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I N T R O D U C T I O N

Ferranti Ltd., manufacture a large range of electronic digital computers, and many documents are written for each. A brief summary is given below with the object of enabling the reader to select the particular computer and its associated documents that are most applicable to his interests.

Computers

- Mark 1 and 1* A medium speed computer no longer in production.
- Pegasus 1 and 2: A medium sized general purpose computer. Full data-processing facilities are available.
- Mercury: Fast computer mainly for scientific and engineering computations.
- Perseus: A large computer designed for data-processing.
- Sirius: A small sized medium speed general purpose computer. Fully transistorised.
- Orion: A large, fast, data-processing system for technical and commercial computations. Fully transistorised.
- Argus: A fast medium sized computer designed for process control applications. Fully transistorised.
- Atlas: An extremely large and fast system for both technical calculations and data-processing. Fully transistorised.

Documents

These are in two series: The DC List series which consists largely of printed treatises on the computers, equipment and systems. The CS List series which consists essentially of working documents, mostly in duplicated form, giving instructions, examples etc., in the use of the computers to particular problems, applications etc., including Programming Manuals, and Programming Exercises.

Library Service

Library Services are available for Pegasus, Mercury and Sirius, of Library Specifications, which are descriptions of each programme or subroutine, what it does and how to use it.

Library Programmes are also available (for Pegasus only) which are descriptions of the method used by the subroutine or programme and give the actual instructions obeyed by the computer with full explanatory notes.

For full details see CS 223D.

Reprints

These are given as references to important articles that have appeared in the technical press or journals.

F O R E W O R D

This document is issued to promulgate information about the following documents, which have been added since the previous 'Classified Index' (CS 291) was printed.

- CS 294 "Punched Tape Codes"
- CS 295 "Process Control Equipment"
- CS 296 "Orion: Two sample complete programs"
- CS 297 "Orion: Sorting Times"
- CS 298 "Atlas: Magnetic Tape"
- DC 44 "A description of the Ferranti Pegasus 2 computer"
- R 41 "Considerations in choosing a character code for computers
and punched tapes"
By H. McG. Ross
From Computer Journal
- R 42 "Administering 625,000 industrial life insurance policies"
From Data Processing. Jan/March 1961
- R 43 { "An assembly program for a phrase structure language"
By R.A. Brocker and D. Morris
"Some proposals for the realization of a certain assembly program"
By R.A. Brocker and D. Morris
"Running Pegasus Autocode programs on Mercury"
By A. Gibbons
From Data Processing. 1961
- R 44 "Process control by computer"
By R.A. Morley and M.B. Wood
From Control. May/June 1960
- R 45 "Programming digital computers for process control"
By T.H. Gossling
From Control. October 1960
- R 46 "The application of computers to process control"
From Control. June 1960
- R 47 "A description of Mercury Autocode in terms of a phrase structure"
From Automatic Review in Automatic Programming. Vol.2
- R 48 "Ferranti Argus plant control computer"
From Process Control & Automation. March 1961
- R 49 "A bank adopts automatic data processing"
By R. Hindle
From Computer Journal. Vol.3

- R 50 "Computers in Britain"
By Mr. S. de Ferranti
- R 51 "The simulation of the Orion time-sharing system on Sirius"
By H.P. Goodman
From Computer Journal
- R 52 "Organisation of a computer service for industry and commerce"
By A.R. Bagshaw
From Computer Journal
- R 53 "The use of Pegasus Autocode in some experimental business
applications of computers"
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From Computer Journal
- R 54 "Shell roof programs for Ferranti Mercury computers"
By J. Gibson
From Civil Engineering & Public Works Review. July/August. 1961

Each of the above documents is also shown in its appropriate section of the Classified Index which follows.

Note:

R 51 to R 54 may not be available till about September 1961.

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CLASSIFICATION

1. Documents describing machines and equipment.
2. Miscellaneous.
3. Performance tests and operating instructions.
4. Instructional documents.
5. Libraries.
6. Applications and Demonstrations.

Note:

Although it is our normal practice to supply these documents free of charge, we regret that we are not always able to do this where large quantities are involved, or where the total cost is substantial.

1.1 DOCUMENTS DESCRIBING MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT

1.1 General

- DC 3A Ferranti high-speed tape readers.
- DC 12A The Ferranti tape spooler.
- DC 23 Tape editing equipment.
- DC 31 Tape handling accessories.
- DC 33 Ferranti transistorised tape reader TR5.
- DC 37 Ferranti magnetic drum.
- CS 229A Questions and answers on the Ferranti high-speed paper tape reader TR7.
- CS 238 The transactor data transmission equipment.
- CS 248 The Ferranti/Creed model 75 teleprinter.
- CS 295 Process control equipment.
- FC 1 Ferranti printed circuits.
- R 15 "Heavy duty printed circuits"
By W.G. Roberts of Ferranti,
From Electrical Manufacturer. Sept/Oct. 1958.
- R 27 "Programming strategy for protection against computer and operator errors"
By P.M. Hunt of Ferranti,
From I.E.E. Special Report "Reliability and Maintenance of Digital Computer Systems. Management and Engineering Aspects."
- R 35 "How a computer works"
By B.E. Swan of Ferranti,
From the Petroleum Times. 26th August, 1960.
- R 41 "Considerations in choosing a character code for computers and punched tapes"
By H. McC. Ross of Ferranti,
From Computer Journal.
- R 42 "Administering 625,000 industrial life insurance policies"
From Data Processing. Jan/March 1961.
- R 43 "Ferranti Argus plant control computer"
From Process Control & Automation. March 1961.

1.2 Pegasus Computer

- DC 10B Description of the computer with magnetic tape equipment.
- DC 44 Description of the Ferranti Pegasus 2 computer system.
- CS 114B The main and ancillary equipment of a complete installation.
- CS 119B Questions and answers. Also in German.
- CS 147A Converter with magnetic tape, punched card, and printer equipment.
- CS 156 Multi-punch output.
- CS 175 Package component test set.
- CS 245 Users' specification of Pegasus 2.
- CS 262 How to use the Transactor attached to Pegasus.

1.3 Mercury Computer

- DC 30A Description of the computer with ancillary equipment.
- CS 120B Questions and answers. Also in German.
- CS 164 The main and ancillary equipment of a complete installation.
- CS 246 Multiple INPUT/OUTPUT facilities.
- CS 251 Punched card INPUT/OUTPUT and Line Printer.

1.4 Perseus Computer

- DC 35 An introduction to the computer.
- CS 148A Questions and answers. Also in German.
- R 21 "The Ferranti Perseus data-processing system"
By P.M. Hunt of Ferranti,
From the Computer Journal. July 1959.

1.5 Argus Computer

- DC 39C Process control transistor computer.

1.6 Sirius Computer

- DC 42A An introduction to the Ferranti Sirius computer.
- DC 43A The advantages of Sirius.
- CS 235 Questions and answers.
- CS 239 The field of application.
- R 31 "The Sirius computer"
By A.R. Wilde of Ferranti,
From The Ferranti Journal 1960

1.7 Orion Computer

- DC 40 The Ferranti Orion System. Also in German.
- DC 41 The Ferranti Orion computer system.
Also in French and German.
- CS 264E The Ferranti Orion computer system.
- CS 289 The magnetic tape system.
- R 32 "ORION"
From Data-Processing. April/June 1960.

1.8 Atlas Computer

- CS 250B A brief description of Atlas.
- CS 272B Features of the Ferranti Atlas Computer.
- R 33 "Atlas - a new concept in large computer design"
By Dr. S. Gill of Ferranti,
From Commun. of Ass. for Computer Machinery. June 1960.

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MISCELLANEOUS

- DC 36A General computer catalogue.
- CS 105 Computer reading list.
- CS 155A Notes on the preparation of CS Lists.
- CS 234 Interchangeability and compatibility of magnetic tapes.
- CS 266 Punched card codes.
- CS 286 List of Ferranti computer installations. (Confidential)
- R 40 "An assembly program for a phrase structure language"
By R.A. Brooker and D. Morris of Manchester University,
From the Computer Journal. October 1960.
- R 38 { "Assembly, interpretive, and conversion program for Pegasus"
By G.E. Felton of Ferranti,
Bound with:
"Operational experience with the Pegasus Autocode"
By W.F.M. Payne of Ferranti,
From Annual Review in Automatic Programming. Vol.1.
- R 43 { "An Assembly program for a phrase structure language"
By R.A. Brooker and D. Morris
"Some proposals for the realization of a certain assembly
program"
By R.A. Brooker and D. Morris
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From Computer Journal
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By A.R. Bagshaw of Ferranti,
From Computer Journal

3. PERFORMANCE TESTS AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 General

- CS 108 Performance test for full set of tape editing equipment.
- CS 121 Operating instructions for full set of tape editing equipment.
- CS 146 Operating instructions for simplified tape editing equipment.
- CS 151 Performance tests for simplified tape editing equipment.
- CS 233 Operating instructions for using Electrodata magnetic tape mechanisms.
- CS 260 Operating instructions for standard tape editing equipment with model 75 teleprinter.
- CS 271 Operating instructions for the teletype punch.

3.2 Mercury Computer

- CS 176 Performance tests.

3.3 Pegasus Computer

- CS 115 Performance tests.
- CS 227 Performance tests for magnetic tape equipment.

4. INSTRUCTIONAL DOCUMENTS

4.1 General

- CS 237 Linear programming on Ferranti Pegasus & Mercury computers.
- CS 294 Punched tape codes.

4.2 Mark 1

4.3 Pegasus Computer

- CS 50 Programming Manual.
- CS 56A Programming examples using the Matrix Interpretive Scheme.
- CS 74 Interpolation Routines.
- CS 75F Index to the Library Specifications.
- CS 104 Some common errors in programming and tape punching.
- CS 127 Changes in the Initial Orders.
- CS 135 Matrix Interpretive Scheme. Also in German.
- CS 141B Summarised programming information.
- CS 142 An example of the integration of ordinary differential equations.
- CS 152 A guide to the timing of programs.
- CS 153 A simple program - "Special factorize"
- CS 185 Examples of complete problems for programmings.
- CS 190 Error stops in the Initial Orders.
- CS 195 Programming with magnetic tape equipment.
- CS 204 Programming examples.
- CS 206C Programs available in the interchange scheme.
- CS 217A Pegasus Autocode.
- CS 226A Autocode instructions.
- CS 243 Stops in the Library.

- CS 254 Dealing with magnetic tape failures.
- CS 256 Blank 2-block programming sheets.
In pads of 100 sheets.
- CS 257 Blank 4-block programming sheets.
In pads of 100 sheets.
- CS 258 Blank 6-block programming sheets.
In pads of 100 sheets.
- CS 265 Programming with 7168 word store.
- CS 267 Tape code conversion.
- CS 269 1960 Library Tapes.
- R 53 "The use of Pegasus Autocode in some experimental business
applications of computers"
By
From Computer Journal.

4.4 Mercury Computer

- CS 124 Tape code.
- CS 158 Programming manual.
- CS 188 Internal function codes.
- CS 192 Operating instructions.
- CS 202A Quicky Specifications.
- CS 209 Mercury: Allocation of routine numbers and form of
specifications for Mercury Library.
- CS 218A Programs available on the interchange scheme.
- CS 219 Additional programming examples with solutions.
- CS 224 Examples of complete problems for programming.
- CS 225A Programmers' Handbook.
- CS 241 Introduction to the Mercury Autocode.
- CS 242A Manchester Mercury Autocode System.
- CS 270 Autocode examples.
- R 17 "An input routine and further Autocode facilities
for Ferranti Mercury Computer"
By J.A. Fotheringham and M. de V. Roberts of Ferranti,
From Computer Journal.

- R 18 "The Autocode programs developed for the Manchester University computer"
By R.A. Brooker of Manchester University,
From Computer Journal. 1959
- R 47 "A description of Mercury Autocode in terms of a phrase structure"
From Automatic Review in Automatic Programming. Vol.2.

4.5 Perseus Computer

- CS 177 Programming examples and solutions.
- CS 181 Programming manual.
- CS 197 Summarised programming information.
- CS 198 Computers and card codes.

4.6 Orion Computer

- CS 275 Introduction to NEBULA.
(Chapter 1 and 2 and example 1 of List CS 282).
- CS 279A The built-in program.
- CS 280 Blank programming sheets. Type 'A'
In pads of 100 sheets.
- CS 281 Blank programming sheets. Type 'B'
In pads of 100 sheets.
- CS 282 NEBULA (Programming Manual).
(Natural Electronic Business Language).
- CS 283A NEBULA programming examples.
- CS 284 Nebula - Summarised procedure description.
- CS 288A Programming exercises.
- CS 290 Description of card readers, card punches and line printers.
- CS 296 Orion: Two sample complete programmes.
- CS 297 Orion sorting times.

4.7

Sirius Computer

- CS 244 Programming manual.
- CS 253 Elementary programming exercises.
- CS 274 Sirius Autocode.
- CS 278 The Sirius order-code described in plain language.

4.8

Atlas Computer

- CS 298 Atlas: Magnetic tape.

5. LIBRARY SERVICES

CS 223D The Library Services. Describes the services available; the fees charged; and how to join.

5.1 The following Library Services are available. The fee for the 'Initial collected set' covers enrollment in the Service, the supply of one collected set of all current Library Specifications (or Programs) published to date, and the supply of any additions or amendments published during the ensuing twelve months. Further sets are at a reduced fee as the subscriber has already enrolled. For full details see CS 223D.

	<u>Initial Collected Set</u>	<u>2nd and subsequent sets. Each</u>	<u>Annual renewal per set</u>
Pegasus Library Specifications	£15	£10	£5
Pegasus Library Programmes	£15	£10	£5
Mercury Library Specifications	£15	£10	£5
Sirius Library Specifications	£15	£10	£5

5.2 Four sets of Library Specifications and one set of Library Programmes are supplied, free of charge, with every Ferranti computer for which they exist. Renewal fees are not applicable to these sets which are kept up to date free of charge. (i.e. an Owner is made an Honourary Member of the Service)

An Owner who wishes to have more sets than the above Free Issue may subscribe for them in the normal way set out above.

5.3 CS 240 Mercury Annotated Input Routine. Price: 36/- each.

A copy of this document is supplied with every Mercury Computer. It is of use only on this computer.

6. APPLICATIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

6.1 General

- CS 84A Sorting on an electronic digital computer.
- CS 106 Some statistical work on Ferranti digital computers.
- R 26 "The use of computers for optimal planning"
 By C.M. Berners-Lee of Ferranti,
 From British Communications and Electronics. November 1959.
- R 4 "The electronic digital computer in aircraft structural
 analysis"
 By P.M. Hunt of Ferranti,
 From Aircraft Engineering. March/April & May 1956.
- R 34 "Current accounts on a computer"
 From Data Processing. July/September 1960.
- R 36 "Management accounting by digital computer"
 From Data Processing. October/December 1960.
- R 37 "Digital computers as design aids for electrical engineers"
 By H. McG. Ross of Ferranti,
 From I.E.E. Journal. October 1960.
- R 39 "The use of electronic computers in the insurance world"
 By S. Benjamin of Ferranti,
 From the Ferranti Journal.
- R 44 "Process control by computer"
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- R 46 "The application of computers to process control"
 From Control. June 1960.
- R 49 "A bank adopts automatic data processing"
 From Computer Journal. Vol.3.

6.2 Pegasus Computer

- CS 57 A program for the evaluation of flutter coefficients.
- CS 80 A demonstration program for the evaluations of the first
 1000 decimal places of e.
- CS 130 A demonstration program for the resolution of integers into
 prime factors.

- CS 132 The solution of simultaneous linear algebraic equations.
- CS 133 Blank data sheets for simultaneous linear equations.
- CS 134A Specification and operating instructions for simultaneous linear equations.
- CS 145 A factorial analysis program.
- CS 149 Two latent roots program.
- CS 150 Description of a program for optical ray tracing.
- CS 160 Data-sheets for meridional ray tracing.
- CS 165 A fourier analysis program.
- CS 166A Data preparation and operating instructions for a Fourier analysis program.
- CS 178 Normal modes for aircraft frames.
- CS 186 Linear programming (Scope of SIMPFIX).
- CS 187 Linear programming - Data preparation and operating instructions for SIMPFIX.
- CS 194 A simple structural frame stressing program (Livesley method).
- CS 200 Program specification: Sensimatic to Pegasus. Double marshalling version.
- CS 201 The determination of maxima and minima of solution of differential equation.
- CS 211 Solution of resonant frequencies of a helicopter blade.
- CS 215 A program for the stressing of swept multi-web structures.
- CS 220 Program for calculating aerodynamic stiffness and damping matrices.
- CS 228 Program for the calculation of whirling speeds.
- CS 230 Description of a program for the stressing of multi-anchor 3-dimensional pipework systems.
- CS 231 The example of an Autocoded program for sales analysis and forecasting.

- CS 232 Banking applications of Pegasus.
- CS 252 A program for power system load studies.
- CS 273 A program for multiple regression analysis.
- CS 285 Program for power system transient stability studies.
- CS 287 Log book analysis program. Mk.2.
- R 19 "Filing business data on magnetic tape"
By J.F. Davison of Ferranti,
From Data Processing. April/June 1959.
- R 22 "Prediction by computer"
By J.K. Wyatt of Glacier Metal Company,
From Data Processing. July/September 1959.

6.3 Mercury Computer

- CS 174 Complete program - Fourier synthesis.

6.4 Perseus Computer

- R 20 "An insurance application - The Ferranti Perseus
data-processing system"
By P.M. Hunt of Ferranti,
From Automatic data processing. June/July 1959.

6.5 Orion Computer

6.6 Argus Computer

- R 30 "Controlling continuous process by computer"
By T. Stones of Ferranti,
From Data Processing. January/March 1960.
- R 48 "Ferranti Argus plant control computer"
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