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You are now licensed to use the Hard Disk Operating System (HDOS) from North Star Computers, Inc. HDOS was developed by North Star to extend the capabilities of the Disk Operating System (DOS) to work with the expanded capacity of North Star hard disks.

The material in this manual is arranged in sections. Section 1 contains procedures for an initial installation of your software. Sections 2 and 3 cover the normal operation of HDOS. Section 4 details the BACKUP and RECOVER process. Sections 5 and 6 are useful to an assembly language programmer.

The appendices contain reference material for the manual.

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1.1 HARD DISK OPERATING SYSTEM SOFTWARE

The North Star Hard Disk Operating System (HDOS) is supplied to you on two North Star floppy disks, the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK and the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK. The software includes:

The Hard Disk Operating System (HDOS). The operating system includes the hard disk File Manager, the floppy disk drive control routines, and the standard peripheral input-output device drivers.

The Command Processor. This program accepts commands from a terminal to manipulate disk files, accounts, programs, and RAM, and to perform miscellaneous monitoring functions.

Hard Disk BASIC (HBASIC). This version of North Star BASIC allows access to files on the hard disk as well as floppy disks with little or no change to existing BASIC programs.

The BACKUP and RECOVER Programs. The programs allow convenient backup and retrieval of files stored on the hard disk drive. Using the complete and incremental data backup program protects your data in the event of power failure, hardware failure, or operator error.

You can also use floppy disk backup to preserve original data before performing major file updates on the hard disk.

The Hard Disk Test Program. This program permits testing and formatting of the hard disk drive(s) when the system is initially set up, during total system recovery, or during daily preventative maintenance.

1.2 INITIAL SYSTEM STARTUP

Once the hardware has been set up and successfully powered-on, the procedures described below must be followed to complete the initial system software installation.

NOTE

If you are running an earlier version of HDOS, skip these procedures and go to Section 1.3, "Upgrading HDOS to HDOS 2.1.x".

First test and format the hard disk with Level Two of the Hard Disk Test Program. Then, perform an initial system recovery to install the system software on the hard disk. Finally make working copies of the floppy disks for everyday use and retire the factorysupplied floppy disks to safe storage.

Normally, the complete process is performed only once, before the hard disk system is used for the first time.

1.2.1 INSERTING FLOPPY DISKS

Insert the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK into floppy disk drive 1 (the drive closest to the center of the Horizon's front panel) with the oblong hole entering the slot first and the floppy disk's label facing away from the drive's LED indicator.

Carefully close the door on the drive. If the door does not "lock" into the closed position, re-insert the disk and try to close the door again. Never force the door shut, as this may damage the disk.

1.2.2 INITIALIZING HDOS

Press and release the red reset switch next to the cooling fan on the HORIZON's rear panel. Drive 1 should turn on (the LED indicator on the drive will light up), and this system message will appear on your terminal:

HDOS Initial Boot Procedure

This disk supplied from North Star contains two different HDOS operating systems - one for 5 inch hard disks and one for the HD-18 hard disk. The names of the files are HD5XDOS and HD18DOS, respectively.

To manually boot into the correct operating system for your disk, type:

GO HD5XDOS,1 <cr>> (If you have a 5 inch hard disk)

GO HD18DOS,1 <cr>> (If you have an HD-18 hard disk)

After you have done this, you can follow the instructions in the Hard Disk Operating System User Manual, under the heading Initial System Startup to prepare the hard disk and an automatic bootstrap disk.

When you enter the proper GO command after the "+" prompt, the HDOS sign-on message and command prompt "=" will appear on your terminal screen. If you have an HD18, you will hear the hard disk's motor start running.

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1.2.3 STARTUP PROCEDURE FOR SINGLE-SIDED DRIVES

The HDOS is initially configured to operate with two-sided, fast-stepping (quad) floppy disk drives. On startup, if you have any single-sided, normal-stepping (double density) floppy disk drives, enter the following in response to the HDOS prompt (=):

FM 134 0 [RETURN]

This temporarily tells your system to use single sided drives.

NOTE

If you have a mix of single and doublesided drives, you can use the SYSGEN program later to determine the proper configuration byte for your system.

1.2.4 REFORMATTING THE HARD DISK

The next step is to test and reformat the hard disk. See Section 1.7.3 for a discussion of "skips" and the "skip table".

CAUTION

This writes over any previous hard disk data. Use this procedure for an initial setup or on a completely backed up disk. To upgrade earlier versions of HDOS, see Section 1.4, "Upgrading HDOS to HDOS 2.1.x".

Procedure

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STEP ACTION

- Check that the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK is in floppy disk drive 1.
- 2 IF...
 - o you have a five inch hard disk then enter GO HD5XTEST,1 [RETURN] and go to step 3.
 - o you have an HD18 hard disk then enter GO HD18TEST,1 [RETURN] and go to step 4.
- Your Hard Disk code will be displayed on your terminal. You can verify the code by checking the hard disk label on the rear of the computer. If it is correct, enter Y. If it is not correct, enter N and the correct code.
- WHICH DIAGNOSTIC LEVEL TO EXECUTE:
 - (1) NONDESTRUCTIVE DAILY RUN
 - (2) SIMPLIFIED TOTAL DISK CHECK AND REFORMAT (DESTRUCTIVE TO ALL DATA!)
 - (3) EXTENDED TOTAL DISK CHECK AND REFORMAT (DESTRUCTIVE TO ALL DATA!)

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STEP	ACTION
5	2
6	IF
	o you have an HD18, you are prompted for the hard distunit number. Enter unit # [RETURN].
	**** WARNING ****
	PROCEEDING WITH THIS TEST WILL DESTROY ALL EXISTING DATA ON THE DISK
	HIT <return> TO PROCEED OR <esc> TO ABORT</esc></return>
7	[RETURN]
8	When the test is complete the program displays the message:
	TEST COMPLETE

9 N

The terminal displays:

HIT <RETURN> TO REBOOT

10 [RETURN]

The program displays the HDOS command prompt.

1.2.5 INITIAL SYSTEM SOFTWARE RECOVERY

The next step in the initial startup procedure is to create the directory and install the system software on the hard disk. To do this, you will use the TOTREC program and the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK to install the basic system software in your hard disk SYSTEM account.

Procedure

STEP ACTION

- Ensure that the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK is loaded in floppy disk drive 1.
- 2 IF...
 - o you have a five inch hard disk unit, enter: GO HD5XDOS [RETURN]
 - o you have an HD18 hard disk unit, enter: GO HD18DOS [RETURN]

The terminal will display the HDOS command prompt.

- =
- 3 IF...
 - o you have any single-sided, normal-stepping (double density) floppy disk drives, then enter: PM 134 0 [RETURN]
- 4 GO TOTREC,1 [RETURN]

The program informs you that proceeding with TOTREC erases all files and accounts on the hard disk, and questions whether this is in fact what you want to do.

5 YES [RETURN]

The program prompts for a hard disk drive number. (Enter drive number 101 to 104. For one hard disk, enter 101.)

STEP ACTION

6 101 [RETURN]

The program sends a list of messages to your terminal. When you receive the message:

Initialization complete

and then prompts for a listing destination for the recovered files.

7 Option #

The program prompts for the "Master backup disk" drive number.

8 IF...

- o you have a system with one floppy disk drive, remove the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK from floppy disk drive 1, insert the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK in floppy disk drive 1 and enter 1 [RETURN]
- o you have more than one floppy disk drive, put the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK in floppy disk drive 2 and enter 2 [RETURN]
- 1. Recover all accounts.
- Specify accounts.
- Specify exceptions.
- 9]

The program displays a message similar to:

Allocated space for file TRANSIENT, SYSTEM: 50 BLOCKS
Allocated space for HBASIC, SYSTEM: 60 BLOCKS

STEP ACTION

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10 IF...

- o you have one floppy disk drive, re-insert the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK into floppy disk drive 1 when requested and [RETURN].
- The program creates a SYSTEM account and file directory on the hard disk and allocates disk space for your initial software files.

12 IF...

o you are using one floppy disk drive, the program prompts for the "Master Backup Disk". Insert the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK into floppy disk drive 1 again.

At this point the data for each file is copied to the hard disk.

13 Ploppy disk drive

The program creates hard disk SYSTEM files, using the files from the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK. For each file recovered to the SYSTEM account, a dot (.) appears on your screen.

In addition to the backup data you have just used, the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK also contains several additional files which you may wish to copy onto your hard disk. If you do, use the CF (Copy File) command to copy the files to hard disk. Use the LI (List File) command to check the filenames in the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK directory.

The files REDIRECT and CP/M.FIX will be useful if you have been using HDOS Revision 1.B on an HD18. If this is the case, see section 1.3 below.

There are also various versions of HBASIC for hardware floating point and extended precision arithmetic. Before using extended precision HBASIC, you should consult the North Star BASIC manual.

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1.2.6 INITIAL COMPLETE BACKUP

Now you should perform your first COMPLETE backup. There are two reasons for doing a backup at this time.

- You always should have a copy of your HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK to use if something happens to the factory supplied floppy disk that makes it unuseable.
- 2. The second reason is that now is the time for you to begin a formal backup procedure for your hard disk to ensure the best possible recovery situation if anything happens to your hard disk.

The procedure below is simplified and useful only for this portion of the Initial System Startup. Read Chapter 4, 'Backup and Recovery', for more information about the BACKUP and RECOVER process.

NOTE

You will need at least one blank floppy disk to run an initial complete backup.

Procedure

STEP	ACTION
1	
2	Insert a blank floppy disk into floppy disk drive 1.
3	IN 1 [RETURN]
	Are you sure?
4	Y
	 =

STEP ACTION

5 GO BACKUP [RETURN]

- 1. Complete backup.
- Incremental backup.
- 3. Selected files or accounts backup.
- 4. Explanation.
- 6 1

The program prompts for the date. (Do not use blanks.)

7 Date [RETURN]

The program prompts for a listing device. If you do not want a printed copy, enter 0 to send the list to you terminal.

8 Listing device number

Note that selection '3' will cause the program to prompt for a printer device number. Next, the program prompts for the hard disk drive number.

9 101 [RETURN]

Now the program prompts for the floppy disk drive number into which you have put the blank disk.

STEP ACTION

The program indicates 'BACKUP STARTED'. The hard disk directory is compressed and written to the Master disk.

As each file is copied, the filename and length is displayed. The heading BACKED UP shows how much of the file or account fit on the floppy disk.

ACCOUNT ***	NAME	SIZE	BACKED UP
SYSTEM ******	BACKEXP	6	6
SYSTEM	HBASIC	58	EO
	•		

SYSTEM RECOVERS 46 46

Please remove BACKUP.M from drive 1 and label it.

File data backup complete.

File cleanup started.

A dot (.) is displayed on your screen as each file is cleaned.

Since this is the first floppy disk of the session, it now contains the disk directory and is labeled "BACKUP.M" by the system.

You should label the disk 'BACKUP.M' and date it.

12 When the program ends [RETURN] to HDOS command level.

1.2.7 COPY THE SYSTEM DISK

To create an "auto-boot" floppy disk to automatically initialize HDOS you must first copy the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK onto a working disk. A working disk is a copy of the factory-supplied floppy disk that will be used daily, while the original is stored for safe keeping. If the working disk is damaged or destroyed, another copy can be made from the original. Only use factory supplied HDOS floppy disks for the initial start-up and copy.

Procedure

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STEP ACTION

- 1 ----
- Insert the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK into floppy disk drive

 1.

 N 15 Meg D, Gypy B, HDOS 2.2.
- 3 CF ,1 CR IMAGE [RETURN] " Called IMAGEHD 220

Copy the floppy disk to the hard disk default account SYSTEM with a filename of IMAGE.

After approximately 30 seconds the red drive indicator light turns on. The total copy takes about two minutes, then displays:

COPY COMPLETED

- 4 Remove the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK from disk drive 1.
- 5 Insert a blank floppy disk into disk drive 1.
- 6 CF IMAGE TO ,1 [RETURN]

Copy IMAGE from hard disk to the blank floppy disk in drive 1. This creates a working copy of the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK. Repeat this command for more copies.

USING SYSGEN 1.2.8

You can use the SYSGEN program at this point to configure your working copy of the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK to:

- o 'auto-start' your copy of the HDOS, o set your screen length,
- o enable or disable interrupts,
- o and/or auto-start an application such as HBASIC.

Procedure

STEP ACTION

- Ensure that the working copy of the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM 1 DISK is in floppy disk drive 1.
- 2 GO HBASIC [RETURN]

READY

3 LOAD SYSGEN,1 [RETURN]

READY

4 RUN [RETURN]

> The SYSGEN program displays an initial message and the main menu:

Configuration options:

- D) os
- B) asic
- E)nd configuration

5 D [RETURN]

Which DOS do you want to configure:

- H) ard disk HDOS
- F) loppy disk DOS
- E) xit to main menu

STEP ACTION

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6 H [RETURN]

Which HDOS do you wish to configure:

- A) any 5 inch hard disk
- B) an HD-18 hard disk
- 7 IF.,.
 - o you have a five inch hard disk, enter A [RETURN]
 - o you have an HD18 hard disk, enter B [RETURN]

Is HDxxDOS,1 the desired file to be configured?

- Y)es, use this name
- N)o, fetch alternate name
- E) xit to main menu

8 Y [RETURN]

When you boot from this disk, do you want HDxxDOS,1 to automatically begin execution?

9 Y [RETURN]

The program now prompts for the number of lines you want to appear on your terminal. This number is usually 24.

10 Number of lines [RETURN]

The program prompts for your floppy drive type:

- Q) double sided (quad capacity), fast stepping D) single sided (double density)

What type of floppy disk drive is on your system? [Q, D, or M) ixed]:

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STEP ACTION

11 IF...

- o you have only double sided quad capacity drives, enter: Q [RETURN]
- o you have single sided double density drive(s), enter: D [RETURN]

The program displays the highest HBASIC MEMSET for your system, then prompts:

Press any key to continue ...

12 Any key

You now have the option of enabling or disabling interrupts:

Run with interrupts E) nabled or D) isabled --

13 IF...

o you will be running any North Star multi-user operating system, such as TSS/A or TSS/C enter D [RETURN] to disable interrupts

NOTE

See the section titled "Configuring the HORIZON for Multi-user Operation" in the TSS/A and TSS/C manuals for more information on interrupt handling and its relationship to hardware.

o you wish to enable interrupts, enter B [RETURN]

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14	SYSGEN	presents th	ne option	of	automatically	starting	ar
	applicat	tion program	n.		•	_	

HDxxDOS,1 can be configured to automatically start a program.

It is NOT currently set to do this.

Do you wish to change this?

15 IF...

- o you would like to automatically enter a program such as HBASIC every time you boot up your system disk, enter Y [RETURN]. SYSGEN prompts for the new auto-start command. The command should be in the form: 'G(xxxxx', such as GO HBASIC.
- o you do not want to automatically enter a program, enter N [RETURN].

Press any key to return to the main menu . . .

16 Any key

D) os

B)asic

E)nd configuration

17 E [RETURN]

All changes are complete and the disk may be removed. Thank you.

READY

STEP . ACTION

18 BYE [RETURN]

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1.3 UPGRADING HDOS TO HDOS 2.1.X

If you are running earlier versions of HDOS and want to update to HDOS 2.1.x you will need to upgrade some files on your hard disk to make this possible.

NOTE

If you have been running CP/M on an HD-18, you should copy the correct HDBOOT file to your CP/M system disk. You must do this before you rearrange the hard disk. (You may have already done this if you are already running HDOS 2.0.0.)

- Connect to the HDOS system file CP/M.FIX by specifying it as a CP/M volume (see the North Star CP/M Preface). If you do not have CP/M.FIX on your hard disk, use the CF command to copy it from the HDOS 2.1.X INITIAL RECOVERY DISK.
- 2. PIP the correct HDxxBOOT.COM file from CP/M.FIX to your working copy of the CP/M system disk. (The correct HDBOOT name will depend on the type of hard disk). This allows CP/M to find HDOS files that are volumes under the rearranged disk.
- 3. DElete CP/M.FIX from your SYSTEM account.

Several files need updating. To do this, the old versions must be deleted. There is a program on the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK that will automatically delete the correct files. The program name is SHORTCUT. Enter:

GO SHORTCUT,1 [RETURN]

A sequence of commands appear on you terminal, deleting several files. Some of the file names may not appear on your hard disk, but will be deleted anyway.

When this program has finished execution and you have the HDOS '=' prompt on your screen, run the program TOTREC, with one crucial difference from a Total Recovery. Enter:

GO TOTREC, 1 [RETURN]

and in response to the first question that asks whether you want to delete all files and accounts on the hard disk, answer NO.

If you don't answer NO, all your data will be destroyed!

Answering NO leaves the hard disk directory unchanged and creates those files found on the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISK.

Follow the rest of the instructions as per a normal TOTREC. (Refer to Section 4.3.3, Using TOTREC.)

If you have been using HDOS Revision 1.B on an HD18 hard disk, you can now rearrange the hard disk directory to make directory accesses faster.

Enter:

GO REDIRECT,1 [RETURN]

1.4 NORMAL SYSTEM STARTUP

All the programs necessary for each startup of the hard disk system should now be on your working copy of the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK.

This disk should always be inserted into floppy disk drive 1, the drive nearest to the center of the HORIZON, to load the HDOS into the computer's memory (RAM).

When the computer is first powered up, you should press and release the red reset switch on the HORIZON's rear panel. This starts the "bootstrap" program which in turn activates the floppy disk drive and loads the HDOS into the computer's memory. The HDOS command prompt ("=") appears on the terminal screen each time HDOS is successfully loaded, unless you have configured a special auto-start.

After the computer has been powered on, whenever you want to re-boot the system from HDOS you should use the HDOS IL (Initial Load) command.

If you have an HD18, after the hard disk drive motor has started allow three minutes before any operation. The internal control system of the HD18 imposes this delay while the drive motor comes to full speed and stabilizes.

Five inch hard disks have no significant delay.

1.5 TURNING OFF THE SYSTEM

Before turning off the power to the system, remove any disks from the floppy disk drives.

If you have a system with one or more HD18 hard disks, you should use the HDOS OF command to turn off the motors. The OF command retracts the read/write heads to their special landing zones on the disk before stopping the drive motor. You can turn off the power to the computer, terminal, hard disk drives, and peripherals, in any order.

Although a North Star HORIZON with a five inch hard disk does not require you to enter the OF command when you power down the computer, there is a preferred landing zone for each type. We recommend using OF, especially when you move the machine.

1.6 HARD DISK TEST PROGRAM

The Hard Disk Test Program (HD5XTEST or HD18TEST) is a three level diagnostic test program for detecting potential hardware problems in North Star hard disk units.

The diagnostic program is contained on the factory supplied HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK.

The Level One test performs a non-data-destructive scan of the key signals and data on the disk. Run this test daily to provide early warning of possible disk problems. If the test detects no errors, assume the disk is functioning correctly and terminate the diagnostic program.

If the Level One test does detect a potential problem, the program indicates what steps to take. In most cases the program will advise the user to:

1. Perform a preventive maintenance procedure

or

2. Proceed to the Hard Disk Diagnostic Level Two test.

The Level Two test is run as above in section 1.2.4 "Reformatting the Hard Disk". Refer to the section on Advanced Diagnostics below for Level Three test procedures.

NOTE

Perform a Level Two or Level Three diagnostic test only if the data on hard disk has been completely backed up on another medium. Level Two and Level Three destroy all data on the hard disk.

All hardware modifications included in the HD18 Upgrade Kit should be installed before the Hard Disk Test Program is run for the first time.

1.6.1 THE DAILY RUN PROGRAM

An important responsibility of the user is routine testing of the computer. The Non-destructive Daily Run program performs this function. It will not affect the data on the disk.

Use this program on a regular basis. Once a week should be sufficient.

The Daily Run verifies the performance of the hard disk. It will indicate a problem, called a "read error," if any exists.

You should power up your HORIZON and all peripheral hardware, then follow this procedure:

Procedure

STEP ACTION

- Insert your working copy of the HDOS 2.1.x SYSTEM DISK in floppy disk drive 1.
- When the floppy disk is seated in the drive, close the drive latch.
- 3 Press and release the RESET switch on the back of your computer.

4 Enter the appropriate command to begin the test.

IF...

- o you have a five inch hard disk, then enter: GO HD5XTEST [RETURN] and go to step 5.
- o you have an HD18, then enter GO HD18TEST [RETURN] and go to step 6.

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STEP	ACTION
5	Your Hard Disk code will be displayed.
	Verify the code by checking the hard disk label on the rear of the computer. If it is correct enter Y. If it is not correct, reply N and enter the correct code.
6	WHICH DIAGNOSTIC LEVEL TO EXECUTE:
	WHICH DIAGNOSTIC DAVED TO EXECUTE:
	(1) NONDESTRUCTIVE DAILY RUN
	(2) SIMPLIFIED TOTAL DISK CHECK AND REFORMAT (DESTRUCTIVE TO ALL DATA!)
	(3) EXTENDED TOTAL DISK CHECK AND REFORMAT (DESTRUCTIVE TO ALL DATA!)
	Select 1 from the main menu. IF o you have an HD18 you are prompted for a unit number. Enter the unit # [RETORN].
	Level 1 test HARD DISK UNIT TO CHECK (101,102,103, or 104)
8	Sector pulse count correct Sector pulse timing range correct Testing usable tracks for read errors
	Number of read errors: 0 Testing reserved track
	Reserved track test passed
	TEST COMPLETE
	Press RETURN

STEP ACTION

- 9 IF....
 - o the number of read errors is 0 then [RETURN] to exit the program and return to the main menu.
 - o the number of read errors is greater than 0, then note the number and call a North Star service representative
- 10 At this point the program begins the specified diagnostic routine. The program requests no further information for the daily Level One test.

1.7 ADVANCED DIAGNOSTICS

1.7.1 PROBLEMS WITH THE HARD DISK

For purposes of this discussion, problems with the hard disk have been divided into several broad categories:

- o computer failure which affects the hard disk
- o loss of the skip table on the hard disk not related to a computer failure
- o loss of the hard disk label

The skip table is explained in the next section.

Here is a brief list of some of the situations which might indicate or result in a computer failure:

- o the computer has been dropped or jolted
- o you receive an error message when you try to boot up the computer
- o the results of the Daily Run show a significant number of "read errors"
- o there has been a series of power failures in your building

1.7.2 DIAGNOSING PROBLEMS

There is little you can do alone if your computer has failed. If you suspect a failure, you may do the Daily Run (Level 1 Test) to confirm hard disk errors. You should then call your North Star service representative.

The Simplified (Level 2) and Extended (Level 3) Check programs have more sophisticated tests than the Daily Run. But these will destroy your data. You should not run them unless your hard disk is empty or has been successfully backed up.

In general, then, your ability to diagnose hard disk failures is limited to errors detected on the Daily Run.

1.7.3 SKIPS

A skip is a portion of the hard disk that is not reliable. Normally, a hard disk will have a few skips. They do not mean that the disk itself is defective, nor do they measurably reduce the capacity of the disk.

The hard disk is divided into cylinders and heads. Skips are identified according to the cylinder and head on which they are located. The hard disk is carefully checked and all skips are identified before it is shipped. The locations of the skips are then recorded in two places:

- o on a sticker on the back of the computer
- o on a sticker on the outside of the hard disk

Diagram

H/	ARD D	ISK INF	OR	OITAN	1	
Driv	e Type.	HD-5			_	
Coc	eSG	5A			_	
CYLINDE		SKIP TAI			- 	
22	2		MEAD	CYLINDER	HEAD	.
	44	<u> </u>	Щ		\bigsqcup $lacksquare$	

1.7.4 THE SKIP TABLE

The skip table is the computer's internal information about skips, and is located on sector 2 of the hard disk. The hard disk must have this information to operate properly.

Skips themselves are not serious problems. However, if the skip table is somehow lost, the hard disk will not function properly. Here is a partial list of situations in which this might occur:

- o If the Level 2 or Level 3 hard disk test program is interrupted by a power failure or a system reset.
- o If the hard disk has been dropped or jolted during shipping or handling. The message "CURRENT SKIP TABLE INVALID" would appear on the screen when the Level 1 test is run.

If either of these situations arises with your hard disk, you will need to replace the skip table on the disk. You must:

- Read the the information on the skip sticker about the cylinder and head location of each skip.
- o Run the Extended Check (Level 3) program to reformat and test the hard disk. The Extended Check program will require you to give the skip information from the sticker.

The procedure for running the Extended Check program is found in the next section.

1.7.5 THE EXTENDED CHECK PROGRAM

The Extended Total Disk Check and Reformat (Level 3) program is the most sophisticated of the Hard Disk Test programs. Its function is to place the skip table on the hard disk. It is intended primarily for North Star service representatives.

CAUTION

The Extended Check program is destructive to data. Run this test yourself only if there is no data on your hard disk or if you have completely backed up your hard disk. In all other situations, you should call a North Star service representative.

You may use this test if the skip table on your hard disk has somehow been lost.

The Extended Check program is essentially the same as the Simplified Check program, which you used in Section 1.2.4. The difference is that you must answer a series of questions regarding your disk before the test is run.

1.7.6 RUNNING THE EXTENDED CHECK PROGRAM

This program presents a series of options. Most of these are useful only for North Star service representatives. This procedure shows the simplest method for running the program.

Procedure

STEP ACTION

Select option 3 from the main menu.

IF...

o you have an HD18, you are prompted for the hard disk unit number. Enter unit # [RETURN].

**** WARNING ****

Level 3 test...

PROCEEDING WITH THIS TEST WILL DESTROY ALL EXISTING DATA ON THE DISK

Press RETURN to proceed or ESC to abort

- 2 [RETURN]
- 3 IF...

o you see this message, then check the hard disk information sticker and go to the next step.

CURRENT SKIP TABLE

CYLINDER XXX, HEAD XX CYLINDER XXX, HEAD XX

ENTER ADDITIONAL SKIPS(Y/N)?

o you see this message, then check the hard disk information sticker and go to the next step.

SKIP TABLE INVALID -STARTING WITH NO SKIPS

ENTER ADDITIONAL SKIPS (Y/N)?

Procedure (continued)

STEP	
4	IF
	o the sticker shows no skips, then N and go to step #8.
	o the sticker show skips, then go to the next step.
	o the sticker and the display do not agree, then reset the computer and call your North Star dealer.
5	Y
	CYLINDER:
6	Enter the cylinder number of the first skip recorded on the sticker.
	HEAD:
7	Enter the head number of the skip. Enter the same information for each skip recorded.
8	[RETURN] after the next CYLINDER prompt when you have finished entering the skips.
9	The skip table is complete.
	Press RETURN to accept, ESC to reject skip table?
10	[RETURN]
	HALT IF ERROR DETECTED (Y/N)?
11	N

REPEAT TEST CONTINUOUSLY (Y/N)?

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rrocedure	(continued)

STEP ACTION 12 RUN TEST ON SKIPS (Y/N)? 13 TYPE THE NUMBER OF ITERATIONS FOR EACH TEST SECTION PATTERN READ/WRITE: 14 1 [RETURN] SERVO HARMONIC TEST: 15 1 [RETURN] SERVO RANDOM TEST: 16 1 [RETURN] OUTPUT TO TERMINAL (0) OR PRINTER (1)? 17 IF... o you want a printed record of the backup session, select 1. o you do not want a printed record, then select 0. 18 You are ready to begin the test. Press RETURN to start test:

Procedure (continued)

STEP	ACTION	
19	The test begins after the formatting is complete. This is a long test. You may want to do other work while it it running.	
	[RETURN]	
	CONTROL-C CAN BE USED TO INTERRUPT TEST (EXCEPT WHILE FORMATTING) DISK NOW BEING FORMATTED	

20	Any errors detected will be recorded at the end of the test. These errors are rare. A small number of them is acceptable. If your disk has more than this, call your North Star dealer or service representative.	
	SEEK ERRORS 0 HDCOM ERRORS 0	
21	Any skips will also be recorded.	
	CYLINDERS XXX, HEAD X CYLINDERS XXX, HEAD X	
	TEST COMPLETE	
	Press RETURN	
22	A [RETURN] will reboot HDOS.	

2.1 OVERVIEW

The Hard Disk Operating System (HDOS) enables you to communicate with and control your floppy disk and hard disk drives. The HDOS programs reside on a floppy disk, which you must insert into a floppy disk drive and load into the computer's RAM memory each time you turn on the computer. Once the HDOS is loaded, you can enter HDOS commands to create and manipulate files, perform maintenance and debugging functions, or execute programs. You can program in assembly language, HBASIC, or any other language implemented by North Star.

2.2 THE LINE EDITOR

Before you attempt to enter commands or data on the keyboard, you should know how to use the line editor. Not only does the line editor send lines of input to the system, it enables you to correct typographical errors. The editing features described here work at the HDOS command level. Additional editing features are available when you invoke various programming environments. Those features are described in the manuals that accompany the programming languages.

2.2.1 Sending a Line to the System

A line typed in response to the HDOS prompt (=) is sent to the system by "typing a carriage return." Type a carriage return by pressing the RETURN key. Carriage returns are indicated in this manual by the symbol <CR>. Whenever a line of typing is shown followed by a <CR>, the operator should press RETURN.

You cannot correct an error in a line after you have pressed the RETURN key. If a command is unacceptable to the system, the system produces an error message and prompts you again. If the system accepts a command which includes incorrect parameters or data, enter a new command to correct or counteract the original

2.2.2 Correcting Typographical Errors

Typographical errors can be corrected BEFORE you type a carriage return. You can delete the entire line or you can correct individual characters within the line.

To delete a line, type an "at" sign (@) or control-N. The line is deleted and a new prompt appears.

To delete one character from the screen, use the backspace or control-H to move the cursor back to the error. As the cursor moves, each character that it encounters is erased. When you reach the character in error, re-enter that character and all the characters that follow.

To delete a character from a hard copy terminal, use the DELETE, RUBOUT, underscore, (depending on your terminal), or control-Q to produce an underscore character on the hard copy. Each underscore represents one deleted character, moving backward from the current position. When the underscores equal the character positions to be deleted, type the replacement characters.

Example:

SL PROGTSG___RAM 25_3

is read by the system as:

SL PROGRAM 23

2.2.3 Displaying the Previous Command

You can display your previous command under HDOS by typing a control-G. You can repeat the command by pressing RETURN or typing a control-J, or you can modify or delete the command using the line editor.

NOTE

If the first character in a command is a '=', the command is not placed in the 'last command' buffer. A control-G typed at this point displays the previous command, not the one just sent.

Example:

1. Type: AL 102 <CR>

The system displays the accounts on Hard Disk 102.

2. Type: =LI 1 <CR>

The system lists the files on floppy disk drive 1 but does not enter the command into the last command buffer.

- 3. Type: Control-G
- 4. The system displays:

=AL 102

2.2.4 Multiple HDOS Commands

You can key multiple HDOS commands on one line if you separate them with backslashes. Since the backslash is a legal character in filenames and accountnames, precede it with a space to make the command unambiguous. The commands are executed in the order entered and can be displayed with control-G then modified as needed.

Example:

AL 101 \LI 1

prints all account names and ID numbers from Hard Disk Drive 101 to your screen, then prints a directory listing from floppy disk drive 1.

2.3 DISK AND FILE INFORMATION

2.3.1 Floppy and Hard Disk Organization

Each hard disk or floppy disk consists of concentric TRACKS. The outermost track is identified as TRACK 0. Each track is subdivided into SECTORS, and each double-density sector holds 512 bytes of data. Every sector is identified by a unique DISK ADDRESS. Each sector has an address of 10X+Y, where x is the track number and y is the sector number. For example, sector 3 of track 27 on a floppy disk has the disk address of 273.

You may access data on a hard disk or floppy disk by file name, or by relative position within a named file. On a floppy disk, you can also access data by giving a physical disk address, such as 273.

2.3.2 Files

A file is an integral number of logically sequential blocks of data on a floppy or hard disk. A FILE BLOCK is defined as a unit of information equal to 256 bytes; therefore, a sector can contain two file blocks of information (one block on single-density floppy disks). Files always begin on sector boundaries. For example, a particular diskette file might occupy disk address 17 through 95 (track 1, sector 7 through track 9, sector 5).

The first four sectors on each floppy disk contain directory information; these sectors, 0 through 3 must not be specified as file addresses.

2.3.3 File Types

Each file is identified by its file type. Eleven file types are currently defined. More may be assigned in later versions of HDOS.

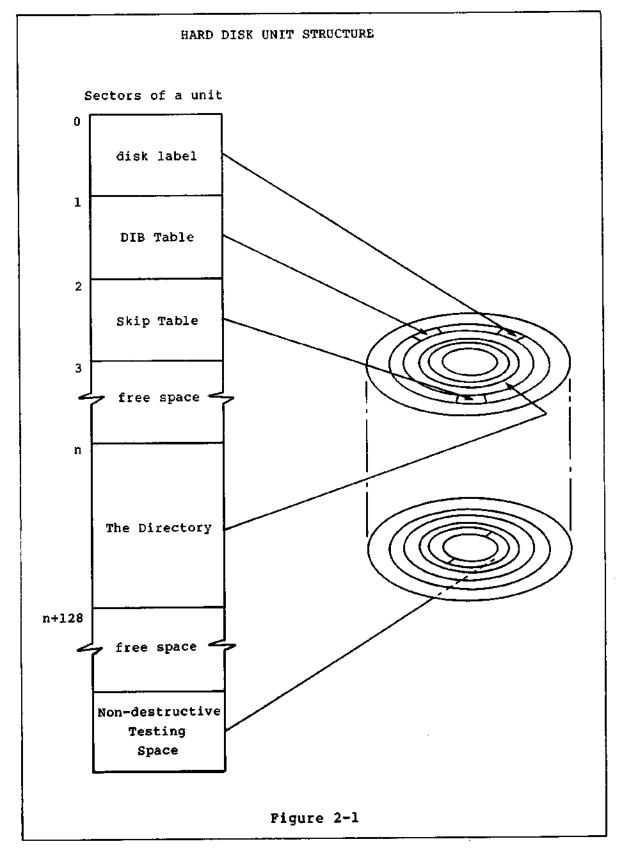
- Type 0 Default type. New files created by HDOS are assigned this type until explicitly changed by the TY command.
- Type 1 A file containing a machine language program (object code) that can be executed directly from HDOS with the GO command.
- Type 2 HBASIC program that can be loaded or saved from HBASIC.
- Type 3 HBASIC data file.
- Type 4 Backup diskette index.
- Type 5 Hard disk backup data.
- Type 6 CP/M workfile
- Type 7 CP/M unit
- Type 18- ASP Sequential access file
- Type 19- ASP Random access file

Type 20- ASP Index file

Types 32-63 - Unassigned by North Star. May be defined by user.

2.3.4 HDOS Data Structures

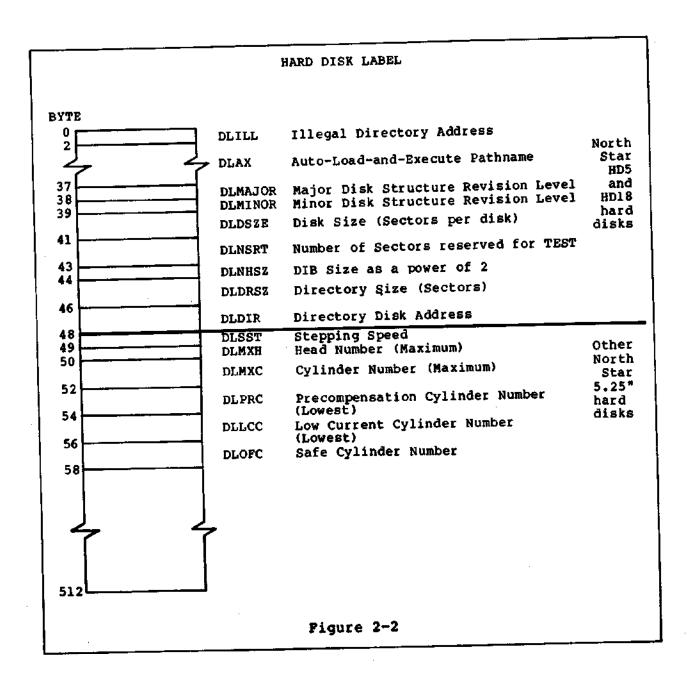
The following figures illustrate HDOS Data Structures on the hard disk and should be used in conjunction with the Equates listing in Appendix E. The exploded view of the hard disk in figure 2-1 is meant to show logical relationships between the structures but is not a physical representation of actual locations on the disk.

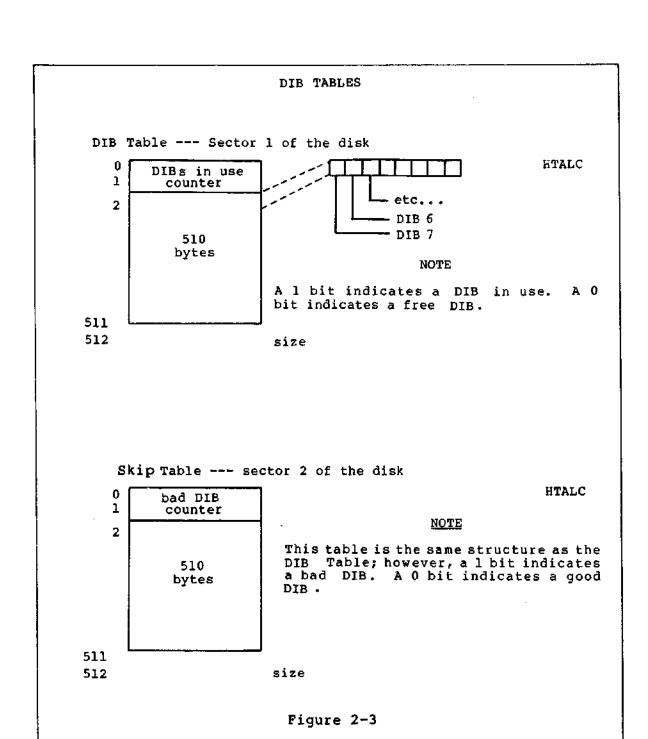


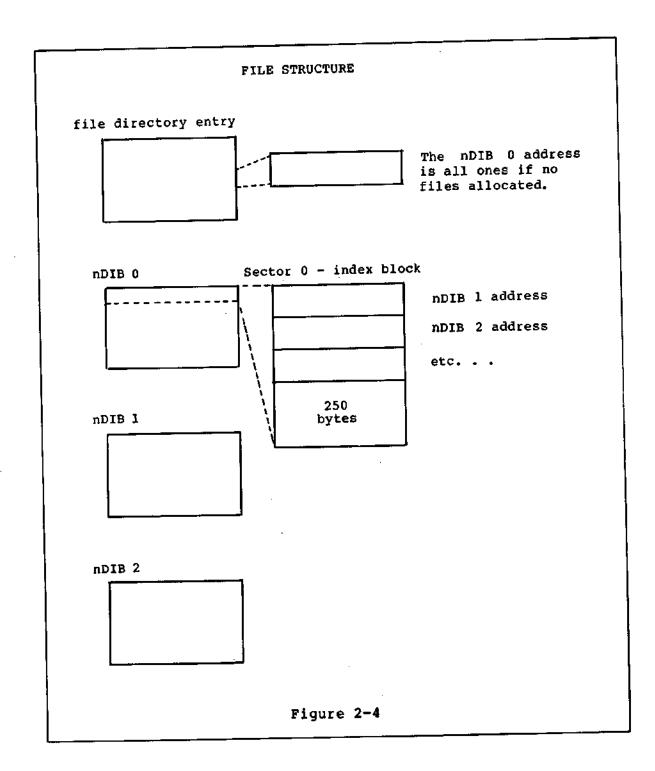
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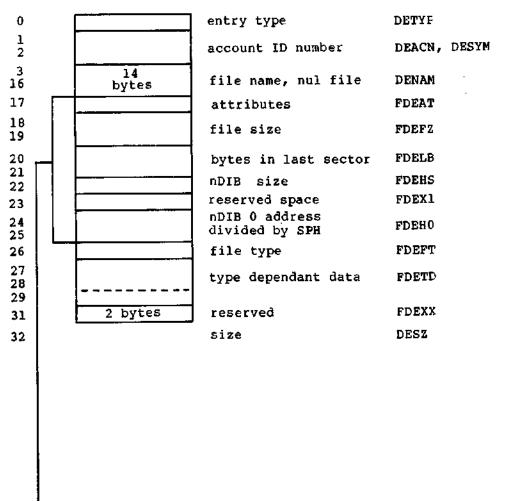


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FILE DIRECTORY ENTRY



This is the structure description. It is copied to the OFB when the file is opened.

NOTE

The nDIB 0 address (FDEHO) will be FFFFH, if there is no disk space allotted to the file

Figure 2-5

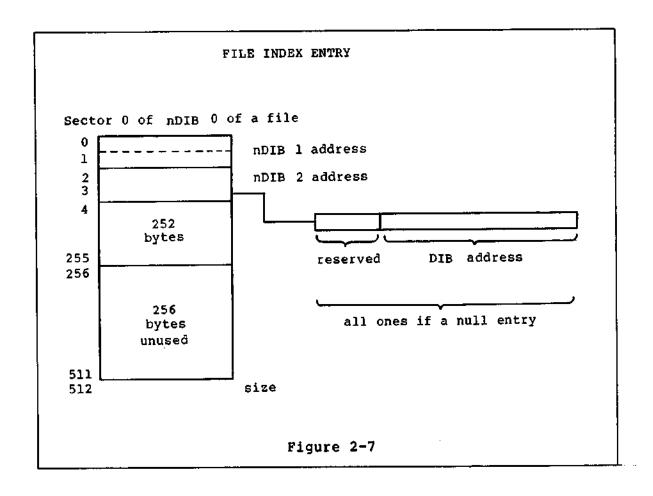
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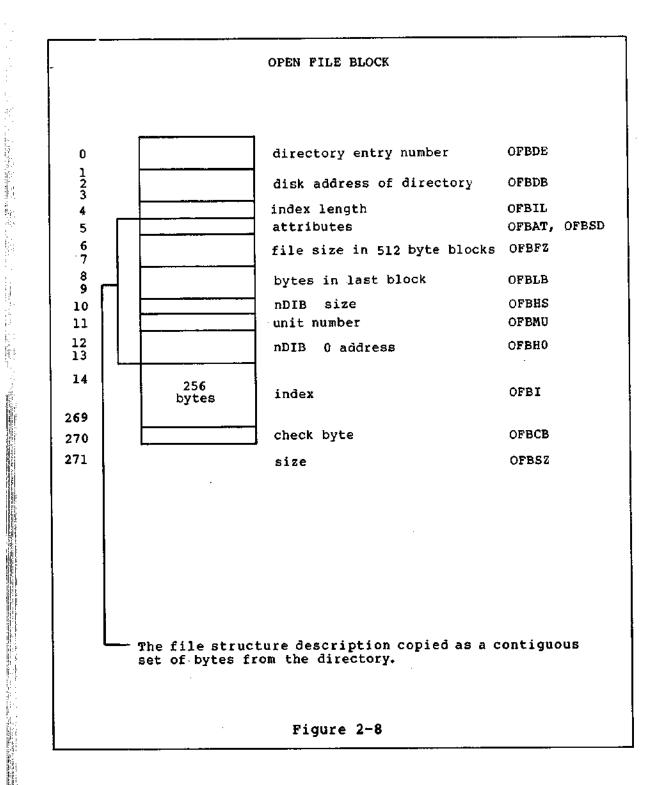
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	ACC	OUNT DIRECTORY ENTRY	
0 1 2 3 16 17 18 19 31	14 bytes 13 bytes	entry type two bytes that must be zero account name account ID reserved size Figure 2-6	DETYP DEACN, DESYM DENAM ADEAN ADEXX DESZ

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CREATE INFORMATION BLOCK

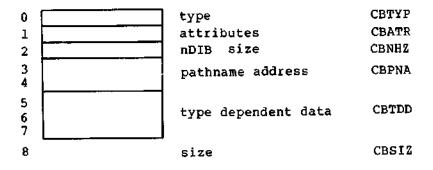
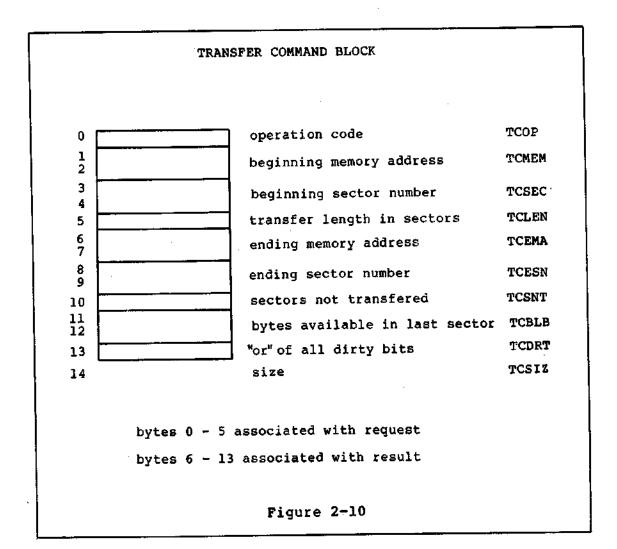


Figure 2-9



3.1 OVERVIEW

The HDOS command processor allows you to work with files on diskette or hard disk(s) by typing commands on a console terminal keyboard. When you press the RETURN key, the command and its arguments are processed and, if valid, executed. If the command is invalid, the system returns an error message.

With the HDOS commands, you can:

- * Initialize a diskette.
- * Create, work with, and delete files and accounts.
- * List file directories and accounts.
- * Load and execute files.
- * Access RAM addresses and I/O ports.
- * Control output devices.
- * Perform maintenance and debugging functions.
- * Rename Diskette files.
- * Copy files from diskette to diskette, hard disk to diskette, and diskette to hard disk.

3.2 SYMBOL CONVENTIONS

When the syntax of a command is given in this section, the commands and words indicated with uppercase letters are to be typed exactly as shown. Words or arguments for which you must supply a value are indicated in lowercase. For example:

AC account

means that you must type the letters AC followed by a valid account name. For example, in the command AC TEST6, the name TEST6 replaces account.

Certain optional arguments only refer to a hard disk and are not used to refer to a diskette. These arguments are always surrounded by square brackets ([]). For example, in the command syntax:

AL [#n] [d]

enter the command as shown and one, both or neither of the arguments. If you do include both arguments, enter them in this order.

Other optional arguments only refer to a diskette and never refer to a hard disk. These arguments are always surrounded by braces ({}). In the command syntax:

IN d {dens}

enter the command, a value for d, then choose whether or not to enter a value for dens.

Occasionally an argument has both braces and square brackets. In the command syntax:

LI {[#n]} [account] {d}

n is optional for either diskette or hard disk; account is optional if you are referring to a hard disk and is not used otherwise; d is optional if you are referring to a diskette and is not used otherwise.

3.3 ARGUMENTS

Most HDOS command arguments and the rules that govern them are described below. Arguments that apply to only one command are described with that command.

In general, numeric values that refer to disk addresss are expressed in decimal notation. Numeric values that refer to RAM (including GO addresses) or port addresses are expressed in hexadecimal notation. Any numeric argument (except a drive number appended to a file name or an account name) can be entered in hexadeciaml notation if immediately followed by an H, or decimal notation if followed by a T.

Example:

CR JONES 20H

This command creates a 32-block (20 Hex) file named Jones. Ordinarily the length of the file is specified in decimal notation. If you specify hex notation, the system makes the conversion.

Argument

Description

#n

Refers to an I/O device number from 0 to 7 inclusive. Generally, n is optional and defaults to 0. The Hard Disk Operating System assigns specific device numbers to specific peripheral devices. If your system has been customized, your device numbers may be different. The assigned device numbers are:

- 0 = Console terminal, left serial port.
- l = Printer, right serial port.
- 2 = Another device, parallel port.
- 3 7 (not implemented)

Argument

Description

đ

Diskette or hard disk drive number. Diskette drive numbers range from 1 to 4. Hard disk drive numbers range from 101 to 104.

NOTE

The default if no drive number is specified is 101, the first hard disk drive.

accountname

Name of an account on a hard disk drive. Account names consist of 1 to 14 printing characters, and can not begin with a number.

account

Used to organize files on the hard disk into groups. Accounts are specified by an accountname optionally followed by a comma and a hard disk drive number. If the drive number is omitted, drive 101 is assumed.

filename

Name of a file on a diskette or hard disk. On a diskette, a filename may contain from 1 to 8 printing characters; on a hard disk, a filename may contain from 1 to 14 printing characters.

pathname

Uniquely identifies a file on a particular drive and account. On a diskette, a pathname consists of a filename followed by a comma and a drive number. A hard disk pathname consists of a filename optionally followed by a comma and an account then another comma and a drive number. If an account is not included, the current default account will be used. This is initially account SYSTEM on hard disk drive 101, but may be changed by the user.

Description

Argument

pathname
(continued)

For example,

TESTFILE6, ACCT5, 102 XINPUT, 2 MARCHDATA, GLACCT27 99INFO, 102 PAYROLLPROGRAM JONES, ACCI1 jones, acct2

are all valid pathnames.

Upper and lowercase letters are different in a pathname. If you create a file named JONES, you cannot later refer to it as jones.

len

Length of a file or part of a file in blocks of 256 bytes. len is expressed in decimal notation.

dens

Density specification, used only when referring to diskettes. Density may be either S or s for single density, or D or d for double density. The default is double density.

alloc

is the size, in DIBs (Data Incremental Blocks, previously called "hunk") of the areas on a hard disk allocated to a file. A DIB is a group of sixteen contiguous sectors. The allocation factor is the number of DIBs grouped into a contiguous area on the disk, an area called a "segment".

Valid allocation factors are 1 (default), 2, 4, 8, and 16. An allocation factor of 8 will put segments on hard disk consisting of eight DIBs times sixteen sectors, for a total of 128 sectors each.

If the file uses more than one megabyte of disk space, specify an allocation factor greater than 1.

Argument

Description

daddr

Disk address. The disk address is usually expressed in decimal notation. The format for daddr is:

tracksector

For example, a diskette address of 357 means track 35, sector 7. This is sector 7 of the innermost track on side B of a double-sided diskette. On the hard disks, the address is a logical rather than a physical connection to track and sector.

paddr

Port address. This address is expressed in hexadecimal notation (0-FPH).

raddr

RAM address. The RAM address is usually expressed in hexadecimal notation (0-FFFF).

region

A contiguous block of random-access memory (RAM) specified in one of the following ways:

- A single address to specify a one-byte block at the given memory address.
- Two addresses separated by a hyphen to specify the first and last byte of the block.
- An address and a number separated by a comma to specify the beginning address and the length of the block.

bval

Byte value--the value that fills a single byte. The value may be specified as either:

- A decimal number from 0 through 255 (followed by the letter T).
- 2. A hexadecimal number from 0 through FF.
- 3. A printing character or a space enclosed in single or double quotation marks. A printing character is any character entered without using the control key or other function keys such as carriage return, line feed, tab, etc.

3.4 HDOS COMMANDS

3.4.1 ACCOUNT COMMANDS

Accounts are used to group files on the hard disk. All files on the hard disk are assigned to an account when they are created, and the account name becomes part of the "pathname" used to identify that particular file. The system assigns each account an account ID number. This ID number is associated with the files in that account.

HDOS provides the following commands to create, change, and delete account names.

AC Account Create

This command creates a new account name and assigns it an account ID number. The syntax of the AC (Account Create) command is:

AC account

where: account identifies the account to be created.

Example 1:

AC PROGONLY

The new account named PROGONLY is created on hard disk drive 101. Example 2:

AC PROGTWO, 102

A new account, PROGTWO, is created on hard disk drive 102.

AR Account Rename

This command allows you to change the name of an existing account. The syntax of the AR (Account Rename) command is:

AR account TO newaccount

where: account identifies the current account.

newaccount will be the new name of the account.

The new account name can not already exist on the same drive.

Example:

AR SOFT1 TO SOFT1A

The account name SOFT1 is changed to SOFT1A. The account ID number associated with the account is not changed.

AS. Account Set

The HDOS assigns account SYSTEM on hard disk drive 101 as the default account. The AS command changes the default account to any other existing account name on any hard disk drive. This change remains in effect until the system is rebooted. The syntax of the AS (Account Set) command is:

AS account

where: account identifies the existing account to substitute for the current system

default account.

Example:

AS TESTICL

AD Account Delete

This command deletes an account name from a hard disk's account directory. Delete all files from the account before you delete the account (See the DE and MD commands). The syntax of the AD (Account Delete) command is:

AD account

where: account identifies the account to be deleted.

Example:

AD JONES

The account JONES is removed from the hard disk's directory.

3.4.2 FILE COMMANDS

These command allow you to create new files, change the size and attributes of existing files, copy files, and delete files.

CR Create File

This command creates a new file on either a diskette or hard disk. On a diskette, CR creates a file directory entry only; no accessing of the file occurs. On a hard disk, the allocated file space is completely initialized to zeros. The syntax of the CR (Create) command is:

CR pathname len {daddr} {dens} [alloc]

where: pathname identifies the file to be created.

len is the length of the new file in file blocks of 256 bytes.

daddr is the disk address at which the file is to begin. On a diskette, the default is the address immediately after the last file.

dens is the density of the file to be created.

alloc is the allocation factor. See the section on command arguments in this chapter.

Example 1:

CR JOBDATA,4 8 56 D

A new file named JOBDATA is created on a double-density diskette in Drive 4. The file is eight blocks long, and begins at disk address 56.

Example 2:

CR BASICII,2 10

A new file named BASICII is created on the diskette in Drive 2. The file is given a length of ten blocks. Because no disk address is specified, the new file starts immediately after the end of the last file on the diskette. The file defaults to double density.

Example 3:

CR HARD.DISK.FILE, JONES, 102 1200 8

A new file named HARD.DISK.FILE is created on Drive 102 and associated with account JONES. The length of the file is 1200 blocks and space is allocated in segments of eight DIBs (128 sectors) each.

SL Set Length

This command changes the length of a file to the specified length. The syntax of the SL (Set Length) command is:

SL pathname len

where: pathname identifies the file whose length is changed.

len is the new length of the file, specified in blocks.

If the file is on a hard disk, this command will succeed. If the file is on a diskette, however, this command succeeds only if the new file length is shorter than the original file length, or if all the diskette space after the specified file is unassigned.

Example:

SL JONES2 16

A file named JONES2 in the default account has its file length changed to 16 blocks of 256 bytes each.

TY Type Files

All files created by HDOS are given a file type of 0. The TY command changes the current file type to the file type specified. It also assigns attributes to hard disk files. The syntax of the TY (TYPE) command is:

TY pathname [filetype] { [raddr] } [attr....]

where: pathname identifies the file whose type and/or attributes are to be changed.

filetype is a number from 0 to 63 that identifies the contents and use of the file.

raddr is the GO address of the file in RAM. It is only specified when a file type of 1 is declared.

attr is one or more attributes assigned to a hard disk file. These attributes can be:

SC = scratch file, not to be backed
up.

BU = to be backed up, not a scratch file.

RW = read/write file, not write
 protected.

RO = read only file, write protected.

DP = delete protected, cannot be destroyed.

DE = delete enabled, can be destroyed.

The default file attributes of a newly created file are BU, DE and RW. Unspecified attributes are not changed.

If an error occurs during execution of this command no attributes, with the possible exception of file type, are changed.

Example 1:

TY NEWFILE 1 6666 SC

File NEWFILE on Drive 101 is given a file type of 1. Because the new file type is 1, it is a GO file and receives a RAM address of 6666. SC identifies this file as a scratch file. The other attributes of the file are not changed.

Example 2:

TY BASPROG, 1 2

BASPROG on Drive 1 contains a BASIC program. No RAM address is permitted, since this is not a GO file. Attribute specification does not apply to diskette files.

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CF Copy File

The command can:

- 1. Copy from one file into another.
- 2. Copy a diskette to an image file on hard disk.
- 3. Copy a hard disk image file to diskette.
- 1. Copy one file to another.

There are three variations for copying the contents of one file into another. The first copies into an existing file. The command syntax is:

CF pathnamel TO pathname2 {dens}

The second variation copies into a new file. Its syntax is:

CF pathnamel CR pathname2 {len} {dens} [alloc]

The third variation assumes that a destination file exists on a hard disk and sets its length. If the length is not specified, the destination file is set to the same length as the source file. Its syntax is:

CF pathnamel SL pathname2 [len]

where: pathnamel is the name of the file to be copied.

pathname2 is the name of the file into which the first file is copied. In CF-TO and CF-SL, pathname2 must name an existing file. In CF-CR, pathname 2 must not name an existing file.

d is the diskette drive number.

len is the length of the new file. If not specified, the new file will be the same length as the old file.

dens is applicable only when writing to a diskette. The default value is double density. If the density is changed, the directory is updated to reflect the change.

alloc is the allocation factor. See the section on arguments in this chapter.

The CF-TO command does not change the length of the destination file. If the destination file is shorter than the source file, the error message:

WARNING: Making Partial Copy

is displayed at the console.

Example 1:

CF XDATA, MYACCT TO XSAVE, YOURACCT

The file named XDATA in account MYACCT is copied to the file name XSAVE in YOURACCT.

The CF-CR command creates the specified destination file only if the destination file name does not already exist. If no length is given, the new file is set to the length of the source file.

Example 2:

CF BIG, 1 CR BIGGER, 2 100

Create a file named BIGGER, 100 blocks long, on the diskette in drive 2, then copy the file BIG on diskette drive 1.

The CF-SL command requires that the destination file exist on the hard disk. The length of the destination file is set to the specified length; if no length is typed, it is set to the length of the source file.

Example 3:

CF SMITH, 1 SL SMITH

Note that a copy from a diskette file many find some source sectors with incorrect density. These sectors are not copied as is; instead, they are initialized to ASCII blanks in the correct density to preserve relative addressing within the file.

2. Copy a Diskette to Hard Disk

As in the file to file copy, there are three variations for creating a complete diskette copy into a hard disk file. The first copies the contents of the diskette into an existing file. The command syntax is:

CF ,d {dens} TO pathname

The second variation copies into a new file. Its syntax is:

CF ,d {dens} CR pathname

The third variation assumes that a destination file exists on a hard disk and sets it to the same length as the source file. The syntax of the command is:

CF ,d {dens} SL pathname

3. Copy Hard Disk Image to a Diskette

This command will copy a diskette image file from hard disk back onto a diskette. Essentially, you are recreating a diskette, complete with diskette directory. The syntax for the command is:

CF pathname TO ,d {dens}

Example:

CF TEST, JEAN2, 102 TO ,2

Copies the diskette image file TEST from account JEAN2 on hard disk 102 to the diskette in drive 2.

MC Multiple Copy

This command copies all or selected files from a diskette or account to another diskette or account. Any files already on the destination diskette or account are not disturbed. The syntax of the first variation of the MC (Multiple Copy) command is:

MC {dl} [account1] TO {d2} [account2] {len} {dens} [alloc]

The second variation of the MC command requires confirmation before copying each file:

MC {dl} [account] YN {d2} [account2] {len} {dens} [alloc]

A third variation creates the destination account, then copies all files from the source diskette or account to the destination account. The syntax of the command is:

MC {dl} [account]] CR account2 [alloc]

where: dl, accountl is the diskette or account containing the files to be copied.

d2, account2 is the diskette or account receiving the new files.

len is the length of the new files.

If not specified, each new file will be the same length as the old file.

dens is the density of the destination diskette

alloc is the allocation factor for hard disk files.

The MC - TO and the MC - CR commands display the name of each file before copying and "Copy Completed" when done. The MC - YN command displays the name of each file followed by a question mark; enter a "Y" to copy the file, or "N" to skip it.

The MC command executes the CF - CR command for each file copied. Note that the optional parameters are typically not used with the MC command.

The MC command can compress the contents of a diskette by copying all files to a freshly initialized diskette.

Any files copied from hard disk to diskette with file names from 9 to 14 characters in length will have the name truncated to the first eight characters.

If this command finds a file with the same filename, the message "Name already in use" will appear and the command will fail from that point.

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DE Delete File

This command deletes any file that has the attributes, Read/Write and Deletable. The syntax of the DE (Delete) command is:

DE pathname

where: pathname identifies the file to be deleted.

If no drive is specified, the system looks for the file in the default account.

MD Multiple Delete

This command deletes all or selected files on a diskette or hard disk account. The syntax for MD (Multiple Delete) is:

MD (d) [account]

where: d is a diskette drive number.

account identifies an account on the hard disk.

The command displays the name of each file on the console terminal followed by a question mark. If a "Y" is entered, the file is deleted; if an "N" is entered, the file is left unchanged.

RN Rename Diskette File

This command renames a diskette file. The syntax of the RN (Rename) command is:

RN filenamel,d TO filename2

where: filenamel is the original diskette filename.

d is a diskette drive number.

filename2 is the new diskette filename.

Example:

RN TESTER,1 TO TEST

This sequence renames filename TESTER on diskette drive 1 to filename TEST.

3.4.3 DATA TRANSFER COMMANDS

These commands allow you to read files or parts of files from disk into RAM, and to write disk files or parts of files from RAM.

LF Load File SF Save File

These commands transfer files directly between a specifed area in RAM and a diskette or hard disk. The syntax of the LF (Load File) command is:

LF pathname raddr

The syntax of the SF (Save File) command is:

SF pathname raddr

where: pathname is the name of the file to be transferred.

raddr is the file's address in RAM

RD Read Disk to RAM WR Write RAM to Disk

These commands directly transfer blocks of data between a specified area in RAM and a specified portion of a diskette, or a file on either diskette or hard disk.

The syntax of the RD (Read) command is:

RD len {dens} FROM daddr{,d} {[OF Pathname 1] TO raddr

The syntax of the WR (Write) command is:

WR len {dens} FROM raddr TO daddr{,d} {[OF pathname]}

dens is the data's density specification.

daddr is the disk address.

raddr is the RAM address.

d is the drive number.

pathname is the name of the file.

These commands do not support absolute addressing on a hard disk. If a pathname is specified, the disk address is used as a relative address within that file (expressed in blocks), and must fall on a sector boundary. If the pathname is omitted, then the disk is interpreted as an absolute address on a diskette and must be followed by a comma and a drive number.

Example 1:

RD 4 FROM 0,3 TO 5000

This command reads the first four blocks (the file directory) from the diskette in Drive 3 to RAM.

Example 2:

RD 2 FROM 0 OF HBASIC TO 5000

WR 2 FROM 5000 TO 0 OF HBASIC

This sequence of commands could be used to personalize your copy of HBASIC. RD reads the two blocks from sector 0 of HBASIC to RAM address 5000H. After the change, WR sends the data back to its original location.

Example 3:

RD 6 FROM 23768 OF LOTS.OF.DATA TO 5000

The RD command is also good for moving a part of a very large file into RAM for changes or reading.

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3.4.4 PROGRAM EXECUTION

These commands exit from HDOS and transfer control to a program that is present in RAM, or loaded from a disk file.

GO Load and Execute

This command loads a type I file into RAM from the indicated drive and begins execution of that file. This command reads the entire file into RAM beginning at the GO address, then jumps to the GO address. Therefore, the first byte of the file must be the entry point of the program. The syntax of the GO command is:

GO pathname {[args]}

where: pathname is the name of a type 1 file to load and execute.

args are the arguments sent to a program through the command string. Maximum length of the entire command line is 80 characters.

The GO command sets the HL register pair to a value that points to the remainder of the command line (any characters typed after the pathname).

Example:

GO HBASIC

The machine language program HBASIC is loaded into RAM and executed.

JP Jump to a RAM Address

The JP command executes programs currently in RAM by jumping to the specified RAM address. The syntax of the JP (Jump) command is:

JP raddr {[args]}

where: raddr

is the RAM address.

args

are the arguments to be sent to a program through the command string.

Like the GO command, you can send arguments to the program as part of the command line. JP sets the HL register pair to point to the remainder of the command string.

3.4.5 LISTINGS AND STATISTICS

These commands enable you to list account names and, fle directories, and determine the available work space in RAM.

AL Account List

This command produces a list of all accounts existing on a specified hard disk drive. The syntax of the AL (Account List) command is:

AL [#n] [d]

where: n is the device number of the output device on which the list is to be printed or displayed.

d is the drive number.

Example 1:

AL #1 102

All account names and ID numbers from hard disk drive 102 are printed on the printer.

Example 2:

ΑL

All account names and account ID numbers from hard disk drive 101 are displayed at the console terminal.

LI List File Directory

This command produces directory listings from either a diskette or an account on hard disk. The syntax of the LI (List File Directory) command is:

LI {[#n]} [account] {d}

where: n is the output device number on which the directory is displayed or printed.

account identifies the account whose directory is displayed. If no account is specified, the current default account is assumed.

d is the diskette drive number.

For each file in a diskette directory the LI command causes the output drive to display:

- Starting disk address
- . Length
- · Density
- Type

For each file in a hard disk directory the LI command displays

- Filename
- . Length in blocks
- Allocation factor in DIBs
- Attributes
 - S = Scratch
 - W = Read/Write
 - U = Updated but not backed up
 - D = Deletable
- File type

Certain file type dependent information is displayed, such as GO addresses for type 1 files and account ID numbers for type 5 files.

To stop listing, type a control-C.

LI List File Directory (continued)

Example 1:

LI \$1 JONES

The directory for account name JONES is printed on the printer.

Example 2:

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All the files in the current default account are listed on the console.

ML Multiple List

This command produces a directory listing of all accounts on all hard disk drives. The syntax of the ML (Multiple List) command is:

ML [#n]

where: n is the output device number.

WS Work Space

The WS command displays the amount of work space available in memory. The syntax of the WS (Work Space) command is:

WS {[#n]}

where: n is the output device number.

The system lists starting and ending addresses for available work space in hexadecimal and decimal notation.

ST Display Hard Disk Statistics

This command prints hard disk statistics on the number of bad spots, system overhead on the disk, and used and unused disk space. The syntax of the ST (Statistics) command is:

ST [d]

where: d is the hard disk drive number.

The ST command displays all hard disk statistics in DIBs.

3.4.6 MEMORY COMMANDS

These commands allow you to display, search, change and move the contents of memory.

EM Examine Memory

This command examines the contents of a specific memory address. The syntax of the EM (Examine Memory) command is:

EM {[#n]} raddr

where: n is the output device number.

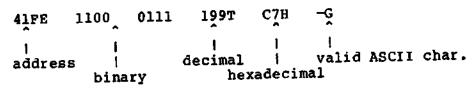
raddr is the address of the memory location to be examined.

The output from the EM command consists of the RAM address (in hexadecimal) and the contents of that address, expressed in binary, decimal, hexadecimal, and ASCII notation.

Example:

EM 41FE

The system returns the following information:



DH Display in Hexadecimal

This command displays a regions contents in a format of two hexadecimal digits per byte, with sixteen bytes on each line. The syntax of the DH (Display In Hex) command is:

DH {[#n]} region

where: n

is the output device number on which the addresses are displayed.

region

is the area from which the display is taken.

Example:

DH 1200T, 100T

The contents of memory from 1200 to 1299 (decimal) are printed at your console in hexadecimal notation.

DA Display in ASCII

This command displays the contents of a region in the same format as DH, with additional lines showing the ASCII character represented by the low order seven bits of each byte. A control code is printed as a blank and each character is preceded by a minus sign if the high order bit of the byte is a one. The syntax of the DA (Display in ASCII) command is:

DA {[#n]} region

where: n

is the output device.

region

is the area of memory whose contents are displayed.

Example:

DA 1200T-1299T

The contents of memory from 1200 to 1299 (decimal) are to be printed both in hexadecimal and as ASCII characters.

Display and Substitute Memory Values

This command displays the contents of a specified memory area one byte at a time, and allows you to substitute a new value for each byte displayed. The syntax of the DS (Display And Substitute) command is:

DS raddr

DS

where: raddr

is the starting address of the memory area from which byte values are to be displayed.

After each byte is displayed, a new hexadecimal value from 0 through FF may be entered, followed by a terminator. If you do not wish to substitute a new value, simply enter a blank, comma, or carriage return.

- 1. A blank displays the next byte for replacement.
- A comma skips the next byte and goes directly to the following byte.
- 3. A carriage return ends the command and returns you to command level.

NOTE

Since replacement takes place immediately, a typing error must be corrected with backspace commands before the terminator is entered.

Example:

Type:

DS 3233 <CR>

The system prompts:

3233 64=

Type: 0 <CR>

The user displays the contents of address 3233 for possible replacement. The system returns 3233 64^{\pm} . The user types 0 followed by RETURN to replace 64 Hex with a zero.

SM Search Memory

The SM command searches a specified area of memory to find and print each address of a specific byte value. The syntax of the SM (Search Memory) command is:

SM {[#n]} region bval{[,bval,....,bval]}

where: n is the output device number.

region is the area of memory searched.

bval is the byte value searched for.

If a sequence of byte values is

used as the search pattern, separate the values with

commas.

Example 1:

SM 2000-29FF 1

Byte values of 1 are searched for in the region from 2000 through 29FF (Hex).

Example 2:

SM 4000-5000 "M", "I", "N", "E"

This command lists starting addresses of each occurrence of MINE in the specified region.

Fill Memory FM

The FM command fills a specified area of memory with an arbitrary string of byte values. The syntax of the FM (Fill Memory) command is:

FM region bval{[,bval,....,bval]}

is the area of memory to be where: region

filled.

is the byte value. If a string of byte values is used, separate bval

the values with commas.

Example:

FM 4000,100 FF

The 256 bytes of memory starting at address 4000 (Hex) are filled with the byte value "FF".

MM Move Memory

The MM command moves the contents of an area of memory to another area of the same size. Overlapping areas of memory are allowed. The syntax of the MM (Move Memory) command is:

MM region raddr

where: region

is the memory area containing data

to be moved.

raddr

is the memory area the data is

moving into.

Example:

MM 9000T,100T F000

This moves the contents of the one hundred (decimal) byte region starting at address 9000 (decimal) to the area starting at F000H.

VM Verify Memory

This command compares the contents of two memory areas and prints the address and contents of all non-identical bytes. The syntax of the VM (Verify Memory) command is:

VM {[#n]} region raddr

where: n

is the output device number on which the addresses are displayed.

region

is the first area to be compared.

raddr

is the starting address of the

second area.

Example:

VM 3400,7 E385

The contents of the seven bytes starting at address 3400 (Hex) are compared with the seven bytes starting at address E385.

3.4.7 I/O COMMANDS

These commands allow you to directly access I/O devices and ports.

DO Device Output

This command sends any sequence of print or control characters to an output device. The DO command uses the software driver for the specified device. The syntax of the DO (Device OUtput) command is:

DO {[#n]} {[char]}

where: n

is an output device number. The default is 0.

char

is a single printing character that terminates execution of the command. If a character is not specified, a RETURN terminates the command.

After the RETURN key is pressed to execute the command and the carriage return and line feed are echoed at the console terminal, no prompt appears for the next command until the selected terminator is entered again. If the second argument is omitted, the next RETURN acts as the terminator. All characters entered before the terminator, including control characters that normally activate the line editor, are sent directly to the specified or default output device.

EP Examine Port

The EP command examines the value at the specified input port. The syntax of the EP (Examine Port) command is:

EP [{#n}] paddr

where: n

is the output device number.

paddr

is the address of the input port.

The output from this command is the same as for the EM (Examine Memory) command.

PO Send Value to an Output Port

This command sends a byte value to the specified output port. The syntax of the PO (Port Output) command is:

PO bval TO paddr

where: bval

is the value sent to the port

address.

paddr

is the output port address.

3.4.8 DISKETTE COMMANDS

These commands initialize, copy, and test floppy diskettes.

IN Initialize a Diskette

Before you can use a new diskette you must initialize it. You can also initialize a used diskette. This process removes all data on a diskette, initializes a new directory, and guarantees that no read errors will result from access to an uninitialized file block. Needless to say, choose the proper diskette before issuing this command since all the previous data on the diskette will disappear forever. The syntax of the IN (Initialize) command is:

IN d {dens}

where: d is the drive number of the uninitialized diskette.

dens specifies whether the diskette is initialized to single or double density. The default is double-density.

The IN command writes each block on the specified diskette drive with ASCII blank characters. The system initializes both sides of a double sided diskette if the drive is double sided, but only Side A if a single sided drive is used. This command takes about 45 seconds to execute.

Example:

IN 2 D

The diskette in Drive 2 is initialized to double-density.

CD Copy a Diskette

This command copies one diskette to another. The syntax of the CD (Copy Diskette) command is:

CD dl TO d2 {sides}

sides

where: dl is the drive containing the diskette to be copied.

d2 is the drive containing the diskette that receives the copy. Note that any previously existing data on this diskette is overwritten.

indicates which sides of the diskette are copied. Y or y indicates that both sides are copied. Enter N or n if either of the diskettes is single sided or if only side A of the source diskette contains significant data. The default is Y.

Example:

CD 1 TO 3

The diskette in drive 1 is completely copied to the diskette in drive 3.

Any effort to copy the second side of a double sided diskette to a singe sided diskette gives you an error message at sector 350. Also, any attempt to copy the phantom second side of a single-sided diskette results in the same message.

3.4.9 MISCELLANEOUS COMMANDS

These commands perform control and monitoring functions.

IL Initial Load

This command performs an initial load of any operating system diskette to RAM. The syntax of the IL (Initial Load) command is:

IL

The command jumps to the bootstrap loader in ROM. Use this command instead of pressing the reset switch on the back panel of the computer.

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RS Reset the File Manager

The RS command resets the File Manager and closes any open files. It also restarts the hard disk drive motors if you have turned them off. The syntax of the RS (Reset) command is:

RS

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OF Turn Off the Hard Disk Drive Motors

The OF command turns off one or all of the HD18 hard disk drive motors. Use the OF command before you power down the HD18 hard disk unit to maintain the integrity of your data. The syntax of the OF (Off) command is:

OF [d]

where: d

is the hard disk drive to be turned off.

If no drive number is specified, all hard disk drives are turned off.

NOTE

Five inch hard disk units are powered down without using this command. However, it is good practice to use the OF command to move the disk heads to their landing zones whenever you move either the five or eighteen inch disks units.

An HD-18 will survive an occasional power failure, but should not be routinely powered off without using the OF command.

EB Examine Byte

The EB command displays a single byte value in binary, hexadecimal, decimal, and ASCII. The syntax of the EB (Examine Byte) command is:

EB {[#n]} bval

where: n

is an output device number.

bval

is a byte value.

The format of the output from EB is the same as for the EM and EP commands.

OD Specify an Additional Output Device

The OD command causes all output directed to the console terminal (device #0) to go to the additional output device as well. The syntax of the OD (Output Device) command is:

OD {[#n]}

where: n

is the additional output device.

This command stays in effect for any program using the jump table, until set back to device $\boldsymbol{\theta}$.

SX Set Auto-Execute File Name

The SX command tells the File Manager the name of the file containing the transient part of the Hard Disk Operating System (that part of the HDOS overwritten by HBASIC and reloaded each time control returns to the operating system). The syntax of the SX (Set Auto-Execute File Name) command is:

SX pathname

where: pathname is the name of the file containing the transient part of the system.

Note that this command must not be used to Auto-Execute HBASIC. To re-load the normal transient portion of the HDOS Command Processor, enter:

SX TRANSIENT, SYSTEM, 101

PA Set Listing Page Length

This command sets the listing page length. The syntax of the PA (Page) command is:

PA n

where:

n

is the listing page length, a number between 0 and 254.

HE Help

When this command is used without an argument it lists al HDOS commands at your console. If you use an HDOS command as an argument, the command syntax is listed at your terminal. The above syntax of the HE (Help) command is:

HE [command]

where: command

is the HDOS command for which you need help.

Example:

HE MC

4.1 OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAMS

One of the most important tasks for you to do on a regular basis is to maintain backup copies of your hard disk files. You can lose data on the hard disk in several ways: you may have a hardware failure, enter an incorrect command, run a program which creates unforseen changes, encounter a power transient or failure which destroys data. As a consequence, it is extremely important for you to backup on some type of routine cyclical basis, all data that you want maintained over time.

The HDOS BACKUP and RECOVER utility programs allow you to transfer hard disk data to diskettes. Then, if one or all of your files on hard disk becomes unusable, you can easily restore the files from backup diskette to hard disk. BACKUP records on diskettes any changes in the contents of any portion of the hard disk to the state of the data at the time of the desired BACKUP.

Section 4.2 describes the BACKUP program and provides instructions on how to use it. Section 4.3 describes the RECOVER program and provides instructions on how to recover data from backup diskettes.

4.2 BACKUP

The basic purpose of BACKUP is to copy the contents of the hard disk onto diskettes. If the information stored on the hard disk is accidentally destroyed, those files can be recovered from the diskette to the hard disk. BACKUP also extends the storage capabilities of the hard disk system by storing data off line.

HDOS provides three types of backup: COMPLETE, INCREMENTAL, and SELECTIVE.

Each run of the BACKUP program is called a SESSION. Each session creates a backup MASTER diskette, containing the hard disk account and file directory, and a series of CONTINUATION diskettes, the number of diskettes depending on how much data you have to backup from hard disk.

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Each session becomes part of a SERIES. A series is a collection of sessions, always beginning with a COMPLETE backup and followed by any number of INCREMENTAL backup sessions.

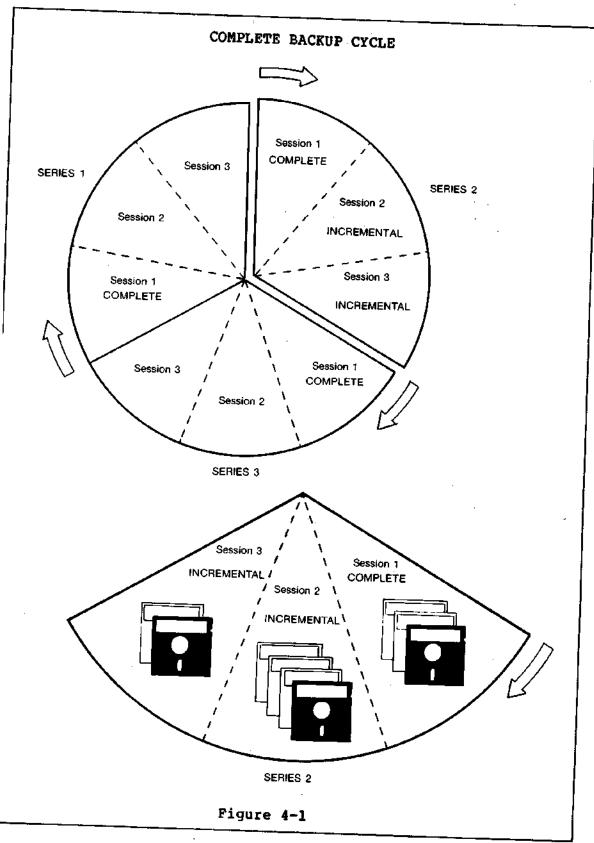
A COMPLETE backup copies all sectors of all files found in the hard disk directory except those specified as SCratch files. Once completed, the diskettes contain a complete image of the hard disk. If something happens to the hard disk, the files can be safely recovered from the backup diskettes. A COMPLETE backup should always be done before any diskettes in the previous series are erased or re-used.

An INCREMENTAL backup copies only those portions of the hard disk that have been changed since the last COMPLETE or INCREMENTAL backup. An INCREMENTAL backup is always part of a series, and the information from this backup procedure is added to the information stored in previous backup sessions. For example, one initial COMPLETE backup and two INCREMENTAL backups constitute a series of three backup sessions.

A SELECTIVE backup copies only files that you specify. It cannot be part of a series and can only be initiated outside such a series. This option is useful when there are only a few files on the hard disk that are worth saving and you do not want to spend the time or diskettes to backup the complete disk. There is, however, one disadvantage to this option. If the contents of the disk are completely destroyed, a total recovery can only be done with a series that began with a COMPLETE backup.

The SELECTIVE backup procedure can save the entire contents of individual HDOS files or CP/M units. Since each CP/M unit is associated with an HDOS file, a particular CP/M unit may be backed up using the selective backup procedure and specifying the connected HDOS file for backup. This option gives you the means for storing and transporting on diskette any file or unit which will not fit on one floppy disk.

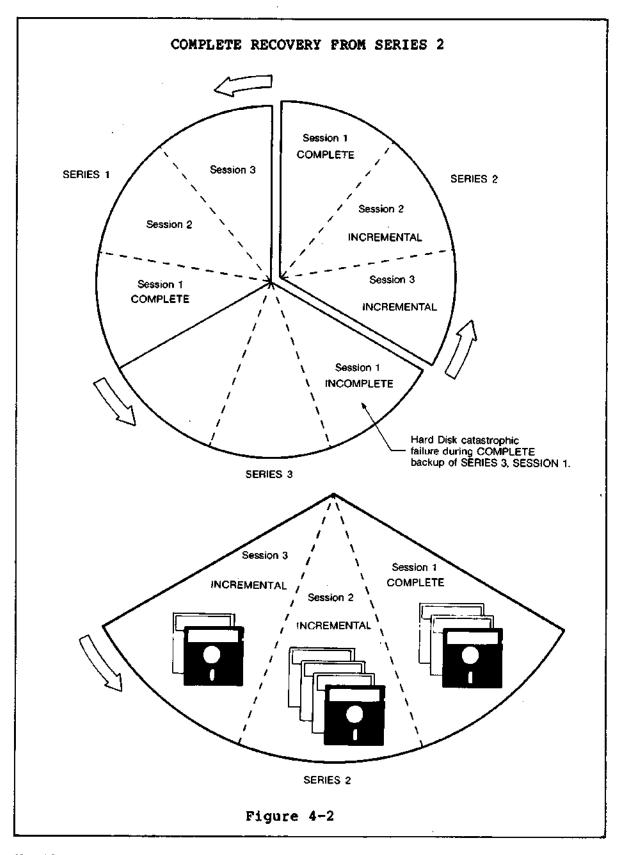
The following figures show the order of Backup and Recovery for three series of three sessions each. North Star recommends keeping at least three complete series of Backup diskettes.



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4.2.1 USING BACKUP

To initiate the BACKUP program,

Type: GO BACKUP <CR>

The program prompts:

HARD DISK BACKUP ON FLOPPY DISKETTES

NORTH STAR COMPUTERS, INC. VERSION *.*.*

- 1. Complete backup
- 2. Incremental backup
- 3. Selected files or accounts backup
- 4. Explanation

Selection (or ESCAPE to exit to HDOS) :

NOTE

A hard copy listing is recommended for all BACKUP procedures. It provides a ready reference for any future file recovery.

4.2.2 COMPLETE BACKUP

Execute the following procedure to run selection 1 of the BACKUP menu, COMPLETE BACKUP.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
1	Select COMPLETE Backup. The program prompts for
	today's date. (Do not use blanks.)
Today's date <cr></cr>	The program prompts for listing device.
Listing device number	Selection '3' causes program to prompt for printer device number.
	Program prompts for hard disk drive number.
Hard disk drive # <cr></cr>	Program prompts for diskette drive number.
Diskette drive #	The program indicates 'BACKUP STARTED' and the hard disk directory is compressed and written to the Master diskette.

For each file or account found in the directory, a dot appears on the screen. All sectors of all files found in the directory are copied onto the diskette except those with the attribute of SC for scratch file. The backup is done account by account; each account with its files is displayed on the screen after the copy.

After each file is copied, the filename is displayed along with the length of the file. The SIZE heading indicates the length of the file in blocks of 256 bytes. The heading BACKED UP shows how much of the entire file or account fit onto a single diskette. The following is a partial screen display from a COMPLETE backup:

			
ACCOUNT	NAME	SIZE	BACKED UP
***			:
SYSTEM *******	BACKEXP	*****	6
SYSTEM ******	FPHBASIC	58	58
SYSTEM	RECOVERS	46	46

At the end of the COMPLETE backup, the program prompts:

Please remove BACKUP.x from drive 1 and label it

File data backup complete File cleanup started

If the diskette is the first in the session, it contains the directory and is the MASTER diskette called BACKUP.M. Any other diskettes called for in the session are CONTINUATION diskettes and are named BACKUP.C.

The file cleanup procedure resets the dirty bits associated with each sector on the hard disk, and removes the U from the directory listing to indicate that all non-scratch files have been backed up. As soon as you alter one of these files, however, the U is restored to the directory listing for that file. This allows the INCREMENTAL backup procedure to identify files changed since the last COMPLETE backup, and to copy only those specific files in the next INCREMENTAL backup sesson. A dot is displayed on your screen as each file is cleaned.

The directory listing of an HDOS diskette includes a column of letters indicating the status of the files.

- S = scratch file (not backed up)
- W = write-enabled
- U = used since last backup
- D = delete-enabled

The absence of a letter indicates the opposite status. For example, if there is no S, the file is backed up. If there is no D, the file cannot be deleted.

4.2.3 INCREMENTAL BACKUP

An INCREMENTAL Backup never begins a series but is always a sesson within a series. The information from the INCREMENTAL backup follows information stored from previous backup sessions. Only sectors changed since the last COMPLETE or INCREMENTAL backup are copied.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
2	Select INCREMENTAL Backup from main BACKUP menu.
	Program prompts for today's date. (Do not use blanks.)
Today's date <cr></cr>	Program prompts for listing device.
Listing device #	Selecting a '3' for "Other printer" brings prompt for printer device number.
	Program prompts for hard disk drive number.
Hard disk drive# <cr></cr>	Program prompts for diskette drive number.
Diskette drive #	Listing device displays drive capacity (Quad, etc), the program compresses the hard disk directory, writes it to the Master diskette, then begins the INCREMENTAL backup.

The INCREMENTAL backup copies the sectors of files onto the diskette account by account. For each sector that is copied, a dot (.) is printed on the screen. After each file has been copied, the filename is displayed along with the length of the file. The number found under the heading 'SIZE' is in file blocks (256 bytes).

4.2.4 SELECTED FILES OR ACCOUNTS

If you type GO BACKUP and choose Selected Files or Accounts from the main menu, each individual file or account you specify is copied onto diskette.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
3	Choose Selected Files Or Accounts from the main menu.
	Program prompts for today's date. (Do not use blanks.)
Today's date <cr></cr>	Program prompts for listing device number.
Listing device #	Selecting a '3' causes a prompt for printer device number.
Hard disk drive # <cr></cr>	Program prompts for diskette drive number. (The first diskette is your Master for this session).
Diskette drive # <cr></cr>	The hard disk directory is compressed, written to diskette, the screen indicates 'Backup started', and a dot is displayed for each file found.
	The program prompts for the Hard disk 'Account Name' you wish to backup.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
Account name <cr></cr>	A menu appears with the following selections.
1. The entire account	Searches for all files of the given account name, list the files, then backs them up.
2. List the files	Lists all files in a specified account with file size, then prompts for the next name to list or backup.
3. List the name and ask for confirmation	Lists each file in the account followed by a question mark. Type 'N' to omit a file from the backup, 'Y' to copy the file to the backup diskette. Each file backed up lists:
	. Account Name . File Name . File Size . Number of blocks stored on diskette.
4. Name a specific file	Prompts for the name of file each file to copy. As each sector of a file is copied an asterisk (*) apears on the screen. When all the files you want to select are copied:
<cr></cr>	The program prompts for another 'accountname' to continue the Backup process.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
New Accountname <cr></cr>	If there are no more accounts to backup you should enter a RETURN.
<cr></cr>	Program ends and returns you to HDOS command level.

4.3 RECOVERY

There are two ways to recover data from diskette to the hard disk: TOTREC and RECOVER.

The TOTREC utility program is designed for situations where the hard disk has crashed, been completely erased, or contains useless data. This program reinstates the disk directory from the master backup diskette and recovers the entire contents of the hard disk.

The RECOVER utility program is used when the hard disk as a whole remains good. This program allows you to recover a file or account after the material was accidentally deleted from the hard disk, or to reinstate an earlier version of data currently stored on the hard disk.

RECOVER retrieves data put on floppy diskette for long term storage. The program also provides portability for files too large to fit on a single floppy diskette.

A RECOVER can begin from any backup session in a series and include previous sessions of the series if these are needed. It can also recover data from a SELECTIVE backup that is not part of a series.

A RECOVER always begins with a session MASTER and is followed, in any order, by the CONTINUATION diskettes for that session. Previous sessions, if needed, always begin with the session Master for each particular session.

4.3.1 USING RECOVER

To initiate the RECOVER program, enter:

GO RECOVER <CR>

The program will prompt with the initial RECOVER menu.

RECOVER PROGRAM FOR FLOPPY DISKETTES

NORTH STAR COMPUTERS, INC.

VERSION * RELEASE *

- 1. Accounts Listing
- 2. Recover files or documents
- 3. Explanation

Selection (or ESCAPE to exit to HDOS):

4.3.2 ACCOUNTS LISTING

This selection searches the directory for a specified Backup session and prints the name of each account found.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
1	The program prompts for a listing device. If you select '3', the program prompts for a printer device number.
The listing device #	The program prompts for the diskette drive number for the Master backup diskette.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
The diskette drive #	The program displays the Master diskette label then prints the names of every account found in the directory.
<cr></cr>	Return to the main RECOVER menu.

4.3.3 RECOVER FILES OR ACCOUNTS

This option recovers all or selected files from a specified account, or lists the files in an account.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
2	The program prompts you for a listing device. If you select '3', the program prompts for a printer device number. The program prompts for the diskette drive number in which you should insert your session backup Master.
The diskette drive #	The program displays the Master diskette label then prompts for the hard disk drive to RECOVER to.
Hard disk drive # <cr></cr>	The program prompts for the 'Old accountname'. This name must exist on master diskette directory.

enter	ACTION OR PROMPT
Old accountname <cr></cr>	The program lists four options for recovery:
1. The entire account	Lists all files in an account and the accountname they will recover to. This procedure does not copy data into the files; it names the files and CReates them into a new, non-existing account.
2. List the files	Displays the name and file size of the files in the 'Old account name'. Will then reprompt for Selections 1, 3, or 4.
3. List the name and ask for confirmation	Prompts for a new account name, then displays the name of each file in the old account followed by a question mark. A reply of 'N' indicates no desire to recover the file; 'Y' indicates you do want to recover the file.
4. Name a specific file	Prompts for an individual file name for recovery to the hard disk. The account name must already exist on hard disk but the filename to recover into must be new.
New Accountname <cr></cr>	Enter the new account name for options 1,3, or 4. If you select option 4 the program prompts for an old filename.

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ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
New Filename <cr></cr>	The program prompts for an existing accountname to recover into.
Accountname <cr> (must already exist)</cr>	Selection 4 will not recover a file into an existing file if the file is RO (Read Only) or DP (Delete Protected). You can recover to a new filename that does not exist on the directory. The program then prompts:
1. Next file or account	To repeat the process for a file or account.
2. Recover files	To begin the recovery process. A dot (.) prints for each sector copied.
3. Top level menu	To return to the original Recover menu.
NC	TE
or if you use op HDOS before the file recovery i recovery files hard disk, but If you try and	Cout of option 2, stion 3 to exit to message that the s complete, your are CReated on contain no data. load these files get the error:
The desired option <cr></cr>	If you choose selection 2 the system prompts you for a diskette drive number for the Master Backup diskette.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
Diskette drive # <cr></cr>	When selection 2, Recover Files completes you receive the system message below and the program returns you to HDOS command level.

Recovered "N" sectors to file "filename 2, accountname" you may remove the diskette from drive "d". File recovery complete. Thank you for waiting.

4.3.4 EXPLANATION

The Explanation option on the RECOVER menu presents a short description of the major alternatives available with the RECOVER program.

4.4 USING TOTREC

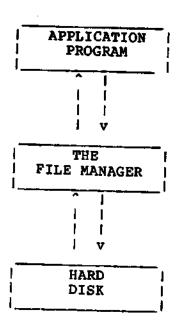
The Total Recovery Program, performs three major functions. First, TOTREC assumes that the hard disk has been completely erased or contains meaningless data, and prepares the disk for new data. Second, it reinstates the disk directory from the last session done in the backup series. Third, the program recovers all files as described for RECOVER.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
	Insert working copy of HDOS SYSTEM DISKETTE in diskette drive 1.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
GO TOTREC,1 <cr></cr>	The program asks if you really want to erase all the files and accounts on the hard disk. Type "YES" to proceed with a Total Recovery of your files. A response of "NO" does not end the TOTREC program. It does leave your hard disk directory intact, and proceeds as if a normal RECOVER is in progress.
YES <cr></cr>	The program prompts for your hard disk drive number.
Hard disk drive # <cr></cr>	The program prompts for an option for a listing device.
Listing device #	The program prompts for a recovery of your SYSTEM account directory from the HDOS INITIAL RECOVERY DISKETTE in floppy disk drive #1.
1	The program prompts:
	1. Recover all accounts.
	2. Specify accounts.
	3. Specify exceptions.

ENTER	ACTION OR PROMPT
The option #	Option I generates a message indicating the files to be recovered into the SYSTEM account and the number of sectors associated with each file. Options 2 and 3 do the same, only listing individual accounts or exceptions.
	The System prompts you to insert the HDOS SYSTEM DISKETTE, (remember to use your working copy) into a specific drive. Press <cr> to continue.</cr>
<cr></cr>	The program prompts for the diskette drive number for the Master backup diskette. This diskette should be from the last session of the series you wish to RECOVER from.
The diskette drive #	The system displays a message for every file recovered, and returns you to HDOS when the recovery is complete.

The File Manager allows access to hard disk-resident data, and maintains the data structures necessary to support data storage on the hard disk. The File Manager is a permanent part of the HDOS, and is always resident in memory. The flow of data through the File Manager is shown below. Generally, the File Manager is of interest only to system programmers.



The operation codes and data structures maintained by the File Manager are listed in Appendix A.

5.2 CALLING THE FILE MANAGER

To execute an HDOS File Manager operation, use the following assembly language sequence:

load parameters.

MVI A, FMxxx ;place the specified operation ;code in the A register ;call the HDOS File Manager.

on return from the call, the Z80's Z flag is set if no exceptional situation is encountered; otherwise, the Z flag is cleared.

With the exception of FMABT (Abort), FMFIN (Finish), and sometimes FMLX, control is always returned to the calling program.

5.3 FILE MANAGER OPERATION CODES

The operation code in the A register tells the File Manager what operation to perform. The operation codes are listed in Table 5-1. Following the table is a description of each operation and its associated input and output. Note that File Manager Message codes are listed in Appendix B.

Table 5-1 Operation Code List

Operation of the last		
Operation code	Definition	
FMCRE FMDEL FMOPN FMCLO FMTFR FMLOK FMLAC FMCTY FMCAT	Create a file Delete a file Open a file Close a file Transfer data to or from a file Look up information on a file Look up information on an account Change file type Change file size	
FMCFS FMCAP FMABT FMRST FMLX FMFSZ FMCA FMCA FMCA FMSDV FMCM FMCM FMFIN FMRDS	Change auto-load-and-go pathname Abort the Calling Program Reset the File Manager Load and execute a type 1 file Return file's size Create an account Delete an account Switch default value Compose message Finish processing Return Disk Statistics	
FMADE FMRDV FMCAN FMPD FMPU FMFBU FMINI	Access directory entry Return unit and account ID defaults Change account name Power down a unit Power up a unit Flag buffer used Initialize the File Manager	

The equates for the File Manager message and operation codes are found in Appendix E, under File Manager Definitions and in the file EQUS in the SYSTEM account on hard disk.

5.4 OPERATION CODE DESCRIPTION

FMCRE

Creates a file on the hard disk. Once a file is created you can open it with the FMOPN code and allocate disk space to it with the FMCFS code.

Input:

IX - address of the Create Information Block.

Output:

IX - (preserved)
A - message code

FMDEL

Deletes a file from the directory. The file must not have any space allocated to it. An attempt to delete an open file or one that has disk space allocated to it results in an error.

Input:

HL - pathname address

Output:

A - message code

HL - address + 1 of last byte of pathname accessed by the File Manager. If there was no error in the pathname, HL points to pathname terminator +1; if there is an error, HL points to the bad character +1.

FMOPN

Opens a disk file. This makes the file's sectors accessible to a program (See FMTFR.)

Input:

IX - address of an area of memory OFBS2 bytes long in which the Open File Block (OFB) will be constructed.

HL - pathname address

Output:

A - message code A = MOK: H - open count: the number of times the file is currently open. B - file type

CDE - type-dependent data
IY - address of the File Directory
Entry for the opened file

FMCLO

Closes a disk file. The space occupied by the OFB may be used for other purposes after return from FMCLO.

Input:

IX - the address of the OFB

Output:

IX - the address of a block of memory, OFBS2 bytes long

A - message code

FMTFR

Performs data transfer operations on sectors of a file. The specific operation to be performed is given in the first byte of the Transfer Command Block (TCB).

Input:

IX - OFB address

IY- Transfer Command Block address

Output:

IX - (preserved)

IY - Transfer Command Block address

A - message code

FMLOK

Searches the directory for the specified pathname's directory entry and returns the memory address of the directory entry and entry number.

Input:

HL - pathname address

Output:

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1
A - message code

A= MOK:

IY- directory entry memory address
DE - entry number

FMLAC

Looks up the specified account name's entry in the directory.

Input:

HL - account name address

Output:

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1

A - message code

A - MOK: IX - directory entry memory address
DE - entry number

FMCTY

Changes the type and type-dependent information of file. The file must not be open. If the new file is type FTMI, then DE of the type-dependent information is the file's load-and-execute address.

Input:

B - new file type

CDE - type-dependent information

HL - pathname address

Output:

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1 A - message code

FMCAT

Changes the attrubutes of a file. The file must not be open.

Input:

B - new file attribute(s)

C - attribute(s) mask

HL - pathname address

Output:

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1

A - message code

FMCFS

Changes the amount of disk space allocated to a file. After you have created a file and before using it, use FMCFS to allocate disk space to it. Before you can delete a file, you must remove its disk space with FMCFS.

Input:

IX - the address of the file's OFB

HL - the file's new size in 512-byte sectors

DE - the number of bytes used in the last sector (1 to 512)

Output:

A - message code IX - (preserved)

FMCAP

Changes the auto-load-and-execute pathname. This pathname is used by FMFIN and FMABT.

Input:

HL - pathname address

Output:

A - message code

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1

FMABT

Is typically used to terminate execution of a program when an unexpected error has occurred. It prints a message based on the message code in B and loads and executes the auto-load-and-execute file. The message is produced with the CHO routine using device code 0. FMABT does not return to the caller.

Input:

B - message code

Output:

none, does not return to the caller

FMRST

Closes all files and resets the File Manager. FMRST returns to the calling program when complete. The default drive is set to 101; the default account ID is set to 1.

Input:

none

Output:

A - message code

FMLX

Loads and executes the specified load-and-execute file. Only the first 128 blocks can be loaded.

Input:

HL - pathname address

DE - moved to HL for the loaded program

B - option code:

B[6 to 0] = 0: return on load errors
B[6 to 0] = 1: use FMABT on load errors
B[6 to 0] = 2: return on load errors and
do not execute the loaded

program.

B[7] = extended path option bit

When bit 7 (the extended path option bit) is set, it indicates that if the pathname given does not resolve to an existing file, then the pathname will be evaluated as if the default account ID number is 1 and the drive number is 101. FMFIN and FMABT use FMLX with this option set to load the command processor.

Examples:

When bit 7 = 1:

QUEUE - searches for QUEUE on the default account. If not found, then account number 1 on Drive 101 is searched.

HEX,103 - searches for HEX on the default account on Drive 103. If not found, account number 1 on Drive 101 is searched.

DATA,A1,102 - searches for DATA on account Al on Drive 102. If not found, account Al is searched for DATA on Drive 101.

STUFF, ACCOUNT - searches for STUFF on account ACCOUNT on the default drive. If not found, then account ACCOUNT on drive 101 is searched.

Output to calling program (if B[6 to 0]=2)
A - message code
A = MOK: IX - load-and-execute address

Output to loaded program (if B[6 to 0] <> 2):

A - system dispatch table upper byte

SP - same as the caller's SP with return address removed from the top of the stack.
 DE - the last address loaded + 1

HL - the input value from DE

FMFSZ

Returns the size of an open file

Output:

IX - (preserved)

A - message code

A = MOK: HL - the size of the file in 512-byte

sectors

DE - the number of bytes used in the

last sector

NOTE: If the file is allocated no disk space, HL is 0 and DE is meaningless.

FMCA

Creates an account.

Input:

HL - address of the account name

Output:

A - message code

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1
DE - if A = MOK, then DE is the new account's

account ID number

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FMDA

Deletes an account. The account must not contain any files.

Input:

HL - the address of the account name

Output:

HL - address of last byte of pathname accessed +1
A - message code

FMSDV

Sets the default account ID and the default drive number. It also returns the previous values for these defaults.

Input:

B - drive number: 101 to 104 HL -account ID number: 1 to 65535

Output:

A - message code

A = MOK:

B - old default drive number: 101 to 104 HL - old default account ID 1 to 65535

FMCM

Composes a message based on the message code in the B register.

Input:

B - message code

Output:

A - message code

A = MOK: HL - address of the message BC - length of the message

PMFIN

Is called when a program is finished executing. FMFIN loads and executes the default auto-load-and execute file and executes it. FMFIN does not return to the calling program.

Input:

none

Output:

none, does not return to the caller

FMRDS

Returns disk statistics on the hard disk label, the number of DIBs in use, and the number of bad DIBs.

Input:

B - drive number: 101 to 104

Output:

A - message code

A=MOK:IX - address of the disk label buffer

DE - number of bad hunks

BC - number of DIBs in usee

FMADE

Returns a memory pointer to the directory entry for the specified directory entry number.

Input:

DE - directory entry number

B - drive number

Output:

A - message code

A = MOK: IY - address of the directory entry

FMRDV

Returns the default values for the drive and account ID.

Input:

none

Output:

A - message code

A = MOK: B - drive number: 101 to 104

HL - account ID number: 1 to 65535

FMCAN

Changes an account name.

Input:

DE - address of the name to which the old name

should be changed.

HL - address of the old account name

Output:

A - message code

FMPD

Powers down any specified hard disk drive.

Input:

B - drive number: 101 to 104

Output:

A - message code

PMPU

Powers up any specified hard disk drive.

B - the drive number (101 to 104)

Output:

Ā - message code

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FMFBU

Is used before any program uses the File Manager's internal buffer. The diskette software uses FMFBU; it should not be considered for general use by the application programmer.

Input:

none

Output:

A - message code

FMINI

Is called by the bootstrap program to initialize File Manager. This operation also powers up all hard disk drives.

Input:

none

Output:

A - message code

6.1 INTRODUCTION

Any changes to the Operating System that customize or set options for particular hardware configurations should be done on your copy of the HDOS 2.0H SYSTEM DISKETTE. If you decide to make further changes, do them on a copy of the working copy, to provide an appropriate Backup and Recovery cycle.

The HBASIC program, SYSGEN, provides an easy way to perform any personalization you are likely to need. This program is included in your SYSTEM account after you perform the INITIAL SYSTEM STARTUP procedure in Chapter 1.

The entry point and flags necessary to customize HDOS are listed in Appendix F.

6.2 PERSONALIZING THE CONFIGURATION BYTE

If your system has any single sided, normal-stepping (double-density) diskette drives, rather than double-sided fast-stepping (quad capacity) drives, you must personalize the configuration byte on your working copy of the HDOS System Diskette.

The byte configuration is:

Bit	1	7	 -	 6 ==#	 -	5 ===	 	4 ===	1	3	; ;	2 ===	 -	1	 - -	0	=
Drive	į	1	i	2	i	3	i	4	i	4	<u>i</u>	3	İ	2	1	1	1
	_			2-8	si	ded	l		1	E	a	st-	S	te	qç	ing	3

Bits 7 and 0 correspond to Drive 1, bits 6 and 1 correspond to Drive 2, etc.

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Initially, the value in the byte is FF, identifying four double-sided, fast-stepping drives. If all your drives are that type, there is no need for change. If, however, any of your disk drives is a single-sided drive, change the contents of the corresponding bits to 0. Use the chart in Appendix C to figure the appropriate Hex number.

6.3 PARALLEL I/O PORT USE NOTES

Standard I/O routines for device 0 (standard serial port), device 1 (second serial port) and device 2 (parallel output port) are included in HDOS. The standard parallel output routine controls a Centronix-type parallel printer as device 2. Connect it to P3 of the final hard disk drive rather than the parallel output port of the HORIZON. If you write your own parallel I/O routine consider the status of the hard disk controller as well as that of the peripheral. The examples of possible program modifications below assume that the headers for input-output operation are in controller 1 and the peripheral is connected to controller 1.

Input

A. The SPARE signal is not used by the peripheral. In this case it is only necessary to deselect all controllers and use the old program.

```
MVI A, 020H
OUT 6 ;Clear PO-FLAG flip-flop (output)
MVI A, OFFH
;OUT 0 ;Deselect all controller
;Old program
```

B. The SPARE signal is used.

```
MVI A, 020H
OUT 6 ;Clear PO-FLAG flip-flop
MVI A, 0FEH
OUT 0 ;Select controller 1
MVI A,0ElH
OUT 0 ;Set I/O mode
;Old program
MV A, 0FFH ;Clear I/O mode; deselect controller
OUT 0
```

Output

A. The FLAG output is used to strobe the data, using the flip-flop contained in the controller.

```
MVI A, 020H
               ;Clear FLAG flip-flop (Horizon)
OUT 6
MVI A, OFEH
                ;Select controller 1
OUT 0
MVI A, OE1H
               ;Set I/O mode
OUT 0
MVI A, DATA
                ;Load proper data onto bus
OUT 0
MVI A, 060H
                ;Set PO-FLAG flip-flop (Horizon)
OUT 6
                This enables data onto the output port
                ;Clear controller FLAG flip-flop,
IN 0
                and generate FLAG output from
                ;controller
ALPHA: IN 2
BIT3,A
                ; Wait for ACK from peripheral to clear
JNZ ALPHA
                ;controller FLAG flip-flop
MVI A,020H
                ;Clear FLAG flip-flop; put output
OUT 6
                ;data into high impedance
MVI A, OFFH
                ;Deselect controller and clear I/O mode
OUT 0
```

B. The DATA MSB is used to strobe the peripheral and the FLAG output is not used.

```
MVI A,020H
              ;Clear PO-FLAG flip-flop
OUT 6
MVI A, OFEH
               ;Select controller 1
OUT 0
MVI A, OE1H
              ;Set I/O mode
OUT 0
MVI A, 60 H
               ;Set FLAG, enable data to output port
OUT 6
MVI A, DATA.OR.080H
               ;Data with MSB = 1
OUT 0
MVI A, DATA.AND.07FH
               ;Data with MSB = 0
OUT 0
MVI A, DATA.OR.080H
               ;Data with MSB = 1
OUT 0
MVI A, 20H
               ;Clear FLAG flip-flop; put data
OUT 6
               ; to high impedence
               Deselect controller and clear I/O mode
MVI A,OFFH
```

Appendix A

HDOS COMMAND SUMMARY

	Name Co	ommanđ	Parameters
	Account Create	AC	account
	Account Delete	AD	account
	Account List	AL	[#n] [d]
	Account Rename		account TO newaccountname
	Account Set	AS	account
	Copy Diskette	CD	
	Copy File	CF	pathnamel TO pathname2 {dens}
	" -	CF	pathnamel CR pathname2 {len} {dens} [alloc]
		CF	
	Create File		pathname len {daddr} {dens} [alloc]
	Display ASCII	DA	{[#n]} region
	Delete File	DE	pathname
	Display Hex	DH	{[#n]} region
	Device Output	DO	{[#n]} {[char]}
	Display & Substitut	e DS	raddr
	Examine Byte	ĒВ	{[#n}} bval
	Examine Memory	EM	{[#n]} raddr
ŀ	Examine Port	EP	{[#n]} paddr
A j v	Fill Memory	FM	region bval {[,bval,bval}]
٠.	Go (Load & Execute)	GO	pathname {[args]}
'n.	Help	HE	command
	Initial Load	ΙL	
٠.	Initialize Diskette	IN	d {dens}
	Jump	JP	raddr {[args]}
, 1. V	Load File into RAM	LF	pathname raddr
ķ.	List File Directory	LI	{[#n]} [account] {d}
	Multiple Copy	MC	(d) [account] TO (d) [account] (len) (dens) [alloc]
		MC	{d} [account] YN {d} [account] {len} {dens} [alloc]
		MC	{d} [account] CR account [alloc]
:	Multiple Delete	MD	[d] [account]
	Multiple List	ML	[#n]
	Move Memory	MM	region raddr
	Output Device	QD	{[#n]}
×4.	Off	OF	[d]
	Set Listing	PA	n
	Page Length		·
8	Port Output	PO	bval TO paddr

Appendix A

HDOS COMMAND SUMMARY (continued)

Name Con	mand	Parameters
Read Disk to RAM Rename Diskette File Reset Save File from RAM Set Length Search Memory Print Disk Statistic Set Auto-Execute Fil Type File Verify Memory Write RAM to Disk Work Space	RD RN RS SF SL SM S ST	<pre>len {dens} FROM daddr{,d} {[OF pathname]} TO raddr filenamel, d to filename2 pathname raddr pathname len {[#n]} region bval {[,bval,bval]} [d] pathname pathname pathname [filetypel {[raddr]} [attr] {[#n]} region raddr</pre>
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Appendix B

ERROR CODES

MFDOS RESULT CODES

Code	Symbol	Meaning
1 2 3 4 5 6	MFSNF MFCRC MFVFY MFNIP	Sync not found CRC error Verify compare error Drive or diskette not available Density mismatch on read or verify Attempt to write on protected diskette
7 8 9 10 11 12	MFCCX MFIDW MFIDN MFIDA MFITL	Control-C detected from terminal Illegal call to DWRIT Illegal drive number Illegal disk address Illegal transfer length Illegal command to DCOM Track density mismatch error

FILE MANAGER MESSAGE CODES

Code Symbol Meaning

0000	O j ma v a	
0	MOK	Operation okay
2Ŏ	MANE	Account not empty
21	MDDUP	Attempt to create duplicate directory
22	MDFUL	Directory full
		Matching directory entry found
	MDFND	Bad directory structure
24	MDBAD	File name not found in directory
25	MDFNF	File name not found in directory
26	MFANF	Account name not found in directory
27	MCADS	Can't allocate requested disk space
28	MOFUL	Open File Table full; can't open file
29	MOAVL	Entry available in the Open File Table
30	MILDN	Illegal decimal number
31	MILFN	Illegal file name
32	MILAN	Illegal account name
33	MILUN	Illegal unit number
34	MILID	Tilegal account ID number
35	MWRP	Attempt to write on write-protected file
36	MDEP	Attempt to delete a delete-protected lile
37	MADEP	Allent to delete a delete-protected account
38	MCCPF	Attempt to delete a deleted field in File Manager
39	MPARA	Parameter invalid or out of range
		Improper file type specified
40	MFRT	THISTOPET TITE CIRC PROCESSES

Appendix B - ERROR CODES

FILE MANAGER MESSAGE CODES (continued)

Code Symbol Meaning File not open; open file required 41 MFNO File open; unopened file required 42 MFOPN General failure, usually indicates hardware malfunction 43 MFAIL End of list with available space MEOLA 44 End of list with no available space 45 MEOL Illegal File Manager request 46 MIFMR 47 MFZNZ File size not zero 48 MIFZ Illegal file size End of fle reached during data transfer 49 MEOF Transfer attempted beyond end of file 50 MPEOF Memory protect violation MMEMP 51 Unit not powered up 52 MUNPU 53 MNYI Operation not yet implemented File multiply opened 54 MFMO Disk level revision error 55 MDLRE Drive label mismatch error 56 MDNSL Drive size mismatch error 57 MDNSS 103 MBUFRD Buffer error MMIPLS Missing index pulse 104 PLL sync error on read 105 MSHDR Failure to format drive 106 MRDFL Drive error during command execution 107 MRCER 108 CRC error during verify MVCRCE Compare error in data during verify 109 MVDATE Data CRC error 110 MDCRCE 111 MRDSHE CRC error on read sector header MFWSOR Found wrong sector during read or verify 112 MDWRTE Write unsafe or attempt to write on protected cylinder 113 read/write flip-flop will not set in controller 114 MCNTFL Illegal disk address 115 MILLDA CRC error in header during position verify 116 MHDCRC MCYLER Drive on wrong cylinder 117 118 MDSLER Head select error 119 MDERDS Drive error during seek 120 MBADRV Drive number too big Target sector has CRC error in header 121 MTSHDR Failure in drive read electronics 122 MDRDFL 123 Can't find target sector MCNFTS Drive went not ready after command started 124 MDWNR Controller not there 125 MCNPR Drive not ready for command 126 MDNACC

MDNRDY Drive not ready - out of speed

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DECIMAL-ASCII-HEX-BINARY CONVERSION TABLE

The following table is intended to ease the task of conversion between the various numeric representations commonly used in programming, as well as between numbers (of any kind) and the ASCII character code.

Note that the ASCII character set only goes as far as decimal 127 (7FH, 01111111 B). Also, many "characters" in ASCII are nonprinting CONTROL CHARACTERS. Whenever a code corresponds to a printable character, that will be given. In the case of control characters, a description or name for the special character will be given in parentheses.

DECIMAL	HEX	BINARY	ASCII
Ø	00H	00000000	(NUL)
ĭ	Ø1H	00000001	(CONTROL-A)
2	Ø 2 H	00000010	(CONTROL-B)
3	Ø3H	00000011	(CONTROL-C)
4	Ø 4 H	00000100	(CONTROL-D)
Š	Ø5H	00000101	(CONTROL-E)
5 6	Ø6H	00000110	(CONTROL-F)
7	07H	00000111	(CONTROL-G, RINGS BELL)
8	081	00001000	(CONTROL-H, BACKSPACE)
ğ	Ø9H	00001001	(CONTROL-I, TAB)
10	0AH	00001018	(CONTROL-J, LINEFEED)
11	0 BH	00001011	(CONTROL-K)
12	ØCH	00001100	(CONTROL-L, FORMFEED)
13	ØDH	00001101	(CONTROL-M, CARRIAGE RETURN)
14	ØEH	00001110	(CONTROL-N)
15	ØFH	00001111	(CONTROL-O)
16	10H	99919999	(CONTROL-P)
17	11#	00010001	(CONTROL-Q)
18	1211	00010010	(CONTROL-R)
19	13H	00010011	(CONTROL-S)
20	14H	00010100	(CONTROL-T)
21	15H	00010101	(CONTROL-U)
22	168	00010110	(CONTROL-V)
23	17H	00010111	(CONTROL-W)
24	18H	00011000	(CONTROL-X)
25	19H	00011001	(CONTROL-Y)
26	1 A H	00011010	(CONTROL-Z)
27	1BH	00011011	(ESCAPE)
28	1CH	00011100	(NON-PRINTING)
29	1 DH	00011101	(NON-PRINTING)
30	12H	00011110	(NON-PRINTING)
31	1 FH	00811111	(NON-PRINTING)
32	20H	00100000	(SPACE)
33	21H	00100001	1
	22H	00100010	•
34 35	23H	00100011	‡
	23H	00100111	\$
36	25H	00100100	• *
37	26H	00100101	ě
38 39	20 H	00100111	•

				····	 		
	DECIMAL	HEX	BINARY	ASCII			
1	40	28H	00101000	,			
Ī	41	29H	00101001	(
	42	2AH	00101010	*			
	43	2BH	00101011	+			
	44	2CH	00101100	,	,		
	45	2DH	00101101	<u>-</u>			
i	46	2EH	00101110				
	47	2FH	00101111	/			
	48	3 0 H	00110000	ø			
	49	31H	00110001	1			
	50	32H	00110010	2			
1	51	33H	00110011	3			
	52	34H	00110100	4			
	53	35H	00110101	5 6			
	54	36H	00110110	6			
	55 56	37H	00110111	7			
	56 57	38#	00111000	8			
	5.8	39H	00111001	9			ł
	5.6 59	3AH	00111010	:			
	5 <i>9</i>	3BH 3CH	00111011	1			
	61	30H	00111100 00111101	<			
	62	3EH	00111101	=			
i	63	3FH	00111110	>			
1	64	40H	01900000	? @		•	
į	65	418	01000001	Ä			
	66	42H	01000010	В.			
1	67	43H	01000011	č			l
İ	68	44H	01000100	Ď			
	69	45H	01000101	Ē			
	70	46H	01000110	F			- 1
ļ	71	47H	01000111	Ğ			
	72	48H	01001000	H			
ì	73	49H	01001001	I			
	74	4AH	01001010	J			
	75	4BH	01001011	K		•	
	76	4CH	01001100	L			i
	77	4 DH	01001101	M			
I	78	4EH	01001110	N			Į
	79	4 F H	01001111	0			Į
	89	50H	81019000	P			
	81 82	51H 52H	01010001	Q			ľ
]	83	52H	01010010	R			
1	84	54H	01010011 01010100	S			ŀ
	85	55H	01010100 01010101	T			
	86	56H	01010110	u V			
	87	57H	01010110	w			
1	88	58H	01011000	X X			
1	89	59H	01011001	Ŷ]
	90	5AH	01011001	2			ı
l '	91	5 B H	01011010	ĺ			J
ļ	92	5CH	01011100	`\			- 1
Ì	93	5 DH	01011101	ì			
ł							ĺ
							- 1

Γ	DECIMAL	HEX	BINARY	ASCII
	94	5EH	01011110	T OR
l	95	5PH	01011111	
ı	96	60H	01100000	_
l	97	61H	01100001	a
1	98	62H	01100010	ъ
1	99	63H	01100011	c
ı	100	64H	01100100	đ
ı	101	65H	01100101	e
1	102	66H	01100110	f
İ	103	67H	01100111	g
ı	104	68H	01101000	ň
l	105	69H	01101001	i
ĺ	106	6AH	91191916	j
Ł	107	6 BH	01101011	k ·
1	108	6CH	01101100	1
	109	6DH	01101101	m
ĺ	110	6EH	01101110	n
1	111	6FH	01101111	0
1	112	70H	01110000	Ď
	113	71H	01110001	ģ
	114	72H	01110010	r
ŀ	115	73H	01110011	s
	116	74H	01110100	t
	117	75H	01110101	u
١	118	76H	01110110	v
1	119	77H	01110111	W
Į	120	78H	01111000	x
ı	121	79H	01111001	У
	122	7AH	01111010	Z,
١	123	7 BH	01111011	ţ
	124	7CH	01111100	Į.
١	125	7 DH	01111101	<u>}</u>
1	126	7EH	01111110	The same of the same
- [127	7FH	01111111	(DELETE, RUB OUT)
١	128	80H		
1	129	81H	10000001	
١	130	82H	10000010	
	131	83H	10000011	
	132	84H	10000100	•
1	133	85H	10000101	
Į	134	86H	10000110	
ļ	135	87H	10000111	
1	136	881	10001000	
	137	89H	10001001	
1	138	8AH	10001010	
	139	8 B H	10001011	•
	140	8CH	10001100	
	7141	8 DH	10001101	
ŀ	142	8EH	10001110	
Į	143	8FH	10001111	•
}	144	90H	10010000	
	145	91H	10010001	
	146	9 2 H	10010010	
ļ	147	93H	10010011	

	DECIMAL	HEX	BINARY	ASCII
	148	94H	10010100	
	149	95H	10010100	
1	150	96H	10010110	
ĺ	151	97H	10010111	
	152	98H	10011000	
i	153	99H	10011001	
	154	9AH	10011010	
	155	9BH	10011011	
	156	9CH	10011100	
1	157	9DH	10011101	
	158	9EH	10011110	
}	159	9FH	10011111	
	160	AØH	10100000	
	161	Alh	TANAAAAT	
	162	A2H	10100010	
	163	A3H	10100011	,
	164	A4H	10100100	
	165	A5H	10100101	
1	166	A6H	10100110	
i	167	A7H	10100111	
	168	ABH	10101000	
	169	A9H	10101001	
j	170 171	AAH ABH	10101010	
1	172	ACH	10101011 10101100	
	173	ADH	10101100	
	174	AEH	10101110	
	175	AFH	10101111	
	176	вин	10110000	
1	177	BlH	10110001	i
	178	B2H	10110010	
	179	взн	10110011	
	180	B4H	10110100	
	181	B5H	10110101	
ļ	182	B6H	10110110	
i	183	B7H	10110111	
	184	B8H	10111000	
	185	B9H	10111001	İ
1	186	ВАН	10111010	İ
1	187	BBH	10111011	
I	188	BCH	10111100	
I	189	BDH	10111101	
I	190	BEH	10111110	i
ľ	191	BFH	10111111	ļ
	192 193	COH	11000000	Ì
	193	ClH	11000001	1
	194	С2H С3H	11000010	
	195	C4H	11000011 11000100	
	197	C5H	11000100	
	198	C6H	11000101	_
	199	C78	11000110	i
	200	C8H	11000111	l
	201	C9H	11001000	l
		4711	22001001	J
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	DECIMAL	HEX	BINARY	ASCII	
-	282	CAH	11001010		
	203	CBH	.11001011		
	204	CCH	11001100		
	205	CDH	11001101		
	206	CEH	11001110		
	207	CFH	11001111		
	208	DØH	11010000		
	209	DIH	11010001		
	210	D2H	11010010		
	211	D3H	11010011		•
	212	D4H	11010100		
1	213	D5H	11010101		
1	214	D6H	11010110		
Ì	215	D7H	11010111		
	216	D8H	11011000		
1	217	D9H	11011001		
	218	DAH	11011010		
	219	DBH	11011011		
	220	DCH	11011100		
	221	DDH	11011101		
}	222	DEH	11011110		
	223	DFH	11011111		
1	224	EØH	11100000		
j	225	ElH	11100001		
	226	E2H	11100010		
	227	E3H	11100011		
	228	E4H	11100100		
	229	E5H	11100101		
l	230	E6H	11100110		
İ	231	E7H	11100111		
1	232	E8H	11101000		
	233	E9H	11101001		
	234	EAH	11101010		
	235	EBH	11101011		
	236	ECH	11101100		
	237	BDH	11101101		
l	238	EEH	11101110		
1	239	EFH	11101111		
	240	FØH	11110000		
	241	FIH	11110001		
	242	F2H	11110010		
	243	F3H	11110011		
	244	F4H	11110100		
	245	F5H	11110101		
	246	F6H	11110110		
!	247	F7H	11110111		
Ī	248	F8H	11111000		
1	249	F9H	11111001		
	250	FAH	11111010		
i	251	FBH	11111011		
	252	FCH	11111100		
ļ	253	FDH	11111101		
	254	FEH	11111110		
[255	FFH	11111111		
I					
L					

APPENDIX D

RAM ALLOCATION TABLE

The table below gives the allocation of the 64K-byte RAM address space for the standard HDOS system software and hardware.

RAM ADDRESS	COMBINE	DESCRIPTION
(Hex)	Contents	DESCRIPTION
Resident Syst	em	•
0100	Dispatch Table	A table of entry points.
0200	2-block buffer	Shared by File Manager and the diskette DOS.
0400	I/O Routines	May be modified by the user.
0500	HDCOM	Origin of the HDCOM, not necessarily the entry point.
0D00	File Manager	Origin of the File Manager, not necessarily the entry point.
Transient Sys	tem	
1F00	MFDOS	Diskette DOS and the Line Editor. (Includes a Jump Table at 2000 to enable compatability with some existing North Star software.)
2600	Command Processor	Origin of the HDOS Command Processor.

Whenever you initialize (boot) the system, either with a power up or the IL command, the Hard Disk Operating System is read from the HDOS 2.0.0H SYSTEM DISK and loaded into RAM at the addresses shown above. Everything from address 1F00 also resides on the hard disk. HBASIC loads at 2600, overwriting the HDOS Command Processor. When you return to the system, everything from 1F00 to the end of the table loads from the hard disk and overwrites the current contents of RAM at the same addresses. This method of overwriting the same areas for HBASIC and the Command Processor gives you more memory for application programs.

APPENDIX E

HDOS SYMBOLS AND DATA STRUCTURES

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These equates include revision 2.0 of the disk label structure.

This file contains the equates for use in all modules of the North Star Hard Disk Operating System.

```
Number of tracks per side on a Micro Disk
Initial track counter value for Micro Disks
Maximum legal I/O device number
Length of input line for Command Processor
Default processor speed constant (280A)
0023
                                                  entrac
estrac
                                                                                                  18+35+35+1
              --
                                                                           --
                                                   OIXAND
0050
                                                   ONLINE
                                                   ODPSTP
                                                          SYSTEM DISPATCH TABLE ADDRESSES
                                                                                                                                             ; Micro Disk track table
; Sequential revision number
; Secondary configuration byte
; Last used Micro Disk drive
                                                   STRAKT
                                                                                                 DSPCH
0100 ==
                                                  etrakt
erevn
echeg2
esunit
eoften
echoot
echo
echi
                                                                                                 DSPCH+4
DSPCH+5
DSPCH+6
DSPCH+7
DSPCH+10
0104
0105
                                                                           ---
---
                --
0106
                                                                                                                                                  Last used Micro Disk drive
Poling vector
Batry point from boot PROM
Character output routine
Character input routine
Terminal initialization routine
Control-C check
Nonrecoverable Micro Disk error vector
                --
 010A
                                                                           ==
 010D
                                                                                                  DSPCH+0DH
0110
0113
0116
                --
                                                                            **
                                                                                                  DSPCB+10H
                ...
                                                                                                  DSPCH+16H
DSPCH+19H
                                                    PINIT
                                                   econ
0119
011C
                                                   OBDERR
ODLOOK
                                                                           ==
                                                                                                                                                   Micro Disk file lookup routine
Micro Disk directory update
Lowest level Micro Disk driver
Micro Disk directory lister
                                                                                                  DSPCH+1CH
DSPCH+1PH
011P
0122
                                                   edwrit
edcom
                                                                           ==
                                                                                                  DSPCH+22B
                                                   ODLIST
ORSTRT
0125
0128
                ==
                                                                           =#
=#
                                                                                                  DSPCH+25B
                                                                                                                                                   System restart address
Read after write and interrupt flags
Micro Disk argument error vector
Nicro Disk density flag
                                                                                                  DSPCH+28H
012B
012C
                ==
                                                                           ##
##
##
##
##
##
                                                                                                  DSPCH+2BH
                                                    @DOS BR
                                                                                                  DSPCH+2CH
                                                                                                  DSPCH+2PH
                                                                                                                                                  Micro Disk density fleg
Command processor autostart flag
Personalization byte, number of console display lines
Personalization byte, Micro Disk drive combination
Storage for result of last disk operation
Type of last HDCOM error
Sector address of last HDCOM error
Drive number of last HDCOM error
Personalization byte, address of Micro Disk Controller
Storage for processor speed indicator
Memory limit indicator
Additional output device number
Character output bypassing additional device feature
Input device status check
 012F
                --
                                                   ODEN
                                                   PAUTOS
                                                                                                 DSPCH+30H
DSPCH+33H
 0130
                ---
                                                   CPAGES
0133
 0134
                                                   econfg
ereslt
                                                                                                  DSPCB+34H
                                                                           ==
                                                                                                  DSPCH+35R
 0135
                                                                                                 DSPCH+35H
DSPCH+37H
DSPCH+39H
DSPCH+3AH
DSPCH+3BH
0136
0137
0139
013A
013B
                                                   €HDBMC
⊕HDBDA
                **
                                                                           --
                                                   PHDEDN
PHDCB
                                                   OFTPTM
OBMEM
OADEV
                                                                           --
013C
013D
                                                                                                  DSPCH+3CH
DSPCH+3DH
                ##
##
##
##
013B
013B
0141
0144
0147
014A
014D
                                                                           ==
                                                                                                  DSPCH+3EH
DSPCH+41H
                                                    eaout
                                                   BISTAT
                                                                                                                                                   Input device status check
Output device status check
Line input editor
Hard disk file manager entry point
Lowest level hard disk driver entry point
                                                                                                  DSPCH+44H
DSPCH+47H
DSPCH+4AH
                                                   @OSTAT
                                                                           --
                ##
##
                                                   OFMINGR
                                                                            ==
                                                    OHDCOM
                                                                                          MPDOS result codes
                                                    OMFSUF
                                                                                                                              sync not found
                                                                                                                        p sync not found
p cRC error
p verify compare error
p no index pulse found
p density mismatch on read or verify
p attempt to write on protected diskette
p control C detected from console
p illegal call to DWRIT
p illegal drive number
p illegal disk address
p illegal transfer length
p illegal command to DCOM
 0002
                 **
                                                    PMFCRC
                                                                                                  2
3
 0003
0004
                                                    empypy
emphip
 0005
0006
                #¥
                                                    ОМРТИММ
                                                                            ==
                                                    OMPURP
 0007
0008
                 86
                                                   OMPIDM
                                                                            --
 0009
                -
                                                    OMPION
                                                                            --
                                                                                                  10
11
12
  4000
                                                    QMPIDA
                                                                            --
                ==
==
 GOOD
                                                    SMP ITI.
                                                                            e e
E e
 000C
                                                                                                                         ; illegal command to DCOM
; track density mismatch error
                                                    OMETON
```

File Manager Definitions

File Manager Operation Codes

```
0000
0001
0002
0003
0004
                                                             OFNCRE
                                                                                                                                                                              create file
delete file
open file
close file
                                                                                                                    00B
                                                            epndel
epnopn
epnclo
                                                                                                                    PMCRE+1
PMDEL+1
FMOPN+1
                                                                                          -
                   I
                                                             OFMTFR
                                                                                                                    PMCLO+1
                                                                                                                                                                              transfer sectors to/from file lookup file information
 0005
0006
                                                                                                                                                                           transfer sectors to/from file tokup file information lookup account information change file type change file attributes change file size change file size change the auto-load-and-go pathname abort the calling program reset the File Manager load and execute a file of type PTNI return a file's size to the Caller create account delete account delete account set/return default values compose a standard message code message finish executing the calling program return disk statistics to the calling program return default values to the calling program return default values to the calling program return default values to the calling program return default values to the calling program cacess directory entry return default values to the calling program power down a specific unit power up a specific unit flag buffer used initialize after bootstrap end of FM list
                                                            PPNLOK
                                                                                         --
                                                                                                                    PMTPR+1
                                                            OFMLAC
OFMCTY
                    -
                                                                                                                    FMLOK+1
 0007
                                                                                                                    PMLAC+1
                                                            OPMCAT
OPMCPS
 0008
                                                                                                                    PHCTY+1
 0009
                                                                                         --
                                                                                                                    PHCAT+1
                                                            efmcap
efmabt
epmrst
 ACCO
                                                                                                                    FMCFS+1
FMCAP+1
000B
000C
                                                                                                                     FMABT+1
000B
                                                             OFMLX
                                                                                                                    PURST+1
                                                            PEMES2
                                                                                                                    PMLX+1
                   FE
                                                            OPMCA
OPMDA
 DOOF
                                                                                                                    PMFSZ+1
 0010
                                                                                         --
                                                                                                                    PMCA+1
FMDA+1
0011
                                                            efmsdv
efmcn
 0012
                                                                                                                   FMSDV+1
FMCM+1
0013
                                                            @FMPIN
@FMRDS
0014
0015
                                                                                                                    FMFIN+1
                                                            epmade
epmedy
0016
0017
0018
                                                                                                                    FMADE+1
                                                            SPMCAN
SPMPD
                                                                                         ==
                                                                                                                   FMRDV+1
FMCAN+1
0019
                                                                                         =,,
                                                            @PMP()
                                                                                                                    PMPD+1
001A
                                                             EPMFBU
                                                                                                                    FMPU+1
001B
                                                                                                                   PMPBU+1
FMINI
                                                            SPMINI
                                                                                         ==
001B
                                                            PPMBOL
                                                                                                                                                                             end of FM list
                                                                      Message Codes
```

```
; ok, must be zero!
; account not empty
; directory: attempt to add duplicate symbol
; directory: directory is full
; directory: matching symbol found
; directory: had directory structure
; directory: file name not found
; directory: file name not found
; directory: file name not found
; cant allocate disk space, disk possibly full
; cant open file, Open File Table full
; OFT entry available
; illegal decimal number
; illegal decimal number
; illegal account name
; illegal account ID
; write protect
; delete protect
; delete protect
; delete protect
; account delete protected
; can't change protected field
; pramater in error or out of range
; file of wrong type specified
; file not open
; file is open
; general failur
; end of list with available space
; end of list with no available space
; end of list with no available space
; end of file reached during transfer
; transfer attempted past EOF
; memory protect violation
; unit not powered up
; function not yet implimented
; file is multiply opened
; Disk level revision error
; Drive label mismatch error
; Orive size mismatch error
; Orive size mismatch error
; drive not ready-out of speed
; drive not ready-out of speed
; drive not ready-out of speed
                                                                  ENOK
                                                                                                                             ноо
0014
0015
                     --
                                                                  ONANE
                                                                  ENDDUP
                                                                                                                             MANE+1
 0016
                                                                  endful
endfnd
0017
0018
                                                                                                                             MDFUL+1
                                                                                                                             MDPND+1
MDBAD+1
                                                                  endbad
endpnp
0019
001A
                                                                  OMDANE
                                                                                                                             MDFNF+1
001E
                                                                  @MCADS
                                                                                                                             MDANF+1
                                                                                                                            MCADS+1
MOFUL+1
MOAVL+1
MILDH+1
                                                                  emopul
                                                                                                 ==
==
001D
                                                                  €KOAVL
 001E
                                                                  SMILDN
                                                                emilen
emilan
001F
                     ==
 0020
                                                                                                                            MILFN+1
0021
                                                                EMILUN
                                                                                                44
44
47
48
48
48
48
                                                                                                                           MILAN+1
MILUN+1
0022
0023
                                                                 QMWRP
                                                                                                                            MILID+1
MWRP+1
0024
0025
                                                                @MDBP
@MADEP
                                                                                                                             MDEP+1
                                                                OMCCPF
OMPARA
0026
                     .
                                                                                                                            MADEP+1
0027
0028
                                                                                                                            MCCPF+1
                    emprt
empho
0029
                                                                                                                            MPRT+1
002A
                                                                                               ==
                                                                                                                           MPNO+1
MFOPN+1
                                                                EMPOPN
002B
002C
                                                                 OMPAIL
                                                                                                                           MPAIL+1
MEOLA+1
                                                                EMBOLA
002D
002E
                                                                OMBOL
                                                                OMIFMR
                                                                                               ==
                                                                                                                            MEOL+1
                                                                QMFZNZ
QMIFZ
002F
                    ==
                                                                                                                            MIFMR+1
                                                                                                                            MFZN2+1
0031
                                                                PMEOF
PMPEOP
0032
0033
                                                                                                                           MEOF+1
                   2#
2#
                                                                PMMEMP
                                                                                                                            MPEOF+1
0034
0035
                                                                OMUNPU
                                                                                                                           MMEMP+1
                                                                                               --
                                                                                                                           MUNPU+1
MNYI+1
                                                                EMNYI
0036
0037
                                                                ӨНГИО
                                                                                                                           MFMO+1
MDLRE+1
                                                                EMDLRE
8200
                   *=
                                                                OMDNSL.
0039
                                                                                                                           HDNSL+1
127
                                                                PMDNSS
                                                                                               --
                                                               OMDNRDY
OMDNACC
007F
                                                                                                                           126
125
                                                                OMCN PR
```

```
drive went not ready after command started
                                                                              124
123
                                                                                                                 ; drive went not ready after command started; can not find target sector; failure in drive read electronics; targ sec has one error in header; drive number too big; drive error during seek; head select error; drive on wrong cylinder; ore error in header during position verify; illegal disk address used; read/write ff will not set in controller
0076 ==
                                        OMDWNR
007B ==
                                        SMCNFTS
                                                                              122
121
007A
0079
                                        OMDRDFL
            ==
                                        emishde
embadev
                                                            22
                                                                              120
0078
0077
0076
0075
0074
0073
            ##
##
                                         ANDERDS
                                                            -=
                                                                              119
                                         OMESLER
             ==
                                         AMCYLER
                                        emudere
emilloa
                                                           W#
                                                                              116
115
             ==
                                        EMCNTFL
                                                                              114
                                                 Message Codes (continued)
                                                                                                                 ; write unsafe or attempt to wrt on prot cyl; found wrong sector during read or verify; cre or PLL sync error on read sector header; data cre error; data during verify; cre error on data during verify; drive error during command execution; failure to be able to format drive; Pll sync error on read; Missing index pulse; Buffer error
0071
                                         @MDWRTE ==
                                         ONFWSOR ==
0070
             **
006F
                                         EMRDSHE
EMDCRCE
                                                                              111
110
                                                           ==
006D
006C
                                                                               109
             *=
                                         MVDATE
                                                            83
                                         OMVCRCE
OMRCER
                                                            32
                                                                               108
107
 006B
             æ
006A
             ==
                                         emrdfl
                                                                               106
0069
0068
0067
             -v
                                                             **
                                                                               105
                                         emshdr
                                                          --
                                                                               104
                                         MBUFRD
                                                 Unit Structure
                                                                                                ; sectors per directory
; sectors per DIB as a power of 2
; DIBs per unit
; disk label disk address
; DIB table disk address
; bad DIB table disk address
; bytes per sector
0080
0004
                                                                               128
              ==
                                         espD
                                         es Ph
                                                                               153*4
                                             H PM
                                                             # P
                                          ODLDA
 0000
             ##
 0001
0002
              -
                                          ertda
 0200
              **
                                          erps
                                                  File Attributes
                                                                                                 ; backupable flag, bit 0, backupable when 0 ; file dirty flag, bit 7, dirty when 1 ; write protect flag, bit 1, protected when 1 ; deleteable file flag, bit 2, not deleteable when 1
 0003
                                          @ATBAK
                                                                                128
 0080
                                          eatdrt
eatwrt
              --
                                                             -
                                          @ATDEL
                                                  Directory Entry Type Codes
                                                                                                  ; never used entry
; entry in use (account or file)
; deleted entry
                                          EBNTNU
 0000
0001
                                          eentiu
eentde
                                                              **
  0002
                                                   File Types
                                                                                                     nemory image file
BASIC program file
BASIC data file
BACKUP/RECOVERY compressed directory
BACKUP/RECOVERY packets
  0001
                                                                                12345
                                           SPTBP
  0002
                                                              ##
##
  0003
                                           ∉PTBD
  1000
                                           EFTRD
                                          eftrp
eftcc
eftcu
eftcu
eftpc
  0005
                                                                                                      CP/M work file
CP/M unit
                                                               ==
  0006
  0007
000A
                                                               --
                                                                                                      PASCAL connection table PASCAL volume
                                                                                 10
               --
                                                                                11
14
15
10
  0008
                                           eptpv
                                                               =#
                                                                                                  , PASCAL VOLUME
; bar chart data
; pie chart data
; ASP sequential file
; ASP random file
; ASP index file
                                                               ==
                                           eftgb
  DOOR
               --
  000F
0012
                                           OPTGP
OPTAS
                                                               --
               --
                                           eftar
eftai
                                                               ..
                                                                                 19
  0013
  0014
                                                    FMLX Option Codes
                                                                                                  ; return load errors, execute loaded code; use FMABT for load errors, execute code; return on load errors, donot execute; extended path option bit
                                                                                 0
  0000
0001
0002
                                           @LXRLE
                ==
                                           @LXALE
@LXRET
                                                               --
                                                                                 E080
                                           $LXXPO
                                                               -
                                                    PMTFR Operation Codes
                                                                                                      read
write
verify
wite 'clean'
                                                                                                    : read
                                            @TCORD
   0001
                --
   0000
                                            PTCOWR
                                            OTCOVE
   0002
                                            ATCOMO
```

```
Disk Label Structure
  0000
                                   ODLILL
                                                                                               f illegal directory address
f auto-load-and-execute path name
f auto loadsexecute pathname length
f major disk structure revision level
f minor disk structure revision level
disk size
  0002
                                   ODLALX
ODLASZ
                                                   ==
                                                                  DLILL+2
  0023
0025
                                                                  35
             ==
==
                                   POLMAJOR ==
                                                                  DLALX+DLAS2
  0026
0027
                                   @DLMINOR ==
                                                                  DLMAJOR+1
                                   @DLDSZE
  0029
002B
002C
            ---
                                   ODLNSRT
                                                                                                   number of sectors reserved for testing
                                                                  DLDSZE+2
                                                                 DLNSRT+2
DLNHSZ+1
                                                                                                  DIB size as a power of two directory size (sectors) base disk address for the unit's directory
                                   ODT.NHSZ
                                   QDLDRSz
 002E
0030
0031
                                                                  DLDRSZ+Z
DLDIR+2
                                   PDT.DTR
                                                   2=
             --
                                                                                                  stepping delay in units of 12.5 microseconds maximum head number
                                   #XM.ID
                                                   ==
                                                                  DLSST+1
 0032
            -
                                   @DLMXC
                                                                                                 maximum real number
maximum cylinder number
minimum cylinder with precomp on write
minimum cylinder with low current on write
cylinder to seek when sequencing down
                                                                  DLMXR+1
 0034
                                                                 DLMXC+2
DLPRC+2
                                   ODLPRC
                                                   ==
            ==
                                   ODLLCC
 0038
                                   ODLOFC
                                                                 DLLCC+2
DLOPC+2
                                                   --
                                  @DLXXX
@DLSIZ
 003A
           22
                                                                                                 reserved space
structure size
 01C6
                                                                 BPS-DLXXX
                                         DIB Table Structure
 0006 --
                                  entalc
entalc
                                                                                              ; the count of allocated DIBs
                                                                 BTALC+2
                                                                                              ; the bit map of DIBs, a 1 bit means inuse
                                         Directory Entry Structure
                                                                                              ; entry type
; The entry's symbol
; the account number
; the name protion of the symbol
; name length in Symbol

M ; symbol length
; base for account and file data
; the size of an entry
; the size of an entry
; the size of an entry as a power of 2
; directory entries per sector (2°DEPS)
; entries per directory
; entry number upper mask
; entry-of-sector lower mask
 0000
                                  ODETY
 0001
                                                                 DETYP+1
DESYM
                                  CDESYM
                                                   ==
 0001
0003
                                  @DEACN
@DENAM
           ==
                                                                 DEACN+2
 000E
                                  edenmz
edesyz
                                                                 14 ;
DENAM+DENMZ-DESYM
 0010
0011
                                  ODEBAS
                                                   --
                                                                 DESYM+DBSY2
 0020
                                   0DES IZ
                                                                 32
 0005
                                  @DES22
 0004
            P#
                                   edr ps
 0800
                                  êEPD
                                                   --
                                                                 2048
 0007
                                   edirm
                                                                 07H
 000F
                                  @DEOSM
                                                                 0FH
                                         File Structure Discriptor
 0000
                                  gfsdat
gfsdpz
                                                                                              ; attributes
; file size in sectors
; bytes in use in last sector
; nDIB size as a power of 2
 0001
                                                                 FSDAT+1
           -
                                  efsdlb
efsdhs
                                                  76
62
                                                                 PSDFZ+2
FSDLB+2
 0005
                                  PESDMU
                                                  ==
                                                                 PSDHS+1
                                                                                                 unit number
 0007
           ==
                                  OPSDHO
                                                                                              ; DIB 0 address divided by SPH
; structure descriptor size
                                                                 PSDMU+1
                                  @FSDS%
                                                                 FSDH0+2
                                        Pile Directory Entry
 0011 --
                                  @FDBSD
                                                                 DEBAS
0011
0012
0014
0016
0017
                                                                                              ; structure descriptor
                                                                                                structure descriptor attributes file size in sectors bytes in use in the last sector sectors per nDIB as a power of 2 reserved space DIB 0 disk addr divided by SPH file type type dependant data
                                  QFDBAT
                                                                FDESD+PSDAT
FDESD+PSDPZ
                                                  ==
                                  AFDREZ
           ==
                                  ĕFDELB
                                                  9 M
                                                                 PDESD+FSDLB
                                  OPDEHS
                                                  --
                                                                 PDESD+PSDHS
           80
                                  @FDEX1
                                                                 FDESD+FSDMU
0018
001A
                                  OFDEHO
                                                  --
                                                                PDESD+PSDB0
PDEH0+2
           **
                                  epdert
epdetd
                                                 ==
001B
001E
                                                                PDRPT+1
                                  PPÓRXY
                                                                 PDETD+3
                                                                                              ; reserved space, 2 bytes
                                        Account Directory Entry
0011 **
                                 GADEAN
                                                                Desym+Desyz
                                                                                             ; account number ; reserved space, 13 bytes
                                  GADEXX
                                                                ADEAN+2
                                        Index block
0100
0100 ==
0081 ==
                                 @IXSIZ
                                                                                             ; one half sector long
; entries per index
                                 €BPI
                                                                129
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```
Open File Block (OFB)
                                                                                                                                               ; directory entry number
; base disk address for directory
; index length (1.EPI)
; the file's structure descriptor
; attributes
; file size in sectors
; bytes in last sector
; nOIB size
; unit number
; DIB 0 address divided by SPH
; index block
; OFB check byte
; OFB aize
; unit mask in OFBMU
                                                   eofbde
eofbdb
0000
                                                                                                    OPBDE+2
0002
                                                                                                    OFBDB+2
OFBIL+1
                                                    eofbil
eofbsd
                                                                             --
 0005
                 ##
##
                                                                                                    OPBSD+FSDAT
OPBSD+FSDFZ
OFBSD+PSDLB
                                                    BOFBAT
BOFBFZ
                                                                             --
 0006
                                                     COFBLB
COFBHS
                                                                                                    OPBSD+FSDHS
OPBSD+FSDHU
OPBSD+FSDHO
 000A
000B
000C
000E
                 **
                                                                             ==
==
                                                     OPBHU
OPBHU
                                                                                                     OFBSD+PSDS2
OFBI+IXSI2
                                                      eopbi
Cofbcb
                  **
                                                                              =#
=#
 010E
010F
                  --
                                                                                                     OFBCB+1
OFH
                                                      POPBS7
POPBUM
  COOF
                                                                Create Information Block
                                                                                                                                                  ; file type
; attributes
                                                      OCBTYP
OCBATR
OCBNHZ
                   ###
###
###
   0000
                                                                                                      CBTYP+1
CBATR+1
CBNH2+1
                                                                                                                                                   ; attributes
; nDIB size as a power of 2
; pathname address
; type dependant data
; create block size
                                                                               -
  0001
0002
0003
                                                                              **
                                                       CBPNA
CBTDD
                                                                                                       CRPNA+2
   0005
0008
                                                       6CBS12
                                                                  Transfer Command Block
                                                                                                                                                    ; operation code
; begining memory address
; begining sector number
; transfer length in sectors
; ending memory address
; ending sector number
; sectors not transfered
; bytes in use in the last sector
; the 'or' of all dirty bits seen
; TC size
                                                                                                                                                     ; operation code
   0000 ==
0001 ==
0003 ==
0005 ==
0006 ==
0008 ==
000B ==
000B ==
                                                       etcop
etcmen
etcsec
etclen
                                                                                                       TCOP+1
TCMEM+2
TCSEC+2
                                                                                ---
---
---
---
---
                                                                                                       TCLEN+1
TCEHA+2
                                                        etcena
etcesn
                                                                                                        TCESN+2
TCSNT+1
                                                         PTCSNT
                                                         eTCBLB
eTCDRT
                     ---
                                                                                                        TCBLB+2
TCDRT+1
                                                         OTCS 12
     000E
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APPENDIX F

HDOS ENTRY POINTS AND I/O ROUTINES

```
NORTH STAR HARD DISK OPERATING SYSTEM SYSTEM DISPATCH TABLE
                                            THE ORIGIN OF THIS TABLE MUST ALWAYS
BE A MULTIPLE OF 100H
                                                 BASE ==
MTOP ==
E000 --
                                                                                  DEGGOR ; DEFAULT MEMORY LIMIT
                                         ; THE PIRST FOUR BYTES ARE USED BY THE MFDOS,
; IF PRESENT, TO STORE THE CURRENT TRACKS
GOPNT: JMP GBOOT+HDLEN; DOUBLES AS "GO" ENTRY POINT
BYTE STRAC ; INITIAL VALUE
0000' C3 0000#
                                          ; THIS SEQUENTIAL REVISION NUMBER CHANGES
; WITH EACH NEW RELEASE OF THE SOFTWARE
,LOC REVN-DSPCH+BASE
,BYTE RLEAS
 00041
 0004' 21
                                            ; THE POLLOWING BYTE IS RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE
                                            ;ZILCH: BOU .
                                                                 BYTE
  00051 00
                                            MFDOS STORES CURRENTLY SELECTED
DRIVE NUMBER HERE
                                                                                    SUNIT-DSPCH+BASE
0
  0006' 00
                                                                  BYTE
                                                THE OFTEN ROUTINE IS CALLED FREQUENTLY DURING
USE OF THE DISK SYSTEMS
OFTEN IS ALWAYS CALLED WITH INTERRUPTS DISABLED
ONLY ACC AND FLAGS MAY BE MODIFIED
ONLY 2 BITES OF STACK CAN BE USED
MUST NOT BRANCH ANYMERE DURING COLD BOOT
LOC OFTEN-DSPCH+BASE
RET , JUST RET DURING BOOT
.MORD 0 ; SPACE FOR JMP ADDR
   0007'
0007' C9
0008' 0000
                                                  THIS ENTRY POINT IS USED
WHEN THE SYSTEM IS BOOTED DIRECTLY
FROM A NICRO DISK
LOC CBOOT-DSPCS+BASE
JMP CBOOT , NOT YET IMPLEMENTED
     000A' C3 010A
                                               THIS IS THE CHARACTER OUTPUT ROUTINE
IT IS CALLED WITH THE CHARACTER IN B AND
WITH THE DEVICE # IN A
ONLY ACC AND PLAGS MAY BE MODIFIED
HUST RETURN THE SAME CHARACTER IN A
LOC CHO-DSPCH+BASE
LOC CHO-DSPCH+BASE
THE DAOT - ADDITIONAL DEVIC
                                                                                                            : ADDITIONAL DEVICE ROUTING ROUTINE
       000D1
       000D, C3 0000#
                                                ; THIS IS THE CHARACTER INPUT ROUTINE
; IT IS CALLED WITH THE DEVICE & IN A
; ONLY ACC AND FLAGS MAY BE MODIFIED
; MUST RETURN INPUT CHARACTER IN A
LOC CHI-DSPCH+BASE
JMP CIN
        0010, C3 0000#
                                                  ; THIS NEXT ROUTINE IS CALLED ONCE AT INIT TIME
; IT CAN THEN USE ALL REGISTERS AND SHOULD
; PERFORM ANY NEEDED INITIALIZATION
.LOC INIT-DSPCH+BASE
JMP TINIT
        0013, C3 0000#
                                                   THIS IS THE CONTROL C ROUTINE; EITHER THIS OR ISTAT IS CALLED PREQUENTLY; DURING EXECUTION OF ANY NORMAL SOPTWARE; ALL REGISTERS MAY BE USED; IP NO INPUT DATA AT DEVICE O THEN; RETURN BOTH Z AND C PLAGS PALSE
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; IF DATA IS AVAILABLE IT IS RETURNED; IN A WITH C PLAG TRUE; RETURNS Z TRUE ONLY IF DATA IS CONTROL C LOC CON-DSPCH+BASE
JMP CONTC
0016, C3 0000+
0016,
                                                 , MICRO DISK ERRORS JMP THRU THIS OR OTHER ERROR JMP LOC KDERR-DSPCH-BASE JMP HD
0019' C3 0000#
                                                    THIS IS THE MICRO DISK FILE LOOKUP ROUTINE
A MUST CONTAIN DEFAULT DRIVE(MORMALLY 1)
HL=POINTER TO PILE NAME IN RAM
WITH OPTIONAL DRIVE NUMBER
TERMINATED WITH BLANK OR CR
DRIVE MUMBER RETURNED IN A IF FILENAME
SYMTAX OK, ELSE 25RO RETURNED
IF POUND IN DIRECTORY THEM
CARRY RETURNED FALSE AND
HL=POINTER TO BYTE 8 OF ENTRY
IF NOT FOUND THEM
CARRY RETURNED TRUE AND
HL=PIRST FREE DISK ADDRESS
LOC DLOOK-DSPCH+BASE
JMP MOLK
001C, C3 0000#
                                                  THIS ROUTINE WRITES UPDATED DIRECTORY TO NICRO DISK; HUST POLLOW DLOOK
LOC DWRIT-DSPCH+BASE
JMP DWRI
 001F' C3 0000#
                                                  ; GENERAL MICRO DISK COMMAND ROUTINE
; ACC= MUMBER OF SECTORS
; B= COMMAND (0=WR, 1=RD, 2=VERIFY)
; C= DRIVE, BIT 7=DOUBLE DENSITY
; DE= STARTING RAW ADDRESS
; HL= STARTING DISK ADDRESS
; RETURMS WITH CARRY TRUE IF BAD ARGS
LOC DCCM-DSPCH+BASE
JMP DCO
 0022' C3 0000#
                                                   THIS ROUTINE LISTS MICRO DISK DIRECTORIES
ACC= DRIVE MUMBER
L= OUTPUT DEVICE NUMBER
LOC DLIST-DSPCH+BASE
JMP LIST
  0025' C3 0000#
                                                    ; THIS IS THE RESTART ENTRY POINT
; IT WILL ORDINARILY LOAD AND EXECUTE
; THE HOOS COMMAND PROCESSOR
LOC RETAT-DSPCH+BASE
  00281
                                                                             JMP
   0028' C3 0000#
                                                                                                     RST0
                                                         BIT 0 OF THIS FLAG CONTROLS THE
READ AFTER WRITE CHECK OPTION ON
MICRO DISKS ONLY
READ AFTER WRITE IS ALWAYS DONE
ON THE HARD DISK
IF 1 THEN CHECK ON FLOPPIES ALSO
                                                      ; BIT 7 OF THIS FLAG IS 1 ONLY IF
; INTERRUPTS SHOULD BE LEFT ENABLED
; AFTER ANY CODE WHICH MUST DISABLE THEM
.LOC RWCHK-DSPCH+BASE
.BYTE 1
    0028'
0028' 01
                                                     , MICRO DISK ERRORS JMP THRU THIS OR OTHER ERROR JMP
.LOC DOSER-DSPCH+BASE
JMP DSERR
     002C' C3 0000#
                                                      THIS BYTE SET TO DENSITY OF DIRECTORY
                                                     ; BY DLOOK CALLS
; 0 IF SINGLE; 80H IF DOUBLE
,LOC DEN-DSPCH+BASE
.BYTE 0
    002F' 00
                                                      : THIS FLAG BYTE CONTROLS THE AUTOSTART FEATURE

: OP THE COMMAND PROCESSOR. THIS BYTE IS TESTED

: AND SET TO ONE WHENEVER THE COMMAND PROCESSOR

: IS EXECUTED. IF THIS BYTE WAS ZERO THE COMMAND

: PROCESSOR WILL AUTOMATICLY EXECUTE THE COMMAND

: IN ITS INPUT BUFFER. THIS FEATURE SHOULD BE
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```
; USED FOR TURNKEY STARTUP OF ANY SYSTEM.
.LOC AUTOS-DSPCH+BASE
.BYTE 1
0030' 01
                                          ; THIS WORD POINTS TO THE TEXT LINE BUPFER USED BY : THE COMMAND PROCESSOR. THIS DATA IS PROVIDED FOR : USE BY THE PERSON WHO PERSONALIZES A BOOTSTRAP ; DISKETTE FOR TURNKEY STARTUP.

WORD CLINE
0031' 01B0
                                           ; THIS BYTE IS SCREEN LENGTH OF CONSOLE
; USE ZERO IF HARD COPY TERMINAL
,LOC PAGES-DSPCH+BASE
,BYTE 24
 0033' 18
                                           ; THIS BYTE SHOWS MICRO DISK DRIVE COMBINATION
; SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FORMAT
.LOC CONFG-DSFCH+BASE
.BITE OFFH
  0034'
0034' PF
                                            THE RESULT CODE OF EACH USE OF THE PILE MANAGER
OTHER THAN PHABT IS STORED HERE FOR USE BY THE COMMAND
PROCESSOR OR OTHER SOFTWARE WHICH REPORTS ERRORS
LOC RESULT-DSPCH+BASE
BYTE MOK
  0035' 00
                                                 THIS BYTE CONTAINS THE LAST ERROR CODE NUMBER RETURNED TO THE PILE MANAGER BY HDCOM THE COMMAND PROCESSOR ZEROS THIS BYTE WHEN THE ERROR IS REPORTED

LOC HDEMC-DSPCH+BASE
BYTE 0
    0036' DO
                                              THIS WORD CONTAINS THE ADDRESS OF THE LAST
SECTOR ACCESS ATTEMPTED BY THE FILE MANAGER
LOC HOEDA-DSPCH+BASE
WORD 0
    0037'
0037' 0000
                                               THIS THE NUMBER OF THE LAST HARD DISK DRIVE ACCESSED BY THE FILE MANAGER
LOC HDEDN-DSPCH+BASE
BYTE 0
     0039' 00
                                               THIS BYTE SHOWS THE ORIGIN OF THE
HICRO DISK CONTROLLER BOARD WITH WHICH
THIS SYSTEM OPERATES
LOC MDCB-DSPCH+BASE
BYTE BADDR/256
      003A
       003A' E8
                                                THE BOOTSTRAP STORES A SPEED CONSTANT HERE
FOR USE BY MFDOS ONLY
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT TRYING TO USE IT
LOC STPTM-DSPCE+BASE
BYTE DFSTP
       003B' 1A
                                                ; THIS BYTE CONTAINS THE ADDRESS OF THE PIRST
; PAGE OF MEMORY WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
; BY USER SOFTWARE TO BE BEYOND THE UPPER LIMIT
.LOC HAEM-DSPCH+BASE
.BYTE MTOP/256
        003C
                                                  ; THIS BYTE CONTAINS THE ADDITIONAL OUTPUT DEVICE NUMBER.; WHEN THIS BYTE IS MONZERO, ALL OUTPUT TO THE MAIN CONSOLE; (DEVICE ZERO) WILL BE ECHOED TO THE DEVICE SPECIFIED HERE.; THIS BYTE IS SET BY THE OD COMMAND.

LOC ADEV-DSPCH+BASE

BYTE 0
        003C, E0
         003D' 00
                                                   ; TO ENABLE THE ADDITIONAL OUTPUT DEVICE FEATURE, THE JUMP
; TO THE ACTUAL CHARACTER OUTPUT ROUTINE IS PLACED HERE,
; INSTEAD OF AT CBO, ABOVE.

LOC JUP COUT
          003E
          003E, C3 00004
                                                    , THIS IS THE INPUT STATUS ROUTINE
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```
; IT IS CALLED WITE THE DEVICE # IN A
; RETURNS NUMBER OF DEVICE TESTED IN A
; RETURNS & FLAG TRUE IF INPUT DATA AVAILABLE
; NO OTHER REGISTERS MAY BE USED
0041' C3 0000#
                                                             ,LOC
                                                                              ISTAT-DSPCH+BASE
IST
                                         0044' C3 0000#
                                             THIS IS THE NORTH STAR LINE EDITOR
ON ENTRY:
B= I/O DEVICE NUMBER
C= LENGTH OP INPUT BUPPER
DE= ADDR OF OLD LINE
TERMINATED WITH CR
HL= ADDR OF INPUT BUFFER
ON EXIT:
                                         HL= ADDR OF INPUT BOX. ...
ON EXIT:
HL, DE, AND B RESTORED
C= SPACE UNUSED IN INPUT BUFFER
A= RESULT CODE:
O: RETURN ENTERED
1: CONTROL C ENTERED
2: 0 OR CONTROL N ENTERED
3: TOO MANY CHARS ENTERED
COLD LINE IS NOT CHANGED
CRUF IS NOT ECHOED
NEW LINE ENDS WITH A CR
LOC LINED-DSPCH+BASE
JMP LWEDT
0047'.
0047' C3 00000
                                         ; THIS IS THE ENTRY POINT TO THE
; HARD DISK PILE MANAGER
.LOC PANGR-DSPCH+BASE
JRP FME
004A' C3 0000#
                                         ; THIS IS THE LOW LEVEL HARD DISK
; ACCESS ROUTINE
; THIS ROUTINE SHOULD NOT BE USBD
; BY ANY NORMAL SOFTWARE
LOC HDCOM-DSFCH+BASE
JMP BEGIN
004D1 C3 0000+
                                          ; NOTHING BEYOND THIS POINT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
; PIXED AND INDEPENDENT OF REVISION LEVEL.
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I/O ROUTINES FOR STANDARD BORIZON COMPUTER
                                                                                                                    SIZE OF USER I/O BLOCK
                                           10BSZ
                                                                               256
0100
                                                                                                                    : ADDRESSES OF MOTHERBOARD I/O PORTS
                                                                                PADDR+0
                                           P0
P1
P2
P3
P4
P5
P6
0000
                                                                                PADDR+I
PADDR+2
                                                              ..
0001
0002
                                                              --
             e=
                                                                                 PADDR+3
0003
                                                                                 PADDR+4
                                                              -
           --
 0004
                                                                                 PADDR+5
 0005
                                                                                 PADDR+6
                                                              33
 0006
              --
                                                                                 PADDR+7
                                                                                                                     INPUT STATUS ROUTINE
ITEST FOR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY
IJUMP TO SECOND SERIAL PORT STATUS TEST
 0007
                                                               CPI
                                            1ST
 0300' ==
 0300' PE01
0302' 2809
                                                                                 istl
                                                   ASSUME DEVICE O WAS INTENDED
                                                                                                                     PIRST SERIAL STATUS PORT
INVERT STATUS FOR PROPER RESULT
TEST RECEIVER DATA AVAILABLE BIT
SHOW WHICH DEVICE WAS TESTED
RETURN WITH INPUT STATUS IN Z PLAG
  0304' ==
0304' 0803
0306' 2F
0307' E602
0309' 3800
0308' C9
                                             ISTÔ
                                                                IN
                                                                                  P3
                                                                CMA
ANI
MVI
                                                                                  Ä,O
  030C' ==
030C' DB05
030E' 2P
030P' 8602
0311' 3E01
0313' C9
                                              istl
                                                                IN
                                                                                  ₽5
                                                                 IKA
                                                                                   Ā,l
                                                                  MVT
                                                                                                                       ALTERNATIVE ENTRY TO CIN
SUBSTITUTE FIXED DEVICE NUMBER
CHARACTER INPUT ROUTINE
CHECK STATUS OF SPECIFIED DEVICE
LOOP UNTIL DATA AVAILABLE
CHECK FOR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY
JUMP IF SECOND SERIAL PORT SPECIFIED
   0314' --
0314' 3B00
0316' --
0316' CD 0300'
0319' 20FB
031B' FE01
                                               2CIN
                                                                  NVI
                                                                                   Ă,O
                                                CIN
                                                                 CALL
                                                                                   ist
CIN
                                                                  JRN2
CPI
                                                                                    ĈIN1
                                                                  .78%
     031D' 2805
                                                    ASSUME PORT 0 (STANDARD SERIAL PORT) DESIRED
                                                                                                                         ; INPUT THE CHARACTER
:MASK OPF PARITY BIT
:RETURN WITH CHARACTR IN A
                                                CIMO
                                                                   IN
     031F' ==
031F' DB02
0321' E67F
                                                                                    P2
                                                                                     7FH
                                                                   INA
                                                                   RET
      03231 C9
     0324' ==
0324' DB04
0326' E67F
0328' C9
                                                 CINI
                                                                                     ₽4
7₽H
                                                                   IN
                                                                    ANI
                                                                    RET
                                                                                                                          OUTPUT STATUS ROUTINE
ITEST FOR DEVICE 2 POSSIBILITY
JUMP TO PARALLEL PORT STATUS TEST
ITEST FOR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY
JUMP TO SECOND SERIAL PORT STATUS TEST
      0329' --
0329' PE02
032B' 2814
032D' PE01
032F' 2808
                                                 OST
                                                                    CPI
JR%
                                                                                      0572
                                                                                       ŌSTl
                                                                    JRZ
                                                         ASSUME DEVICE O WAS INTENDED
                                                                                                                           FIRST SERIAL STATUS PORT
FINVERT STATUS FOR PROPER RESULT
FIEST TRANSMITTER BUFFER EMPTY BIT
FISHON WHICH DEVICE WAS TESTED
FRETURN WITH INPUT STATUS IN 2 FLAG
       0331' ##
0331' DB03
0333' 2F
0334' B601
0336' 3E00
0338' C9
                                                                     ==
IN
                                                  0510
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                                                                     CHA
ANI
                                                                                        A,0
                                                                      HVI
RET
                                                                      --
In
        0339' ==
0339' DB05
033B' 2F
033C' E601
033E' 3E01
0340' C9
                                                   OSTI
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                                                                      CHA
ANI
                                                                      MVI
RET
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0341' ==
                               OST2
                                                         A,20H
P6
A,0FBH
P0
                                            IVN
                                                                                    ISET COMMAND MODE
                                            MVI
                                            OUT
                                                                                    SELECT CONTROLLER 101
                                                         A,OElH
                                            MVI
                                            TUO
                                                                                    SET SELECTED CONTROLLER TO I/O MODE
                                                         A,60H
P6
P6
                                            OUT
IN
                                                                                    ;SET DATA MODE
;MOTHERBOARD STATUS BYTE
0341' DB06
0343' 2P
                                            CNA
BIT
                                                         3,A
0,A
A,20H
P6
A,0PPH
P0
                                                                                    :TEST CONTROLLER'S PO FLAG
:*** TEST MOTHERBOARD'S PO FLAG ***
                                            TIG
TUO
TUO
TUO
0344' CB47
                                                                                    :SET COMMAND NODE
                                                                                    DESELECT CONTROLLER
                                                                                    DEVICE NUMBER
0346' 3E02
0348' C9
                                             RET
                                   TINIT PIRST REWRITES ALL RAM TO SET PARITY CORRECT
0349' == 0349' 3E40 034B' D3C0 034B' D1 EC00 0350' 54 0351' 5D 0355' EDB0 0357' 3C 0358' D3C0
                                TINIT
                                             MVI
OUT
LXI
HOV
MOV
LXI
LDIR
                                                                                     ;DISABLE PARITY LOGIC
;BEFORE READING UNWRITTEN RAM
;FIRST BYTE TO CLEAR
                                                          A, 40H
0COH
                                                           #, BADDR+1024
                                                                                     ; NUMBER OF BYTES TO CLEAR
;SET PARITY ON ALL RAM
;TO 418, PARITY ENABLE CODE
; REARM PARITY LOGIC
                                                           B,-1024
                                                           A
OCOB
                                              CUT
                                       NOW INITIALIZE MOTHERBOARD AND SET UP BOTH SERIAL PORTS
035A' AP
035B' D306
035D' D306
035F' D306
0361' D306
0363' 3ECB
0365' D303
0367' 3ECB
                                                                                     :ZERO ACC
;INITIALIZE MOTHERBOARD
                                                           P6
P6
P6
                                              OUT
OUT
                                                                                     ;EXTRA
;EXTRA
                                              OUT
                                                                                     :EXTRA
12 STOPS, 16xCLOCK, 8 BITS, NO PARITY
;SEND TO FIRST SERIAL FORT
;SAME CODE AS FIRST FORT
;SECOND PORT
                                              OUT
                                                           A, OCEH
                                              NVI
                                                          A, OCEH
 0369' D305
036B' 3£37
                                              PVI
                                                          A,37H
P3
                                                                                      CMD: RTS, ER, RXF, DTR, TXEN
 036D' D303
036F' 3E37
                                              ODT
MVI
                                                           Ā,37H
P5
                                                                                      SAME CODE AS FIRST PORT
  0371' 0305
                                              OUT
 0373 DB02
0375 DB02
0377 DB04
                                                           P2
P2
P4
P4
                                              IN
IN
                                                                                      CLEAR STANDARD SERIAL PORT INPUT BUFFER
                                                                                  . ; CLEAR SECOND SERIAL PORT INPUT BUFFER
 037B' 060D
037D' 21 012B
0380' CB7E
0382' 2807
0384' 3804
                                                           B,13
H,RWCHX
7,M
                                                                                      ; CARRIAGE RETURN TO INIT PRINTER
                                              MVT
                                              LXI
BIT
                                                                                      TEST INTERUPT ENABLE PLAG
                                                            COUT2
                                              JRZ
MVI
                                                                                                   ; PAGE ADDRESS OF I/O BLOCK
                                                            A, UIOB/256
  0386' ED47
0388' ED5E
                                              STAI
IM2
                                                                                      ; SET INTERUPT MODE TWO
                                     PRINTER PARALLEL OUTPUT ROUTINE
  038B' ==
038B' 3E20
                                  COUT2
                                                                                      ISET COMMAND MODE
1*** CLEAR NOTHERBOARD'S PO PLAG ***
                                                            P6
P6
                                               OUT
  038D' D306
                                                            A.OPEH
                                               MVT
                                                                                      SELECT CONTROLLER 101 AGAIN
                                                            A,OB1H
                                               MVI
                                                                                      ;SET SELECTED CONTROLLER TO I/O HODE
                                                           A, 60B
                                               MVI
                                                                                      ;SET DATA MODE
;CLEAR CONTROLLER'S PO FLAG
;CHARACTER TO SEND
;SET STROBE FALSE
                                               OUT
                                                            PÜ
  036F' 78
0390' F680
0392' D300
0394' BE80
0396' D300
                                               MOV
ORI
                                                            80B
                                               OUT
                                                            90
90H
                                                                                       SEND CHARACTER
                                               OUT
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* 80H
PO
A,20H
P6
A;0PFR
P0
A,B
                                                                                                                TOGGLE STROBE
                                                           XRI
OUT
MVI
OUT
0398' EE80
                                                                                                                SET COMMAND NODE
                                                                                                                DESELECT CONTROLLER
GET CHARACTER FOR RETURN
                                                            NVI
                                                            MOV
RET
039C' 78
039D' C9
                                                                                                                :ALTERNATIVE ENTRY TO COUT
ISUBSTITUTE PIXED DEVICE NUMBER
:CHARACTER OUTPUT ROUTINE
:CHECK STATUS OF SPECIFIED DEVICE
:LOOP UNTIL READY FOR DATA
039E' ==
039E' 3E00
03A0' ==
03A0' CD 0329'
03A3' 20FB
03A5' FE01
03A7' 280B
03A9' PE02
03AB' 280E
                                           ZCOUT
                                                             χVΙ
                                                                              Ă,0
                                           COUT
                                                                              OST
COUT
                                                             CALL
                                                             JRNZ
CPI
JR2
CPI
                                                                                                                  SECOND SERIAL PORT OUTPUT
                                                                               COUTL
                                                                                                                  ; PARALLEL OPORT OUTPUT
                                                                               COUT2
                                                              JRZ
                                                ASSUME STANDARD SERIAL PORT OUTPUT
                                                                                                                   ; NOVE CHARACTER TO A ; OUTPUT THE CHARACTER
  03AD' 78
03AE' D302
03BO' C9
                                                                               A,B
P2
                                                              OUT
                                                               RET
  03B1 78
03B1 78
03B2 D304
03B4 C9
                                             COUTL
                                                              HOV
OUT
RET
                                                                                A,B
                                                                                UIOB+GEFH-DSPCH+BASE
                                                                .LOC
    03EF*
                                                  MODE TWO INTERUPT VECTOR FOR RESTART PIVE
                                                                , WORD
     03EF' 0050'
    03F1' == 03F1' 3E00 03F3' CD 03G0' 03F6' 37 03F8' CD 03F6' 03F6' 2F03 03F6' 37 03FF' C9
                                                                                                                    MAIN CONSOLE DEVICE NUMBER TEST STATUS OF CONSOLE
                                              CONTC
                                                                MVI
CALL
STC
CHC
                                                                                 A,0
IST
                                                                                                                    ;ENSURE CARRY FALSE

;RETURN IF NO CHARACTER TYPED

!INPUT THE CHARACTER THAT WAS FOUND AVAILABLE

!SEE IP CHARACTER IS CONTROL-C

;TELL SOTTWARE A CHAR WAS TYPED (OPTIONAL)

;RETURN WITH 2-FLAG PROPERLY SET
                                                                RNZ
CALL
CPI
STC
                                                                                  CIN
3
                                                                 RET
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0100 ==	10	BSZ ==	256	ISIZE OF USER I/O BLOCK
0000 ==	PO		PADDR+0	;ADDRESSES OF MOTHERBOARD I/O FORTS
0001 ==	P1 P2		PADDR+1 PADDR+2	
0002 == 0003 ==	P3		PADDR+3	
0004	Pé		PADDR+4	
0005 ==			PADDR+5	
0006 ==	P6		PADDR+6 PADDR+7	
0300'	Is	T	•	; INPUT STATUS ROUTINE
0300' PE		CPI	1	TEST FOR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY
0302' 28	00	JRZ	istl	JUMP TO SECOND SERIAL PORT STATUS TE
		ASSUM	E DEVICE 0 WAS	INTENDED
0304' ==		3 7 0 ••	1_	TTTO CONTAIN COMMUNIC DODG
0304' DB		IN	P3	; Pirst Serial Status Port ; invert Status For Proper Result
0306' 2F 0307' E6	, n 2	CMA ANI	2	TEST RECEIVER DATA AVAILABLE BIT
0309, 50	200	MAI	A,0	SHOW WHICH DEVICE WAS TESTED
03 0B, Ca	, ,	RET		RETURN WITH INPUT STATUS IN Z FLAG
030C' == 030C' DB		ST1 == IN	P5	
030E, 5E		CMA		
OBOR! RA	in 2	ANI	2	
0311' 3E	:01	MAI	A,1	
		RET		
0314' ==		CIN ==	: .	ALTERNATIVE ENTRY TO CIN SUBSTITUTE FIXED DEVICE NUMBER
0314' 3E		MVI IN ==	A,0	CHARACTER INPUT ROUTINE
		CALL	IST	CHECK STATUS OF SPECIFIED DEVICE
0316' CI		JRNZ	CIN	LOOP UNTIL DATA AVAILABLE
031B' PS		CP1	1	CHECK POR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY JUMP IF SECOND SERIAL PORT SPECIFIES
031D, 56	305	JRZ	CINI	·
		ASSUME PORT	O (STANDARD S	SERIAL PORT) DESIRED
031P' ==	• ¢	INO ==	<u>:.</u>	- Caserin Mint Calaba AMAN
031F' DE		in Ani	P2 7FR	; INPUT THE CHARACTER : MASK OFF PARITY BIT
0323 · C	3 ′ [*]	RET) EN	RETURN WITH CHARACTR IN A
0324' -		IN1 ==	54	
0324' DS	704 678	IN Ani	P4 7PH	
0328' C		RET	,	
0329' =		ST		OUTPUT STATUS ROUTINE
0329' PI		CPI	2	TEST FOR DEVICE 2 POSSIBILITY
032B' 28	914	JRZ	0512	JUMP TO PARALLEL PORT STATUS TEST TEST FOR DEVICE 1 POSSIBILITY
032D' PI 032F' 21	808 EU1	CPI JRI	OST1	JUMP TO SECOND SERIAL PORT STATUS T
		ASSUME DEV	TICE O WAS INT	ENDED
0331' ==	= 0	STO ==	P3	FIRST SERIAL STATUS PORT
03331 2		IN CMA	FJ	INVERT STATUS FOR PROPER RESULT
0334' E	601	· ANI	1	TEST TRANSMITTER BUFFER EMPTY BIT
0336 3		MVI	A, 0	SHOW WHICH DEVICE WAS TESTED
0338' C		RET		RETURN WITH INPUT STATUS IN 2 FLAG
0339' =	B05	ST1 == IN	ė5	
033B' 2		CMA		
0336, 31 0336, 8		ANI MVI	1 A,1	
0340 C	9	RET		
0341' -		ST2 ==	:	
0341' 3		IVM TUO	A, 20H P6	ISET COMMAND MODE
0343' D		MAI	A, OFBH	TORT COURTER CORE
0347' D	300	OUT	PÓ	;SELECT CONTROLLER 101
0349' 3		IVM	A, OE1H	
034B' D		. 001	P0	;SET SELECTED CONTROLLER TO I/O MODE

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034D' 3E60
034P' D306
                                                         A,60H
P6
                                                                                   SET DATA MODE
                                            OUT
                                                                                   MOTHERBOARD STATES BYTE
034F' D306
0351' D806
0353' 2F
0354' C85F
0356' 3E20
0358' 3EPP
035C' D300
035E' 3E02
0360' C9
                                                         96
                                            IN
CMA
                                                         3,A
A,20H
P6
A,0FFH
P0
A,2
                                                                                   ITEST CONTROLLER'S PO PLAG
                                            BIT
                                            MVI
                                                                                   JSET COMMAND MODE
                                            MVT
                                                                                   DESELECT CONTROLLER DEVICE NUMBER
                                            OUT
NVI
                                   TINIT FIRST REWRITES ALL RAW TO SET PARKTY CORRECT
                                                                                    DISABLE PARITY LOGIC
BEFORE READING UNWRITTEN RAM
PIRST BYTE TO CLEAR
                                TINIT
 0361' ==
0361' 3E40
                                                          A. 40H
                                             MVI
                                                          OCOR
H,BADDR+1024
                                             OUT
LXT
  0363: D3CDc00
                                                          D, H
E, L
B, -1024
 0368' 54
0369' 5D
                                             YON
                                                                                    NUMBER OF BYTES TO CLEAR
                                                                                     SET PARITY ON ALL RAM
STO 418, PARITY ENABLE CODE
REARM PARITY LOGIC
  036A' 01 PC00
 036F, 3C
036E, 3C
                                             LDIR
INR
                                                          A
OCOH
                                              OUT
  0370' D3C0
                                        NOW INITIALIZE MOTHERBOARD AND SET UP BOTH SERIAL PORTS
                                                                                     ;ZERO ACC
;INITIALIZE MOTHERBOARD
  0372' AF
0373' D306
0375' D306
0377' D306
0379' D306
037B' 3BCE
                                              XRA
OUT
                                                           A
P6
                                                                                      EXTRA
                                               TUO
TUO
                                                           P6
P6
                                                                                      PEXTRA
2 STOPS, 16xCLOCK, 8 BITS, NO PARITY
SEND TO FIRST SERIAL FORT
SAME CODE AS FIRST PORT
SECOND PORT
CODE RTS, ER, RXF, DTR, TXEN
                                               MAI
                                                            P6
A, DCEH
                                               OUT
MVI
                                                            P3
A,OCEH
   037D' D303
037F' 3ECE
   0381' 0305
0383' 3837
                                               OUT
MVI
                                                             P5
A,378
                                                                                      PIRST PORT
                                                            P3
A,37H
                                                OUT
MVI
    0365' D303
0367' 3E37
                                                                                       SECOND PORT
    0389' D305
                                                OUT
                                                                                       CLEAR STANDARD SERIAL FORT INPUT BUFFER
                                                             PŻ
                                                IN
    038B' DB02
                                                                                       CLEAR SECOND SERIAL PORT INPUT BUFFER
                                                             P2
P4
    038D' DB02
038F' DB04
                                                in
                                                 IN
    0391' DB04
                                                                                       CARRIAGE RETURN TO INIT PRINTER
                                                IVN
                                                             в,13
    0393' 060D
0395' 21 012B
0398' CB7E
                                                             H, RWCHR
7, N
COUT2
                                                                                       TEST INTERUPT ENABLE PLAG
                                                LXI
BIT
                                                                                                    ; PAGE ADDRESS OF I/O BLOCK
                                                 JRZ
MVI
     039A' 2807
039C' 3E04
                                                              A, UIOB/256
                                                                                       SET INTERUPT HODE TWO
     039E' ED47
03A0' ED5B
     03A2' FB
                                                 ΕĮ
                                       PRINTER PARALLEL OUTPUT ROUTINE
     03A3' ==
03A3' 3E20
03A5' D306
03A7' 3EFE
03A9' D300
03AB' 3EB1
03AD' D300
                                    COUT2
                                                              A, 20H
                                                 NVI
                                                                                        SET COMMAND HODE
                                                              P6
A,OFBR
                                                 OUT
                                                 MVI
                                                                                        SELECT CONTROLLER 101 AGAIN
                                                              A, OE1H
PO
                                                 TUO
TUO
                                                                                        ISET SELECTED CONTROLLER TO I/O MODE
                                                              A,60H
                                                  MVI
TUO
                                                                                         ;SET DATA MODE
;CLEAR CONTROLLER'S PO FLAG
;CHARACTER TO SEND
      03AF' 3B60
03B1' D306
                                                               PO
A, B
BOH
PO
                                                  IN MOV ORI OUT XRI OUT XRI OUT MVI OUT MVI OUT
      03B3' DB00
03B5' 78
                                                                                         SET STROBE FALSE
      0386, E580
0386, E580
0386, E580
0386, E580
0380, E580
0360, D300
                                                                                         SEND CHARACTER
                                                               80H
90H
90H
                                                                                         TOGGLE STROBE
                                                               A,20H
P6
       03C2' 3E20
03C4' D306
                                                                                         ISET COMMAND MODE
                                                               A, OPPH
PO
       03C6, 3E&L
                                                                                         DESELECT CONTROLLER
                                                                                         GET CHARACTER FOR RETURN
                                                                A,B
                                                   MOV
       03CA' 78
        03CB1 C9
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03CC1 ==	2COUT	**		ALTERNATIVE ENTRY TO COUT
03CC, 3B00	BC001	MVI	Å,0	SUBSTITUTE FIXED DEVICE NUMBER
03CE' ==	COUT	==	,+	CHARACTER OUTPUT ROUTINE
03CB' CD 0329'		CALL	OST	CHECK STATUS OF SPECIFIED DEVICE
03D1' 20PB		JRN2	COUT	LOOP UNTIL READY FOR DATA
03D3' FB01		CPI	1	
0305' 2608		JRZ	COUT1	SECOND SERIAL PORT OUTPUT
03D7' PB02		CPI	2	
03D9' 28C8		JRZ	COUT2	PARALLEL OPORT OUTPUT
	ASSUNI	STANDA	RD SERIAL PORT	OUTPUT
0308,	0000			
03DB' 78		VON	A,B	MOVE CHARACTER TO A
03DC' D302		OUT	PS	OUTPUT THE CHARACTER
03DE' C9		RET		
03DF' ==	COUTI	**		
03DF' 78		MOA	λ,B	
03E0' D304		OUT	P4	
03E2' C9		RET		
03EF'		.Loc	UIOB+OEFH-DSPC	**************************************
USEF		•		
	MODE '	TWO INTE	RUPT VECTOR FOR	RESTART FIVE
03EF, 0020,		.WORD	PERR	,
03F1' ==	CONTC			
03bJ, 3E00		MV I	A,0	; MAIN CONSOLE DEVICE NUMBER
03E3, CD 0300,		CALL	IST	TEST STATUS OF CONSOLE
D3P6 37		STC		
03F7' 3F		CMC		ENSURE CARRY FALSE
03E8, C0		RN2		RETURN IF NO CHARACTER TYPED
03E6, CD 037e,		CALL	CIN	INPUT THE CHARACTER THAT WAS FOUND AVAILABLE
03PC, Ł\$03		CEI	3	SER IF CHARACTER IS CONTROL-C TELL SOFTWARE A CHAR WAS TYPED (OPTIONAL)
03FE' 37		STC		
03PP' C9		RET		RETURN WITH 2-PLAC PROPERLY SET

APPENDIX G

DISK HANDLER FOR THE HARD DISK-HD18 (HDCOM)

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CALLING SEQUENCE DEPINITION:

LXI H.FILEID ; PUT FILE ID ON STACK
DUSH H
LXI H.SECNUM ; PUT STARTING SECTOR NUMBER ON STACK
PUSH B
LXI H.SECNUM ; PUT STARTING SECTOR NUMBER ON STACK
PUSH B

NOTE*** THE ABOVE THO QUANTITIES ARE RETURNED WHEN A READ
OR VERIFY OPERATION ARE PERFORMED. THEN CONTAIN THE VALUE
PROW THE LAST SECTOR READ OR VERHIPID.
LXI H.DEKADD
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BIT 4 = 1 PERFORM A HARDWARE RESET ON THE SELECTED DRIVE

BIT 4 = 0 PERFORM THE SEQUENCE UP OR DOWN AS CONTROLLED BY BIT 7

BIT 7 * 1 PERFORM A SEQUENCE UP OPERATION NOTE: IF DRIVE IS ALREADY SEQUENCED UP THIS WILL PERFORM A RESET TO DRIVE THE ROUTINE WILL RETURN A DRIVE NOT READY
POR COMMAND ERROR (126), UNTIL THE DRIVE IS
UP TO SPEED AND READY. WHEN PIRST POWERING
A DRIVE UP, IT IS REQUIRED THAT SPCOM BE
CALLED WITH A SEQUENCE UP COMMAND UNTIL IT
RETURNS WITH OUT ERROR. THE LENGTH OF ANY
SINGLE CALL WILL BE LESS THAN 5 MILLISECONDS.;
BIT 7 = 0 PERFORM A SEQUENCE DOWN OPERATION

CALL HDCOM

;PERFORM THE CALL TO HDCOM
;THE DISK ADDRESS (HL), RAM ADDRESS (DE)
;SECTOR NUMBER (STACK) AND NUMBER OF SECTORS (A)
;ARE ALL UPDATED BY HDCOM. AT THE END OF AN OPERATION
;THEY CONTAIN THE VALUES OF THE NEXT CONSECUTIVE
;SECTOR IF NO ERROR OCCURRED, OR POINT TO THE
;SECTOR IN ERROR IF AN ERROR DID OCCUR.
;THE 2 FLAG IS SET TO 0 ON AN ERROR
;THE B REGISTER CONTAINS AN ERROR NUMBER IN
;THE 7 LSB AND THE MSB = 1 IF ANY SECTOR READ OR
;VERIFIED WAS DIRTY.

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DISK HANDLER FOR THE FIVE INCH HARD DISK (MWCOM)

BIT 7=0.6=1 RETURN COUNTERS AS FOLLOWS: REG BC - MUNBER OF NONDATA ERRORS REG DE - NUMBER OF SOFT ERRORS REG HL - NUMBER OF HARD ERRORS

BIT 7=1,6=0 CLEAR THE BYTE COUNTERS

BIT 7=6=1 CLEAR THE HARD AND SOFT ERROR COUNTERS
BIT 3 - SET TO A 1 TO IGNORE READ VERIFY BEFORE DOING THE
OPERATION REQUESTED BY THE OTHER BITS. (GENERALLY
USED FOR INITIALIZING A DISK). CAUSES MACON TO USE INDEX
PULSE AND SECTOR PULSES TO LOCATE SECTORS.

BIT 5 - SET TO A 1 TO PERFORM A DRIVE SEQUENCING OPERATION

BIT 4 = 1 POSITION DRIVE OVER TRACK 0

BIT 4 = 0 PERFORM THE SEQUENCE UP OR DOWN AS CONTROLLED BY BIT 7

Bit 7 = 1 Perform a sequence up operation Note: This means to Position over track 0 bit 7 = 0 Deselect Drive

CALL MWCOM

PERFORM THE CALL TO MWCOM

THE DISK ADDRESS (HL), RAM ADDRESS(DE)

SECTOR NUMBER (STACK) AND NUMBER OF SECTORS (A)

ARE ALL UPDATED BY MWCOM. AT THE END OF AN OPERATION

THEY CONTAIN THE VALUES OF THE MEXT CONSECUTIVE

SECTOR IF NO ERROR OCCURRED, OR POINT TO THE

SECTOR IN ERROR IF AN ERROR DID OCCUR.

THE 2 FLAG IS SET TO 0 ON AN ERROR

THE B REGISTER CONTAINS AN ERROR NUMBER IN

THE 7 LSB AND THE MSB = 1 IF ANY SECTOR READ OR

VERIFIED WAS DIRTY.

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APPENDIX I

GLOSSARY

The following are basic terms used in this manual.

ACCESS

The process of obtaining data from a diskette or

Hard disk.

ACCOUNT

A grouping of files on hard disk. An account can be considered logically equivalent to the group of files on a single diskette.

APPLICATION PROGRAM

A program written to perform a specific task such as word processing or maintaining a general ledger.

BACKUP

Additional copies of system or data files that protect you against informatin loss from power transients, equipment malfunction, or operator error.

BOOTSTRAP

process o f The initializing operating system on your computer.

CHARACTER

Any letter, number or special symbol that is displaced on the screen, placed in memory or stored on a diskette or hard disk.

DATA

Any information that can be processed by

computer.

DATA DISKETTE

A diskette used to store data generated by the user. For example, a word processing data diskette stores data diskette stores mailing list information.

DIB

Data Incremental Block (previously called hunk.) The smallest unit of storage that can be allocated/flagged on the hard disk. A DIB is composed of 16 sectors.

DIRECTORY

A table of information about individual files.

DISK

See HARD DISK.

DISKETTE

The flexible magnetic media on which programs and data are stored. North Star diskettes are 5-1/4" in diameter.

DISKETTE DRIVE

The unit that comprises the spindle, recording/playback heads, drive actuators, etc. This unit contains the openings into which your diskettes are inserted.

DUAL

A dual capacity diskette is single-sided, with double-density. Both dual and quad capacity data and program diskettes can be used with HDOS.

FILE

A unit of storage on a diskette or hard disk, that is grouped, and accessed, under one name. A file is a logical subdivision while a SECTOR is a physical portion of the diskette or hard disk.

FILE BLOCK

A unit of information equal to 256 bytes.

FLOPPY DISK

See DISKETTE.

FORMATTING A DATA DISKETTE

The process that creates the file structures on a diskette that must be present before a blank diskette can be used for storing data.

HARD COPY

The printed output of stored or processed data.

HARD DISK

A storage medium offering greater storage capacity, and considerably shorter access time than a diskette. Backup is performed via diskette or tape.

HUNK

Synonymous with DIB.

INITIAL RECOVERY DISKETTE Contains prerecorded North Star Application Software. 1/0

MEMORY

Abbreviation of input/output, meaning either or both operations.

The part of the computer that can store information. Because the program for any function being performed must be in main memory during operation, the size of the computer memory (measured in bytes) is a good indication of computer's potential. A byte can store one character; so, for example, 64K bytes of memory represents storage approximately 64,000 characters.

The two most common types of main memory are "Read-Only Memory" (ROM) and "Random Access Memory" (RAM), also called Read/Write Memory.

Other types of memory are Programmable Read-Only Memory (PROM), which is a ROM which may be altered, and ERasable Programmable Read-Only Memory (EPROM), which is a PROM that can be reused several times.

The contents of main memory can be permanently stored on media such as diskettes, hard disks, tape cartridges, reel to reel tape, and punched or encoded cards.

MENU

A list of possible activities a program can perform. This list is presented on the video screen so the user can choose from its alternatives.

NUMERIC

Means 'pertaining to numbers.' A numeric field is one where only numbers, blanks, and certain symbols such as commas, periods, dollar signs, percent signs, etc., can be entered.

OPERATING SYSTEM

The programs designed to monitor and coordinate tasks created by application programs. The operating system controls input and output of data between peripherals and memory, qoverns file management on hard disk by performing utlity functions such as copy, delete and create, and loads and executes application programs.

PROGRAM

A set of logically ordered instructions designed to direct the computer through a particular operation or set of operations. Also referred to as "software."

QUAD

A quad capacity diskette is double-sided, with double density. It can store twice as much information as a dual density diskette.

RAM

Random Access Memory, also known as Read/Write Memory.

READ

The process of picking up stored data and transfering it to the internal memory. Reading always occurs from a peripheral unit to the internal memory.

RECORD

Basically a group of fields. For example, a list containing the name, address and phone number of everyone at a party of 20 people is a list of 20 records, with each record containing three fields.

RETURN

This key has many uses, depending on the program. Generally the RETURN key indicates the end of a data input operation.

ROM

Read-Only Memory.

SCRATCH DISKETTE

A new blank diskette or one that contains material you don't wish to keep permanently.

SECTOR

A contiguous 512 byte section of a hard disk or diskette track.

SOFTWARE

The computer instructions that direct computer hardware to perform tasks. There are different categories of software: application software, operatig systems, language compilers, etc.

SYSTEM DISKETTE

Contains the prerecorded programs that make up the North Star System or Application Software you purchased.

WRITE

The process of recording information in internal memory; the transfer of information from internal memory to an external storage or output medium, such as a diskette, hard disk, or printer.

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