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Superletter's offices will be closed from Novembers 7th through December 27th due to international travel.

No news yet from Intertec regarding their new product line. Early reports from good sources speak about an 8/16 machine with a detached keyboard that will run as a multi-user system with CP/M 80, CP/86 and MP/M. Still no confirmation the new products will be able to use IBM-compatible software.

Rumors lately about Intertec's financial health have not been encouraging. Yet we also get conflicting information from certain dealers and those close to the company that Intertec is here to stay and any news otherwise is false.

We're hearing grumblings about the video portions of the SuperBrain II's which are going down due to weak solder and contact points on the *underside* portion of the video boards. Actually, it's a comparatively simple problem to fix, but if you don't know what to look for, it can be a headache.

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Albert Abrams
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Technical Corner

Floppy Disk Motor Shutoff, Extended Storage Capacity, and Variable Seek Rates for the CMC Targa BIOS.

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With the addition of a CMC Targa 10 MB disk drive to my SuperBrain, I was distressed to learn that the CMC PROM did not support the extended floppy disk features which had been provided by Information Engineering's SB/E PROM. Most of my diskettes were formatted at 40 tracks per side, and a 40 TPS operating system was needed in order to dump them onto the hard disk. Inspection of the CMC BIOS revealed provisions for several different disk formats. Unfortunately, CMC did not follow through and implement these formats at the PROM level. Additionally, with the hard disk in operation, the floppy disks sit idle most of the time, and it would be quite advantageous to turn them off between their infrequent operations.

The solution to these problems is to use a different PROM, one which knows about extended floppy disk functions. A "quick fix", which works with the SB/E PROM is provided through use of CMC's BOOTH D utility. BOOTH D is a program which runs in the CP/M transient program area (TPA) and loads the CMC operating system from the hard disk's system tracks. First, boot the SuperBrain with SB/E and optionally use ACTIVATE to establish the desired floppy disk parameters. This will modify two addresses in CPU2's RAM, which control disk motor shutoff, seek rate, and tracks

per side. Then run BOOTH D, which will overlay SB/E with the CMC operating system. Because the control bytes are in CPU2's address space, they aren't modified by the CMC BIOS. This procedure may also work with the SOS PROM, but I've never had an opportunity to try it.

A more elegant solution involves modification of the CMC BIOS so that it initializes the floppy disk control bytes in CPU2's RAM during a restart operation. The following patch for CMC BIOS was designed for the SB/E EPROM. It's build around two of the Intertec DOS 3.2 floppy disk subroutines, which swap CPU2's RAM in and out of CPU1's address space. Information Engineering placed the two disk control bytes starting at location 8800H in CPU2's RAM. Location 8800H controls disk motor shut off and seek rate, while location 8801H contains the number of tracks per side. The low order nibble of 8800H controls the seek rate, with values of 0, 1, 2, and 3 selecting respective seek rates of 30ms, 20ms, 12ms, and 6ms. The high order nibble controls disk motor shutoff, with a value of 8 activating disk motor shutoff, and a zero value deactivating it. For example, storing 83H at location 8800H selects disk motor shutoff and 6ms seek rate.

I located the patch in GOCPM, immediately after CALL TRANS, which initializes floppy disk control bytes during a cold start. It's also possible to put the patch at the beginning of WMRET, in which case the control bytes are initialized during a cold start and updated with every warm start. Values to be stored at locations 8800H and 8801H can be added to the end of the Intertec configuration area to allow software modification of floppy disk characteristics. When you add the patch to CMC BIOS, make sure that the HFIRST equate is set to TRUE, which selects the hard disk as disk A. Also set an equate for the desired floppy

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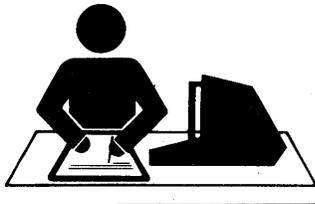
disk format (35/40/70/80 tracks per side, single/double sided). Assemble the patched BIOS and incorporate it into CPMH10S.COM (SPMH10D.COM for a double sided system) using DDT. Run CPMH10S and write a copy of the new operating system onto both the hard disk and a floppy diskette. Unfortunately the SB/E PROM doesn't know that the hard disk is there, so you'll have to start the system by placing the floppy that you SYSGENed with CPMH10S, in drive A and pressing both reset buttons. This procedure boots the CMC operating system from the floppy disk, but all subsequent warm starts default to the hard disk. A better solution would be to program a new PROM which contained both the hard disk boot loader and the extended floppy disk driver routines (a hint to reader with an EPROM blaster).

CMC BIOS Patch for Disk Motor Shutoff Variable Seek Rate and 40 Tracks per Side

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; Equates
;
DMA1 EQU 0EB99H ;Select CPU-2 RAM
DMA2 EQU 0EBA8H ;Select CPU-1 RAM
SETFD EQU 08800H ;Bottom of control byte area
;
; Configuration Area
;
; Note: add these bytes to the end of the
; Intertec Configuration Area (Location 0EF20H)
;
DB 83H ;Disk motor shutoff, 6ms seekrate
DB 28H ;40 tracks per side
;
; Code Segment
;
CALL DMA1 ;Select CPU-2 RAM
LHLD INTFD ;Load HL with control bytes
SHLD SETFD ;Store them at 8800H
CALL DMA2 ;Restore CPU-1 RAM
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Technical Corner II

FLOPPY DRIVE MOTOR SHUT-OFF for any SUPERBRAIN or COMPUSTAR

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I have been accumulating information on the subject of motor shut-off for some time. It is at a point now where I think I can present it to the readers of Superletter with some authority and detail. It has been my tradition to provide not only the how-to but the how-come, the background and sometimes theory as well. No sense in breaking tradition.

Several methods of implementing a motor shut-off feature on the SuperBrain or CompuStar have been employed thus far. IE was the first with their SB/E BIOS and EPROM. They use drive select D to signal whether the motors are on or off. Of course, a hardware modification and their special EPROM is required. SB/E allows only two drives on a system. Both drives run when the motor signal is activated. The motors are turned off after ten seconds of idle use and there is a delay of one second when reactivated to let them come up to speed.

Quite some time later, Intertec released Engineering Change Order (ECO) number E030038. Part to the method covered with this ECO is a bit crude because it asks you to cut a trace on each floppy drive board. In addition to isolating each drive from the motor-off signal, one jumper must be installed on the drive's shunt block socket for all but CDC drives. This jumper's function is to use the drive select signal to also turn on the selected drive's motor. In this manner only the drive being used has its motor running, dramatically increasing every drive's lifetime. It is also much easier on those frequently flaky power supplies. The motor is turned off after three seconds of idle use and there is (or should be) a delay of 0.25 seconds when reactivated to let it come up to speed.

I have supplied my customers with instructions on how to implement motor shut-off in a less destructive manner. I advised them to cut the one conductor which carries the motor-off signal from the main board to the floppy drives under the assumption that a ribbon cable makes for a cheaper cutting board than a floppy drive. Well, this worked with most drives but not Shugarts. The reason was that even though the conductor was cut, the Shugart drives did not keep the signal isolated from the back section of cable (on the other side of the cut.) Thus,

more than one drive would be selected at once. Other drives did not have this problem.

One of my customers offered what I think is the best solution which is completely reversible if you decide that motor shut-off is not what you need. This is a streamlined version of my old method and is still functionally identical to the way Intertec implements it. But before I tell you what to do, let me tell you what it does.

TECHNICAL BACKGROUND

The boot EPROM initiates a drive operation by sending a command to the Floppy Drive Controller (FDC). When the FDC receives the command it activates a signal called Head Load (HLD). The HLD signal is the input to what is called a "one-shot". A one-shot basically delays a signal for a certain time set in hardware with a resistor and a capacitor. Intertec set it for 121.5 milliseconds delay. After the delay the one-shot outputs the HLD signal back to an FDC input called Head Load Timing (HLT). Only after HLT becomes active will the FDC continue with the disk operation specified in the EPROM'S command.

Under Intertec's drive logic, a drive will only be selected when both the EPROM has the drive selected and HLD is active. So after one of the drives is selected by the EPROM and the FDC receives a command, HLD is activated. This sends a select signal to the selected drive. The select signal activates the drive and with the modifications it also turns the motor on.

Meanwhile, the one-shot is delaying HLD back to the HLT signal, giving the drive motor time to come up to speed before the FDC continues with the disk operation. Drive manufacturers specify a maximum time of 250 milliseconds (one quarter second) before the drive motor will be at its proper speed.

Once a disk operation had been completed, the FDC will count 15 revolutions of the disk and then turn off its HLD signal. Since the drive motors turn at 300 RPM, it works out to three seconds. When the HLD signal goes inactive, the drive is deselected and the motor turns off.

When Intertec designed their one-shot delay, they made it for 121.5 milliseconds. They were only thinking of the time it would take for the read/write head to load against

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the diskette surface. Even this was a little long since 30 milliseconds is the standard for mini-floppies. This was long before they even heard about turning motors off. But even after Intertec finally learned how to accomplish motor shut-off, they still shipped their machines with the 121.5 millisecond delay. I believe they later released an ECO with the proper resistor value change to bring the delay to about 250 milliseconds.

The main effect of not waiting enough time for the drive to come up to speed would be CRC errors. This was not only a symptom of the wrong hardware delay but also some deficient programming in the EPROM. I received Intertec EPROM version 4.2 with my CompuStar 30, the equivalent of a QD SB II, last December. I studied their programming closely. The machine came with motor shut-off already installed but still had the wrong resistor value in the delay circuit.

If there has been no new EPROM released since 4.2, then the bugs are still there as well. First, the internal programmed delay for drive speed is about 138 milliseconds instead of 250. Second, when the same drive is accessed after the three second idle shut-off time, the EPROM does not delay at all. Again, there should be a delay of 250 milliseconds. Luckily, they did think of delaying when going from one drive to another even though the three second time out has not occurred. This must be done since each drive runs independently. Think of how PIP goes back and forth between drives.

Any SuperBrain or CompuStar ever made will support motor shut-off. But if you are using an Intertec boot EPROM then you may have to make one hardware modification. The time allowed for the drive motor to come up to speed is crucial. The hardware delay problem can be remedied by replacing a resistor. The problem with the Intertec EPROM can only be fixed by buying a better EPROM unless they have fixed theirs by now. At the risk of sounding unhumble, the SOS BIOS EPROM handles all timing properly even without the aid of the one-shot. So any hardware change would not be necessary with this EPROM.

If you are using the SB/E BIOS motor-off feature, either stick with what you have or undo the damage your hardware modifications did and use the SOS EPROM. Intertec's EPROM will not respond to disk features of the SB/E BIOS.

MODIFICATIONS

If you are implementing motor shut-off with the Intertec EPROM, you will need to do

the board modification. If you are using the SOS EPROM skip the board modification. It involves removing a resistor from the PC board and replacing it with a new one of higher value. Drive modifications should be followed under all circumstances. If you use any other EPROM, check with the manufacturer before continuing.

If you are not certain about any of the terms used in the following directions then you would be better off by having a technician do the modifications for you.

BOARD MODIFICATION

First take the cover off and locate the floppy drive cable connector on the upper right edge of the main board. To the left of the connector are two columns of chips. Counting from the top edge downward, the resistor is between the second and third chips of those two columns. Just below the resistor there should be a capacitor between the third chips of those two columns. The resistor is color coded with a red, violet, orange and gold band in that order. It is also known as a 27K Ohm resistor.

Remove the resistor and put a 56K Ohm resistor in its place. This involves soldering, so if you do not know what you are doing let a technician do it for you. A 56K Ohm resistor is color coded with a green, blue, orange and gold band in that order. The gold band means that it has a five percent tolerance.

This hardware change will increase the delay before a disk operation to 252 milliseconds. Now the drives will have enough time to come up to speed before trying to attempt any disk access.

DRIVE MODIFICATIONS

Take the cover off and remove the disk drives. Cut a piece of heavy adhesive tape about one inch long and one eighth inch wide for each drive. I usually use clear stranded packing tape. The tape will cover a conductive connector strip on each drive. On a table, orient the drives as they would normally stand in the computer. Find the eighth gold connector strip up, counting from the bottom strip. Cover this strip on both sides of the connector tab.

If you have CDC drives in your computer, the drive modifications are complete. If you have Tandon, Shugart or other similar drives, continue by locating the shunt block socket on your drives. They usually have the break-away tabs plugged into them. If the sockets are labeled they will have DS0, DS1, DS2, DS3, MX, HM and HS printed on the board beside the socket. Jumper both HS and HM. HS should already have

been jumpered anyway. The drive modifications are complete. Put the connectors back onto the drives making sure the tape stays in place. Put the drives back where they belong, replace the cover and test the system.

If the signals are not labeled, the best I can do is give you examples. On the Tandon drives which have a sixteen pin socket, the additional jumper goes from pin eight across to pin nine. On the Shugart drives which have a fourteen pin socket, the additional jumper goes from pin seven across to pin eight.

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Listing 1 Program to transmit a CP/M file

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; Program to transmit a CP/M file through a serial port
; Accesses port directly, bypassing the BIOS
; Assumes an 8-bit word length and no parity
;
; Version of 9/2/83
;
;
BCOT EQU 0000H ;CP/M reboot address
BDOS EQU 0005H ;CP/M BIOS entry point
TFCB EQU 005CH ;FCB for file to be transmitted
SIOSTA EQU 07H ;SIO status port
SIODAT EQU 06H ;SIO data port
IFLAG EQU 02H ;Input flag for serial port
OFLAG EQU 01H ;Output flag for serial port
BUFREC EQU 128 ;Buffer size (CP/M records)
;
;
; ORG 100H
;
; If required, place serial port initialization code here
;
TX: LDA TFCB+1
CPI ' ' ;Check for filename
JNZ OPEN
LXI D, FNMLR ;Print error message and reboot
ABORT: MVI C, 9
CALL BDOS
MVI E, 04H
CALL XMTBYT ;Send EOF character
CALL BOCT ;Return to CP/M
OPEN: LXI D, TFCB
MVI C, 15
CALL BDOS ;Open file
JNZ A ;File present
JNZ FOUNDF ;Point at error message
LXI D, FNFER
JMP ABORT ;Print and reboot
FOUNDF: XRA STA
STA TFCB+32 ;Set next record byte to zero
MOV C, A ;Set record count in buffer to zero
READY: PUSH B ;Save record count
MVI C, 11
CALL BIOS ;Get console status
POP B
ORA A
JZ REAY1 ;No key pressed
JZ REAY1
PUSH B
MVI C, 1
CALL BDOS
POP B
CPI 03H
JNZ REAY1
ENEXMT: LXI D, EOTMSG ;Print EOF message and abort
JMP ABORT
REAY1: IN SIUSTA ;Read serial status port
ANI IFLAG
JZ REAY1
IN SIODAT ;Get received character
ANI 7FH ;Mask off bit 7 for ASCII codes
CPI 04H
JZ ENEXMT ;End transmission
CPI 01H
JZ XMTREC ;Transmit next record
CPI 02H
JZ REAY1 ;Ignore other characters
SHLD DATPTR
LXI D, -0060H ;Point at last record
DAE D
SHLD DATPTR
INR C ;Go back one record
XMTREC: LCR A
STA RPTFLG ;Save repeat flag
CZ COUNT ;Increase record message if new record
XMTRC1: DCR C ;Decrease record count
JF XMTRC2 ;More in buffer
LDA EOFFLG
ORA A ;More in file
JZ READFL
LXI D, EOFFMSG
MVI C, 9
CALL BIOS ;Print EOF message
MVI E, 03H
CALL XMTBYT ;Send EOF byte
JMP BOCT
READFL: LXI H, DATBUF
SHLD DATPTR ;Point at beginning of data buffer
XCHG
INR C ;Initialize record count to zero
READ: PUSH B
PUSH C
MVI C, 26
CALL BDOS ;Set DMA address
LXI D, TFCB
MVI C, 20
CALL BDOS ;Read next record
POP E
POP B
ORA A
JNZ NOMORE ;EOF detected
LXI H, 0040H
DAD D ;Point at next record in buffer
XCHG
INR C ;Increase record count
MVI A, BUFREC
CMP C
JNZ REAY1 ;Stop at end of extent
JMP XMTRC1

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NOMORE: MVI A, 1
STA EOFFLG ;Set EOF flag
JMP XMTRC1
XMTRC2: LDA RPTFLG
INR A
MVI E, A
CALL XMTBYT ;Send response to request for record
CALL DATPTR ;Point at next record to transmit
MVI B, 60H ;Character count for record
MVI D, 0 ;Checksum for record
XMTRC3: MCV A, M ;Get next byte to send
INX H ;Update pointer
MOV E, A ;Save in E
ADD D ;Update checksum
MVI D, A
DCR B ;More in record
JNZ XMTRC3
MOV E, D
CALL XMTBYT ;Send checksum
PUSH B
MVI C, 4
MVI E, 00H
XMTRC4: CALL XMTBYT ;Send 4 NULs to replace any missed bytes
LCR C
JNZ XMTRC4
SHLD DATPTR ;Save pointer to next record
LXI D, RECMMSG
MVI C, 9
CALL BIOS ;Print record message
LLA RPTFLG
ORA A
JZ NEXTLN ;Skip 'again' if successful first time
LXI D, AGAIN
MVI C, 9
CALL BDOS ;Print 'again' if record repeated
NEXTLN: LXI D, CRLF
MVI C, 9
CALL BDOS ;Print CRLF
POP B
JMP READY ;Go wait for next prompt to send
COUNT: LXI H, RECCNT+4
COUNT1: INR M
MVI A, '9'
CMP M ;Over 9?
RNC
MVI M, '0'
DCX H
MOV A, M
CPI ' '
JNZ COUNT1
MVI M, '0' ;Put 0 in message
XMTBYT: IN SIOSTA ;Transmit character through serial port
ANI OFLAG
JZ XMTBYT
MOV A, E
OUT SIODAT
RET
;
FNMLR: DB 'File name missing', 0DH, 0AH, '$'
FNFER: DB 'File not found', 0DH, 0AH, '$'
EOFFMSG: DB 'Transfer complete', 0DH, 0AH, 07H, '$'
EOTMSG: DB 'Transfer terminated', 0DH, 0AH, 07H, '$'
RECMMSG: DB 'Record #'
RECCNT: DB '0' ;Record # transmitted
DB ' transmitted$' ;Record # transmitted
AGAIN: DB ' again$' ;Repeated record
CRLF: DB 0DH, 0AH, '$' ;CRLF sequence
DATPTR: DW DATBUF ;Pointer to next data byte to send
EOFFLG: DB 0 ;Flag for EOF read
RPTFLG: DB 0 ;Flag for repeated record
DATBUF EQU $ ;Data buffer
;
END

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Listing 2 Program to receive a CP/M file

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; Program to receive a CP/M file through a serial port
; Accesses port directly, bypassing the BIOS
; Assumes an 8-bit word length and no parity
;
; Version of 9/17/83
;
;
BOCT EQU 0000H ;CP/M reboot address
BDOS EQU 0005H ;CP/M BIOS entry point
TFCB EQU 005CH ;FCB for file to be transmitted
SIOSTA EQU 07H ;SIO status port
SIODAT EQU 06H ;SIO data port
IFLAG EQU 02H ;Input flag for serial port
OFLAG EQU 01H ;Output flag for serial port
BUFREC EQU 128 ;Buffer size (CP/M records)
RETRY EQU 4 ;Number of retries before quitting
;
;
; ORG 100H
;
; If required, place serial port initialization code here
;
RX: LDA TFCB+1
CPI ' ' ;Check for filename
JNZ OPEN
LXI D, FNMLR ;Print error message and reboot
ABORT: MVI C, 9
CALL BDOS
MVI E, 04H
CALL XMTBYT ;Send EOF character
CALL BOCT ;Return to CP/M
OPEN: LXI D, TFCB
MVI C, 19
CALL BDOS ;Delete old file if present
LXI D, TFCB
MVI C, 22
CALL BIOS ;Make new file
INR A
LXI D, EOFFER ;Point at error message
JZ ABORT ;Print and reboot
MVI C, 30
MVI E, 00H ;Send some NULs first
NULS: CALL XMTBYT
LCR C
JNZ NULS
IN SIODAT ;Clear serial data port
READY: LDA RPTCTR
CPI RETRY
MVI E, 01H

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JZ   READY1      ;First time for this record
INR   E          ;Change request character to 02H
ORA   A          ;Test repeat counter
JNZ   READY1     ;Try again if not zero
ENDXMT: LXI   D, EOTMSG ;Print EOT message and exit
      JMP   ABORT
READY1: CALL  XMTBYT ;Send prompting byte
READY2: MVI   C, 11
      CALL  BDOS    ;Get console status
      ORA   A
      JZ   READY3  ;No key pressed
      MVI   C, 1
      CALL  BDOS
      CPI   03H
      JZ   ENDXMT  ;Terminate if control-C pressed
      IN   SIOSTA  ;Read serial status port
      ANI   IFLAG
      JZ   READY2  ;Wait for character to be received
      IN   SIODAT  ;Get received character
      ANI   7FH    ;Mask off bit 7 for ASCII codes
      CPI   03H
      JZ   CLOSE  ;Flush buffer and close file
      CPI   04H
      JZ   ENDXMT  ;End transmission
      JZ   RCVREC  ;Receive next record
      CPI   02H
      JNZ   READY2 ;Ignore other characters
      MVI   B, 80H ;Byte count for record
      MVI   D, 0   ;Initialize checksum
      LHLD DATPTR ;Prepare to store data
      RCVRC1: CALL RCVBYT ;Get a byte
      MOV   M, A   ;Store in data buffer
      INX   H
      ADD   D
      MOV   D, A   ;Update checksum
      DCR   B
      JNZ   RCVRC1 ;Continue for 128 bytes
      CALL  RCVBYT ;Get checksum
      CMP   D
      PUSH  PSW    ;Save status
      JNZ   RCVRC2 ;Bad read
      SHLD DATPTR  ;Save new record pointer
      RCVRC2: LXI  D, RECMMSG ;Print received record message
      MVI   C, 9
      CALL  BDOS
      LDA   RPTCTR
      CPI   RETRY3
      JZ   RCVRC3  ;First try
      LXI   D, AGAIN
      MVI   C, 9
      CALL  BDOS   ;Print 'again'
      RCVRC3: LXI  D, CRLF
      MVI   C, 9
      CALL  BDOS   ;Print CRLF
      LXI   H, RPTCTR
      DCR   M      ;Decrement repeat counter
      POP   PSW
      JNZ   START  ;Successful read
      MVI   A, RETRY
      STA   RPTCTR ;Reset counter for next record
      LXI   H, RECCNT+4
      CCNT: INR   M
      MVI   A, '9'
      CMP   M
      JNC   BUFCBK ;Over 9?
      MVI   M, '0'
      LXI   H, A, M
  
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      CPI   COUNT
      JNZ   M, '0' ;Put 0 in message
      JMP   COUNT
      LATHPR DATPTR
      LXI   L, -(LATBUF+BUFREC*128)
      FAC   L
      CC   FLUSH    ;Flush buffer if full
      JMP   READY   ;Go look for next record
      FLUSH: LXI   T, LATBUF ;Start at beginning of buffer
      LATHPR: LHLD  LATPTR
      A, I          ;Compare to see if empty
      H           ;
      CMP   H
      JNZ   FLUSH2  ;More to go
      MOV   A, E
      CMP   L
      JNZ   FLUSH2
      LXI   H, LATBUF
      SHLD  LATPTR  ;Reset data pointer
      RET
      FLUSH2: PUSH  T
      MVI   C, 26
      CALL  BDOS    ;Set IMA address
      LXI   L, TFCB
      MVI   C, 21
      CALL  BDOS    ;Write record
      POP   P
      CRA   A
      JZ   FLUSH3   ;Good write
      LXI   L, EFER ;Disk error
      JMP   ABORT
      FLUSH3: LXI  H, 0000H
      IAI   I
      XCHG
      JMP   FLUSH1  ;Go write it if present
      CLOSE: CALL FLUSH ;Flush buffer of data
      LXI   L, TFCB
      MVI   C, 16
      CALL  BDOS    ;Close file
      LXI   L, ECFMSG
      MVI   C, 9
      CALL  BDOS    ;Print EOF message
      CALL  JMR     ;Reboot
      RCVBYT: IN   SIOSTA ;Receive byte from serial port
      ANI   IFLAG
      JZ   RCVBYT
      IN   SIODAT
      RET
      XMTBYT: IN   SIOSTA ;Transmit byte to serial port
      ANI   OFLAG
      JZ   XMTBYT
      MOV   A, E
      OUT  SIOEAT
      RET
      FNMR: DB 'File name missing', 0DH, 0AH, '$'
      DDFER: DB 'Disk or directory full', 0DH, 0AH, '$'
      ECFMSG: DB 'Transfer complete', 0DH, 0AH, 07H, '$'
      EOTMSG: DB 'Transfer terminated', 0DH, 0AH, 07H, '$'
      RECMMSG: DB 'Record #'
      RECCNT: DB ' 1' ;Record # received
      DB ' received$'
      AGAIN: DB ' again$' ;Repeated record
      CRLF: DB 0DH, 0AH, '$' ;CRLF sequence
      DATPTR: DW DATBUF ;Pointer to next storage location in buffer
      RPTCTR: DB A, E ;Counter for repeated record
      DATBUF: EQU $ ;Data buffer
      END
  
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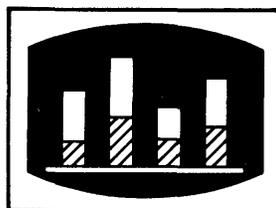
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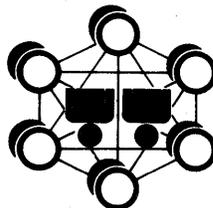
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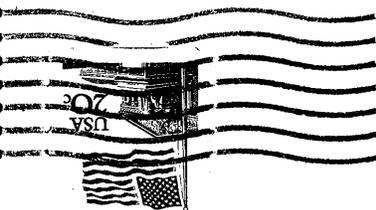
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