

# Chapter 15

## FACILITIES FOR USING THE MOUSE

Objective: To describe the programming requirements for using the mouse.

### INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the use of the mouse: initializing it, displaying and concealing the mouse pointer, setting the pointer's location and limits, and getting button information. Two program examples illustrate the use of mouse handling. The only new instruction introduced is INT 33H for mouse handling.

The mouse is a commonly used pointing device controlled by a software interface known as a device driver that is normally installed by an entry in the CONFIG.SYS or AUTOEXEC.BAT file. The driver must be installed so that a program can recognize and respond to the mouse's actions.

Some basic mouse definitions follow:

- *Pixel*: The smallest addressable element on a screen. For text mode 03, for example, there are eight pixels per byte.
- *Mouse pointer*: In text mode, the pointer is a flashing block in reverse video; in graphics mode, the pointer is an arrowhead.
- *Mickey*: A unit of measure for movement of the mouse, approximately 1/200 of an inch.
- *Mickey count*: The number of mickeys the mouse ball rolls horizontally or vertically. The mouse driver uses the mickey count to move the pointer on the screen a certain number of pixels.
- *Threshold speed*: The speed in mickeys per second that the mouse must move to double the speed of the pointer on the screen. The default is 64 mickeys per second.

All mouse operations within a program are performed by standard INT 33H functions, of the form

```

MOV    AX, function    ;Request mouse function
...    ;Parameters (if any)
INT    33H             ;Call mouse driver

```

Note that unlike other INT operations that use the AH register, INT 33H functions are loaded in the *full AX register*.

The first mouse instruction that a program issues should be function 00H, which simply initializes the interface between the mouse driver and the program. Typically, you need issue this command just once, at the start of the program. Following function 00H, the program should execute function 01H, which causes the mouse pointer to appear on the screen. After that, you have a choice of a wide range of mouse operations.

The following are the mouse functions available for INT 33H, of which relatively few are commonly used:

00H	Initialize the mouse
01H	Display the mouse pointer
02H	Conceal the mouse pointer
03H	Get button status and pointer location
04H	Set pointer location
05H	Get button-press information
06H	Get button-release information
07H	Set horizontal limits for pointer
08H	Set vertical limits for pointer
09H	Set graphics pointer type
0AH	Set text pointer type
0BH	Read mouse-motion counters
0CH	Install interrupt handler for mouse events
0DH	Turn on light pen emulation
0EH	Turn off light pen emulation
0FH	Set mickey-to-pixel ratio
10H	Set pointer exclusion area
13H	Set double-speed threshold
14H	Swap mouse-event interrupt
15H	Get buffer size for mouse driver state
16H	Save mouse driver state
17H	Restore mouse driver state
18H	Install alternative handler for mouse events
19H	Get address of alternative handler
1AH	Set mouse sensitivity
1BH	Get mouse sensitivity

1CH	Set mouse interrupt rate
1DH	Select display page for pointer
1EH	Get display page for pointer
1FH	Disable mouse driver
20H	Enable mouse driver
21H	Reset mouse driver
22H	Set language for mouse driver messages
23H	Get language number
24H	Get mouse information

## BASIC MOUSE OPERATIONS

The following sections describe the basic INT 33H operations required for programs that use a mouse.

**Function 00H: Initialize the Mouse.** This is the first command that a program issues for handling a mouse and needs to be executed only once. Load AX with function 00H with no other input parameters, and issue INT 33H. The operation returns these values:

- AX = 0000H if no mouse support is available or FFFFH if support is available
- BX = the number of mouse buttons if support is available.

If mouse support is available, the operation initializes the mouse driver as follows:

- Sets the mouse pointer to the center of the screen
- Conceals the mouse pointer if it is visible
- Sets the mouse pointer's display page to zero
- Sets the mouse pointer according to the screen mode: rectangle and inverse color for text or arrow shape for graphics
- Sets the mickey-to-pixel ratio, where horizontal ratio = 8 to 8 and vertical ratio = 16 to 8
- Sets the horizontal and vertical limits for the pointer to their minimum and maximum values
- Sets the double-speed threshold to 64 mickeys per second, which you can change.

**Function 01H: Display the Mouse Pointer.** This operation, used after function 00H, causes the mouse pointer to be displayed on the screen. The operation requires no input parameters and returns no values.

The mouse driver maintains a *pointer flag* that determines whether or not to display the pointer. It displays the pointer if the flag is 0 and conceals it for any other value. Initially, the value is -1; function 01H increments the flag to 0, thus causing the pointer to be displayed. (See also function 02H.)



**Function 02H: Conceal the Mouse Pointer.** The standard practice is to issue this function at the end of a program's execution to cause the pointer to be concealed. The operation requires no input parameters and returns no values.

The pointer flag is displayed when it contains a 0 and is concealed for any other value. This function decrements the flag from 0 to -1 to cause it to be concealed.

**Function 03H: Get Button Status and Pointer Location.** This function requires no input parameters and returns this information about the mouse:

- BX = Status of buttons, according to bit location, as follows:
  - Bit 0 Left button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bit 1 Right button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bit 2 Center button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bits 3-15 Reserved for internal use
- CX = Horizontal (x) coordinate
- DX = Vertical (y) coordinate

The horizontal and vertical coordinates are expressed in terms of *pixels*, even in text mode (eight per byte for video mode 03). The values are always within the minimum and maximum limits for the pointer.

**Function 04H: Set Pointer Location.** This operation sets the horizontal and vertical coordinates for the mouse pointer on the screen (the values for the location are in terms of pixels—eight per byte for video mode 03):

```

MOV  AX,04H           ;Request set mouse pointer
MOV  CX,horizontal    ;Horizontal location
MOV  DX,vertical      ;Vertical location
INT  33H             ;Call mouse driver

```

The operation sets the pointer at the new location, adjusted as necessary if outside the minimum and maximum limits.

## PROGRAM: DISPLAYING THE MOUSE LOCATION

The program in Figure 15-1 illustrates the basic mouse operations covered to this point. It displays the horizontal and vertical coordinates of the pointer as a user moves, but does not press the mouse. The main procedures are:

- A10MAIN initializes the program, calls B10INITZ, C10POINTR, D10CONVRT, and E10DISPLY. When the user presses the left button, the program uses function 02H to hide the pointer and ends processing.
- B10INITZ issues INT 33H function 00H to initialize the mouse (or to indicate that no mouse driver is present) and issues function 01H to cause the mouse pointer to display.

```

TITLE      A15MOUSE (EXE)   Handling the mouse
.MODEL     SMALL
.STACK     64
.DATA
LEN_DATA   EQU      14           ;Display length
XCOORD     DW        0           ;Binary X coordinate
YCOORD     DW        0           ;Binary Y coordinate
ASCVAL      DW        ?           ;ASCII field

DISPDATA   LABEL     BYTE
XMSG       DB        'X = '      ;Screen display fields:
XASCII     DW        ?           ;X message
          DB        ' '          ;X ASCII value
YMSG       DB        'Y = '      ;
YASCII     DW        ?           ;Y message
          DW        ?           ;Y ASCII value
.386 ; -----
.CODE
A10MAIN    PROC        FAR
MOV        AX,@data           ;Initialize
MOV        DS,AX              ; DS and ES
MOV        ES,AX              ; addressability
CALL       Q10CLEAR           ;Clear screen
CALL       B10INITZ           ;Initialize mouse
CMP        AX,00              ;Mouse installed?
JE         A90                 ; no, exit
A20:       CALL       C10POINTR ;Get mouse pointer
CMP        BX,01              ;Button pressed?
JE         A80                 ; yes, exit
MOV        AX,XCOORD          ;Convert
CALL       D10CONVRT          ; X to ASCII
MOV        AX,ASCVAL          ;
MOV        XASCII,AX          ;
MOV        AX,YCOORD          ;Convert
CALL       D10CONVRT          ; Y to ASCII
MOV        AX,ASCVAL          ;
MOV        YASCII,AX          ;Display
CALL       E10DISPLY          ; X and Y values
JMP        A20                 ;Repeat
A80:       MOV        AX,02H    ;Request hide pointer
INT        33H
A90:       CALL       Q10CLEAR  ;Clear screen
MOV        AX,4C00H           ;End processing
INT        21H
A10MAIN    ENDP
;
; Initialize mouse pointer:
; -----
B10INITZ   PROC        NEAR      ;Uses AX
MOV        AX,00H             ;Request initialize
INT        33H                ; mouse
CMP        AX,00              ;Mouse installed?
JE         B90                 ; no, exit
MOV        AX,01H             ;Show pointer
INT        33H
B90:       RET                ;Return to caller
B10INITZ   ENDP

```

Figure 15-1 Using the Mouse

C10POINTR issues function 03H to check and to exit if the user has pressed the left button. If not pressed, the program converts the horizontal and vertical coordinates from pixel values to binary numbers (by shifting the values three bits to the right, effectively dividing by 8). If the location is the same as when it was previously checked, the routine repeats issuing function 03H; if the location has changed, control returns to the calling procedure.

```

;
; Get mouse pointer location:
;-----
C10POINTR PROC NEAR ;Uses AX, BX, CX, DX
C20: MOV AX,03H ;Get pointer location
INT 33H
CMP BX,00000001B ;Left button pressed?
JE C90 ; yes, means exit
SHR CX,03 ;Divide pixel
SHR DX,03 ; coordinates by 8
CMP CX,XCOORD ;Has pointer location
JNE C30 ; changed?
CMP DX,YCOORD
JE C20 ; no, repeat operation
C30: MOV XCOORD,CX ; yes, save new locations
MOV YCOORD,DX
C90: RET ;Return to caller
C10POINTR ENDP
;
; Convert binary X or Y location to ASCII:
;-----
;AX set on entry = binary X or Y
D10CONVRT PROC NEAR ;Uses CX, SI
MOV ASCVAL,2020H ;Clear ASCII field
MOV CX,10 ;Set divide factor
LEA SI,ASCVAL+1 ;Load ASCVAL address
CMP AX,CX ;Compare location to 10
JB D20 ; lower, bypass
DIV CL ; higher, divide by 10
OR AH,30H ;Insert ASCII 3s
MOV [SI],AH ;Store in rightmost byte
DEC SI ;Decr address of ASCVAL
OR AL,30H ;Insert ASCII 3s
D20: MOV [SI],AL ;Store in leftmost byte
RET ;Return to caller
D10CONVRT ENDP
;
; Display X, Y locations:
;-----
E10DISPLY PROC NEAR ;Uses AX, BX, BP, CX, DX
MOV AX,1300H ;Request display
MOV BX,0031H ;Page:attribute
LEA BP,DISPDATA ;Address of string
MOV CX,LEN_DATA ;No. of characters
MOV DX,0020H ;Screen row:column
INT 10H
RET ;Return to caller
E10DISPLY ENDP
;
; Clear screen, set attribute:
;-----
Q10CLEAR PROC NEAR ;Uses AX, BH, CX, DX
MOV AX,0600H ;Request clear screen
MOV BH,30H ;Colors
MOV CX,00 ;Full
MOV DX,184FH ; screen
INT 10H
RET ;Return to caller
Q10CLEAR ENDP
END A10MAIN

```

Figure 15-1 Continued

- D10CONVRT converts the binary values for horizontal and vertical screen locations to displayable ASCII characters. Note that with eight pixels per byte, the horizontal value returned at screen column 79 (the rightmost location) is  $79 \times 8 = 632$ . The procedure divides this horizontal value by 8 to get, in this case, 79, the maximum value. Consequently, the conversion ensures that values returned are within 0 through 79.

- E10DISPLY displays the horizontal and vertical coordinates at the center of the screen as  $X = col$  and  $Y = row$ .

One way to improve this program would be to issue function 0CH to set an interrupt handler. In this way, the required instructions are automatically invoked whenever the mouse is active.

## MORE ADVANCED MOUSE OPERATIONS

This section covers the remaining mouse operations and the following section provides another program example.

**Function 05H: Get Button-Press Information.** This function returns information about button presses. Set BX with the button number, where 0 = left, 1 = right, and 2 = center:

```
MOV  AX,05H           ;Request press information
MOV  BX,button-no     ;Button number
INT  33H              ;Call mouse driver
```

The operation returns the up/down status of all buttons and the press count and location of the requested button:

- AX = Status of buttons, according to bit location, as follows:
  - Bit 0 Left button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bit 1 Right button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bit 2 Center button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bits 3–15 Reserved for internal use
- BX = Button-press counter
- CX = Horizontal (x) coordinate (pixel value) of last button press
- DX = Vertical (y) coordinate (pixel value) of last button press

The operation resets the button-press counter to 0.

**Function 06H: Get Button-Release Information.** This function returns information about button releases. Set BX with the button number (0 = left, 1 = right, and 2 = center):

```
MOV  AX,06H           ;Request release information
MOV  BX,button-no     ;Button number
INT  33H              ;Call mouse driver
```

The operation returns the up/down status of all buttons and the release count and location of the requested button, as follows:

- AX = Status of buttons, according to bit location, as follows:
  - Bit 0 Left button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)
  - Bit 1 Right button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)



Bit 2 Center button (0 = up, 1 = pressed down)

Bits 3–15 Reserved for internal use

- BX = Button release counter
- CX = Horizontal (x) coordinate (pixel value) of last button release
- DX = Vertical (y) coordinate (pixel value) of last button release

The operation resets the button release counter to 0.

**Function 07H: Set Horizontal Limits for Pointer.** This operation sets the minimum and maximum horizontal limits (pixel values) for the pointer:

```
MOV  AX,07H      ;Request set horizontal limit
MOV  CX,minimum  ;Minimum limit
MOV  DX,maximum  ;Maximum limit
INT  33H         ;Call mouse driver
```

If the minimum value is greater than the maximum, the operation arbitrarily exchanges the values. If the pointer is outside the defined area, the operation moves it inside the area. See also functions 08H and 10H.

**Function 08H: Set Vertical Limits for Pointer.** This operation sets minimum and maximum vertical limits (pixel values) for the pointer:

```
MOV  AX,08H      ;Request set vertical limit
MOV  CX,minimum  ;Minimum limit
MOV  DX,maximum  ;Maximum limit
INT  33H         ;Call mouse driver
```

If the minimum value is greater than the maximum, the operation arbitrarily exchanges the values. If the pointer is outside the defined area, the operation moves it inside the area. See also functions 07H and 10H.

**Function 0BH: Read Mouse-Motion Counters.** This operation returns the horizontal and vertical mickey count (within the range -32,768 to +32,767) since the last request to the function. Returned values are:

- CX = Horizontal count (a positive value means travel to the right, negative means to the left)
- DX = Vertical count (a positive value means travel downwards, negative means upwards)

**Function 0CH: Install Interrupt Handler for Mouse Events.** A program may need to respond automatically when a mouse-related activity (or event) has occurred. The purpose of function 0CH is to provide an *event handler* whereby the mouse software interrupts your program and calls the event handler, which performs its required function and returns to your program's point of execution on completion of the task.

Load CX with an event mask to indicate the actions for which the handler is to respond and ES:DX with the segment:offset address of the interrupt handler routine:



```

MOV  AX,0CH          ;Request interrupt handler
LEA  CX,mask         ;Address of event mask
LEA  DX,handler      ;Address of handler (ES:DX)
INT  33H             ;Call mouse driver

```

Define the event mask with bits set as required:

0 = mouse pointer moved	4 = right button released
1 = left button pressed	5 = center button pressed
2 = left button released	6 = center button released
3 = right button pressed	7–15 = reserved, define as 0

Define the interrupt handler as a FAR procedure. The mouse driver uses a far call to enter the interrupt handler with these registers set:

- AX = The event mask as defined, except that bits are set only if the condition occurred
- BX = Button state (if set, bit 0 means left button down, bit 1 means right button down, and bit 2 means center button down)
- CX = Horizontal (x) coordinate
- DX = Vertical (y) coordinate
- SI = Last vertical mickey count
- DI = Last horizontal mickey count
- DS = Data segment for the mouse driver

On the program's entry into the interrupt handler, push all registers and initialize DS to the address of your data segment. Within the handler, use only *BIOS*, not *DOS*, interrupts. On exit, pop all registers.

**Function 10H: Set Pointer Exclusion Area.** This operation defines a screen area in which the pointer is not displayed:

```

MOV  AX,10H          ;Request set exclusion area
MOV  CX,upleft-x     ;Upper left x-coordinate
MOV  DX,upleft-y     ;Upper left y-coordinate
MOV  SI,lowright-x   ;Lower right x-coordinate
MOV  DI,lowright-y   ;Lower right y-coordinate
INT  33H             ;Call mouse driver

```

To replace the exclusion area, call the function again with different parameters, or reissue function 00H or 01H.

**Function 13H: Set Double-Speed Threshold.** This operation sets the threshold speed at which the pointer motion on the screen is doubled. Load DX with the new value (the default is 64 mickeys per second). (See also function 1AH.)

**Function 1AH: Set Mouse Sensitivity.** Sensitivity concerns the number of mickeys that the mouse needs to move before the pointer is moved. This function sets the

horizontal and vertical mouse motion in terms of the number of mickeys per eight pixels, as well as the threshold speed at which the pointer motion on the screen is doubled (see also functions 0FH, 13H, and 1BH):

```

MOV  AX,1AH          ;Request set mouse sensitivity
MOV  BX,horizontal    ;Horizontal mickeys (default = 8)
MOV  CX,vertical      ;Vertical mickeys (default = 16)
MOV  DX,threshold     ;Threshold speed (default = 64)
INT  33H             ;Call mouse driver

```

**Function 1BH: Get Mouse Sensitivity.** This operation returns the horizontal and vertical mouse motion in terms of number of mickeys per eight pixels as well as the threshold speed at which the pointer motion on the screen is doubled. (See function 1AH for the returned registers and values.)

**Function 1DH: Select Display Page for Pointer.** The page for video display is set with INT 10H function 05H. For mouse operations, set the page number in BX and issue this function.

**Function 1EH: Get Display Page for Pointer.** This operation returns the current video display page in BX.

**Function 24H: Get Mouse Information.** This operation returns information about the version and type of mouse that is installed:

BH = Major version number

BL = Minor version number

CH = Mouse type (1 = bus mouse, 2 = serial mouse)

## PROGRAM: USING THE MOUSE WITH A MENU

Earlier, the program in Figure 10-2 used the cursor keys for selecting an item from a menu. The program in Figure 15-2 is similar, but now allows the user to move the mouse pointer up and down the menu and to select an entry by pressing the left button. Also, there is now an entry at the bottom of the menu for "Exit Program." The major procedures are the following:

- A10MAIN calls B10INITZ to initialize the mouse, calls C10MENU to display the menu, calls E10DISPLY to highlight the current menu line, calls D10POINTR to respond to mouse actions, and ends processing when the user requests "Exit Program."
- B10INITZ initializes the mouse, displays the pointer, and sets horizontal and vertical limits to the pointer area.
- C10MENU displays the full set of menu selections.
- D10POINTR checks for the left button pressed; if so, calls E10DISPLY to set the old menu line to normal video and the selected line to reverse video.
- E10DISPLY displays menu lines according to given attributes.

```

TITLE      A15SELMU (EXE) Select item from menu
.MODEL     SMALL
.STACK     64
.DATA
TOPROW     EQU      08                ;Top row of menu
BOTROW     EQU      16                ;Bottom row of menu
LEFTCOL    EQU      26                ;Left column of menu
LEN_LINE   EQU      19                ;Length of menu line
ATTRIB     DB        ?                ;Screen attribute
COL         DB        00              ;Screen column
ROW         DB        00              ;Screen row
SHADOW     DB        19 DUP(0DBH)     ;Shadow characters
MENU        DB        0C9H, 17 DUP(0CDH), 0BBH
            DB        0BAH, ' Add records      ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' Delete records   ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' Enter orders     ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' Print report      ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' Update accounts  ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' View records     ', 0BAH
            DB        0BAH, ' Exit program     ', 0BAH
            DB        0C8H, 17 DUP(0CDH), 0BCH
PROMPT     DB        'To select an item, press left '
            DB        'button of mouse pointer.'
.386 ; -----
.CODE
A10MAIN    PROC     FAR
            MOV      AX,@data          ;Initialize segment
            MOV      DS,AX             ; registers
            MOV      ES,AX
            CALL     Q10CLEAR          ;Clear screen
            CALL     B10INITZ         ;Initialize mouse
            CMP      AX,00             ;Mouse installed?
            JE       A90              ; no, exit
            CALL     C10MENU          ;Display menu

A20:
            MOV      ROW,TOPROW+1     ;Set row to top item
            MOV      ATTRIB,16H       ;Set reverse video
            CALL     E10DISPLY        ;Highlight current menu line
            CALL     D10POINTR        ;Call mouse routine
            CMP      DX,BOTROW-1      ;Exit requested?
            JNE      A20              ; no, continue
            MOV      AX,02H           ;Hide mouse pointer
            INT      33H
            MOV      AX,0600H         ;Clear
            CALL     Q10CLEAR          ; screen
A90:
            MOV      AX,4C00H         ;End of processing
            INT      21H
A10MAIN    ENDP
;
;      Initialize mouse pointer, set
;      horizontal and vertical limits:
;
B10INITZ   PROC     NEAR              ;Uses AX, CX, DX
            MOV      AX,00H           ;Request initialize
            INT      33H              ; mouse
            CMP      AX,00            ;Mouse installed?
            JE       B90              ; no, exit

```

Figure 15-2 Selecting from a Menu

```

MOV     AX,01H           ;Show pointer
INT     33H
MOV     AX,04H           ;Set pointer
MOV     CX,256
MOV     DX,108
INT     33H
MOV     AX,07H           ;Horizontal limits
MOV     CX,LEFTCOL+1     ; left column
MOV     DX,LEFTCOL+17    ; right column
SHL     CX,03             ;Multiply by 8 for
SHL     DX,03             ; pixel value
INT     33H
MOV     AX,08H           ;Vertical limits
MOV     CX,TOPROW+1      ; top row
MOV     DX,BOTROW-1      ; bottom row
SHL     CX,03             ;Divide by 8
SHL     DX,03
INT     33H
B90:    RET
B10INITZ ENDP
;
;
C10MENU PROC NEAR           ;Uses AX, BP, BX, CX, DX
MOV     AX,1301H         ;Request display
MOV     BX,0060H         ;Black on brown
LEA     BP,SHADOW         ;Address of shadow
MOV     CX,LEN_LINE       ;Length of line
MOV     DH,TOPROW+1       ;Screen row
MOV     DL,LEFTCOL+1      ; and column
C20:    INT     10H
        INC     DH         ;Next row
        CMP     DH,BOTROW+2 ;All rows displayed?
        JNE     C20        ; no, repeat
        MOV     ATTRIB,71H ;Blue on white
        MOV     AX,1300H   ;Request display
        MOV     BH,00      ;Page 0
        MOV     BL,ATTRIB  ;Attribute
        LEA     BP,MENU    ;Address of menu
        MOV     CX,LEN_LINE ;Length of line
        MOV     DH,TOPROW  ;Screen row,
        MOV     DL,LEFTCOL ; column
C30:    INT     10H
        ADD     BP,LEN_LINE ;Next menu line
        INC     DH         ;Next row
        CMP     DH,BOTROW+1 ;All rows displayed?
        JNE     C30        ; no, repeat
        MOV     AX,1300H   ;Request display
        MOV     BH,00      ;Page 0
        MOV     BL,ATTRIB  ;Attribute
        LEA     BP,PROMPT  ;Prompt line
        MOV     CX,45      ;Length of prompt
        MOV     DH,BOTROW+4 ;Screen row,
        MOV     DL,15      ; column
        INT     10H
        RET
C10MENU ENDP

```

Figure 15-2 Continued



```

;
;
;
D10POINTR PROC NEAR
D20: MOV AX,03H ;Uses AX, BX, DX
      INT 33H ;Get button status
      CMP BX,00000001B ;Left button pressed?
      JNE D20 ; no, repeat
      SHR DX,03 ;Divide vertical by 8
      CMP DX,BOTROW-1 ;Request for exit?
      JE D90 ; yes, exit
      PUSH DX ; no, save row
      MOV ATTRIB,71H ;Blue on white
      CALL E10DISPLY ;Set old line to normal video
      POP DX ;Get row
      MOV ROW,DL
      MOV ATTRIB,17H ;White on blue
      CALL E10DISPLY ;Set new line to reverse video
      JMP D20 ;Repeat
D90: RET
D10POINTR ENDP
;
;
;
E10DISPLY PROC NEAR
MOVZX AX,ROW ;Uses AX, BX, BP, CX, DX
SUB AX,TOPROW ;Row tells which menu line
IMUL AX,LEN_LINE ;Multiply by length of line
LEA SI,MENU+1 ; for selected menu line
ADD SI,AX
MOV AX,1300H ;Request display
MOV BH,00 ;Page
MOV BL,ATTRIB ;New attribute
MOV BP,SI ;Menu line
MOV CX,LEN_LINE-2 ;Length of string
MOV DH,ROW ;Row
MOV DL,LEFTCOL+1 ;Column
INT 10H
RET
E10DISPLY ENDP
;
;
;
Q10CLEAR PROC NEAR
MOV AX,0600H ;Uses AX, BH, CX, DX
MOV BH,61H ;Request scroll
MOV CX,0000 ;Blue on brown
MOV DX,184FH ;Full screen
INT 10H
RET
Q10CLEAR ENDP
END A10MAIN

```

Figure 15-2 Continued

## KEY POINTS

- In text mode, the mouse pointer is a flashing block in reverse video; in graphics mode, the pointer is an arrowhead.
- Mouse operations use INT 33H with a function code loaded in the full AX.
- The first mouse operation to execute should be INT 33H function 00H, which initializes the mouse driver.

- INT 33H Function 01H is required to display the mouse pointer, 03H to get the button status, 04H to get the pointer location, 05H to get button-press information, and 06H to get button-release information.
- The horizontal and vertical coordinates for the mouse location are in terms of pixels.

## REVIEW QUESTIONS AND EXERCISES

- 15-1.** Explain these terms: (a) mickey, (b) mickey count, (c) mouse pointer.
- 15-2.** Provide the INT 33H function for each of the following mouse operations:
- (a) Conceal the mouse pointer
  - (b) Get button-press information
  - (c) Set pointer location
  - (d) Install interrupt handler for mouse events
  - (e) Get button-release information
  - (f) Read mouse-motion counters
- 15-3.** Explain the purpose of the mouse pointer flag.
- 15-4.** Code the instructions for the following requirements:
- (a) Initialize the mouse
  - (b) Display the mouse pointer
  - (c) Get mouse information
  - (d) Set the mouse pointer on row 22 at the center column
  - (e) Get mouse sensitivity
  - (f) Get button status and pointer location
  - (g) Conceal the mouse pointer.
- 15-5.** Combine the requirements in Question 15-4 into a full program. You can run the program under DEBUG, although at times DEBUG may scroll the pointer off the screen.
- 15-6.** Code instructions for setting the pointer exclusion area to (a) upper left:  $x = 40$ ,  $y = 40$ , (b) lower right:  $x = 160$ ,  $y = 80$ .