI to handle movement of the car, Bonzo, and the missile. I've also created a special shape for Bonzo to assume when he's actually firing the missile. The VBI will copy that form into the PMG RAM whenever you press the joystick fire button. Our main program sets up the PMG environment, waits for a collision, and handles the post-collision activities.

Of course, we need to .INCLUDE the two macro library files we've built, Lines 210-220. Some equates appear in Lines 260-330. You've seen most of these before. STRIG0 (\$284) reads the joystick trigger (fire button). MOPL (\$D008) checks for collisions between missile 0 (fired by Bonzo as player 0) and players.

I put the PMG dedicated RAM block (2K for single-line resolution) at address \$3000 in Line 390. The .DS directives reserve chunks of RAM for each player and the missiles. The three pages from PMG to MIS aren't used in this program. My work variables which keep track of the horizontal and vertical positions of the players and missiles appear at the end of the PMG block, as do bytes to specify the limits of motion at the edges of the screen.

Vertical Blanking

The VBI routine, begins at \$4000 (Line 590). There's quite a bit of unused space between the top of the PMG block and the beginning of the VBI, which might come in handy if you have a really large program. Much of the VBI code is adapted from the Boot Camp column in issue 49. Storing something in ATRACT (Line 620) prevents the computer from going into attract mode if no key is pressed for several minutes. Lines 630-650 move the car (Player 1) one pixel to the right. Lines 660-830 handle the left/right movement of Bonzo, making sure he doesn't go past the boundaries I set in the main program.

The MOVEMISSILE routine beginning at Line 840 checks to see if the missile has been fired already, indicated if the horizontal position (XPOSM0) is not zero. If so, the missile is moved upward using the method we covered in previous issues (see Lines 1010-1140) until it hits the top boundary. When it hits the top, Lines 900-990 reset the horizontal position to zero (off-screen) and zero out the missile section in the PMG RAM block to clear out any junk. Then we go to CHKTRIG to see if the fire button is being pressed.

If the fire button is pressed, location STRIG0 will contain a 0. Otherwise, it contains a 1. If the button isn't pressed, Line 1170 branches down to COPYBONZO at Line 1310. There the standard Bonzo shape is copied to the RAM block for player 0. I do this every time just in case the last shape displayed was the shooting form. We don't want the shooting shape to remain forever once it is first drawn, now, do we?

If you're pressing the fire button, the shooting shape stored at address SHOOTER (Lines 2680-2710) is copied into PMG RAM using the MOVE macro, Line 1190. If the missile is already fired we don't shoot another one. However, if it hasn't been fired yet, Lines 1220-1270 copy the missile form (defined in Lines 2780-2790) into the

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Confused? So was I. That's why

I wrote the macro.

PMG RAM block and set the horizontal position to look like Bonzo really fired it. As with any VBI routine, the graceful way to exit is by jumping through the XITVBV (\$E462) vector, Line 1350.

The Main Routine

As usual, the main program begins execution at address \$5000, line 1410. Since I've termed this starting point START (creative labels, eh?), you could make this program autorun on loading, using the method we discussed last month.

The first orders of business are to set up a full screen of Graphics 2 and set the boundaries for player and missile movement (Lines 1450-1480). Lines 1490-1580 zero the required portions of the reserved PMG RAM block. The statements in Lines 1680-1820 set up the PMG environment. The player shapes are defined in Lines 2580-2610 (Bonzo) and 2630-2660 (the car).

Bonzo is yellow and the car is pink. Both players are single resolution, on a standard width playfield. Bonzo is normal width and the car is double width. The missile Bonzo fires will be normal width. After enabling player/missile graphics in Line 1770, Bonzo is moved to the middle of the screen. Both the car and Bonzo's missile begin offstage, at a horizontal position of 0. Finally, Line 1820 begins execution of the VBI routine, and the car starts to move across the screen. Now you can move Bonzo using the joystick and fire when ready, Gridley.

All we do now is wait until Bonzo hits the car with a missile. The loop in Lines 1910-1940 simply tests for this condition forever. Don't forget to reset the collision registers as in Line 1900 before checking for a new collision. We talked about collision detection in issue 50.

When Bonzo scores a hit, the game is over. First I turn off the VBI routine in Line 2020 so all player and missile movement ceases. The missile is moved offscreen in Lines 2030-2040. I replace the car shape with a wrecked

car shape (WRECK, defined in Lines 2730-2760), Line 2050. The FOR/NEXT loop in Lines 2060-2110 simply changes the color of the wreck from bright to dark red and back rapidly ten times, pausing for three jiffies after each color change. This gives sort of a flashing explosion effect.

Lines 2220-2250 print some messages on the screen, which are defined in Lines 2520-2560. Notice that I've used characters in those lines to select different color registers for the different text lines.

Lines 2260-2340 are all it takes to generate the well-known Atari rainbow effect. It works by simply incrementing the value stored in a particular hardware color register. Line 2290 waits for horizontal synchronization before actually effecting the color change. The result is a new color on each scan line, moving down the screen at about 60 scan lines per second. By changing the offset in the Y-register (Line 2270) and/or the base address being affected (Line 2310), you can produce this effect in any of the playfield or player color registers.

The rainbow continues until you either press the START button to play again (Lines 2320-2330) or the RESET button to exit from the program entirely. We talked about reading the console buttons in issue 44. When START is pressed, Lines 2430-2460 close the screen IOCB, reset the collision registers, turn off player/missile graphics, and go back to let Bonzo get some more revenge.

Closing Argument

As you can see, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, macros make assembly programming much faster, easier and cleaner. It doesn't take an Atari expert to write effective graphics programs when the right macros are available. I ask you to find in favor of the macro assembler, and to purchase one if you plan to continue your pursuit of 6502 assembly language on the 8-bit Atari computers. I thank you.



Isn't a single statement like

"PMGON PMG" a lot easier to

remember than all this other

junk? That's what

macros are for.

Listing 1: Assembly

```
0100 ;Graphics macros for MAC/65
0110 ;by Karl E. Wieggers
0120 ;
0130 ;*****
0140 ;
0150 ;equates needed by macros
0160 ;
0170 VDSLST = $0200
0180 SDMCTL = $022F
0190 PCOLR0 = $02C0
0200 HPOSPO = $D000
0210 HPOSMO = $D004
0220 SIZEP0 = $D008
0230 SIZEM = $D00C
0240 GRACL = $D01D
0250 PMBASE = $D407
0260 NMIEN = $D40E
0270 SETVBV = $E45C
0280 XITVBV = $E462
0290 ;
0300 ;*****
0310 ;
0320 ;VBION macro
0330 ;
0340 ;Usage: VBION address
0350 ;
0360 ;'address' is the address or
0370 ;label for the beginning of your
0380 ;deferred VBI routine
0390 ;
0400 .MACRO VBION
0410 .IF %0<>1
0420 .ERROR "Error in VBION"
0430 .ELSE
0440 LDY # <%1
0450 LDX # >%1
0460 LDA #7
0470 JSR SETVBV
0480 .ENDIF
0490 .ENDM
0500 ;
0510 ;*****
```

```
0520 ;
0530 ;VBIOFF macro
0540 ;
0550 ;Usage: VBIOFF
0560 ;
0570 .MACRO VBIOFF
0580 LDY # <XITVBV
0590 LDX # >XITVBV
0600 LDA #7
0610 JSR SETVBV
0620 .ENDM
0630 ;
0640 ;*****
0650 ;
0660 ;DLION macro
0670 ;
0680 ;Usage: DLION address
0690 ;
0700 ;'address' is the starting
0710 ;address of the DLI routine to
0720 ;be executed
0730 ;
0740 .MACRO DLION
0750 .IF %0<>1
0760 .ERROR "Error in DLION"
0770 .ELSE
0780 LDA NMIEN
0790 ORA #$80
0800 STA NMIEN
0810 LDA # <%1
0820 STA VDSLST
0830 LDA # >%1
0840 STA VDSLST+1
0850 .ENDIF
0860 .ENDM
0870 ;
0880 ;*****
0890 ;
0900 ;DLIOFF macro
0910 ;
0920 ;Usage: DLIOFF
0930 ;
0940 .MACRO DLIOFF
0950 LDA NMIEN
0960 EOR #$80
0970 STA NMIEN
0980 .ENDM
0990 ;
1000 ;*****
1010 ;
1020 ;SETPCOLOR macro
1030 ;
1040 ;Usage: SETPCOLOR p#,hue,lum
1050 ;
1060 ;p# is player number (0-3)
1070 ;hue is color number (0-15)
1080 ;lum is luminance value (0-15)
1090 ;all can be values or addresses
1100 ;
1110 .MACRO SETPCOLOR
1120 .IF %0<>3
1130 .ERROR "Error in SETPCOLOR"
1140 .ELSE
1150 .IF %1>3
1160 LDX %1
1170 .ELSE
1180 LDX %%1
1190 .ENDIF
1200 .IF %2>15
1210 LDA %2
1220 ASL A
1230 ASL A
1240 ASL A
1250 ASL A
1260 .ELSE
1270 LDA %%2*16
1280 .ENDIF
1290 .IF %3>15
1300 LDY %3
1310 .ELSE
1320 LDY %%3
```

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```

1330         .ENDIF
1340         STA PCOLR0,X
1350         TYA
1360         AND #50F
1370         CLC
1380         ADC PCOLR0,X
1390         STA PCOLR0,X
1400         .ENDIF
1410         .ENDM
1420 ;
1430 ;*****
1440 ;
1450 ;PWIDTh macro
1460 ;
1470 ;Usage: PWIDTh p#,width
1480 ;
1490 ;p# is player number (0-3)
1500 ;width is width factor (1,2,4)
1510 ;
1520         .MACRO PWIDTh
1530         .IF %0<2
1540         .ERROR "Error in PWIDTh"
1550         .ELSE
1560         LDX #%1
1570         LDA #0
1580         .IF %2=2
1590         LDA #1
1600         .ENDIF
1610         .IF %2=4
1620         LDA #3
1630         .ENDIF
1640         STA SIZEP0,X
1650         .ENDIF
1660         .ENDM
1670 ;
1680 ;*****
1690 ;
1700 ;PMGON macro
1710 ;
1720 ;Usage: PMGON address
1730 ;
1740 ;'address' is the address of the
1750 ;reserved PMG RAM block
1760 ;
1770         .MACRO PMGON
1780         .IF %0<1
1790         .ERROR "Error in PMGON"
1800         .ELSE
1810         LDA #>%1
1820         STA PMBASE
1830         POKE GRACtL,3
1840         LDA SDMCTL
1850         ORA #50C
1860         STA SDMCTL
1870         .ENDIF
1880         .ENDM
1890 ;
1900 ;*****
1910 ;
1920 ;PMGOFF macro
1930 ;
1940 ;Usage: PMGOFF
1950 ;
1960         .MACRO PMGOFF
1970         LDA #0
1980         STA GRACtL
1990         LDA SDMCTL
2000         EOR #50C
2010         STA SDMCTL
2020         .ENDM
2030 ;
2040 ;*****
2050 ;
2060 ;PMGRES macro
2070 ;
2080 ;Usage: PMGRES res
2090 ;
2100 ;res is 1 for single-line, 2
2110 ;for double-line resolution
2120 ;
2130         .MACRO PMGRES

```

```

2140         .IF %0<1
2150         .ERROR "Error in PMGRES"
2160         .ELSE
2170         .IF %1=1
2180         LDA SDMCTL
2190         ORA #510
2200         STA SDMCTL
2210         .ENDIF
2220         .ENDIF
2230         .ENDM
2240 ;
2250 ;*****
2260 ;
2270 ;HPLAYER macro
2280 ;
2290 ;Usage: HPLAYER p#,X
2300 ;
2310 ;p# is player number (0-3)
2320 ;X is horizontal position
2330 ;
2340         .MACRO HPLAYER
2350         .IF %0<2
2360         .ERROR "Error in HPLAYER"
2370         .ELSE
2380         LDX #%1
2390         LDA #%2
2400         STA HPOSP0,X
2410         STA XPOSP0,X
2420         .ENDIF
2430         .ENDM
2440 ;
2450 ;*****
2460 ;
2470 ;HMISSILE macro
2480 ;
2490 ;Usage: HMISSILE m#,X
2500 ;
2510 ;m# is missile number (0-3)
2520 ;X is horizontal position
2530 ;
2540         .MACRO HMISSILE
2550         .IF %0<2
2560         .ERROR "Error in HMISSILE"
2570         .ELSE
2580         LDX #%1
2590         LDA #%2
2600         STA HPOSM0,X
2610         STA XPOSM0,X
2620         .ENDIF
2630         .ENDM
2640 ;
2650 ;*****
2660 ;
2670 ;MWIDTH macro
2680 ;
2690 ;Usage: MWIDTH m#,width
2700 ;
2710 ;m# is missile number (0-3)
2720 ;width is 1, 2, or 4
2730 ;
2740         .MACRO MWIDTH
2750         .IF %0<2
2760         .ERROR "Error in MWIDTH"
2770         .ELSE
2780         CLC
2790         BCC @SKIPMWIDTH
2800 @TEMP .BYTE 0
2810 @SKIPMWIDTH
2820         LDA #0
2830         .IF %2=2
2840         LDA #1
2850         .ENDIF
2860         .IF %2=4
2870         LDA #3
2880         .ENDIF
2890         LDY #%1
2900         BEQ @SHDONE
2910 @SHLOOP
2920         ASL A
2930         ASL A
2940         DEY

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2950     BNE @SHLOOP
2960 @SHDONE
2970     STA @TEMP
2980     LDA @SIZEM
2990     ORA @TEMP
3000     STA @SIZEM
3010     .ENDIF
3020     .ENDM
3030 ;
3040 ;*****
3050 ;
3060 ; PLFIELD macro
3070 ;
3080 ; Usage:  PLFIELD width
3090 ;
3100 ; 'width' is 0 to turn screen off,
3110 ; 1 for narrow playfield, 2 for
3120 ; standard, 3 for wide
3130 ;
3140     .MACRO PLFIELD
3150     .IF %0<>1
3160     .ERROR "Error in PLFIELD"
3170     .ELSE
3180     LDA @DMCTL
3190     .IF %1=0
3200     LDA #0
3210     .ENDIF
3220     .IF %1=1
3230     LSR A
3240     LSR A
3250     ASL A
3260     ASL A
3270     ORA #1
3280     .ENDIF
3290     .IF %1=2
3300     LSR A
3310     ORA #1
3320     ASL A
3330     .ENDIF
3340     .IF %1=3
3350     ORA #3
3360     .ENDIF
3370     STA @DMCTL
3380     .ENDIF
3390     .ENDM

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Listing 2: Assembly

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0100 ; Demonstration of player/missile
0110 ; graphics macros
0120 ;
0130 ; by Karl E. Wieggers
0140 ;
0150     .OPT OBJ,NO LIST
0160 ;
0170 ;*****
0180 ; PULL IN MACRO LIBRARIES
0190 ;*****
0200 ;
0210     .INCLUDE #D8:MACRO.LIB
0220     .INCLUDE #D8:GRAPHICS.LIB
0230 ;
0240 ; equates we need today
0250 ;
0260 @TRACT = $4D
0270 @STICK0 = $0278
0280 @STRIG0 = $0284
0290 @M0PL = $D008
0300 @COLPF0 = $D016
0310 @HITCLR = $D01E
0320 @CONSOL = $D01F
0330 @WSYNC = $D40A
0340 ;
0350 ;*****
0360 ; SET UP PMG STORAGE
0370 ;*****
0380 ;
0390     *= $3000
0400 ;
0410 @PMG .DS $0300
0420 @MIS .DS $0100

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0430 @PL0 .DS $0100
0440 @PL1 .DS $0100
0450 @PL2 .DS $0100
0460 @PL3 .DS $0100
0470 @XPOSP0 .DS 4
0480 @YPOSP0 .DS 4
0490 @XPOSM0 .DS 4
0500 @YPOSM0 .DS 4
0510 @LEFT .DS 1
0520 @RIGHT .DS 1
0530 @TOP .DS 1
0540 ;
0550 ;*****
0560 ; VBI ROUTINE STARTS HERE
0570 ;*****
0580 ;
0590     *= $4000
0600 ;
0610 VBI
0620     POKE @TRACT,0
0630     INC @XPOSP0+1 ;move car 1
0640     LDA @XPOSP0+1 ;pixel to right
0650     STA @HPOSP0+1
0660     LDA @STICK0 ;get stick 1
0670     AND #4 ;left?
0680     BNE @CHKRIGHT ;no,check right
0690     LDA @XPOSP0 ;yes - at left
0700     CMP @LEFT ;edge?
0710     BEQ @MOVEMISSILE ;yes, go on
0720     DEC @XPOSP0 ;no, move Bonzo
0730     POKE @HPOSP0,@XPOSP0 ;to left
0740     BNE @MOVEMISSILE ;go on
0750 @CHKRIGHT
0760     LDA @STICK0 ;get stick 1
0770     AND #8 ;right?
0780     BNE @MOVEMISSILE ;no, go on
0790     LDA @XPOSP0 ;yes - at right
0800     CMP @RIGHT ;edge?
0810     BEQ @MOVEMISSILE ;yes, go on
0820     INC @XPOSP0 ;no, move him to
0830     POKE @HPOSP0,@XPOSP0 ;right
0840 @MOVEMISSILE
0850     LDA @XPOSM0 ;missile fired?
0860     BEQ @CHKTRIG ;no, check trig
0870     LDA @YPOSM0 ;yes - at the
0880     CMP @TOP ;top?
0890     BNE @MOVEM ;no, move it
0900     POKE @XPOSM0,0 ;yes - move
0910     POKE @HPOSM0,0 ;missile
0920     POKE @YPOSM0,$B8 ;offscreen
0930     LDX #0 ;zero out
0940     TXA ;missile 1 area
0950 @ZMISSILE
0960     STA @MIS,X
0970     INX
0980     CPX #$B8
0990     BNE @ZMISSILE
1000     BEQ @CHKTRIG ;check trigger
1010 @MOVEM
1020     LDA #>@MIS ;move missile
1030     STA @MOVEFROM+1 ;up 1 scan
1040     POKE @MOVEFROM,@YPOSM0 ;line
1050     LDY #1
1060 @LOOPUP
1070     LDA (@MOVEFROM),Y
1080     DEY
1090     STA (@MOVEFROM),Y
1100     INY
1110     INY
1120     CPY #10 ;missile is 10
1130     BNE @LOOPUP ;bytes tall
1140     DEC @YPOSM0
1150 @CHKTRIG
1160     LDA @STRIG0 ;trigger pressed?
1170     BNE @COPYBONZO ;no, go on
1180 ;yes-copy shooting form of Bonzo
1190     MOVE @SHOOTER,@PL0+$C0,17
1200     LDA @XPOSM0 ;missile fired?
1210     BNE @VBIEXIT ;yes, exit
1220     LDX @XPOSP0 ;no, copy missile
1230     INX ;form into PMG

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Boot Camp

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1240      INX          ;and move to
1250      STX HPOS00  ;Bonzo's location
1260      STX XPOS00
1270      MOVE  MISSILE,MIS+$B8,10
1280      CLC
1290      BCC VBIEXIT
1300      ;copy normal Bonzo form
1310      COPYBONZO
1320      MOVE  BONZO,PL0+$C0,17
1330      ;leave VBI routine
1340      VBIEXIT
1350      JMP  KITUBV
1360      ;
1370      ;*****
1380      ; MAIN PROGRAM STARTS HERE
1390      ;*****
1400      ;
1410      *= $5000
1420      ;
1430      START
1440      CLD          ;binary mode
1450      GRAPHICS 2+16 ;open screen
1460      POKE  LEFT,56 ;set limits
1470      POKE  RIGHT,191
1480      POKE  TOP,30
1490      LDX #0      ;zero PMG area
1500      TXA
1510      INIT
1520      STA MIS,X
1530      STA PL0,X
1540      STA PL1,X
1550      STA PL2,X
1560      STA PL3,X
1570      INX
1580      BNE INIT
1590      ;
1600      ;-----
1610      ;now point to PMG area, move
1620      ;car and Bonzo shapes into PMG
1630      ;RAM, set colors, widths, and
1640      ;positions, and resolution, and
1650      ;turn on PMG and VBI
1660      ;-----
1670      ;
1680      MOVE  BONZO,PL0+$C0,17
1690      MOVE  CAR,PL1+$80,16
1700      SETPCOLOR 0,1,12
1710      SETPCOLOR 1,5,6
1720      PLFIELD 2
1730      PMGRES 1
1740      PWIDTH 0,1
1750      PWIDTH 1,2
1760      MWIDTH 0,1
1770      PMGON  PMG
1780      HPLAYER 0,120
1790      HPLAYER 1,0
1800      HMISSILE 0,0
1810      POKE  YPOS00,$B8
1820      VBI0N  VBI
1830      ;
1840      ;-----
1850      ;clear collision registers;
1860      ;loop until you get a collision
1870      ;between the missile and the car
1880      ;-----
1890      ;
1900      POKE  HITCLR,0
1910      CHKCOL
1920      LDA  M0PL
1930      AND  #2
1940      BEQ  CHKCOL
1950      ;
1960      ;-----
1970      ;when collide, turn off VBI,
1980      ;move missile offstage, copy
1990      ;wreck shape on car; flash colors
2000      ;-----
2010      ;
2020      VBI0FF
2030      POKE  HPOS00,0
2040      POKE  XPOS00,0

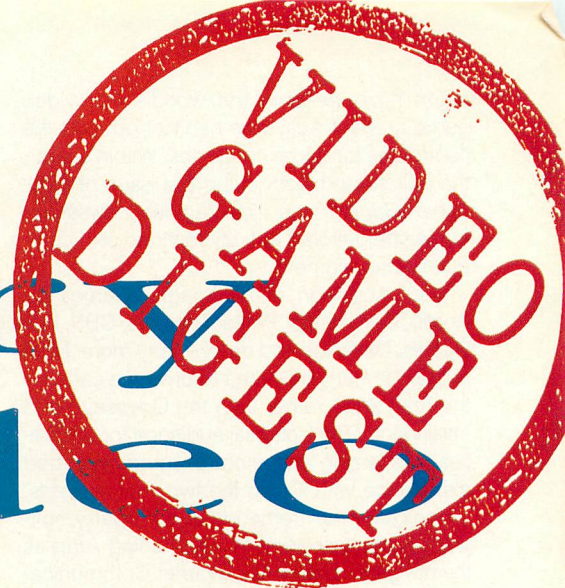
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2050      MOVE  WRECK,PL1+$80,18
2060      FOR  I,1,10
2070      SETPCOLOR 1,4,12
2080      PAUSE 3
2090      SETPCOLOR 1,4,2
2100      PAUSE 3
2110      NEXT  I
2120      ;
2130      ;-----
2140      ;change color registers, print
2150      ;messages, turn on rainbow for
2160      ;color register 0, wait for press.
2170      ;of START or RESET keys
2180      ;-----
2190      ;
2200      SETCOLOR 1,5,8
2210      SETCOLOR 2,12,8
2220      POSITION 4,0
2230      PRINT 6,WINNER
2240      POSITION 1,2
2250      PRINT 6,WHATNEXT
2260      RAINBOW
2270      LDY #0
2280      INX
2290      STX WSYNC
2300      TXA
2310      STA COLPF0,Y
2320      LDA  CONSOL
2330      CMP  #6
2340      BNE  RAINBOW
2350      ;
2360      ;-----
2370      ;close screen, reset collision
2380      ;registers, turn off PMG, go back
2390      ;and start it all over if START
2400      ;was pressed
2410      ;-----
2420      ;
2430      CLOSE 6
2440      POKE  HITCLR,0
2450      PMGOFF
2460      JMP  START
2470      ;
2480      ;-----
2490      ;lines to print, player shapes
2500      ;-----
2510      ;
2520      WINNER
2530      .BYTE "BONZO WINS!",EOL
2540      WHATNEXT
2550      .BYTE "start to go again "
2560      .BYTE "  RESET TO EXIT",EOL
2570      ;
2580      BONZO
2590      .BYTE 0,60,24,126,189
2600      .BYTE 189,189,189,60,60
2610      .BYTE 36,36,36,102,0,0,0
2620      ;
2630      CAR
2640      .BYTE 0,0,126,195,219,219
2650      .BYTE 91,219,219,219,219
2660      .BYTE 91,219,219,195,126
2670      ;
2680      SHOOTER
2690      .BYTE 24,24,36,66,129,189
2700      .BYTE 153,126,60,60,60,60
2710      .BYTE 60,36,66,36,102
2720      ;
2730      WRECK
2740      .BYTE 20,89,98,86,156,41
2750      .BYTE 86,146,89,108,184,86
2760      .BYTE 40,84,86,8,16,32
2770      ;
2780      MISSILE
2790      .BYTE 1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0
2800      ;
2810      ;*****
2820      ; DON'T FORGET THE SUBS!
2830      ;*****
2840      ;
2850      .INCLUDE #D8:SUBS.LIB

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The History of Video Games, Part III



The Golden Age

by Arnie Katz, Joyce Worley &

Bill Kunkel

In chapter two of our story, we left a somewhat bemused George Plimpton trying to sound enthusiastic about video games. Meanwhile, somewhere in Silicon Valley, a feisty marketing guy from the record industry, Jim Levy, is enjoying lunch with four Interesting Strangers.

Upon closer inspection, the four interesting strangers turned out to be Alan Miller, David Crane, Bob Whitehead and Larry Kaplan. There is no record of what they and Levy ordered, but the result of their meetings burst upon the video game market like a bombshell.

At the core of Levy's concept was his analogy between the music and video game industries. Just as some companies make stereos and others distribute records, he reasoned, a company could make video game software without marketing a hardware system of its own.

Whitehead, Crane, Miller and Kaplan joined Levy in a new venture called Activision, which opened its doors for business in 1980. It may surprise younger video gamers, but Atari was not pleased by the infant publisher's decision to produce cartridges for the VCS (2600) system. The industry leader viewed the upstart as competition, rather than support. Determined to wipe out the enemy on the beaches, Atari mounted a campaign to convince consumers and the industry that only the outfit which created the VCS ought to manufacture cartridges for it. Activision overcame all obstacles, including a ridiculous rumor that ACTV carts would damage the VCS console, and its first group of four titles reached retail stores before the end of 1980.

No one was more enthusiastic about the debut of Activision than Arnie Katz and Bill Kunkel, who had started a monthly video game review column in *VIDEO* magazine. Atari's output was barely sufficient to fill the allotted editorial space. The world's first video game critics

might have become the world's last video game critics if Activision had not opened the floodgates for game cartridges. Within a year, the pair started work in the first issue of *Electronic Games*, the first regular newsstand magazine devoted entirely to video and computer entertainment.

After Activision came Imagic, Games by Apollo, CommaVid, Parker Brothers, CBS, Fox Games, Data Age and many, many more. Most of the companies elected to produce carts for the Atari 2600 rather than the Odyssey2 and Intellivision. The potential audience for 2600 titles was larger, and more programmers had experience with it than the two rival systems.

Ironically, the tremendous third-party software proved decisive in establishing Atari as the dominant brand. The Warner Communications division was forced to reverse gears and start touting the great number of games made for the 2600 by other companies.

Down at the Arcade

Business boomed in the coin-op field. Pinball arcades transformed into plush family amusement centers overnight as the quarter-snatchers lured adults as well as children with play-for-pay video games.

The only cloud on the horizon was that arcaders were almost all male. Women didn't seem to enjoy the complex shooting games as much as men, and they tended to play video games in the home, if at all.

The antidote to female arcade apathy arrived in America in 1981 after conquering the hearts of Japanese joystickers. The wocka-wocka sound effects, simple play-mechanics, and low violence quotient of Pac-Man overcame all resistance. The maze-chase format offers more strategic scope than invasion contests like Space Invaders, but it actually requires less physical skill to play. And when people discovered that they could learn the movement patterns for those pesky ghosts, Pac-mania swept America.

The interest in Pac-strategy led to an upswing of interest in this phase of video gaming. Soon, a couple of dozen books were telling score-hungry arcaders how to gobble up Pac-Man and smash Asteroids.

There Once Was a Leather Goods Company...

The Connecticut Leather Company got into the toy business before World War II through

a contract to produce Tom Mix holsters. The company subsequently expanded its line of recreational products to include above-ground swimming pools and electronics games. Along the way, it shortened the corporate name to Coleco.

On June 1, 1982, Coleco introduced its "third generation" video game system, the ColecoVision. Almost overnight, it seemed ColecoVision challenged the previously unsailable 2600 and, in the process, pushed the Odyssey2, Intellivision, and the Astrocade (a re-launch of the Bally Arcade home system) to the sidelines.

Under the leadership of the energetic Michael Katz, who had helped launch stand-alone electronic games at Mattel a few years earlier, Coleco displayed an uncanny ability to find overlooked coin-op gems and translate them beautifully into home cartridges. **Cosmic Avengers, Venture, and Lady Bug** were among the titles which flowered in the home video gaming environment. And Coleco also packed **Donkey Kong** with the system, which attracted many new customers.

The ColecoVision games utilized greatly increased memory, as much as 32K, to produce games which looked, sounded, and played better than anything previously available on the market. The first million consoles sold in record time.

Things looked mighty rosy in mid-1983. Manufacturers had sold more than \$1 billion worth of video game consoles the previous year, and prospects for a further increase looked good. Software sales, which reached \$1.2 billion in 1982, were still climbing. Everyone loved video games, and all was right with the world.

Or maybe not.

Will Atari designers all buy solid-gold Cadillacs? Can Coleco make the Nutmeg State the center of the video game universe? And what are those big bulky boxes? Learn the answers to these and other thought-provoking questions next month in "The History of Video Games, Part IV: The Great Fall."

Hotline—Video Game News Update

Bandai America doesn't want video gamers to turn into couch potatoes. The company plans to keep us lean and mean by playing on the NES machine with the Family Fun Fitness accessory. This rug-controller responds to players jumping, hopping and skipping to move the on-screen cursor. The unusual exercise device/video game controller comes with a special game, the **Athletic World Game Pak**.

Capcom went west, with its latest release for

the Nintendo Entertainment System. **Gun-smoke** blew 'em away in the coin-ops, and the home version promises the same kind of high-action cowboy thrills. It's a blast-athon to save a mining town from ruthless bandits.

Broderbund has two new titles to add to the list of Nintendo entertainments. **Deadly Towers** changes the NESser to a prince, then makes him defend the kingdom against Rubas, king of devils. This bell-ringing scourge brings forth armies of demons, dragons and other dreadfuls. There's an element of role-playing to add some depth to the arcade action, plus a welcome boon to joystick jockies: A password system lets the game in progress continue, instead of having to start over every time.

Mixing water with video games is always risky; the list of designers who tried and drowned is about as long as the list of games that attempted to dunk arcade-style action in the briny deep. Broderbund's second new title, **Sqoon**, may break this aquatic tradition. This watery title features aliens who've melted the polar caps to flood Earth. The NESser has to take to the seas in the SQOON submarine to destroy the invaders and save the world.

Activision's designers are dusting off their joysticks, with a dozen titles that earned their place in the video gamer's Hall of Fame. **Pit-fall, Grand Prix, Kaboom!, Chopper Command, Keystone Kapers, Ice Hockey, Ghostbusters, River Raid, Enduro, Space Shuttle, Freeway and Boxing** are Golden Oldies worth hunting for on your dealer's shelves, and can also be ordered direct from Activision, for the Atari 2600 and 7800 video game machines.

Here's a freebee to call for: Dial Nintendo at 800-422-2602 (206-822-2040 in Washington State) for a copy of their brochure, "The Facts on Video Games From The Man Who Plays Games For a Living." Written by Howard Phillips, Nintendo's product-analysis manager, it gives ten tips on how to purchase video games and other high-tech toys. It also contains a brief history of video games, and some quotes from educators and scientists on the educational and therapeutic use of games—useful ammunition when convincing your parents to pop for a new video game system!

The Nintendo version of Epyx's classic **Winter Games** was written by PONY, a Japanese company, and will be distributed and marketed by Acclaim Entertainment. This version contains four cold-weather sports: Speed Skating, Hot Dog Aerials, Figure Skating, and Bobsled. It's a one-Megabyte ROM cartridge that utilizes split-screen graphics, and optional two-player competition.

Scott Carpenter, one of the original seven Mercury astronauts (second man to orbit the earth, on May 24, 1962), says, "If video games had existed when I was child, I could have exercised those skills (hand/eye coordination and quick reactions) at a much earlier age. It's a fact: The more you play these games, the more your non-verbal skills improve."

Scott Carpenter is currently touring with the Sega Challenge, talking to kids and parents about ways to foster pride and achievement. Carpenter believes video games function as a training device, and that they "can literally provide the secret of self-esteem."

The Sega Challenge is the creation of a group of computer software experts, working in consultation with Professor Philip Merrifield of New York University. They've developed a series of five activities to stimulate kids to see how they can improve on their non-verbal skills. Dubbed The Sega Challenge, it incorporates two video games, plus additional dexterity games which test the players' concentration and ability to learn new skills.

Players get three one-minute tries at **Outrun**, a round of **Shooting Gallery**, then have to try to write as many letters as possible backwards in a contest called "The Write Stuff." Space Balls challenges players to catch only the right colored balls, as they arrive via an airstream, sort, and place them in matching tubes. Finally, the Ring Maze test requires players to maneuver a ring through a metal maze of letters (which spell SEGA, what else?) without touching the maze, which makes a buzzer sound.

The SEGA Challenge is being played in malls and youth centers across the country.

The Atari XE Game System (about \$150) comes complete with Atari XE console, keyboard, light gun, one joystick (though there are two ports, so a second controller can be added), plus adapter, cables and switch box. Also included are three games: **Missile Command** (resident in the system's memory banks), **Flight Simulator II**, and **Bug Hunt**, a high-action shoot-'em up. **Atari BASIC** is resident in ROM, and additional peripherals can be attached, including programmer recorder, disk drive, printer, modem, etc.

The 64K game system uses the same controllers that worked with the Atari computer—joystick, Track-Ball, light gun, mouse, or keyboard.

There were literally hundreds of cartridges manufactured for the Atari 400/800 XE/XL computers in the first golden age of computer gaming. There were well over a hundred just from third-party developers, not counting the library of titles developed by Atari. And, of course, with the addition of a disk drive, the game system can draw on a huge library of available software.

Konami has a toll-free hotline for gamers. If you get stuck on one of their games, call the company for a hint. The number is packed with each title. There's also a hint book available that might help in some tight spots.

The newest trilogy of games from Konami put the gamer in the hot seat. **Top Gun** casts the arcader in a navy jet, battling bogeys at Mach 2. In **Goonies II**, you have to fight off Ma Fratelli and her two sons, and in **Stinger**, you battle aliens with your jet fighter. This one features simultaneous play for two gamers, or play

against the computer. All three titles are for the Nintendo Entertainment System.

Reader Replay Letters from Digest Readers

The Bottom Line

Concerning the videogame supplement in your most recent edition, I think it's great. I would probably buy a copy of a revised electronic games magazine if I saw one on the store shelves, but feel that having it combined with *ANALOG* is your best bet. By taking *ANALOG* and calling it something like "Electronic Games/Analog Computing" you will be achieving two important points.

First, the game portion is sure to haul in much more advertising than the *ANALOG* section, while readership will increase. Second, and most importantly, the people who would buy "EG/A" for the game portion of the magazine will be introduced (probably for the first time) to a line of real computers in the *ANALOG* section. I'm sure this will revive interest in the Atari computers, especially for those who own only a video game or are planning to buy one in the near future.

Louis J. Ferro, New Jersey

Actually, demographic studies indicate that many video game purchasers are quite familiar with computers already. In fact, many already own and use computers. But while the computer sits in the den in its solitary work station, the video game system is hooked up to the big TV in the family room.

Users interested in family entertainment are likely to be more satisfied with a video game system than an 8-bit computer.

Go VGD!

I'm definitely in favor of Videogame Digest. I think the first outing was very, very good and would love to see it become bigger and better. With Atari, Nintendo, INTV and Sega/Tonka—plus over a dozen software publishers—now in the video game business, I believe VGD could even survive as a magazine itself if it carried a low pricetag and covered the gamut of computer and video game releases. Whatever its form, please continue the Digest, especially to inform us on new and upcoming games and equipment.

Dennis Sellers, Nashville TN

Today Video games; Tomorrow . . . ?

VIDEO GAME DIGEST

VGD is a great idea! I love it! Look, I'll be honest, I can't say anything else about how I feel about this idea, so I'll just give some suggestions that would make this the best magazine around.

I'm glad to hear that you guys are from *Electronic Games* (Computer Entertainment). I mourned the passing of that magazine. I was taken aback, though, when I read "the world of cartridge games." Why just cartridge? Please cover *all* games! Computer games, arcade video *and* cartridge. And please, if a game isn't good, say so. All the reviews in the first VGD sounded suspiciously cheery to me! Henning Hoffman Waterloo, Ontario CANADA

You needn't worry about any reluctance on our part to produce critical reviews—as several entries in almost any issue will show. Since space is at a premium, however, we concentrated on the superior games in our first installment.

As far as non-cartridge games go: sorry, Henning, this mini-magazine is devoted to home video game systems; at present, we just don't have the room to cover the entire universe of electronic gaming as the subject deserves. But who knows what may happen in the future?

1942

Capcom

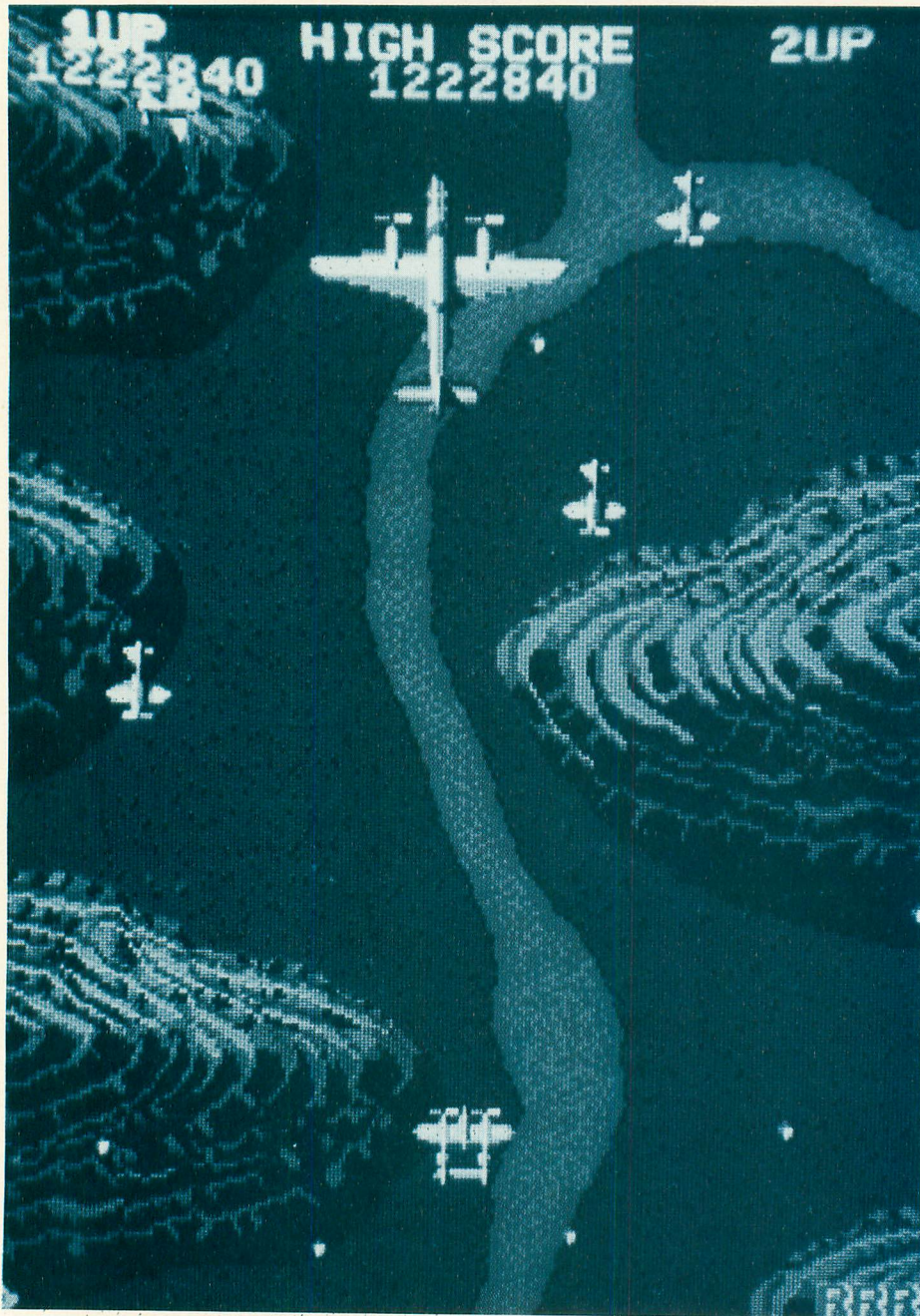
1283C Old Mountain View, Alviso Rd.
Sunnyvale, CA 94089
(408) 745-7081
Nintendo Entertainment System;
\$29.95

by Arnie Katz

There's always room for a good all-out destruction festival, and 1942 is guaranteed to win the heart of every joystick jockey. In this latest entry in Capcom's "Captain Commando" action video game line, the player becomes the pilot of the Super Ace.

At the beginning of play, the Super Ace takes to the skies from the deck of an aircraft carrier to battle the red formations. The player earns bonuses, including improvements for the Super Ace, by destroying the enemy in 32 different scenes. Combat takes place over land and sea as the Super Ace blasts through wave upon wave of deadly foes to reach Tokyo and destroy the remaining Japanese aircraft.

The video gamer employs the control pad to move the Super Ace in the corresponding



says, 1942 was "a very good year."

BurgerTime
Data East USA
470 Needles Drive
San Jose, CA 95112
(408) 286-7074
Nintendo Entertainment System;
\$29.95

by Arnie Katz

Peter Pepper, the cartoonish hero of **BurgerTime**, is a chef in a peck of trouble. He must prepare a batch of hamburgers while avoiding interference from the "Food Foes," Mr. Hot Dog, Mr. Pickle, and Mr. Egg. That's the premise in this climbing and jumping game, first introduced in coin-op arcades by Data East in 1982.

The playfields of **BurgerTime** are constructed from arrangements of small horizontal platforms connected by ladders of various heights. Pressing the control pad moves the chef in the corresponding direction. Novice players may find it tough to position Peter Pepper when leaving a ladder for an intersecting platform, but a little practice soon remedies any problem.

Components of hamburgers are stacked on many of the platforms. If the Peter Pepper passes over a platform with an ingredient, it drops a couple of levels. When the two halves of the bun, lettuce, and burger fall to the bottom of the playfield, the gamer gets credit for a complete hamburger. When the chef assembles all the hamburgers on the screen, the game advances to the next playfield.

The Food Foes take one of the player's five lives each time they touch the little chef. Running is the best way to avoid this lethal contact, but Peter Pepper packs a couple of other potent powers. Throwing pepper at a Food Foe momentarily paralyzes it so that the chef can run over it for points. "Momentarily" is the operative term, since the effects of peppering wear off in a few seconds. It is a good idea not to linger over a fallen food foe.

direction on the playfield, which scrolls down from the top at a steady, slow rate. Button "B" fires the front-mounted dual cannon at the machine-controlled enemies, which can rush at the player's craft from any edge of the screen.

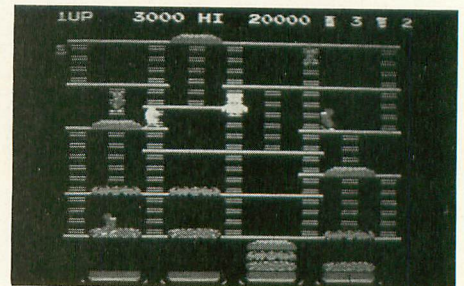
Button "A" is the Super Ace's main evasion weapon, apart from dodging. Pressing this button permits the Super Ace to "loop the loop," to evade oncoming fire and midair collisions. The Super Ace can only execute a limited number of these special maneuvers, so they must be saved for really tight spots, when simple control-pad movement won't save one of the player's three precious lives.

The key to 1942 is wiping out red formations. When a whole squadron bites the dust, the word "POW" appears on the playfield. Flying

over the word gives the player some kind of advantage. The nature of the bonus depends on which formation the armchair pilot destroyed. Some possibilities include extra machine guns, wingmen on each side of Super Ace, and a big batch of points.

The documentation is much too sketchy. Though there are illustrations of Captain Commando and the control unit, it's a safe bet that most gamers would prefer a diagram of the playfield which explained all the on-screen notations.

The graphics, based on an overhead view of the terrain, are decent, but play-action is definitely the focus of 1942. Those who enjoy relentlessly battling against a wide range of opponents will get many hours of explosive fun from this Capcom title. As the song lyric



The chef's other tactic is to drop parts of the hamburger onto a Food Foe. If one of the nasties gets buried under a burger, lettuce, or bun, the player collects bonus points.

The player also gains extra points for picking up special objects like ice cream cones and French fries. They appear briefly, but they're worth a little extra effort to snag.

VIDEO GAME DIGEST

The rulebook is much too vague. Key elements of the game, such as the method for dropping burger components (by walking completely across the platform on which they sit), are not even mentioned! The rules for BurgerTime are not hard to guess, but explaining game procedures in more detail would remove all doubt.

The main characteristic of this one- or two-player contest is nonstop motion. This makes BurgerTime very exciting, even though it lacks blazing lasers and roaring explosions. Excellent animation and charming characters dovetail well with the light-hearted theme.

Considering that it is almost six years old, BurgerTime has held up very well. This NES cartridge is a faithful translation of the coin-op hit, and it should especially appeal to younger video games.

Lode Runner
Broderbund Software
17 Paul Dr.
San Rafael, CA 94903
(415) 492-3200
Nintendo Entertainment System;
\$29.95

by Arnie Katz

The action-packed adventures of the nimble **LodeRunner** have entertained computerists for several years in a series of three programs published by Broderbund. Now owners of the Nintendo video game system can take command of the intrepid agent as he invades the multi-level fortress of the Bungling Empire in this all-time classic.

The player controls the Lode Runner, who must move back and forth on the horizontal

platforms, climb up and down ladders, and shinny along poles to collect all the gold on the level while avoiding the lethal touch of the system-controlled guards. When the Lode Runner has gathered all the loot on a playfield, a previously invisible ladder appears. The well-animated on-screen character scampers up to the next playfield, and the game continues.

Although the Lode Runner is always outnumbered by the Bungling guards, he has a few useful tricks. The most important is the ability to dig holes in the brick platforms. Although a guard eventually hops out of a pit, unless it closes up and crushes him first, it gives the Lode Runner time to reverse direction and try a different strategy. Button "B" digs a hole to the left of the on-screen hero, while button "A" does the same to the right. Of course, the Lode Runner must move carefully, because falling into a pit costs a life.

Unlike most other climbing and jumping games, the height of a fall is immaterial. The Lode Runner gently floats down to a safe landing regardless of how far it is to the ground. Unfortunately, the guards have the same ability, so the action moves up and down the screen a lot.

Lode Runner offers 50 different playfields, each a worthy challenge to mind as well as muscle. And when the player has solved all of them, there's a construction module to create an infinite array of customized ones. Few video games equal Lode Runner for replayability. This cartridge is as fresh two months after purchase as it was the first time it popped into the slot.

The Nintendo edition of Lode Runner is visually superior to the original computer game. The drawings of the hero and the guards are more detailed than in the computer version,

and the major features of the horizontally scrolling playfield are larger and easier to see.

Even though there's no shooting in Lode Runner, the game does not lack excitement. Narrow escapes and tight squeezes abound, but quick thinking is just as crucial to success as fast reflexes. Few cartridges offer a better blend of action and strategy than Lode Runner. It's a prize worth capturing for any video gamer's library of games.

Dig Dug
INTV Corp.
3541 "B" Lomita Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90505
(213) 539-0100
Intellivision; \$19.95

by Arnie Katz

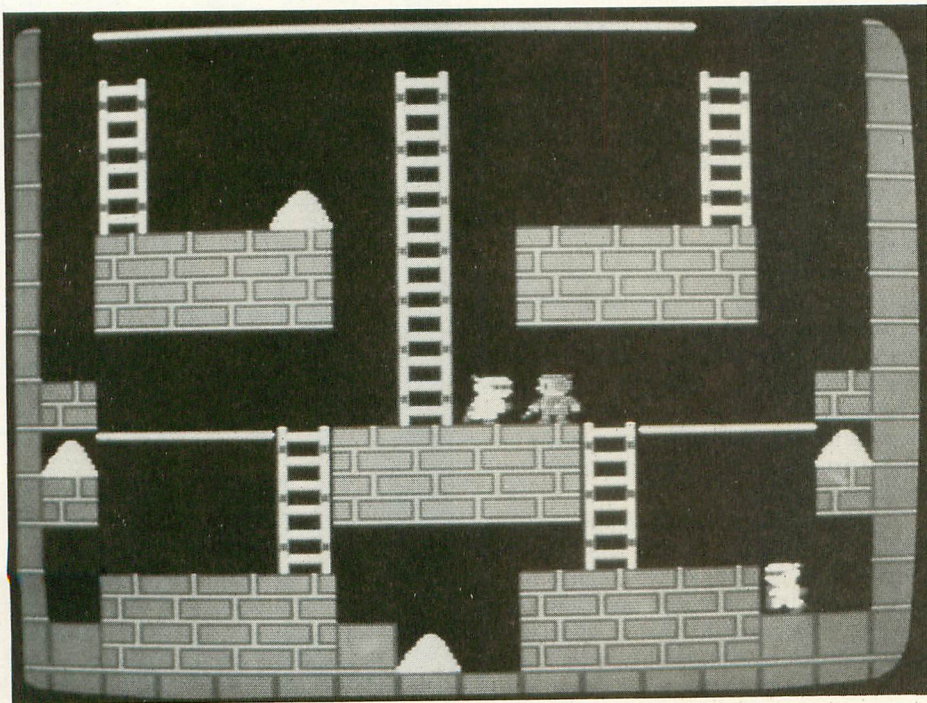
If maze-chase games like **Pac-Man** have one drawback, it is predictability. Though some arcaders enjoy memorizing dozens of playfield patterns, many others grow bored with the same old maze. **Dig Dug** disrupts patterns by permitting the character to excavate underground tunnels wherever desired. This makes each round of play quite different from the ones which precede and follow it.

Dig Dug, the player's character, burrows down into the ground from the surface, located at the top of the playfield, to start the game. After that, the home arcade directs the merry miner with the control pad as he creates tunnels in the multi-colored earth.

Although the gamer earns points for digging, the real prizes are the monsters Pookah and Fygar. The latter are more dangerous, since they can breathe deadly fire to the left or right. A monster can kill Dig Dug with a single touch, but the hero has an air gun, energized by hitting one of the action buttons, which can stun or even explode a monster.

Rocks buried in the hard-packed earth offer another way to dispatch a pesky monster. Dig Dug can clear away the ground beneath a rock and cause it to drop on any unlucky creature which happens to be passing underneath at the wrong time. It takes a few tries to get the timing right on this maneuver, but it offers a low-risk way of eliminating a foe once properly mastered.

The video gamer starts with three "lives." The player earns an extra one when the score reaches 10,000 points and another when it hits 40,000 points. Thereafter, the supply of Dig Dugs increases by one every 40,000 points.



A little helmet in the lower left corner of the playfield symbolizes each tunneler currently held in reserve.

Dig Dug is best described as relaxing rather than exciting. Though there is some time-pressure, players are generally able to take a moment to plot strategy before Pookah and Fygar come within range. The play-mechanic, which requires neither blinding speed or pinpoint accuracy, makes Dig Dug a good choice for family gaming sessions. Intellivision owners should try this one; they'll really dig it.

Galaga
Atari Corp.
1196 Borregas Ave.
Sunnyvale, CA 94086
(408) 745-2000
Atari 7800; \$19.95

by Joyce Worley

Midway Manufacturing raked in so many coins on **Galaxian**, the classic shoot-'em-up earned a sequel, **Galaga**. Like the game that preceded it, Galaga became a mega-hit in the play-for-pay palaces. Now this super blastathon has come home, and it's a great addition to every joystick jockey's collection. Galaga for the Atari 7800 game system has all the action thrills that made this one of the best-selling sequel games in history.

The gamer controls a ship which moves horizontally across the screen, facing the ranks of oncoming invaders. Aliens appear from above and from the sides of the screen, then flit around the sky like pesky mosquitos. After an airshow of fancy flying, they fall into formation, a sort of flying wedge, with less valued alien ships in the forefront, and the flagships bringing up the rear.

Moving the control ship back and forth across the screen lines up the gamer's shots at the oncoming aliens. But these creatures from beyond learned from their earlier earthly encounters; they don't just sit like pigeons waiting to be plunked off. Instead, Galaga's ships are in almost constant motion, darting around the screen like gnats. They peel off from the formation to make head-on attacks on the player's position, then reappear at the top of the screen. Unfortunately, the aliens twist and turn like living things, making them devilishly hard to hit.

Periodically, a flagship swoops down to send out a tractor beam. If the player's ship gets caught in its focus, it's captured. The ship actually flies with the alien, as if they were yoked together. If he has another command ship in his arsenal, the player can regain his ship by shooting the alien when it is attacking. Shooting it at any other time destroys the hostage vessel. If this maneuver succeeds, there's a great reward: now the player controls two ships, which move in tandem, doubling the firepower available to defeat the invaders.

The charm -- and the difficulty -- in Galaga

comes from the twisting, turning, writhing patterns that the alien ships form in their attacks. The best strategy for racking up high scores is to anticipate the movement patterns these colorful little space cruisers take. Ships loop across the screen, sometimes doubling back on their own path, and the gamer must master the technique of aiming at where they're going, instead of where they are the moment the missile is launched. Flagships have to be hit twice to destroy them, but there's a payoff. The entire fleet stops firing for a few seconds to mourn their fallen leader; this gives the gamer a chance to blast away before the retaliation begins anew.

Scoring is tied to the difficulty of the shot. Hence, shooting an alien while it is flying in formation earns only half the amount of points. Three game modes, novice, advanced or expert, tailor the game to suit.

The excellent documentation that accompanies the game adds to the fun. In only two and half pages, it presents the background story, complete instructions and a full explanation of scoring, plus some strategy hints that actually work.

Galaga for the home lives up to its coin-op antecedents. It's a high-action, high-skill contest that will keep video gamers hitting the replay switch over and over again.

Pro Wrestling
SEGA c/o TONKA CORP.
6000 Clearwater Drive
Minnetonka, MN 55343
(800) 328-3628
Sega Master System' \$30

by Bill Kunkel

Sega's version of **Pro Wrestling** is a dreary rehash of Data East's mediocre wrestling coin-ops. The player chooses from among four tag teams (or, in non-team competition, eight single wrestlers): the Road Warrior-like Mad Soldiers; the Samoan-style Orient Express; the Great Maskmen; and the baby-faced Crush Brothers. Each team has eight custom maneuvers (each wrestler has four), including a German suplex, dropkick, hangman-style neckbreaker, bodyslam and clothesline.

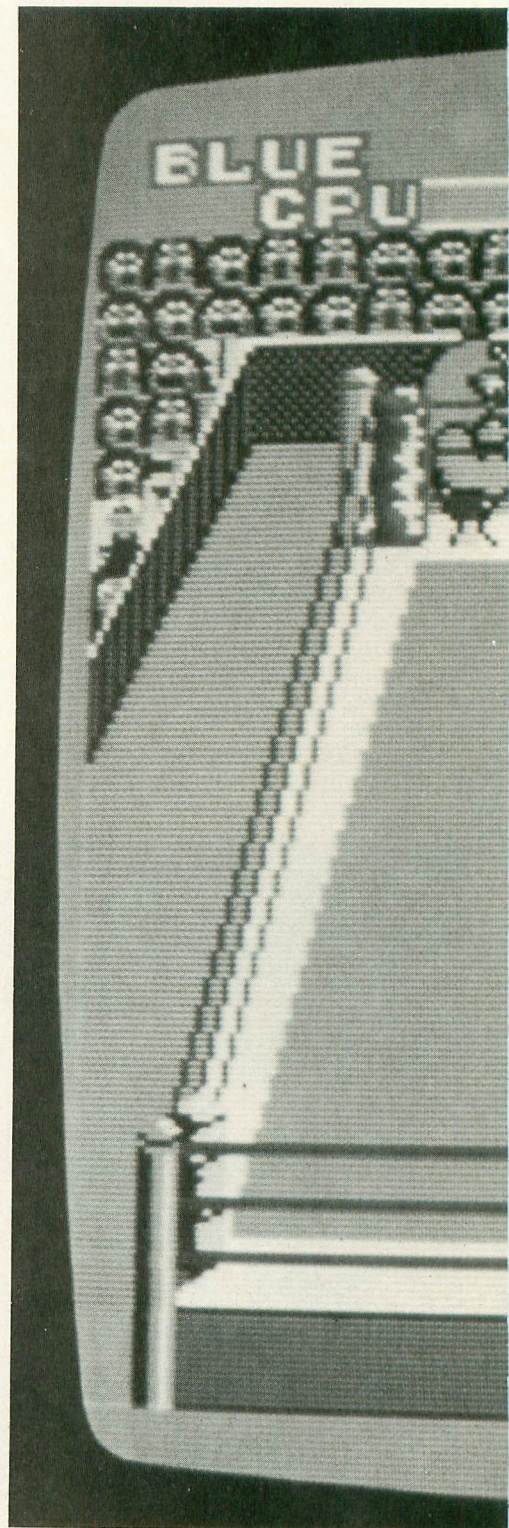
All wrestlers can punch and kick and move freely about the ring, but the specialty moves, or "techniques" as Sega calls them, are largely situational. Some maneuvers, for example, only work outside the ring (one of the heel team techniques lets them grab a folding chair and smack a foe over the skull), while others can only be executed after hurling one's opponent into the ropes.

The control system is a little complicated, but it's the terrible graphics that sabotage this game. The on-screen wrestlers appear to be no more than three feet tall, though the ring is designed in proportion to "normal"-sized wrestlers. This lack of visually articulated bodies makes it almost impossible to gauge two grap-

plers' relative positions, much less determine what they are actually *doing* to one another.

The animation is so choppy and inadequate, the designers deemed it necessary for each hold's name to appear prominently on-screen as it is being executed.

There are some pointless frills, including a brief ring entrance with theme music, for each team or wrestler. It would have been far more fruitful for that time and memory to have been devoted to improving the game itself.



The documentation is occasionally confusing in its use of European/Japanese technology, which will be totally "Greek" to most users (what, for example, is a "senton from corner post"?).

Players must choose among three competing "Leagues" for singles or tag-team competition. These leagues differ in the number of "rounds" required in order to win. The concept of "rounds" is all-but-alien to American mat fans, however, and players will wonder why a

pin isn't enough to win.

In singles competition, different opponents come with different referees. Since the referee should have no impact on the match, however, this looks like yet another example of energy expended in the wrong direction.

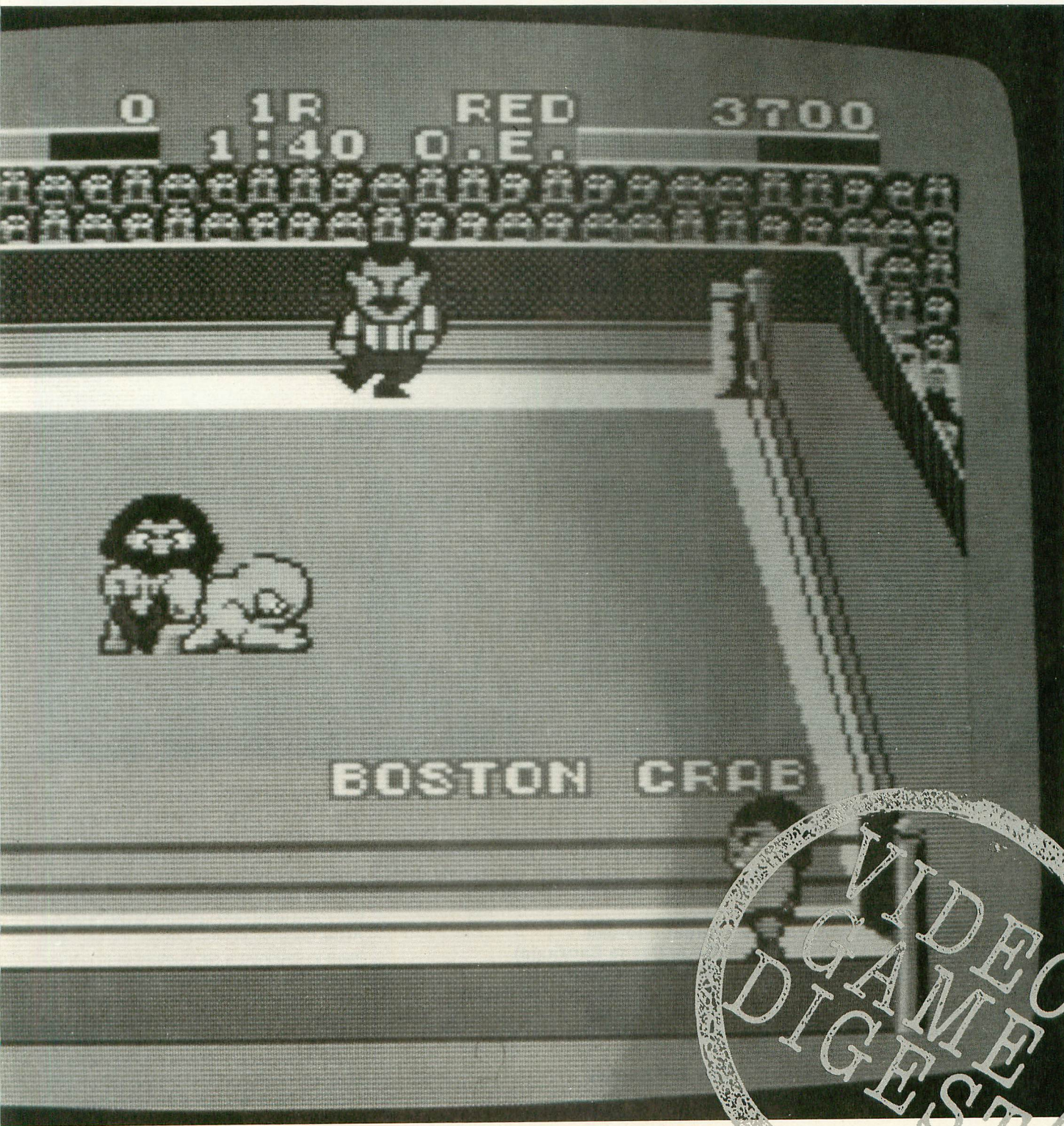
All in all, Sega's Pro Wrestling is a loser on a count-out—before it even gets to the ring!

Kung-Fu Master Activision

**P.O. Box 7287
Mountain View, CA 94039
Atari 2600; \$13.95**

by Bill Kunkel

Stop me if you've heard this one: A beautiful princess has been kidnapped and taken to the castle of the Evil Wizard. The fortress is a vast deathtrap, filled with all manner of menace, and the only warrior with even a prayer of res-



cuing her is you: the "Kung-Fu Master."

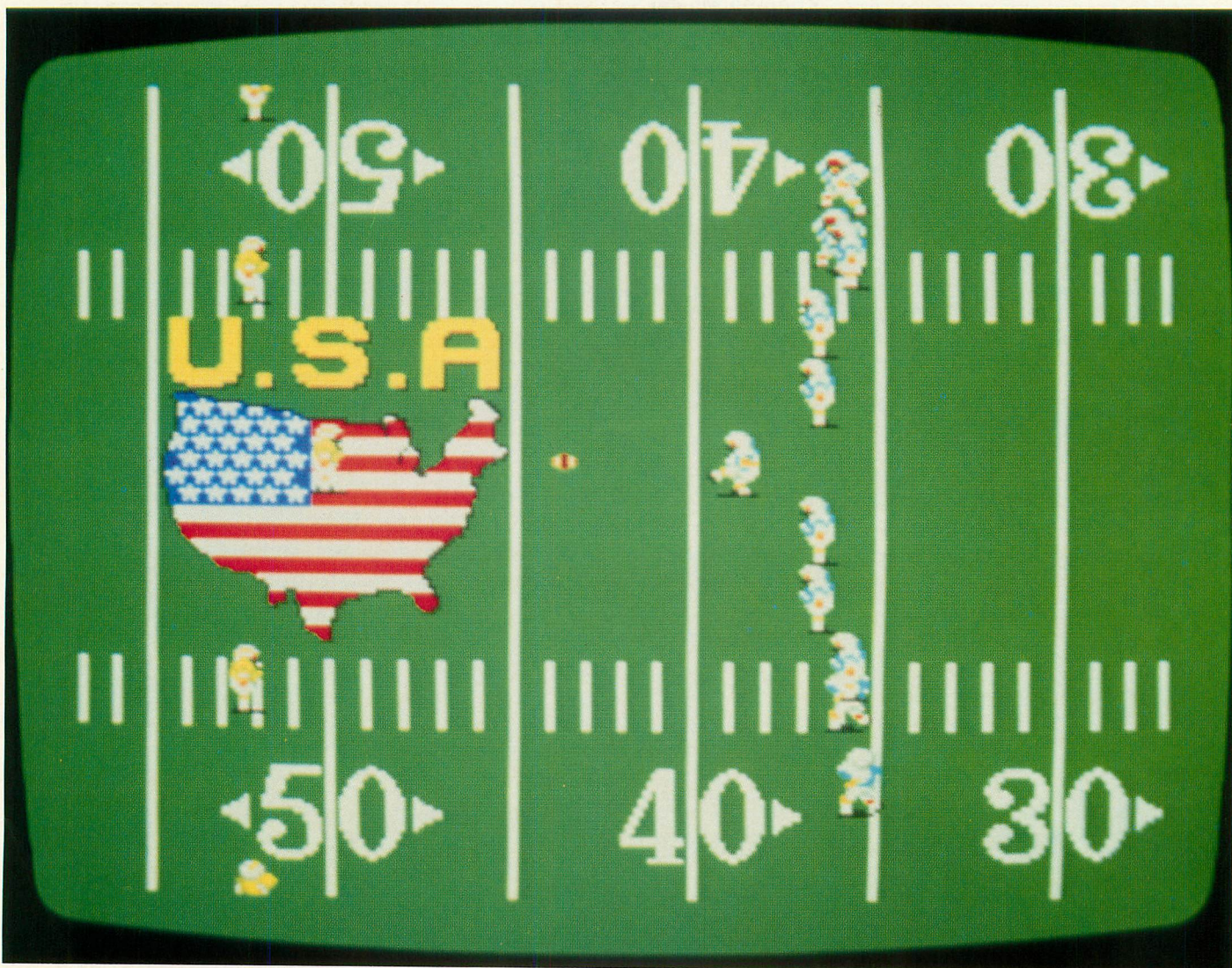
The Wizard's stronghold is no cracker box; it consists of five levels, each one crawling with the malevolent mage's misanthropic minions. You've got your basic, Dacoit-like henchmen, easily dispatched with a single punch or kick; knife-throwers are deadlier and more durable,

player's energy level while the second gauges the enemies' strength reserves. When the bar runs out, the corresponding character dies.

Kung-Fu Master is played against a time limit. An on-screen timer gives a warning signal when it reaches 200; at zero the player loses a life.

System is a beautiful-looking action gridiron simulation with the emphasis on running, passing and kicking.

In the one-player version, the game is *exclusively* offense. The player begins by selecting a "division" and team. Though they are dubbed "AFC" and "NFC," these are *not* NFL



as are the acrobatic martial-arts midgets; dragons, snakes, killer moths, and, at the end of each level, one of the nearly-indestructible Five Biggies.

The player's surrogate fighter and his various opponents appear on-screen against a horizontally-scrolling background which occupies approximately one-half of the screen. This combat area is rendered in simple lines which attempt to suggest an Oriental atmosphere.

Combat consists of left/right movement jumps, squats, high and low kicks, high and low punches and breaking a hold (achieved by jiggling the joystick from side to side).

There are also a pair of energy bars at the base of the screen. The first bar monitors the

Kung-Fu Master is limited by the lack of possible combat movements. Users familiar with arcade and computer martial-arts games may be disappointed by the lack of sweep kicks, flips, spin kicks, blocks, etc., but the game should provide first-rate action.

Great Football
Sega (Mega Cartridge)
573 Forbes Blvd.
S. San Francisco, CA 94080
(415) 742-9300
Sega Master System; \$30

by **Bill Kunkel**

Sega's **Great Football** for the Sega Master

divisions; the teams have names like "Spartans," "Dukes" and "Boomers." Moreover, the documentation makes no distinction between "AFC" and "NFC," or even among teams, so these selections appear to be totally arbitrary.

The game begins with the computer-controlled team kicking off to the user's squad. At the beginning of the contest, the opposing team is assigned a set number of points (example: 35), which the player's team must surpass. The user's team remains eternally on offense, with only the clock and some rather indifferent defenders between him and victory.

On rushing plays, unless the defenders get lucky and bury your RB in the backfield, a minimum five yards is a lock. Of course, there isn't enough time to rush all game to score enough

points to pass the opposition. Passing plays aren't much harder; interceptions are rare and pass rushing even rarer. The computer plays a kind of ultimate "Pre-vent" defense, happily surrendering five, ten, 15 or even 20 yards in exchange for a couple of ticks off the game clock.

Great Football is a more satisfactory, realistic contest when played in two-player format. Humans invariably present a greater challenge on defense, and the game is much less distorted as a result.

The visuals get mixed reviews. The field is an eye-popper; lush green with a mammoth full-color eagle painted on the middle of the 50 yard line. The players, however, flicker outrageously—even when they're not moving!—and periodically split into top and bottom halves. This, combined with the all-offense orientation, creates the impression of football in the Twilight Zone.

Great Football is not exactly great, but offense junkies and players who can find opponents should get off on it.

Q & A by The Game Doctor

I tell you, it's absolutely amazing. Yours truly, the Original Game Doctor, has only to dust off the old shingle and patients are all over me like plastic on a joystick.

Of course, it's been a while since I was involved in active practice. Aside from the occasional cocktail party guest with a cranky RF modulator, the Dr. Gillespie of electronic gaming has spent most of his time messing with golf simulations and perusing snapshots of former Game Nurses.

Fortunately, game diagnosis is like riding a bicycle to a man of my vast experience, so let's jump right in with our first question:

Q: Which company, if any, now owns the right to translate Exidy, Williams, and Bally/Midway arcade games to videogame? In other words, can we hope to see such classics as **Pac Man**, **Joust**, **Tapper**, etc. available for the Nintendo system?

Dennis Sellers — Nashville, TN

A: These days, no one publisher buys exclusive rights to home versions of any arcade game. Once upon a time, companies like Atari would buy "exclusive home rights" to smash hits like Pac Man. The upshot of this was that only Atari system owners could ever hope to play these games.

Thankfully, those days are over. Today,

licensing deals are cut on a system-by-system basis with a variety of publishers often buying individual system rights to the same game. We have seen computer games, like **Choplifter** (Broderbund), appearing under separate license on both the Sega and Atari 7800 videogame systems.

When it comes to home versions of arcade games, however, it's a different story. The videogame system manufacturers themselves have strong roots in the arcade business, as well as access to veritable libraries of past and present coin-ops. So if Nintendo wants to publish a home version of an arcade game, it's likely to be a Nintendo arcade game and not an Atari or even a Williams game.

Sega, for example, is unlikely to publish a translation of the Atari coin-op, **Pole Position**. When Sega wanted a driving game for its videogame system, it sensibly turned to its own arcade hit, **Out Run**.

One of the big differences between the current videogame boom and the peak sales period of the early 80s is that the system manufacturers exert much more control over the output of third-party publishers. So not only is Sega unlikely to publish Pole Position, it is equally doubtful that it would encourage third-party publishers in such a venture.

The rights to the arcade classics you ask about are still available, I'm sure, but I know of no current plans to publish them for the NES. If Nintendo perceives a real demand for these games, and has nothing similar in its own coin-op inventory, however, you might someday see them.

Q: I want to know why software companies can easily take 2-meg arcade games and squeeze them into a 16K cartridge, but MicroProse can't squeeze a 64K program [**Gunship**, which MicroProse is not translating for Atari 8-bit systems because so many of them have insufficient memory] into 48K?

Louis J. Ferro — New Jersey

A: That's a good question, Louis.

For one thing, those "2-meg" arcade games you refer to are almost exclusively action games. They have a minimum of game logic, and almost all that lavish memory is devoted to sound and graphics. It is very easy to scale down sound and graphics.

Look, for example, at the many fairly acceptable Atari 2600 versions of arcade hits like Pole Position, **Ms. Pac Man** and **Joust**: They don't look exactly like the originals, but they play okay and the graphics are recognizable. Then take a game like **Zork** (Infocom), which has no sound or graphics and can be played on virtually anything south of a touch-tone phone, and just try to put it on even the top-line videogame systems!

Having said that, I'm sure it's within MicroProse's power to produce an acceptable

48K version of Gunship for the 8-bit Atari system; it just doesn't make any economic sense.

When a publisher produces a "rollover" or new translation of an existing game for a system with secondary sales potential (such as the Atari 8-bit systems), it has got to be a fairly straightforward process. That program must be transportable to the new system, with a minimum of reworking, and extensive code-crunching does not qualify under that criterion.

MicroProse obviously feels that potential sales do not justify the time and effort which would be required in order to crunch that code down to 48K.

Q: What's wrong with Sega's distribution? I live in Willoughby, Ohio, just outside Cleveland, and the Toys R Us and video store I go to gets me stuff from Comtron, Sega's distributor. Forty miles east of here is a Hills store, and they've had **Shooting Gallery** since May, but Toys R Us still doesn't have it. TRU has **Great Soccer**, however, and Hills doesn't. On September 3, the video store got me 3-D glasses and **3-D Missile Defense**, **Quartet**, **Great Volleyball**, **Great Football** and **Gangster Town**, which no one else has.

From what I've seen, Nintendo games come out everywhere at the same time; doesn't Sega/Tonka know you can't sell product if it isn't available?

Michael Gunn — Willoughby, OH

A: Oh, they know it, Michael, they know it. But remember, Sega is the new kid on the block, while Nintendo has had several years to establish a smooth-running distribution chain. NES has been able to build up its software line slowly, one and two titles at a time.

Sega only really went national in the last year. Game distribution is still uneven, but it is bound to improve quickly. The recent agreement with Tonka should bring the company's products to parity very quickly, as Sega equipment and supplies begin to be distributed through the Tonka marketing channels. Meanwhile, distribution is a little scattered, and loyal Sega-philies like yourself will have to range a little farther and a little wider in order to complete your collection.

That's all for this issue, gang! Send your questions to "The Game Doctor" c/o ANALOG Computing. ♣

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MS-DOS

by Arthur Leyenberger

■ I have just returned from a week-long business trip in Columbus, Ohio. On the trip, I did something that I had not done before—I carried along a Zenith MS-DOS portable laptop computer. This was not the first time I had taken a computer along with me when I traveled, but it was my first trip with the Zenith Z-181 portable. Computing on the go is an excellent way to maximize your productivity. And surprisingly, almost any laptop computer can be interfaced with your Atari machine—either ST or 8-bit—when you return home. I'll give you all of the exciting interfacing details later in the column.

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

The Zenith Z-181 is basically a good computer, as portables, and especially laptops, go. It has one of the nicest, most readable screens of the genre. Using a Supertwist LCD screen with backlighting, the 25-line by 80-column screen is readable in any lighting condition. There are two controls for the screen—contrast and brightness—and together

they provide you with all the screen controls you need. The white on blue or blue on white screen is almost eerie to see and requires little time to become used to.

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End User

laptop computers also use the 3½-inch disk, and as ST users already know, the disks are more rugged, compact and easier to handle than the 5¼-inch disks that the 8-bit Atari and most other computers use.

The Zenith Z-181 uses a CMOS version of the 8088 microprocessor running at 4.77 megahertz, making the computer's processing speed typical of MS-DOS PCs and clones. However, by IBM AT and AT clone (machines that use the 80286 processor) standards, this machine seems to crawl. All else considered though, the Zenith machine ranks with the best. The disappointment comes, however, with its usability and (whew!) weight. Usability is primarily hampered by the pivoting screen.

The screen is a good 12 inches tall, enough to cover the entire machine when it's closed. When open, it's almost impossible to use the computer on an airplane when traveling in coach or business class. The tray table has barely enough room to hold the computer itself, and there is no way the screen can be pivoted up to the normal viewing position. If the person in the seat in front of you decides to recline his seat, you can forget about computing altogether.

I had the opportunity to travel first class on the return trip (a \$15 Continental upgrade, mind you), and the machine was quite usable. Since the first-class seats have their tray tables attached to the occupants' seats, there is plenty of room for the computer, and the screen can be pivoted up to the proper position.

If you can afford to travel first class all of the time, this computer still may not be for you. Why? Because it is heavy. How heavy is heavy? The advertisements for the Zenith Z-181 declare it as an 11-pound laptop computer. That weight must have been determined on the moon, with its 1/6 of the Earth's gravity level. Here on Terra, the machine really weighs 16 pounds according to the Continental baggage scale at Newark International Airport. That weight is the actual carrying weight with the case, battery pack, charger and one box of ten floppy disks.

It doesn't take long for 16 pounds to get really heavy. Even when carrying the whole kit and caboodle by the shoulder strap, it's still a substantial weight. If computing on an airplane with a Z-81 is important to you, then you had better be well-heeled and also regularly work out with weights. If you don't care to compute in the air and don't expect to be toting the machine around very much, it's a nice computer with a street price of approximately \$1,800. But there's a better alternative for computing on the go and then linking up with your Atari at home.

The Ultimate Atari Peripheral

I use a laptop computer mostly when I travel and mostly on an airplane. You may recall reading several Consumer Electronics Show reports over the last couple years, written on the return plane ride from Las Vegas or Chicago. High-altitude computing makes boring and somewhat wasted air-travel time productive.

For the last several years, I have been using a Radio Shack Model 102 laptop computer and portable disk drive. This machine is truly one of the best kept secrets in all of computerdom. Transferring files to the Atari is painless too.

The Radio Shack Model 102 computer is an improved version of the original Model 100 computer. Both machines share almost identical features, except that the Model 102 weighs a mere three pounds rather than four, and stands one inch shorter than its predecessor, roughly 1½ inches tall. The width and depth of both machines is about the size of an 8½ by 11-inch sheet of paper held sideways, hence the nickname "notebook" computer.

The Model 102 has a flat LCD screen that is flush with its keyboard. The screen contains eight lines of 40 characters with large letters that are easy to read, assuming you have good ambient light. The contrast knob does help, though. The computer doesn't contain a built-in disk drive and can be outfit-

ted with a maximum of 32K bytes of Random Access Memory. Fortunately, there are several programs contained in Read Only Memory along with a useful, somewhat limited version of BASIC.

The internal applications consist of a text editor, telecommunications, address and scheduler programs. The text editor is simply that—a simple but useful program that allows text to be entered, minimally edited and saved in the battery-backed-up, nonvolatile memory as a file. The telecommunications program works with the built-in 300 baud modem. The other two applications are not worth discussing.

In addition to the built-in modem, the computer contains bar-code reader, serial, parallel, external disk drive and telephone (RJ-11) jacks for connecting to other devices. Four AA batteries are used to power the computer, usually lasting about 15-20 hours a set. The street price of a Radio Shack Model 102 with the maximum 32K memory is about \$400.

The Radio Shack portable disk drive uses 3½-inch floppy disks and stores 180K bytes per disk. It also uses four AA batteries and weighs less than two pounds. The list price of the disk drive is \$200. A complete Radio Shack Model 102 computer outfit consisting of computer, disk drive and power transformer is under five pounds.

Preparing to Beam Up

As far as I am concerned, both the Zenith and the Radio Shack computers have limited usefulness by themselves. They become truly useful when you interface them with your Atari computer back home. The mechanics of uploading files from the portable computer to the Atari (either 8-bit or ST) are essentially the same. You need a serial cable to connect the two machines together via their RS-232 ports and a modem program running on each machine. You also need one additional, very important item: a null modem adapter which is a connector that attaches to one end of the communications link to allow the two

machines to talk to each other.

You can buy a null modem adapter for about \$20 from Radio Shack, or if you want to construct your own, reverse the wires on pins 2 & 3, 5 & 8 and 6 & 20 on *one* end of your cable only. In addition, jumper pins 4 to 5 together on both ends of the cable. If you are not familiar with soldering techniques or are not sure how to take an RS-232 connector apart, cut and strip the wires, etc., then it would be best to have it done by someone who knows what they are doing, or simply buy the adapter which can be used on any serial cable.

Once the cable is correctly attached to both computers, the procedure is simple. The telecommunications program is run on both machines, at the same speed and with the same configuration, and the laptop becomes the sending computer, and the Atari becomes the receiving computer.

Beam Me Up

Connect the Model 102 computer to your Atari 850 interface (or other RS-232 connection) with a serial cable and null modem adapter or a modified RS-232 cable. The RS-232 jack on the Model 102 needs a male plug and the RS-232 jack on the Atari interface needs a male 9-pin connector. Next, turn on the Model 102 computer. Then boot up the Atari computer and run a telecommunications program. I like the communications program from *Homepak* called *Hometerm*. Although Batteries Included is no longer in business, Homepak should still be available in many stores. If not, any terminal program will work.

Set the terminal parameters on the Atari to 2400 baud, 8-bit word length, 1 stop bit, no parity, full Duplex, no emulation and XON/XOFF enabled. I have not been able to consistently transfer files at higher speeds without errors; so I always use 2400 baud. Use the "capture" command on the Atari to receive the transmission from the Radio Shack and then store it as a file.

You could use the internal modem on the Model 102 to transfer a file to the

Atari, but at a maximum speed of 300 baud, it might take a while. Instead, you should not only bypass the internal modem but also the telecommunications program. Then, from within the Radio Shack's text editor, save a file to the "COM" port (the Model 102 serial port). To do this, press the F3 function key and type "COM:68N1E." This means save a file to the COM port, transfer it at 2400 baud, use an 8-bit word length, no parity transmission with 1 stop bit and XON/XOFF status enabled.

Once the command is given, the file will be transferred to the Atari and saved as ASCII text. Once saved as a file, just about any Atari 8-bit word processor can then be used to access the file and edit it as you wish.

The procedure is exactly the same for the Model 102 and Atari ST combination. The only difference is the particular communications program that is used on the ST to interact with the Radio Shack computer.

Wrapping Up

Comparing the prices of the Zenith portable to the Radio Shack portable, you get similar numbers if you calculate it by the pound, \$106 vs. \$120. However, the Radio Shack computer is cheaper, more value for the money and weighs less than a 1/3 of the Zenith. Enough advantages to, ah, "outweigh" the competition of the Zenith and other portable laptops currently available. Choosing the Model 102 computer to compute on the go is both productive and rewarding. After one or two tries, you'll master the art of transferring files from one machine to another. My only advice is to be sure to have plenty of extra AA batteries on hand for the Model 102 and portable disk drive. They seem to have an unending appetite.

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ST-Notes

by Frank Cohen

Clout: A word describing the power that most major computer hardware and software manufacturers rely on when they attempt to move or change their markets. Atari has sought for it, but on most occasions failed. Apple recently began to

show it, but is still having problems. IBM always had it, but is finding it needs more. Word Perfect Corp. has it and uses it effectively. Just look at their recent announcement that they are considering pulling out of the Atari ST software market.

Mr. Acerson, Director of Corporate Communications, Word Perfect Corp. (WPC), has announced that they are dismayed at the availability of their word processor, Word Perfect, on Pirate Bulletin Board Systems (BBS). WPC has found complete versions of Word Perfect on three BBSs just months after the release of its first ST product. WPC won't be hurt by the loss of a couple of sales of its powerful word processor, however, WPC has openly said that it is in the business of selling software and not of hunting after software pirates.

WPC's announcement has reignited the controversy over software piracy. The Atari XL computer was plagued with numerous problems, largest of which was the issue of piracy. Software publishers found that larger and larger numbers of illegal copies of their products were making their way up the gravevine. Piracy has long been a problem with most computers, however, Atari has held the reputation.

WPC has said it has not found similar piracy problems with the Amiga or IBM user community. Odd. Of all the people I know with IBM PCS just about every one of them has a pirate copy of

Lotus 123, dBase III Plus, Word Perfect and Microsoft Word. The honest ones later bought legitimate copies. But most don't.

Software piracy exists on all machines. IBM, Macintosh, Amiga and Atari all have problems with software piracy. So why has WPC chosen not to "go with the flow?" The answer to this question goes back a couple of years to Atari Corp.'s desperate search for major software vendors (Lotus, Ashton Tate, Microsoft, etc.) to support their new ST machine. WPC was the first major company to move their highly acclaimed word processor onto the ST. At a time when the highest price for a word processor was \$79.95, Word Perfect was wheeled into the ST market on its six-disk set at a whopping \$399.95. Word Perfect has since basked in the splendor of its own elegance and strength. Atari Corp. and all of its supporters now had some clout.

WPC is a very large company that is used to marketing software to a huge industry. Software markets for the IBM PC play games by determining who has the most clout. So, it takes little reasoning to see how an announcement like WPC "pulling out of the ST market" might shake things up with the pirate BBSs. Hopefully, it will reduce the amount of piracy that normally resides in the ST software market. If it does then the fate of the ST lies more in the hands of the ST users community than it does in the hands of pirates.

FTL Dungeon Master

Gaming on the ST has become really fun. The new line of game releases has included some technically superb graphics, game play and sound effects. FTL Games is providing a number of the better games. Their credits include Sundog, Oids and Dungeon Master.

In a recent BBS conference, Wayne Holder, president of FTL Games, said that sales of Dungeon Master (DM) were brisk. DM (\$39.95 list) was first shown in 1986. The demonstrations showed a three-dimensional high-resolution

graphic dungeon that you had to move through. And move you did—the motion was animated, giving you a real sense of depth and complexity. DM's development crew originally worked with Pascal. Development eventually bogged down and FTL switched horses to the C language. According to Doug Bell, DM programmer, the C learning curve can be brutal. Eventually, they developed a games compiler which was used to complete the project.

Recently, FTL Games released *Dungeon Master 1.1*, which corrects some bugs and adds new features to this graphic adventure game. If you're wondering if you have the latest version, look to the upper right corner of the save game screen.

DM is typical of how complex it is to develop games for a machine as advanced as the ST. Mike Newton developed the dungeon layout, while Andy Jaros, created the graphics.

FTL has completed German and French versions of DM. The European marketing will be handled by Mirrorsoft, Ltd. You might recognize the name from Mirrorsoft's desktop publishing program *Fleet Street Publisher*.

Holder said that Tracy Hickman is writing a hint book for DM. Tracy is the creator of the *Dragon Lance* series for TSR. Holder expects the book to be out within the next few months. In the meantime, they do accept support phone calls at (619) 453-5711.

Holder is trying to release four to six games per year. However, translations of their games to other computers slow this product release schedule. So far this year they have released DM and OIDS.

OIDS (\$34.95 list) is an arcade-quality game which has flavors of *Asteroids*, *Lunar Lander*, *Choplifter* and *Gravitar*, all popular arcade games. The graphics and game play are excellent. OIDS' neatest feature is the ability to construct your own playfields using a construction set. The game is filled with interesting characters and animation, so you should find hours of exciting game play. Dan Hewit, OIDS

programmer, has incorporated many functions to customize the game to your level of play.

Soft Logik Publishing Partner 2

The 1986 release of *Publishing Partner (PP)* was heralded as the answer to the missing Atari desktop publishing system. At \$149.95, PP was a bargain when comparing it to similar software packages on the Mac and IBM PC. The program let you import text and graphics and visually determine the layout of the printed page. PP was originally supposed to support Digital Research's GDOS operating system, but later they went to their own font/device driver system. Later, PP 1.1 was released to fix some bugs that had been found. At the same time a number of fonts and device drivers became available, which further established PP as 'the' desktop publishing system of the ST.

Soft Logik has now released *Publishing Partner Professional*. At a high retail price of \$199.95, the new system sports auto text flow around graphic images, auto hyphenation, kerning, an UNDO command, special text effects like slant, twist and rotate, and more included fonts.

If you have used PP 1.1 to do serious layout work, you will probably remember how the program redraws the entire screen every time an object is moved, selected or changed in any way. Redrawing complex screens holding more than a few objects would slow down your creativity to a crawl. The new system fixes this limitation. Now only the affected objects on the screen are redrawn, making the program vastly quicker and easier to use. Objects may now also be grouped, making it easier to cut, copy and paste more than one object at a time.

Word processor files may be imported directly from *Word Perfect*, *First Word*, *Regent Word II*, and *Word Writer* files. Soft Logic seems to be confident enough to include *Timework's Word Write* compatibility, even though

Timeworks is releasing their own desktop publishing system.

Upgrades for PP 1.1 owners are available directly from Soft Logik at a cost of \$99. PP 1.1 will continue to be marketed at a lower price, so you will have the option to try the lower priced package first, then upgrade to PP *Profession* later.

Broderbund Changes Its Mind

The long-awaited U.S. release of *Art Director* and *Film Director* will have to wait a little longer. *Art Director* is a comprehensive drawing package that is filled with powerful graphics functions. *Film Director* takes *Art Director* graphics and creates animated presentations. Both were originally developed in Europe two years ago. Broderbund showed the programs at the *Atarifests* in 1987, but has decided now not to release the products.

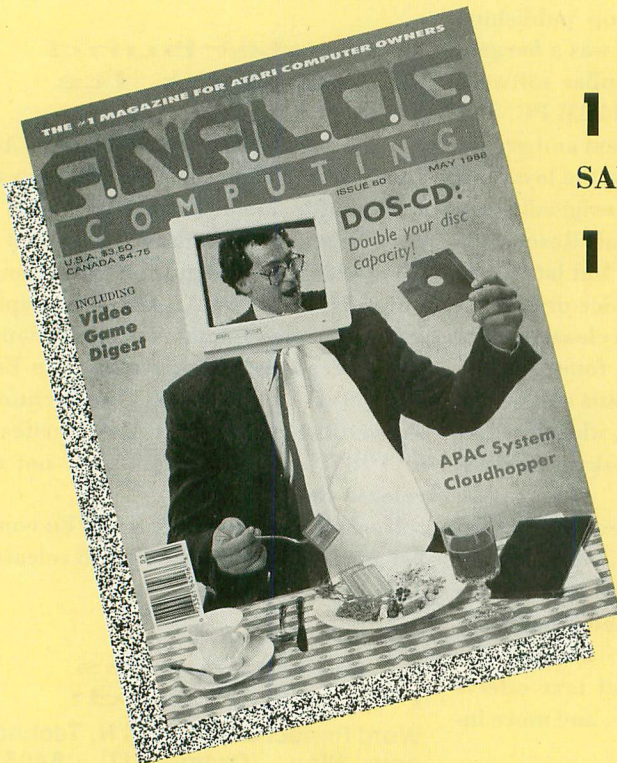
Karateka, a very slick Kung Fu combat game, is set for a mid-1988 release. This one is a winner.

Companies Mentioned:

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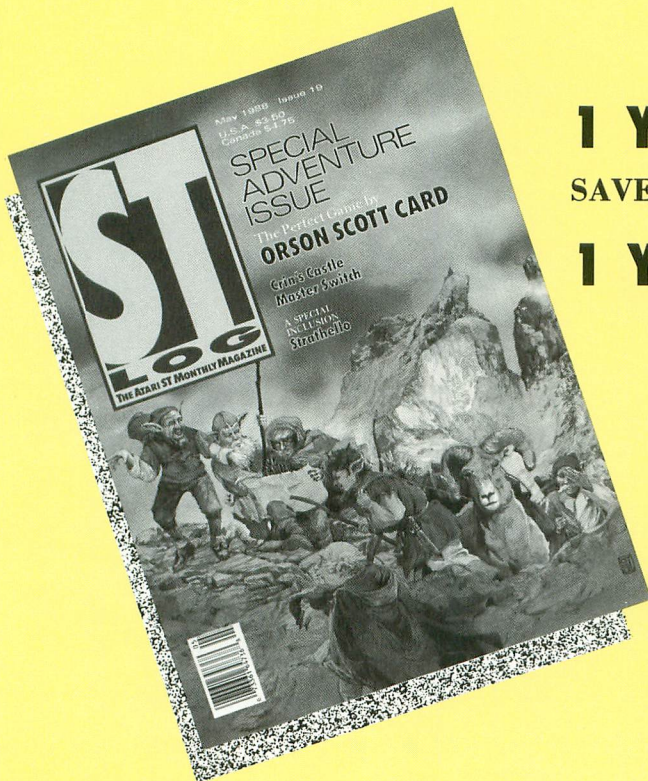
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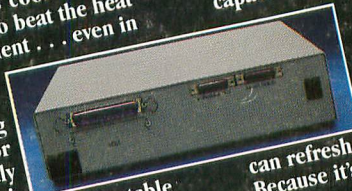
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