



## EXERCISE 1

### DISK CHARACTERISTICS:

- 512  $\left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SECTOR}} \right]$
- 50  $\left[ \frac{\text{SECTORS}}{\text{TRACK}} \right]$
- 2000  $\left[ \frac{\text{TRACKS}}{\text{SURFACE}} \right]$

- 5 N° OF PLATTERS

- 5400 RPM  $\left[ \frac{\text{ROTATIONS}}{\text{MINUTE}} \right]$  (ROTATIONAL SPEED)

- 10 MVS (SEEK TIME)

$$\bullet 1 \text{ KBYTE} = 1024 \text{ BYTES}$$

① TRACK CAPACITY  $50 \cdot 512 = 25600 = 25 \text{ KBYTES}$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SECTOR}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{SECTORS}}{\text{TRACK}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{TRACK}} \right]$$

② SURFACE CAPACITY  $25600 \cdot 2000 = 51'200'000 = 50'000 \text{ KBYTE}$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{TRACK}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{TRACKS}}{\text{SURFACE}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SURFACE}} \right]$$

③ DISK SURFACE  $5 \cdot 2 \cdot 51'200'000 = 512'000'000 = 500'000 \text{ KBYTE}$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{PLATTERS}}{\text{DISK}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{SURFACES}}{\text{PLATTER}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SURFACE}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{DISK}} \right]$$

## ② NUMBER OF DISK CYLINDERS

NUMBER OF CYLINDERS = NUMBER OF TRACKS

$$2000 \left[ \frac{\text{TRACKS}}{\text{SURFACE}} \right] \rightarrow 2000 \left[ \frac{\text{CYLINDERS}}{\text{DISK}} \right]$$

## ③ AVERAGE TRANSFER TIME OF A BLOCK OF 4096 BYTES

DISK ROTATES AT 5400 RPM  $\left[ \frac{\text{ROTATIONS}}{\text{MINUTE}} \right]$

→ TIME IN SECOND FOR 1 ROTATION

$$\frac{1}{5400} \cdot 60 = 0,011 \left[ \frac{\text{SECONDS}}{\text{ROTATIONS}} \right]$$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{MINUTES}}{\text{ROTATIONS}} \right] \left[ \frac{\text{SECONDS}}{\text{MINUTE}} \right]$$

→ AVERAGE DELAY = HALF ROTATION = 0,006 [SECONDS]

→ A COMPLETE TRACK CAN BE TRANSFERRED PER ROTATION

$$\text{DATA TRANSFER RATE} = \frac{25600}{0,011} \approx 2'327'672,73 \left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SECOND}} \right]$$

$$= 2250 \left[ \frac{\text{KBYTES}}{\text{SECOND}} \right]$$

$$\frac{4096}{\frac{25600}{0,011}} = 0,011 \cdot \frac{4096}{25600} \approx 0,00176$$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{BYTES}}{\text{SECOND}} \right]$$

→ TRANSFER TIME OF A BLOCK

→ IN ADDITION WE HAVE TO ADD AN AVERAGE SEEK TIME  
AN AN AVERAGE DELAY

④ 256 IS NOT A VALID BLOCK SIZE (HALF SECTOR)

2048 IS OK SINCE IT IS EQUIVALENT TO 4 SECTORS

51200 IS NOT OK SINCE  $100 > 50$  (MAX 50 SECTOR PER TRACK)