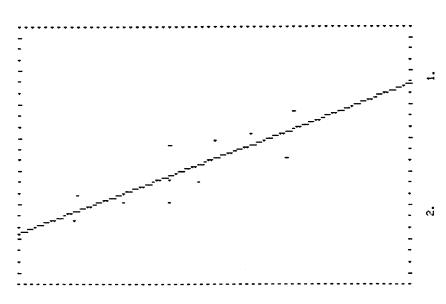
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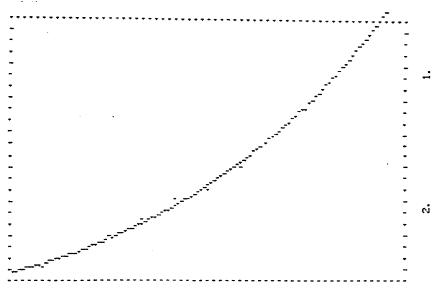
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Linear Regression with High Resolution Graphics - example on page 16.





Exponential Curve Fit - example from page 5-11 of the Applied Statistics Manual

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ERRATA:

TI-66/PC-200 Calendar - V9N2P9 - Dave Leising writes that the time of execution for his calendar program is one hour thirty-seven minutes, not the one hour forty-six seconds as listed in V9N2P9. Dave also had run Robert Prins' improved calendar program which reduces the execution time to one hour twenty-four minutes.

13 DIGIT REGISTER LIST PROGRAMS - V9N3P14/15 - Several readers noted that the comments for the Durbin and Snow programs on V9N3P15 did not seem to match the printouts. That is a result of an error in pasting up the proofs. The editor goofed and used the wrong printouts. The correct printouts to go with the comments are shown below. I did not reproduce the correct printouts for the Worthington/Regelman program since the comments on V9N3P15 were consistent with those printouts.

INV-List		Durbin		Snow		Markusson	
		(V5N9/10P17)		(V5N9/10P17)		(PPX Exchange)	
3. 141592654	00	3.141592653590	00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		00 3.141592653590 0	
1. 111111111	01	1.1111111111111	01	1.111111111111	01	01 1.111111111111	
2. 22222222	02	2. 22222222222	02	2.22222222222	02	02 2.22222222222	
3. 333333333	03	3.333333333333	03	3.333333333333	03	03 3.333333333333	
4. 44444444	04	4.44444444444	04	4.44444444444	04	04 4.44444444444	
5.55555556	05	5 . 5555 55555555	05	5. 55555555555	05	05 5.55555555555	
6.66666667	06	6.6666666666	06	6.66666666666	06	06 6.66666666666	
7.77777778	07	7.777777777777	07 j	7.77777777777	07	1 07 7.777777777777 0	
8.88888889	08	8.88888888888	08	8.88888888888	03	08 8.888888888888 0	
10.	09	9.99999999999	09	9. 9999999999	09	09 9.99999999999	
1.	10	.999999999999	10	0.99999999999	10	10 9.99999999999-0	
3.141592654	11	3.141592653590	11	3.14159265359	11	11 3.141592653590 0	
1.2345 12	12	12345000000000.	12	12345000000000.	12	12 1.2345000000000 1:	
1.2345 13	13	1.2345 13	13	123450000000000	. 1	13 1.2345000000000 1	
1.2345 14	14	1.2345 14	14	12345000000000	1.	14 1.2345000000000 1	
1.2345 15	15	1.2345 15	15	12345000000000	15	15 1.2345000000000 1	
1.	16	1.000000000000	16	1.	16	16 1.00000000000000	
2.718281828	17	2.718281828459	17	2.718281828459	17	, 17 2.718281828459 O	
4.3170165 63	18	4.3170165 63	18	43170164630030	18	: 18 4.317016463003 6:	
0	19	0.	19			19 0.0000000000000	
0.	20	0.	20.			; 20 0.0000000000000 0:	
0.	21	0.	21			21 0.0000000000000	
123456789.	22	123456789.0000	22	123456789.	22	22 1.234567890000 0	
.0000000001	23	1.23-10	23 🖟	0.000000000123	23	23 1.2300000000000-1	
9.8765432 11	24	987654321987.0	24	987654321987.	24	24 9.876543219870 1	
.4971498727	25	.4971498726941	25 ,	0.497149872694	25	: 25 4.971498726941-0	
1.	- 26	.999999999950	26	0. 999999999995	26	26 9.99999999950-0	
0.000012345	27	.0000123450000	27 ;	0.000012345	27	, 27 1.2345000000000-0	
0.	28	0.	28	0.0000120.0	-	¦ 28 0.00000000000000	
` 0.	29	0.	29			; 29 0. 0000000000000 0	

- Durbin R18 shows that only eight digits are printed when the EE mode applies. Trailing zeroes are seen in R00, R16, R22, R24, R26, and R27.
- Snow R00 cannot be printed. R09 shows a missing 13th digit when the first digit is a nine. R10 and R25 show a missing 13th digit when the printout is of the form).XXX... R13 and R14 show spillover of the decimal point into the register number for some exponentials. R15 is incorrect. R18 shows 14 digits, but no indication that the number is much larger. No printouts for R19, R20, R21, R28 and R29 which contain 0.

ANOTHER TEST OF PRECISION - V9N2P11 described Fred Gruenberber's test of precision which appeared in "Computer Recreations" in the April 1984 issue of Scientific American. The test problem was to enter the number 1.0000001 and press the square key 27 times. This is equivalent to raising the initial number to the 134,217,728th power. A table was presented for an assortment of calculators and computers. None of the machines listed got even 7 digits correct. For nearly every machine there are several ways to solve the problem. For example, in BASIC language the problem may be solved as:

Method A	Method B	Me thod C	
		م میں نہ ہے کہ میں میں ہے۔ میں میں نہ ہے کہ میں میں میں اور	
10 A = 1.0000001	10 A = 1.0000001	10 A = 1.0000001	
20 FOR I = 1 TO 27	20 FOR I = 1 TO 27	20 B = 134217728	
$30 A = A^2$	30 A = A*A	$30 A = A^B$	
40 NEXT I	40 NEXT I	40 PRINT A	
50 PRINT A	50 PRINT A	50 END	
60 END	60 END		

On most calculators the equivalent of methods A and B will yield identical results, but the y^x function which is equivalent to method C will return a different, and usually more accurate, result. On many computers the results vary widely with method; for example, the BASIC on the Commodore 64 and Apple II+. V9N2P11 presented results from the three methods from a representative set of machines. V9N3P3 reported an answer correct to thirty digits from Laurence Leeds. Additional results were received from Myer Boland and Laurance Leeds for the TI-99/4A, and from Howard Yamaguchi for the Casio PB-700 and the Sinclair Spectrum. Dejan Ristanovic confirmed that the HP-41 yields the same answers as the HP-11, but wondered why 1.0000001 log 134217728 * 10^x yields 674530.4708 . The HP-11 yields the same value for that sequence, but yields 674530.4715 if natural logarithm functions are used. Tests with the TI-59 show that the use of natural logarithms yields the same solution as the y^x function, but the use of base ten logarithms yields a substantially degraded result. That only confirms what we might have already suspected based on the revealed firmware. Results received to date are:

Machine	Method A	Method B	Method C
Exact		674530.47074108	674530.47074108
HP-11, etc. Casic PB-700 R/S EC-4009 CC-40 TI-MBA TI-99/4A BA-55 TI-57 TI-57 TI-59 TI-55II/57LCD TI-35 Sharp EL-326S	674520.6067381 674494.0561 674475.396 674294.1172 674530.31804225 674492.75112 674530.31804225 674432.82060 674432.8204 674520.6052712 674432.8206 674363.69092	674294.1172 674530.31804225 674492.75112 674530.31804225 674432.82060 674432.8204 674520.6052712 674432.8206 674363.69092 671189.63	674530.47074049 674530.4707400 674530.4707 674530.4707 674530.47055 674621.4634954 674530.92340 674530.9234107 674530.92317 674530.9232 674530.9232 674530.9234109 660003.2248 673336.17392
Color Computer C-64/Apple		685090.6 643571.305 22723.9709	685222.8 665348.188 665348.189

AN IMPROVED MARKUSSON 13 DIGIT PRINTER - Gene Friel. The Markusson thirteen digit printer from

the May/June 1982 issue of PPX Exchange can only control the beginning register. The program then lists register contents from the beginning register to the end of the partition. This revision permits control of the ending register as well. The instructions for registers 00 through 89 are:

- 1. Enter the card containing the program on bank 1.
- 2. Press GTO 217 LRN. Enter the two digits defining the last register to be printed in program steps 217 and 218. A register less than ten must be indicated by OX. Press LRN and CLR.
- 3. Enter the number of the first register to be printed into the display and press C. The register contents will be printed at a rate of about one register per 15 seconds. If you inadvertently enter an ending register number smaller than the starting register number, then only the contents of the starting register are printed.

Program Listing:

000	040 16 A' 041 16 A' 042 16 A' 043 16 A' 044 65 X 044 65 X 044 65 X 045 91 1 047 65 X 049 05 55 051 93 1 052 95 RTN 052 95 RTN 055 95 01 1 053 95 RTN 055 95 01 1 058 95 RTN 056 01 1 058 95 RTN 066 01 1 067 85 RTN 077 87 RTN 07	080 90 90 081 50 IXI 082 82 HIR 083 04 04 084 29 CP 085 67 EQ 086 01 01 087 16 16 088 25 LDG 090 77 GE 091 00 00 092 94 94 093 52 HIR 095 82 HIR 096 04 104 097 28 LDG 100 27 GE 100 55 + 101 27 GE 100 77 GE 100 998 28 LDG 100 998 28 LDG 100 77 GE 100 998 28 LDG 100 998 28 LDG 100 77 GF 101 77 GF 102 77 GF 103 07 17 GF 104 07 07 105 01 1 - 106 94 +NT 108 82 HIR 109 34 34 110 28 LDG 111 28 LDG	120 08 8 121 77 GE 122 01 01 123 26 26 124 025 2 + 126 73 R0* 127 90 GP 128 27 601 130 01 36 132 02 E8 131 36 2 E8 133 85 H GE 133 85 H GE 137 91 91 H GE 138 92 H GE 144 93 85 GE 144 93 85 GE 144 95 85 H GE 144 96 97 K GE 150 82 H GE 151 85 H GE 152 85 H GE 155 85 H GE 155 85 H GE 156 82 H GE 157 85 GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 157 85 GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 159 95 H GE 151 85 GE 151 85 GE 152 85 GE 153 GE 154 96 GE 155 85 GE 156 85 H GE 157 85 GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE 158 95 H GE 157 85 GE 158 95 H GE	160 10 E' 161 82 HIR 162 06 06 163 10 E' 164 82 HIR 165 25 CLR 167 82 HIR 165 25 CLR 167 82 HIR 167 10 E' 170 02 25 CLR 167 82 HIR 167 82 HIR 170 02 SBR 171 71 71 90 43 174 82 HIR 175 82 HIR 176 82 HIR 177 10 SBR 176 82 HIR 177 10 SBR 176 82 HIR 178 71 SBR 176 82 HIR 178 71 SBR 178 93 179 003 43 189 001 9 94 181 83 83 189 01 9 94 181 84 185 652 EE 183 189 01 91 191 92 76 L1 193 194 52 EE 197 76 52 EE 197 76 52 EE 199 94	200 82 HIR 201 38 38 202 25 CLR 203 09 9 1/X 204 35 CLR 204 35 CLR 205 35 CLR 207 35 HIR 308 82 HIR 308 82 HIR 309 82 HIR 310 82 HIR 311 69 UP 211 69 UP 211 212 04 GE 211 214 13 X UP 211 215 32 X UP 211 216 075 CLR 211 218 90 UP 221 221 221 UP 222 1 UP 222 1 UP 223 00 UP 224 225 UP 225 UP 227 UP 227 UP 228 UP 228 UP 228 UP 229 UP 220 UP 220 UP 221 UP 222 UP 222 UP 222 UP 223 UP 223 UP 224 UP 225 UP 226 UP 227 UP 228 UP 228 UP 228 UP 238 UP 238 UP 238 UP 239 UP 239 UP 230 UP 231 UP 232 UP 233 UP 233 UP 233 UP 234 UP 235 UP 236 UP 237 UP 238 UP 238 UP 239 UP 239 UP 239 UP 230 UP 231 UP 232 UP 233 UP 233 UP 233 UP 233 UP 234 UP 235 UP 236 UP 237 UP 238 UP 239 UP 249 UP 259 UP 269 UP 279
039 92 RTN	079 73 RC*	119 32 X:T	159 17 17	122 24 7/-	20.

If you want to print out data from registers 90 through 99 with the correct register notation record the register contests from bank 1 on a magnetic card, and then:

- 1. Enter the card containing the program below into bank 1.
- 2. Force the recorded data into bank 3 by entering -3 into the display and entering the data card.

Improved Markusson 13 Digit Printer - (cont)

- 3. Modify the program as follows:
 - a. Replace the 90 at step 147 with a zero.
 - b. Replace the 9 9 1/x at steps 203-205 with SBR 240.
 - c. Enter the sequence 9 9 1/x Op 20 RTN in steps 240 through 245.
- 4. Enter the value 3 Q at program steps 217 and 218 where Q is the ones digit of the last register to be printed.
- 5. Store the vallue 11P in register 00 where P is the ones digit of the first register to be printed.
- 6. Enter 3P in the display and press C.

44 FACTORIAL FOR THE TI-57 - Robert Prins.

It took me a year to recover from the shock I got after seeing Reginald van Genechten's "Exact Factorials for the TI-57" program in V8N3P12. Here is my response, which will calculate 44! To run the program:

- 1. Enter the program.
- 2. Enter n and press RST R/S. (You do not need to press INV C.t. to initialize.)
- 3. When calculations are complete a 0. will be in the display. In a manner similar to the van Genechten program the results are read out from data registers 1 through 7, with the highest digits in R7 and the lowest digits in R1. For example, for 44!

RCL 7 2658271 RCL 6 57478844 RCL 5 87680436 RCL 4 25811014 RCL 3 61589031 RCL 2 96385280 RCL 1 0

4. For a new problem, go to step 2. Again, you do not need to clear the data registers.

Editor's Note: The penalty for the increased range is a severe increase in execution time. van Genechten's program would find 34! in just 2 minutes 30 seconds. This program requires 5 minutes 50 seconds for 34!, and requires 7 minutes 30 seconds for 44!.

01 32 0 08 STO O 03 04 84 +/-05 -18 INV LOG 06 32 1 STO 07 86 0 LBL STO 1 LBL 0 08901112345678901234567890123456789042 38 0 75 61 2 86 1 EXC 0 SBR 2 LBL 1 34 1 33 1 -49 SUM 1 RCL 1 INV INT EXC 1 INT EΕ 8 +/-84 -42 38 1 1NV EE EXC 1 EXC 6 EXC 5 EXC 4 EXC 2 38 1 56 51 1 EXC DSZGTO 1 STO O DSZ ĞTÖ O 51 0 OS -18 INV LOG 86 2 39 1 LBL 2 PRD 1 39 2 39 3 PRD 2 PRD 3 43 44 45 39 4 39 5 39 6 39 7 PRD 4 PRD 5 PRD 6 PRD 7 INV SBR

A CALL FOR PROGRAMS IN BASIC - Member Russell Byer would like to correspond with readers who have knowledge of BASIC programs in the following areas: (1) solution for nonlinear systems of equations; (2) solution for ordinary differential equations; and, (3) solution for 2 and 3 dimensional partial differential equations. Write to Russell N. Byer, 1503 South F. Street, Elwood, Indiana 46036.

AN MBA QUIRK - P. Hanson. In V9N2P15 George Thomson reviewed the non-commutative multiply quirk of the TI-59 as described in W. Kahan's paper "Mathematics Written in the Sand ..." from the Proceedings of the Statistical Computing Section, American Statistical Association, 1983. Although the paper has a distinctly pro-HP bias it is still a rich resource. In discussing financial calculators, Kahan poses the following problem of the "yield from a risky investment":

"For an investment of -PV = \$35,000,000 now, investors are promised n = 100 equal monthly installments of an amount PMT yet to be agreed upon, but between \$640,000 and \$1,000,000, plus a final payment at the 100th month of FV = \$100,000,000. How does the yield i, reckoned in percent per month, vary with PMT?

Tabulated in the first column below are selected values of PMT, with the corresponding yield in the second column as displayed on any of the hp-92, -37E, -38C or -12C after about a dozen seconds of calculation. The third column shows what the TI MBA displayed.

	\mathtt{PMT}	true i %	i on the MBA
\$	640,000	2.314053	2.314053
	650,000	2.335758	-1 -97 Blinking
	660,000	2.357528	2.357528
	800,000	2.669065	2.669065 after a long time.
1	,000,000	3.135506	-2106.949 Blinking

The blinking tiny number is a symptom of roundoff troubles. The other anomalies could be caused by an unfortunate choice of iterative method for the equation to be solved."

A knee-jerk sort of response for defenders of calculators manufactured by TI might be that at least the MBA indicates the existence of a faulty result by the flashing display. Unfortunately, when I tested other problems with the same PV, FV, and n, but different PMT's in the close vicinity of \$640,000 I found that the MBA can yield incorrect results without an accompanying flashing display:

PMT	i on the MBA	
\$ 649,999.95 649,999.96 649,999.97 649,999.99 650,000.00 650,000.01 650,000.02 650,000.03 650,000.04	2.335757589 -0.000007892 +0.000002975 +0.000001983 +0.000000992 -197 Blinking +0.000000992 +0.000001983 +0.000002975 -0.000007892 2.335757806	Note: The solutions for PMT between \$649,999.96 and \$650,000.04 take only a few seconds. The solutions at \$649,999.95 and \$650,000.05 take about twenty seconds.

As Professor Kahan might say, egregious! For some reason he chose not to include the results which can be obtained with the BA-55. My tests show that the BA-55 obtains the same results as the HP calculators, but with a substantially reduced execution time of only five seconds.

I plan to continue to work my way through "Mathematics Written in Sand ..." and will report the results in future issues.

FOURTEEN DIGITS OF PI FROM THE 99/4 AND CC-40 - Myer Boland

"Finding Pi in BASIC" in V8N3P26 reported that both the TI-99/4A and the CC-40 returned the twelve digits 3.1415 92653 59 in response to the BASIC instruction P = 4*ATN(1). Myer Boland reports that one can recover fourteen digits with the equation P = 4000*ATN(1) on the TI-99/4A, and I verify the same results with the CC-40:

Pi x 1000 exact = 3141.5 92653 58979 3 ...

4000*ATN(1) = 3141.5 92653 5898

Unfortunately, at least on the CC-40, if one tries to convert to the value of pi, not 1000xpi, by dividing the result by 1000, the end result reverts to the twelve digit value 3.1415 92653 59. This is one more illustration of the kind of results which occur with BASIC, but which we would not expect with the typical calculator.

THE ROBERT PRINS BRAINTEASER - V9N2P13 and V9N3P12 described a brainteaser proposed by Robert Prins. The object was to obtain a flashing one in the display after starting

object was to obtain a flashing one in the display after starting from turn-on, but using a very restricted set of commands from the keyboard. Since no solutions have arrived, even with the hint in V9N3P12, here is the solution:

Turnon R/S LRN GTO CLR INV PRD CLR RCL CLR

Now, Robert poses what he calls a "very difficult puzzle". Is it possible for the TI-59 to stop with a RTN while the subroutine register is not empty, and closely related to this question, is it possible to press a user defined key, SBR N, or SBR nnn from the keyboard without clearing the subroutine return register? As with the flashing one brainteaser, Robert has not provided the answer as yet, and I have been unsuccessful in obtaining an answer to date. Oh well -- I scored very poorly on the Ristanovic Supertest in V7N9 as well.

PC-200 AVAILABILITY - V9N3P22 reported that TI expected to have the PC-200 available later this year. Page 22 of the latest Educalc catalog (Issue # 22) indicates that the PC-200 will be available in the first quarter of 1985.

HARDWARE AVAILABILITY - The University of Michigan bookstore has a limited amount of TI-59 related hardware available. The available items and the unit prices are:

7	PC-100C Printers	\$146.25
1	Business Decisions Module	\$24.00
2	RPN Modules	\$24.00
2	Leisure Library Modules	\$24.00
2	Marine Navigation Modules	\$24.00

Those prices do <u>not</u> include shipping. If you are interested, call 517-355-3454, and ask for Jody Mitchelson. I thank Dave Leising for telling me about this hardware.

BOB FRUIT'S BENCHMARK TEST - Many members have expressed interest in the results of these tests which compare the capability of various machines. In V8N4P4 Bob Fruit proposed that a savings accumulation problem might be a good vehicle for comparing numerical precision. The specific problem he proposed

was a dollar contributed to a savings account every month, with interest compounded every month for thirty years. The appropriate equation is

 $S_n = \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i}$

An annual interest rate of ten per cent was assumed. The effective monthly interest rate is then 10%/12. Bob provided answers for various computers and calculators. VBN5P26 reported exact solutions from Laurance Leeds, George Thomson, and Carl Rabe. Solutions for additional machines were presented in VBN6P12. Since then Sterling Hartman provided solutions for Casio, HP, Sanyo and Atari, and Dave Leising reported a double precision solution on the Macintosh. The results reported to date are:

Exact Solution

2260.48792 47960 86067 64793

Radio Shack Model III (S.P.)	2260.29
Atari 800 (usoft BASIC S.P.)	2260.48
Atari 800 (usoft BASIC D.P.)	2260.46240 23437 5
Sanyo MBC 555 (S.P.)	2260.48
Sanyo MBC 555 (D.P.)	2260.48095 70312 5
Atari 600XL, 800, 1200XL	2260. 4855 5 2
Apple II Plus	2260.48828 4
Commodore 64 or VIC-20	2260.48828 4
HP-11C or HP-41	2260.48764 1
TI-55-II, TI-57-LCD	2260.48772 43
	2260.48801
TI-57	2260.48799 67
TI BA-55	2260.48782 43
Casio FX-450	2260.48988 6
TI-30	2260.4879
TI MBA	2260.48790.9
HP-9830	2260.48791 B
HP-9845	2260.48791 914
HP-85	2260.49792 196
Casio FX-700P	2260.48792 22
TI CC-40	2260.48792 41984
TI-99/4A	2260.48792 43288
TI-66	2260.48792 451
TI-58/59	2260.48792 4713
Radio Shack Model 100	2260.48792 47471
Macintosh (D.P.)	2260.48792 47472
IBM PC (Double Precision)	2260.48792 47960 93

For this evaluation we did not use some of the more exotic methods of calculation described in V8N4P4. Rather, we used straightforward evaluation of the formula using the raise-to-a-power function. Several members suggested that such a restriction discriminated unfairly against the HP-11 and HP-41 which could use a ln(1+x) technique to obtain greater precision. I do not have an HP-41. could find no mention of the technique in the handbook which comes with the HP-11.

Bob Fruit's Benchmark Test - (cont)

I did find a technique described on page 181 of the HP-15C Advanced Functions Handbook. (I don't have an HP-15C either, but the Advanced Functions Handbook is an important reference to Kahan's paper "Mathematics Written in Sand ..."). The technique circumvents the loss of precision which occurs when 1 is added to x when x < 1. The $(1+x)^n$ function in the equation above is replaced with $e^n(x)$ where a more accurate value for $\ln(1+x)$ is found in the following manner:

- 1. Find u =the rounded value of (1+x)
- 2. Calculate ln(1+x) = ln(u) x/(u-1)

If u=1, then $\ln(1+x)=x$. Of course, if one uses this technique on the HP-11, it would be only fair to permit use of the same technique with other machines as well. Representative results are:

Exact Solution	2260.48792 47960 86067 64793
BA-55/T1-55-II/TI-57LCD	2260.48776 64
TI-57	2260.48802 48
Color Computer	2260.4880 3
HP-11	2260.48792 4
CC-40	2260.48792 448 76
TI-59	2260.48792 4991
TI-66	2260.48792 4793
Model 100	2260.48792 47954

Results from several devices such as the Color Computer show little change. The results from the HP-11, the TI-66, and the Model 100 are much improved. The results from the TI-59 are degraded. Egregious, some might say, but for this problem even the degraded solution from the TI-59 has a relative error four times smaller than that for the best solution from the HP-11. For other problems where x is much smaller the TI-59 does not do so well.

Page 182 of the HP-15C Advanced Functions Handbook cautions that the ln(1+x) technique may be invalid on machines which calculate functions such as ln(u) with small absolute error, but large relative error. In a future issue we will examine the ln(x) function for various machines as the argument approaches one. In any case it would be well to proceed with caution when one uses the y^x function of the TI-59 when y is near 1. Of course that is precisely what the caution on page C-2 of Personal Programming says.

CALCULATOR REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT - Several members have asked about repair or replacement of their defective TI-59. The easiest method is to take the defective unit to one of the exchange centers located around the country. You turn in the defective unit and about \$65.00 and receive a refurbished calculator. The exact price seems to vary from center to center. You can get the telephone number and address of the repair center in your area by calling 800-858-1802. You can also send your calculator to Texas Instruments, Inc., 2305 North University, Lubbock, Texas 79415. The current exchange price at that facility is \$60.50.

MALFUNCTION DIAGNOSIS - The number of members reporting malfunctions of calculators and printers has been

increasing. Perhaps that is not surprising. Much of our hardware is over five years old and may be showing wear; for example, A. Krufka was experiencing keyboard problems with his TI-59. When he took the calculator apart he found that the sheet of foam under the keys had round holes wherever the problem keys were located. He rearranged the foam so that the holes would not be under any of the round pins on the back of the keys. He reassembled the calculator and the keyboard problems were gone.

A valuable reference for working on your calculator is the Programmable TI58/59 Service Manual. The 62 page manual includes disassembly instructions, troubleshooting techniques, block diagrams, schematics, waveforms, diagnostic programs and parts lists. The manual contains some interesting insights. Consider this excerpt from page 23:

"Check resonator: Replace if yellow, uncoated resonator is found. If rectangular resonator is used, perform "drop test" by: starting diagnostic program, dropping calculator approximately 6 inches onto a hard surface while program is still running. If calculator goes into pre-load or gets wrong answer to diagnostic program, replace resonator."

I wouldn't do that test intentionally with my TI-59. A friend did, starting with a drop of about an inch, and gradually increasing the drop to over six inches. The calculator performed flawlessly throughout.

Page 43 of the manual contains a memory malfunction diagnostic program which stores 1/9 (all ones) to memory registers 01 through 99, sums -1/9 into the memory registers, checks for zero in each register, and prints out the register contents and register number for registers which fail. When I found that some defective memories would pass this test I wrote an extension which would exercise the memory registers with values other than 1/9. The modified program uses the test values 0, 1/9, 2/9, etc., through 8/9. To date I have not found a calculator with a defective memory register which will pass this test. To run the program, simply load the program listed on the next page, press A, and wait about sixteen minutes. The use of each test value is indicated by a printout of the value with a question mark in parentheses at the right. Test failures are indicated by printing the register contents and register numbers. sample printout appears to the right of the program listing. The indicated failures at R85 with a test value of 1/3 and at R31 with a test value of 5/9 were induced by stopping the calculator at the appropriate time and summing an additional value into the register before the test for zero contents.

V3N9P6 of 52 Notes indicated that the service manual was available from TI for \$11.95 each plus \$1.50 handling and postage. That was September 1978. You may not be able to obtain a copy of the service manual now. I will loan my copy to club members. In the U.S. send two dollars to cover postage and handling. I will send the manual by first class mail and expect it to be returned the same way.

Malfunction Diagnosis - (cont)

Program Listing - Memory Malfunction Diagnostic

000	76 LBL	040	09 9	080 00 00 120 59 INT
001	11 A	041	09 9	081 29 CP 121 65 x
002 003	69 DP 00 OO	042 043	42 STD 00 00	092 67 EQ 122 01 1 083 01 01 123 00 0
003	03 3	043	98 ADV	083 01 01 123 00 0 084 39 39 124 54)
005	08 8	045	05 5	085 32 XIT 125 85 +
006	69 DF	046	05 5	086 53 (126 01 1
007	01 01	047	07 7	087 53 (127 85 +
800	01 1	048	01 1	088 53 (128 28 LOG
009	07 7	049	05 5	089 43 RCL 129 59 INT
010 011	03 3	·050 051	06 6 69 D P	090 00 00 130 65 x 091 55 ÷ 131 02 2
012	00 0 03 3	051	07 ur 04 04	091 55 ÷ 131 02 2 092 01 1 132 54)
013	02 2	053	32 X:T	093 00 0 133 95 =
014	03 3	054	69 DP	094 54) 134 69 DP
015	05 5	055	06 06	095 59 INT 135 04 04
016	04 4	056	72 ST*	096 85 + 136 32 X:T
017	05 5	057	00 00	097 01 1 137 69 DP
018 019	69 OP 02 O2	058 059	97 DSZ 00 00	098 85 + 138 06 06 099 28 LDG 139 97 DSZ
020		060	00 00	099 28 LOG 139 97 DSZ 100 59 INT 140 00 00
021	03 3 07 7	, 061	56 56	101 65 × 141 00 00
022	01 1	062	32 X:T	102 02 2 🐇 142 79 79
023	07 7	063	09 9	103 54) 143 01 1
024	03 3	. 064	09 9	104 65 × 144 82 HIR
025 026	06 6 03 3	1065 1066	42 STD 00 00	105 01 1 145 37 37 106 00 0 146 32 X:T
026	03 3 07 7	1067	32 X:T	106 00 0 146 32 X:T 107 00 0 147 82 HIR
028	69 DP	068	94 +/-	108 54) 148 17 17
029	03 03	069	74 SM*	109 85 + 149 55 ÷
030	69 OP	070	00 00	110 53 (150 09 9
031	05 05	071	97 DSZ	111 53 (151 95 =
032	01 1	072 073	00 00	112 53 (152 22 INV
033 034	00 0 69 ⊡P	073 074	00 00 69 69	113 43 RCL 153 77 GE 114 00 00 154 00 00
035	17 17	075	09 9	114 00 00 154 00 00 115 55 ÷ 155 38 38
036	29 CP	076	09 9	116 01 1 156 06 6
037	37 P/R	077	42 STO	117 00 0 157 69 DP
038	47 CMS	078	00 00	118 54) 158 17 17
039	32 X:T	079	73 RC*	119 22 INV 159 91 R/S

MEMORY TEST	
0.	(?)
.1111111111	(?)
. 222222222	(?)
.333333333 0.1	(?) 85
. 444444444	(?)
.555555556 -0.05	(?) 31
.666666667	(?)
.777777778	(?)
.888888889	(?)

MATTESON'S PSEUDO RANDOM NUMBER GENERATOR - George Wm. Thomson

The editor noted that Lem Matteson's game Minefield III included a compact pseudo random number generator for the TI-59 (V9N3P24-25). The seed is stored in R09.

Part I: RCL 09 Lnx |x| INV INT STO 09 (the new seed)

Part II: x 4 INV Lnx INV INT x 10 = INT (output, Pseudo R.N., 0-9)

Investigation shows that this is a very good pseudo random number generator. To test it for the range from zero to just below one I wrote a short fast mode program with a sum and sum of squares at the end of part I and similar steps after the INV INT in part II. At the end of the run I calculated the mean and the "n-1" standard deviation estimate for both of the quantities. The theoretical values for both the mean and standard deviation of this rectangular distribution are 0.5. For two series of 5000 values, one with the starting seed equal to pi-squared and the other with starting seed equal to 12345 the results were very good, although the mean for the seeds was somewhat low. Part II provided an excellent correction.

Pi-squared		12345	
seed	R.N.	seed	<u>R.N.</u>
0.44446	0.49721	0.44207	0.50360
0.49696	0.50004	0.49668	0.50003
	<u>seed</u> 0.44446	seed R.N. 0.44446 0.49721	seed R.N. seed 0.44446 0.49721 0.44207

Congratulations, Lem. You did it again.

V9N4P12

NEWCOMER'S CORNER - The Use of Editing Commands in Programs

V9N3P10 commented that the function as a dummy operator which would not clear an existing error state was the only known use for INS (code 46) in a program. Several members wrote that there was another use for INS, and uses for the other editing commands as well, in a program. Let's look at some history.

The May 1978 issue of PPX Exchange stated:

"Mr. Peter K. Buckley shares the following: The keys 2nd, LRN, SST, and BST can be used as common labels but must be written into the program. For example, to use SST as a label, check the keycode (i.e., 41) and key in (in LRN mode) Lbl STO STO 41 ... and delete the two STO instructions."

But the September 1978 issue of PPX Exchange corrected that statement by reporting:

"It has been brought to our attention that SST, BST, LRN, and 2nd are not fully functional labels. ..."

Earlier, in November 1977 V2N11P4 of 52 Notes had reported:

"As the manual says: LRN, Ins, Del, SST, BST and Ind are not valid labels; HIR (code 82) is the only pseudo that is. ... "

Let's consider at IND (code 40) first. IND can be used as a dummy operator to avoid setting an existing error condition (V5N6P3) in the same manner as INS (code 46). A program sequence which will list as Lbl IND can be generated, but there seems to be no way to branch to that location using a common label format. The code 40 is always interpreted to indicate a following indirect address; either in accordance with the table on page V-68 of Personal Programming, or with the observation that a program sequence such as GTO IND is interpreted as GO* (V5N8P2).

Although the editing commands do not work as labels several other uses in programs have been identified. V3N2P6 of 52 Notes reported:

"Rusty Wright discovered that the SR-52 LBL LBL tricks can be made to work on the new machines if each Lbl Lbl sequence is preceded by the SST pseudo (code 41). Jared's flag reversal routine for the SR-52 can be written ... Ifflg 0 SST Lbl Lbl INV Stflg 0... for the new machines."

Tests will show that the flag reversal routine works equally well with 2nd (code 21) or 2nd-2nd (code 26) in place of the SST (code 41). But with Ins (code 46), BST (code 51) or Del (code 56) in place of the SST the routine will not work. Consider another demonstration routine starting at step 000

1 2 3 4 5 Lbl Nop 6 7 8 9 R/S Lbl A GTO SST Nop

Pressing A yields "6789" in the display since the calculator executes a GTO Nop, ignoring the SST. Insert two zeroes before the last Nop, press A and see "123456789" in the display. This time the calculator executed a GTO 000. We see that Codes 21, 26 and 41 act like true "no-op's". I have not found examples of this use of 2nd, 2nd-2nd and SST in published programs.

Editing Commands in Programs - (cont)

There are also uses for Ins, BST, or Del in programs. V3N9P5 of 52 Notes reported:

"Maurice Swinnen passes along a tip from the Jan-Apr issue of DISPLAY (in German, due to S. Seitz) suggesting a sequence of this form: Dsz mn ab where register mn is to be decremented, and ab is the code for one of the Ins, Del, or BST pseudos. These pseudos are always skipped during program execution, effectively turning the Dsz mn into Op 3mn, except that zero is the lower decrement limit."

As with the normal use of the Dsz command mn may be any memory register other than 40. Of course, the Op 3n sequence provides decrementing in only two program steps for memory registers 00 through 09, and the 1 INV SUM mn sequence provides decrementing in four program steps for memory registers from 10 to 99. Repeated calls to either sequence will eventually drive the register contents through zero. If, for some reason, the program cannot tolerate negative values in the register then additional steps would be needed to test the contents before decrementing. In that case the Dsz mn ab sequence would provide the desired effect in only three steps. Examples of this technique appear at steps 450-452 of the Worthington/Regelman Inverse List Print All program (V5N9P16) and at steps 049-051 of the TI-59 Test program in the May/June 1982 issue of PPX Exchange.

Another use for editing commands in programs is the branching from the keyboard technique originally devised by Martin Neef (V5N7P11), and refined by Dejan Ristanovic (V6N9/10P31 and V8N2P2). Dejan's sequence is Pgm 09 SBR 058 Pgm 09 Bst with the Master Library module in place. The Pgm 09 SBR 058 sequence simply exercises the RTN at location 058 of ML-09 and control returns to user memory. The program counter has been set up for a return to location 059 with a Pgm 09 R/S sequence (see V8N6P4 for examples). Dejan's technique uses the sequence Pgm 09 BST instead. Program execution continues on without jumping to the library routine, but the calculator has been "armed". An R/S from the keyboard does not stop calculations; rather, a operator-controlled transfer to step 059 of ML-09 occurs. The library program sequence starting at step 059 is

Lb1 D E Pgm 00 A' where subroutine E is

Lb1 E (RCL 01 + RCL 05 x RCL 03) RTN

Subroutine E is performed and the sequence Pgm 00 A' calls a subroutine A' in user memory. Subroutine A' sets up the desired response to the interrupt. A RST is typically included in subroutine A' to clear the subroutine return registers. Examples of the technique appear in steps 096-103 of the demonstration program on V6N9/10P31 and at steps 288-293 and 385-392 of the Supertest TI-59 scoring program on V7N9P11. The demonstration program on 6N9/10P31 does not provide a Lb1 A' routine in user memory; as a result, the program "hangs up" in library memory after an interrupt such that a RST R/S sequence from the keyboard is needed to continue on. V5N7P11 reports that 2nd (code 21) and SST (code 41) can be used in place of BST, but there may be side effects. V5N7P11 also contains a list restrictions generated by Richard Snow.

PLOT 60 PLUS - Barry W. Widman. This program is an enhanced version of Michael Sperber's Plot 60 program which appeared in V6N4-5P5. In addition to plotting functions, this program also

- * plots data (up to 19 points).
- * provides vertical and horizontal boundaries (every other point horizontally and every fifth point vertically).
- * provides an option to print functions in an "every-other-point" mode in addition to the "every-point" mode.

Data can be entered using the ST-04 program from the Applied Statistics memory module, or entered directly by storing the x,y data pairs in R32 through R59 (14 data pairs maximum) and storing the number of the register following the last y value in R31.

If data is not being plotted, or if the data consists of nine or fewer points, the calculator may be repartitioned to 719.29 or 559.49 respectively, to permit more room for defining functions to be plotted.

If functions to be plotted do not extend past step 399, the calculator may be repartitioned to 399.69 to permit more data points to be plotted. (up to 19 data points maximum).

The basic version of Plot 60 from V6N4-5P5 has been modified as follows:

- * A Nop instruction has been deleted from step 027 and inserted at step 001. I feel that this gives the resulting plot a more pleasing appearance.
- * The data which had been stored in registers R00 through R06 have been moved to registers R20 through R26. This allows the ST-04 program to accumulate data in the statistics registers (R00-R06) as well in the raw data registers (R32-R59). As illustrated in the example used to generate the upper plot on page 1, this permits the "best-fit" line to be plotted with the Op 14 command. This change also provides the potential to use MU-08 from the Math/Utilities module for storing and retrieving larger amounts of data for plotting.
- * The plotting parameter entry routine (Lbl E) has been expanded to store the top and bottom lines of the graph in R17 and R18 respectively. R17 corresponds to Y min and R18 corresponds with the uppermost tick mark. Note that the program will plot four points above the uppermost tick mark should data or functions exceed the R18 value.
- * Because of the above changes, the location for defining functions to be plotted is changed from step 224 to 252. However, in order to provide the capability to plot data, boundaries and "even-point" plots the following additional memory assignments were made:

Locations 252-271: test for first and last print line.

Locations 272-306: print twelve vertical tick marks.

Locations 307-357: plots data from R32 through R59.

Locations 358-373: "even-point" plotting.

Locations 374- : define functions to be plotted. The address in steps 372 and 373-specifies the beginning of the "all-point" functions. "Even-point" functions are defined between step 375 and this address. At least one "all-point" function is required. Subroutine D must be specified after the last function, and the entire routine must end with GTO 252.

Program Listing:

Instructions:

1. Enter the data to be plotted, if any, using ST-04, data stored on magnetic cards, or a user defined program. Remember that the x,y pairs are stored in R32 and the following registers, and that the number of the register following the last y value must be in R31. The ST-04 routine does this automatically, and in addition accumulates the sums needed for linear regression. The following program in user memory will accomplish the same results as ST-04:

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000 76 LBL 007 02 2 014 31 31 021 76 LBL 028 44 SUM 001 10 E 008 42 STO 015 99 PRT 022 12 B 029 31 31 002 36 PGM 009 31 31 016 32 X;T 023 72 ST* 030 43 RCL 033 01 01 010 91 R/S 017 01 1 024 31 31 031 03 03 03 04 71 SBR 011 76 LBL 018 44 SUM 025 99 PRT 032 91 R/S 005 25 CLR 012 11 A 019 31 31 026 78 Σ+ 006 03 3 013 72 ST* 020 91 R/S 027 01 1
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Press E to initialize and clear the statistics registers. Enter the first x value and press A. Enter the corresponding y value and press B. A "1" will be returned to the display. Repeat the entry of x and y values as many times as required. Each time, the number of data pairs entered is returned to the display.

- 2. Enter the magnetic cards (banks 1 and 2) for the program before initialization from page 15. As it stands, this program will plot the regression line and the data using the Op 14 command. If you want to mechanize other functions enter them at this time. If you add evenpoint functions, be sure to adjust the address at 372/373 to include the first address of the all-point functions. You may use equal signs in your functions. You may enter as many functions as program space permits, but the subroutine call A must follow each function, except the last function, which must be followed by a call to subroutine D. The X value is available from R25 if you need it in one or more of your functions. End the entire routine with GTO 252.
- 3. The following initialization routine generates the hexadecimal code h25 at step 024 for high resolution graphics. If you used ST-04 for data entry, remember to press RST to leave the library routine.

GTO 024 10 Op 17 CLR <see below> P/R LRN INS LRN RST CLR 6 Op 17 CLR The keystrokes to be inserted at <see below> depend upon which Solid State module is installed:

Master Library	Pgm	19	SBR	045
Applied Statistics	Pgm	14	SBR	024
Math/Utilities	Pgm	06	SBR	077
Real Estate/Investment	Pgm	10	SBR	039

When initialization is complete steps 24 through 32 will have been changed as indicated in the "After" column on page 15. The commands previously in steps 32 through 158 will have been moved down one step. The 25 in step 159 will have been deleted, and the CLR which was at step 160 will have been converted to the second part of a Sum 25 command. Although a listing shows no line number and a zero at what should have been step 24, if you press GTO 024 LRN you will see a 024 25 in the display.

- 3. If you want to plot data press Stflg 1.
- 4. Enter the parameters that define the dimensions of the plot:
 - a. Enter the number of points to be plotted and press E. See the number returned to the display.

- b. Enter the minimum y value (Ymin) and press R/S. See Ymin returned to the display.
- c. Enter the maximum y value (Ymax) and press R/S. See Ymax returned to the display.
- d. Enter the x starting point (Xo) and press R/S. See Xo returned to the display.
- e. Enter the increment in x (delta-x) and press R/S. See delta-x returned to the display.
- f. Enter the number of tapes to be used (n) and press R/S. See Xo returned to the display.
- g. Press R/S to start plotting.

Sample Problem:

The sample problem uses the program on page 15 to plot both the input data and the linear regression line for a set of twelve data pairs. The data may be entered with ST-04 or with the short user program on page 16. After completion of the data entry the INV List will show the values at the right. Note that there are 3 data pairs where the x value is the same (4600). This will demonstrate the ability of the Plot 50 Plus program to plot multiple y values for a given x value. Although the table at the right is arranged with x values in ascending order, this is not required. Plot 60 Plus will faithfully plot x,y data pairs which have been entered with no attention to the order of the x values.

The plotting parameters used to obtain the upper plot on page 1 were entered as follows (step 4 above):

121 E 0 R/S 238 R/S 0 R/S 100 R/S 2 R/S R/S

The rationale for selecting those parameters follows. For the most pleasing plot appearance the number of x axis points to be plotted should be between about 50 to 80 times the number of tapes. Also, the increment in x and the increment in y should be equal to some integer (preferably 1, 2, or 5) times a factor of 10. In this example the x values range between 1700 and 8400, and we wish to start the plot at 0,0 and extrapolate the linear regression line to 12,000. For the two tape plot,

select delta-x = 100, then the number of points = (Xmax - Xmin)/(delta-x) + 1, which for this case is 121. With this program the X axis (bottom line) actually shows 61 tick marks since it is produced as an "even-point" function. That is, only points 0, 2, 4, ..., 120 are plotted. The first point that is plotted is considered to be the 0 point.

For the Y axis the number of increments that can be plotted is fixed by the number of tapes selected, that is 60 times the number of tapes. Selecting a delta-y of 2, yields a range of Y values of 238. Since we wish to start the plot at 0,0, then Ymin = 0, and Ymax = 238, which comfortably fits the range of the expected y values.

Since there are five intervals between each vertical tick mark, the vertical tick marks can be labeled in increments of ten. Similarly, for the horizontal axis which plots tick marks for every other x increment, the tick marks correspond to values of 0, 200, 400, ..., 12000.

1700. 1760. 56. 1760. 79. 3200. 80. 4600. 92. 4600. 123. 5480. 123. 5480. 123. 8150. 112. 8400. 153. 8150. 153. 60.	10345678901234567890123456789 03333334444444445555555555
121.	00
1191.	01
-127895.	02
12.	03
58860.	04

344045000.

6453620.

05

06

0.

Editor's Note: The use of the data storage capability of the Applied Statistics module provides an inherent versatility for this The ST-12 program, Bivariate Data Transforms, provides built-in transforms for converting input data with exponential, power, and logarithmic characteristics for analysis by linear regression. The storage locations are the same as for ST-04, and the necessary summations for the linear regression are obtained as part of the data entry. However, the program stores the transformed data, not the input data. This means that the use of Plot 60 Plus as is would yield plots in the transformed coordinates, not in the input coordinates. Users frequently want plots in the input coordinate system.

The program listing at the right illustrates the changes required to Plot 60 Plus for use with the exponential curve fit option, and for plotting in input coordinates. Steps before 307 are the same as on page 15, and the user instructions are identical, except that ST-12 is used instead of ST-04. Steps 345/346 convert the stored ln(y) values back to input

The demonstration problem is taken from page 5-11 of the Applied Statistics manual. Population versus census year is given as:

1890 ⁻	62,947,714	1920	105,710,620	1950	150,697,361
1900	75,994,575	1930	122,775,046	1960	179,323,175
1910	91,972,266	1940	131,669,275	1970	203,235,298

The data is entered in accordance with the ST-12 instructions. you do not have the Applied Statistics module you may use the user program from the top of page 16, but with a lnx command inserted immediately after the Lbl B, and before the ST* 31. Then enter the data as defined for that program. The appropriate transformation and summations will be made for equivalence with ST-12. Initialization procedures for Plot 60 Plus are unchanged. The plotting parameters to obtain the lower curve on page 1 were:

50000000 R/S 290000000 R/S 1880 R/S 1 R/S 2 R/S R/S.

These parameters were specifically chosen to demonstrate the feature that four points can be plotted above the upper tick marks.

Similar alterations to Plot 60 Plus can be defined for compatibility with the power and exponential options of ST-12. It would seem that an interface with the RE-11 Automatic Curve Choice program in the Real Estate/Investment module should also be possible. Readers are invited to sent in additional demonstrations of the interface of this powerful program with other plotting requirements.

1984 FEDERAL INCOME TAX JOINT RETURN - Hewlett Ladd

This fast mode program accepts "Taxable Income" and returns a printout including the input value, the tax, the top percentage bracket, and the average percentage. The instructions are straightforward. Enter the taxable income and press A. See a flashing "1" in the display. Press 7 and then EE and wait for the printout. Some sample printouts appear at the right.

25000.	T. I.
3565.	TAX
25.	TOP%
14.26	AV.%
6000.	T. I.
291.	TAX
12.	TOP%
4.85	AV.%

The constants in R01 through R29 establish that this program finds the income tax for a joint return. Straightforward replacement of the constants can be used to change the calculations to head-of-house-hold or married filing separately. A problem occurs for the single taxpayer schedule since there is one more bracket there. The user must elect to omit the lowest or the highest bracket.

Program Listing:

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Government Reports announcements announces the availability of AD-A132 172/8, "Design and Implementation of a Basic Cross-Compiler and Virtual Memory Management System for the TI-59 Programmable Calculator". The 304 page document was a master's thesis at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA. The authors are Mark R. Kindl and James H. W. Inskeep, Jr. A hard copy is \$25.00. The abstract appears at the right. I have not obtained a copy. Based on some recent letters there might be more interest in TI-59 to Basic.

The instruction set of the Ti-59 Programmable Calculator bears a close similarity to that of an assembler. Though most of the calculator instructions perform primitive data movement and/or sequence control, some can do the work of small high level language procedures. Regardless of this fact, to design and debug Ti-59 programs of moderate size can be more difficult than doing the computations themselves. Programming in a higher order language such as BASIC offers many advantages over calculator code. This report presents the design and implementation of a cross-compiler which translates correct BASIC programs into equivalent Ti-59 programs. This software package includes a linker which maps calculator instructions to a set of magnetic cards. The cards are then used to implement a manually operated virtual memory system for the calculator. This expands program step capacity, and permits more complex programs to be written in BASIC language for translation into Ti-59 instructions. (Author)

YOT RACE - Dave Lane. Captain your own yacht in a 100 mile ocean race. There may be five other boats racing toward the finish buoy, but the wind varies with position, so you'll have to find the best course. Wind shifts cause you, and the others, to renavigate. Sudden storms may completely change the position and order of the boats, but the race must go on. The effectiveness of the wind versus wind angle is included in the dynamics of the boat. So realizing that the boat will cut a faster course when going abeam and can't go directly into the wind, you'll have to choose your tack to keep ahead of your fellow yacht-persons. You can be a multimillionaire and race all six boats yourself; or six players can race one boat each; or any combination of players and boats. However, the players must control every boat. The calculator simply carries out the players commands.

Rules of the Game:

- 1. The area of sailing is a square 100 miles on a side. Coordinates are given as N.E. For example, 50.25 indicates 50 miles north and 25 miles east of the origin.
- 2. The race is 100 miles in a northerly direction. You start the race at an N-value of zero, and at an E-value randomly selected by the program. The N-value of the finish buoy is 100, with the E-value selected by the program. You must cross the finish line between the buoy and a point 10 miles east of the buoy.
- 3. At each turn, you are given the wind velocity and direction. You simply have to choose the direction to go. The choices are West, Northwest, North, Northeast, and East. You can't go southward.
- 4. The wind speed varies with location, both in the north and east direction. The wind direction can be from any quadrant, but is the same over the entire area. Randomly, the wind speed and direction will shift. All shifts are at the end of a round, where a round is essentially one hour of sailing time. Hence, after all boats have moved with a given wind, the wind may shift. The wind velocity ranges from 2 to 26 knots.
- 5. In addition to wind shifts, there are random storms which will move the boats in varying amounts. The storms always come from the northwest.
- 6. Changing your boats direction costs you, in terms of distance traveled. It takes longer to turn in light winds than in heavy winds. So be careful when the wind is light.
- 7. As each boat crosses the finish line the time and position of crossing is printed. If the E-position is outside of the finish buoy location (+ 10 miles) it is so noted. As each boat finishes it is taken out of the race. The remaining boats continue to race until all have crossed the finish line.
- 8. The boat speed is dependent on the relative angle of the direction of the boat to the direction of the wind. It is also dependent on wind speed. (The response is base on that given in Scientific American, August 1966). Generally, the fastest boat speed is attained when going at right angles, or slightly more to the wind. It is assumed you have a spinnaker and use it properly at the right times.

#5 DIRECTION

(OFF-WIND)

777.

927.

HEAVY

WIND

837.

135°

Yot Race - (cont)

Program Listing - Banks 1 and 2

0001 2 33 2 C C C X 7 + C X 0 X 1 8 - C C C X X C C C X X C C C X X C C C X X C C X X C C X X C C X X C C X X C C X X X C C X X X C C X X X C C X X X C X X X C X
088 72 6 6 3 3 5 6 3 3 5 6 5 3 6 6 3 3 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 5 7 6 7 6
10
E LE 1 M 6 M 4 M 5 M 6 Z 2 V F 0 N 1 0 = T 1 E X 3 E + L V F 0 P 3 1 D 6 C 3 D 2 D 1 L X C 9 F 2 N T D 9 X T L X C 1 D 2 T 1 C X 3 E + L V F 0 P 3 T 1 C X 3 E + L V F 0 P 3 T 1 C X 3 E X C X C X C X C X C X C X C X C X C X
0123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
075337054337354018 P3 + L3 X2 60 X L X C X C X X X X X X
01234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789
108L8X3VL6 4 512102
01234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789 00000000001111111111222222222222222222
51 = T00*00011

Yot Race - (cont)

User Instructions:

- 1. Use the turn-on partitioning. Load in banks 1 and 2 from the listing on page 21, and bank 3 from the listing at the right.
- 2. Enter a positive number to seed the random number generator.
 - Press E' to start. Two boats will race, this is the default mode.
 - A number such as 100.043 with the annotation "FINI" will be printed to indicate the position of the buoy on the finish line.
 - The starting positions of the boats will be printed.
 - The wind speed and direction will be printed.
- 3. The first player presses A, B, C, D, or E for West, Northwest, North, Northeast, or east to set the direction for his boat. The new position for the first boat is printed, followed by the wind speed and direction for the next boat.

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Bank 3

- 4. Repeat step 3 for the remaining boats. The program will continue cycling through the boats in order until all boats pass the finish line.
- 5. As each boat passes the finish line its crossing time in hours and its position when crossing the line are printed. If the finishing position is outside the finishing gate, the closest buoy and "BAD" will be printed, and the boat is removed from the race.

Notes:

- 1. Wind shifts are indicated by printing "SHIFT".
- 2. Storms are indicated by printing "STORM". After a storm the new position of each boat is printed.
- 3. After all boats have crossed the finish line, a new race is automatically started. It is <u>not</u> necessary to press E' again.
- 4. To have other than a two boat race, enter a number between 1 and 6, and press A'. Do not press E' again.
- 5. Be sure to enter a different seed number each time you start the game, or else you will get the same sequence of races and race events.
- 6. In printing the boat location negative numbers are not indicated. The North value is always kept between 0 and 100. The east value can go higher than 100. This will print 0K. When the east value goes below zero, the program remembers that it is negative, but it is printed as positive. For example, a true position of north = 50 and east = -12 is printed 50.012.
- 7. Remember, the positions are printed to the nearest mile, but the program keeps fractional values as well. So it's a good idea to allow a one mile tolerance when aiming between the end buoys at the finish line.

Sample Game:

A sample two player game with a starting seed of 77777 appears on page 23.

Boat 2 Finish

Boat 1 Finish

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CALCULATING e TO MANY DIGITS - Patrik Johansson. This program for finding many digits of the base for natural logarithms appeared on page 4/5 of Volume 80-3 of Programbiten, the Swedish newsletter. The program is a straightforward mechanization of the formula

$$e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} + \dots$$

The program published in Programbiten used 142 steps, no subroutines, no user-defined or common labels, and was started with a RST R/S sequence. That made it very easy to convert to fast mode using the Stf at the end of partition technique.

The TI-59 program delivers 480 digits, of which the last three are incorrect due to truncation effects. Normal mode requires nearly twelve hours. Fast mode requires just over six hours.

A second program can be run on both the TI-58 and the TI-59, and by disabling the fast mode sequence can be run on the TI-66. This program delivers 180 digits, where the last two are suspect. This program provides a good comparison of execution speeds:

TI-66	3 hours 50 minutes 2 hours 40 minutes
TI-58C	2 hours 40 minutes
TI-58C Fast Mode	1 hour 29 minutes
TI-59	2 hours 1 minute
TI-59 Fast Mode	1 hour 1 minute

A third program is for the TI-66 only. It takes advantage of the Part command to obtain more digits than can be obtained with the TI-58C. The program runs in 2nd-Part-47 which yields 136 instructions and 47 data registers. The TI-66 program will yield 220 digits, of which the last two are suspect. The run time is about $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Operating Instructions:

- 1. For the TI-58C/59 programs, load the program and press A. See a flashing 1. Press 7 and then EE, and settle back and wait. The calculator stops with the first 10 digits in the display. Press R/S to recall additional groups of ten digits. A zero in the display indicates the end.
- 2. For the TI-66, enter the program and press RST R/S to start.

TI-59 Listing:

Calculating e to Many Digits - (cont)

TI-58C Listing: (Note: this will also run on the TI-59 and deliver fewer digits, but in much shorter time.)

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TI-66 Listing: (Remember to use 2nd-Part-47)

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MICROSTRIP DESIGN - E. T. Simon. Maurice Swinnen called my attention to this program which is discussed on pages 103-104 of the July 1984 issue of Microwaves & RF. The title is "Calculator Program Simplifies Microstrip Line Computations:. When you read the article you find the equations, and the instructions for running the program, but no program listing. To obtain the program you must send a stamped (40¢ US postage), self-addressed leagal-size envelope to Microstrip/Simon, c/o TinaMarie Pisa, Microwaves & RF, 10 Mulholland Drive, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07804.

FROM THE EDITOR:

This issue is later than I had expected. My recovery from back surgery has been slower than I had hoped for, but about as rapid as my doctor had predicted. For the future, I hope to distribute the fifth issue in mid-November, and the sixth issue early in 1985.

The "star" program in this issue is Barry Widman's combination of linear regression, data entry using ST-04, and high resolution graphics. The first page illustrates the versatility of the idea. The built-in ability to accept data pairs in any order, and to properly plot them in order, should be of use to those users who have been trying to plot multi-valued curves such as circles, foliums, and the like. A great program. Peter Poloczek's club in the Federal Republic of Germany has also been publishing some very good high resolution graphics. We will attempt to publish some translations in future issues. In the meantime, if you would like to borrow the original (in German) send a few stamps. As with other such offers I will send the master to you by first class mail, and expect a timely return by the same method.

Tests of precision continue to interest many members. Both the Bob Fruit test and the test from Scientific American turn out to depend on the precision of the Lnx function. Laurance Leeds and Myer Boland have been in the forefront in investigations in this area, and I plan to present some of their results in the next issue. It turns out that as the argument approaches one there is a significant loss in precision, consistent with the caution in Personal Programming. Larry and I have been developing routines which will provide at least a partial remedy for this problem. Curiously enough, it seems that the Lnx routine in the TI-66 is distinctly superior to that of the TI-59 for arguments very near one.

My HX-1000 Plotter/Printer for use with the CC-40 arrived. It performs the self-test beautifully, but does not communicate with my CC-40. The restrictions on activity while recovering from surgery have prevented me from resolving the problem. Meanwhile member Louis Krumpelman reports successful use of the RS-232C interface he purchased from Educalc.

V8N5P24/25 discussed the demise of PPX and suggested that we generate a listing of programs available from various members. The response was enthusiastic, and I now have a list of over 600 programs from PPX. However, several members expressed concern that providing copies for other members might result in problems with TI-s copyright protection. In mid-July I wrote to Consumer Relations requesting permission to set up the informal exchange that I discussed in V8N5. So far there has been no answer--maybe in time for the next issue.

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