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## **Dedication**

Several years ago I was told that "Perfection is an English education, an American salary, and a Japanese wife."

Accordingly, I wish to thank the members of Staff at Culford School in England, who gave me the English education, the people who work with me at Johnson-Laird Inc. and Control-C Software and our clients, who give me my American salary, and Mr. and Mrs. Kitagawa, who gave me Kay Kitagawa (who not only married me but took over where my English grammar left off).

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## Introduction

This book is a sequel to the *Osborne CP/M® User Guide* by Thom Hogan. It is a technical book written mainly for programmers who require a thorough knowledge of the internal structure of CP/M—how the various pieces of CP/M work, how to use CP/M as an operating system, and finally, how to implement CP/M on different computer systems. This book is written for people who

- Have been working with microcomputers that run Digital Research's CP/M operating system.
- Understand the internals of the microprocessor world—bits, bytes, ports, RAM, ROM, and other jargon of the programmer.
- Know how to write in assembly language for the Intel 8080 or Zilog Z80 Central Processing Unit (CPU) chips.

If you don't have this kind of background, start by getting practical experience on a system running CP/M and by reading the following books from Osborne/McGraw-Hill:

- *An Introduction to Microcomputers: Volume 1—Basic Concepts*

This book describes the fundamental concepts and facts that you need to

know about microprocessors in order to program them. If you really need basics, there is a Volume 0 called *The Beginner's Book*.

- *8080A/8085 Assembly Language Programming*

This book covers all aspects of writing programs in 8080 assembly language, giving many examples.

- *Osborne CP/M® User Guide (2nd Edition)*

This book introduces the CP/M operating system. It tells you how to use CP/M as a tool to get things done on a computer.

The book you are reading now deals only with CP/M Version 2.2 for the 8080 or Z80 chips. At the time of writing, new versions of CP/M and MP/M (the multi-user, multi-tasking successor to CP/M) were becoming available. CP/M-86 and MP/M-86 for the Intel 8086 CPU chip and MP/M-II for the 8080 or Z80 chips had been released, with CP/M 3.0 (8080 or Z80) in the wings. The 8086, although related architecturally to the 8080, is different enough to make it impossible to cover in detail in this book; and while MP/M-II and MP/M-86 are similar to CP/M, they have many aspects that cannot be adequately discussed within the scope of this book.

## Outline of Contents

This book explains topics as if you were starting from the top of a pyramid. Successive "slices" down the pyramid cover the same material but give more detail.

The first chapter includes a brief outline of the notation used in this book for example programs written in Intel 8080 assembly language and in the C programming language.

Chapter 2 deals with the structure of CP/M, describing its major parts, their positions in memory, and their functions.

Chapter 3 discusses CP/M's file system in as much detail as possible, given its proprietary nature. The directory entry, disk parameter block, and file organization are described.

Chapter 4 covers the Console Command Processor (CCP), examining the way in which you enter command lines, the CP/M commands built into the CCP, how the CCP loads programs, and how it transfers control to these programs.

Chapter 5 begins the programming section. It deals with the system calls your programs can make to the high-level part of CP/M, the Basic Disk Operating System (BDOS).

Chapters 6 through 10 deal with the Basic Input/Output System (BIOS). This is the part of CP/M that is unique to each computer system. It is the part that you as a programmer will write and implement for your own computer system.

Chapter 6 describes a standard implementation of the BIOS.

Chapter 7 describes the mechanism for rebuilding CP/M for a different configuration.

Chapter 8 tells you how to write an enhanced BIOS.

Chapter 9 takes a close look at how to handle hardware errors—how to detect and deal with them, and how to make this task easier for the person using the computer.

Chapter 10 discusses the problems you may face when you try to debug your BIOS code. It includes debugging subroutines and describes techniques that will save you time and suffering.

Chapter 11 describes several utility programs, some that work with the features of the enhanced BIOS in Chapter 8 and some that will work with all CP/M 2 implementations.

Chapter 12 concerns error messages and some oddities that you will discover, sometimes painfully, in CP/M. Messages are explained and some probable causes for strange results are documented.

The appendixes contain “ready-reference” information and summaries of information that you need at your side when designing, coding, and testing programs to run under CP/M or your own BIOS routines.

## Notation

When you program your computer, you will be sitting in front of your terminal interacting with CP/M and the utility programs that run under it. The sections that follow describe the notation used to represent the dialog that will appear on your terminal and the output that will appear on your printer.

### Console Dialog

This book follows the conventions used in the *Osborne CP/M User Guide*, extended slightly to handle more complex dialogs. In this book

- <name> means the ASCII character named between the angle brackets, < and >. For example, <BEL> is the ASCII Bell character, and <HT> is the ASCII Horizontal Tab Character. (Refer to Appendix A for the complete ASCII character set.)
- <cr> means to press the CARRIAGE RETURN key.
- 123 or a number without a suffix means a decimal number.
- 100B or a number followed by B means a binary number.
- 0A5H or a number followed by H means a hexadecimal number. A hexadecimal number starting with a letter is usually shown with a leading 0 to avoid confusion.

- $^x$  means to hold the CONTROL (CTRL) key down while pressing the x key.
- Underline is keyboard input you type. Output from the computer is shown without underlining.

## Assembly Language Program Examples

This book uses Intel 8080 mnemonics throughout as a "lowest common denominator"—the Z80 CPU contains features absent in the 8080, but not vice versa. Output from Digital Research's ASM Assembler is shown so that you can see the generated object code as well as the source.

## High-Level Language Examples

The utility programs described in Chapter 11 are written in C, a programming language which lends itself to describing algorithms clearly without becoming entangled in linguistic bureaucracy. Cryptic expressions have been avoided in favor of those that most clearly show how to solve the problem. Ample comments explain the code.

An excellent book for those who do not know how to program in C is *The C Programming Language* by Brian Kernighan and Dennis Ritchie (Prentice-Hall). Appendix A of this book is the C Reference Manual.

## Example Programs on Diskette

Example programs in this book have been assembled with ASM and tested with DDT, Digital Research's Dynamic Debugging Tool. C examples were compiled using Leor Zolman's BDS C Compiler (Version 1.50) and tested using the enhanced BIOS described in Chapter 8.

All of the source code shown in this book is available on a single-sided, single-density, 8-inch diskette (IBM 3740 format). Please do *not* contact Osborne/McGraw-Hill to order this diskette. Call or write

Johnson-Laird, Inc.  
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CP/M from Digital Research

The Pieces of CP/M

CP/M Diskette Format

Loading CP/M

Console Command Processor

Basic Disk Operating System

Basic Input/Output System

CCP, BDOS, and BIOS

Interactions

# 2

## The Structure of CP/M

This chapter introduces the pieces that make up CP/M—what they are and what they do. This bird's-eye view of CP/M will establish a framework to which later chapters will add more detailed information.

You may have purchased the standard version of CP/M directly from Digital Research, but it is more likely you received CP/M when you bought your microprocessor system or its disk drive system. Or, you may have purchased CP/M separately from a software distributor. In any case, this distributor or the company that made the system or disk drive will have already modified the standard version of CP/M to work on your specific hardware. Most manufacturers' versions of CP/M have more files on their system diskette than are described here for the standard Digital Research release.

Some manufacturers have rewritten all the documentation so that you may not have received any Digital Research CP/M manuals. If this is the case, you should order the complete set from Digital Research, because as a programmer, you will need to have them for reference.

## CP/M from Digital Research

Digital Research provides a standard "vanilla-flavored" version of CP/M that will run only on the Intel Microcomputer Development System (MDS). The CP/M package from Digital Research contains seven manuals and an 8-inch, single-sided, single-density standard IBM 3740 format diskette.

The following manuals come with this CP/M system:

- *An Introduction to CP/M Features and Facilities.* This is a brief description of CP/M and the utility programs you will find on the diskette. It describes only CP/M version 1.4.
- *CP/M 2.0 User's Guide.* Digital Research wrote this manual to describe the new features of CP/M 2.0 and the extensions made to existing CP/M 1.4 features.
- *ED: A Context Editor for the CP/M Disk System.* By today's standards, ED is a primitive line editor, but you can still use it to make changes to files containing ASCII text, such as the BIOS source code.
- *CP/M Assembler (ASM).* ASM is a simple but fast assembler that can be used to translate the BIOS source code on the diskette into machine code. Since ASM is only a bare-bones assembler, many programmers now use its successor, MAC (also from Digital Research).
- *CP/M Dynamic Debugging Tool (DDT).* DDT is an extremely useful program that allows you to load programs in machine code form and then test them, executing the program either one machine instruction at a time or stopping only when the CPU reaches a specific point in the program.
- *CP/M Alteration Guide.* There are two manuals with this title, one for CP/M version 1.4 and the other for 2.0. Both manuals describe, somewhat cryptically, how to modify CP/M.
- *CP/M Interface Guide.* Again, there are two versions, 1.4 and 2.0. These manuals tell you how to write programs that communicate directly with CP/M.

The diskette supplied by Digital Research has the following files:

***ASM.COM***

The CP/M assembler.

***BIOS.ASM***

A source code file containing a sample BIOS for the Intel Microcomputer Development System (MDS). Unless you have the MDS, this file is useful only as an example of a BIOS.

***CBIOS.ASM***

Another source code file for a BIOS. This one is skeletal: There are gaps so that you can insert code for your computer.

***DDT.COM***

The Dynamic Debugging Tool program.

***DEBLOCK.ASM***

A source code file that you will need to use in the BIOS if your computer uses sector sizes other than 128 bytes. It is an example of how to block and deblock 128-byte sectors to and from the sector size you need.

***DISKDEF.LIB***

A library of source text that you will use if you have a copy of Digital Research's advanced assembler, MAC.

***DUMP.ASM***

The source for an example program. DUMP reads a CP/M disk file and displays it in hexadecimal form on the console.

***DUMP.COM***

The actual executable program derived from DUMP.ASM.

***ED.COM***

The source file editor.

***LOAD.COM***

A program that takes the machine code file output by the assembler, ASM, and creates another file with the data rearranged so that you can execute the program by just typing its name on the keyboard.

***MOVCPM.COM***

A program that creates versions of CP/M for different memory sizes.

***PIP.COM***

A program for copying information from one place to another (PIP is short for Peripheral Interchange Program).

***STAT.COM***

A program that displays statistics about the CP/M and other information that you have stored on disks.

***SUBMIT.COM***

A program that you use to enter CP/M commands automatically. It helps you avoid repeated typing of long command sequences.

***SYSGEN.COM***

A program that writes CP/M onto diskettes.

***XSUB.COM***

An extended version of the SUBMIT program. The files named previously

fall into two groups: One group is used only to rebuild CP/M, while the other set is general-purpose programming tools.

## The Pieces of CP/M

CP/M is composed of the Basic Disk Operating System (BDOS), the Console Command Processor (CCP), and the Basic Input/Output System (BIOS).

On occasion you will see references in CP/M manuals to something called the FDOS, which stands for "Floppy Disk Operating System." This name is given to the portion of CP/M consisting of both the BDOS and BIOS and is a relic passed down from the original version. Since it is rarely necessary to refer to the BDOS and the BIOS combined as a single entity, no further references to the FDOS will be made in this book.

The BDOS and the CCP are the proprietary parts of CP/M. Unless you are willing to pay several thousand dollars, you cannot get the source code for them. You do not need to. CP/M is designed so that all of the code that varies from one machine to another is contained in the BIOS, and you do get the BIOS source code from Digital Research. Several companies make specialized BIOSs for different computer systems. In many cases they, as well as some CP/M hardware manufacturers, do not make the source code for their BIOS available; they have put time and effort into building their BIOS, and they wish to preserve the proprietary nature of what they have done.

You may have to build a special configuration of CP/M for a specific computer. This involves no more than the following four steps:

1. Make a version of the BDOS and CCP for the memory size of your computer.
2. Write a modified version of the BIOS that matches the hardware in your computer.
3. Write a small program to load CP/M into memory when you press the RESET button on your computer.
4. Join all of the pieces together and write them out to a diskette.

These steps will be explained in Chapters 7, 8, and 9.

In the third step, you write a small program that loads CP/M into memory when you press the RESET button on your computer. This program is normally called the bootstrap loader. You may also see it called the "boot" or even the "cold start" loader. "Bootstrap" refers to the idea that when the computer is first turned on, there is no program to execute. The task of getting that very first program into the computer is, conceptually, as difficult as attempting to pick yourself up off the ground by pulling on your own bootstraps. In the early days of computing, this operation was performed by entering instructions manually—setting large banks

of switches (the computer was built to read the switches as soon as it was turned on). Today, microcomputers contain some small fragment of a program in "non-volatile" read-only memory (ROM)—memory that retains data when the computer is turned off. This stored program, usually a Programmable Read Only Memory (PROM) chip, can load your bootstrap program, which in turn loads CP/M.

### CP/M Diskette Format

The standard version of CP/M is formatted on an 8-inch, single-sided diskette. Diskettes other than this type will probably have different layouts; hard disks definitely will be different.

The physical format of the standard 8-inch diskette is shown in Figure 2-1. The

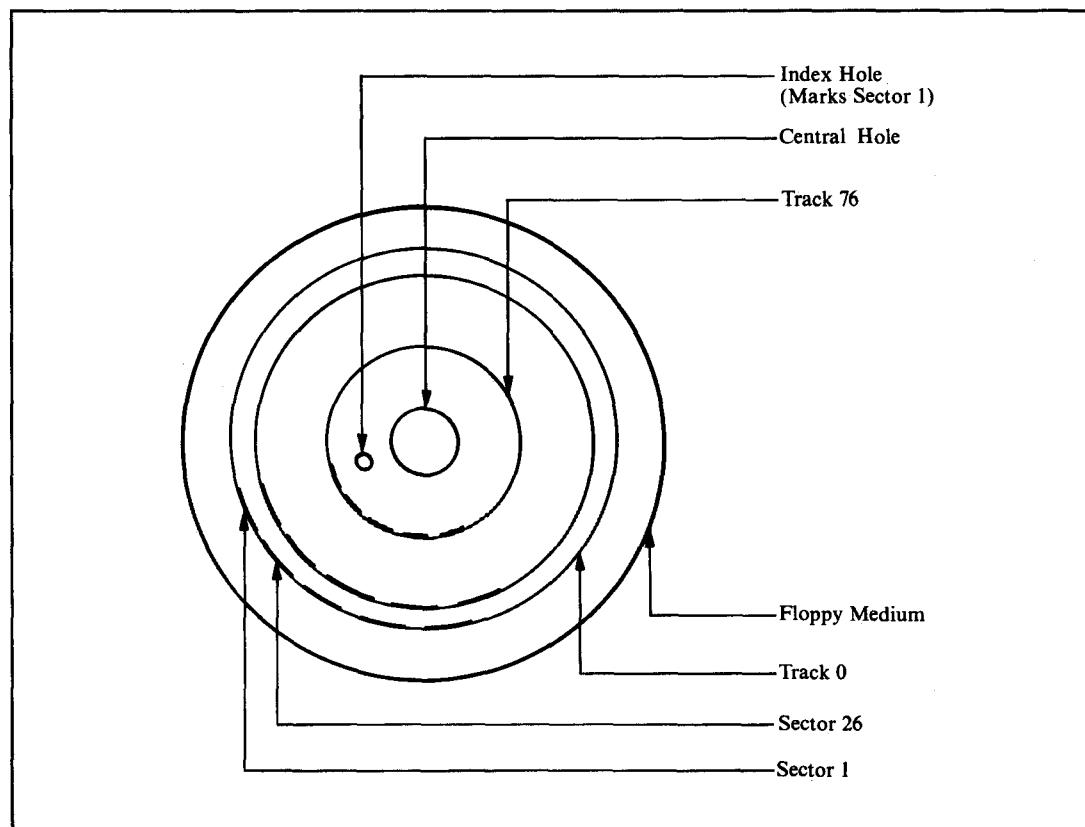
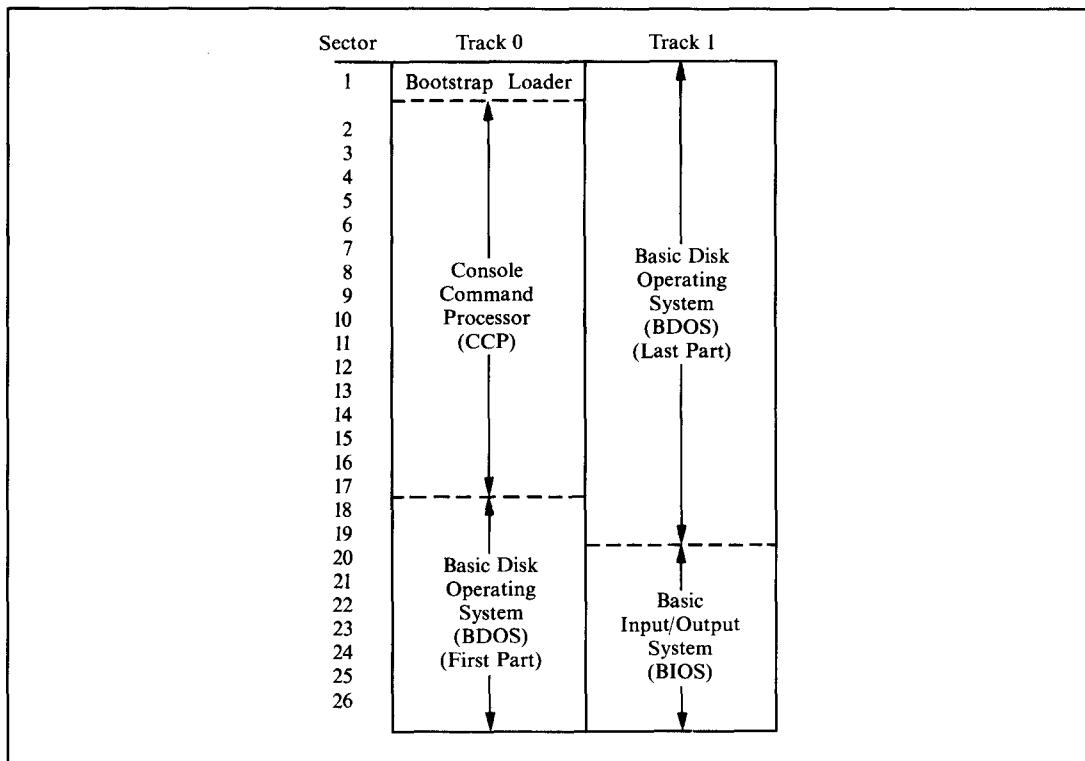


Figure 2-1. Floppy disk layout



**Figure 2-2.** Layout of CP/M on tracks 0 and 1 of floppy disk

diskette has a total of 77 concentric tracks numbered from zero (the outermost) to 76 (the innermost). Each of these tracks is divided radially into 26 sectors. These physical sectors are numbered from 1 to 26; physical sector zero does not exist. Each sector has enough space for 128 bytes of data.

Even when CP/M is implemented on a large hard disk with much larger sector sizes, it still works with 128-byte sectors. The BIOS has extra instructions that convert the *real* sectors into CP/M-style 128-byte sectors.

A final note on physical format: The soft-sectored, single-sided, single-density, 8-inch diskette (IBM 3740 format) is the *only* standard format. Any other formats will be unique to the hardware manufacturer that uses them. It is unlikely that you can read a diskette on one manufacturer's computer if it was written on another's, even though the formats appear to be the same. For example, a single-sided, double-density diskette written on an Intel Development System cannot be read on a Digital Microsystems computer even though both use double-density format. If you want to move data from one computer to another, use 8-inch, single-sided, single-density format diskettes, and it *should* work.

In order to see how CP/M is stored on a diskette, consider the first two tracks on the diskette, track 0 and track 1. Figure 2-2 shows how the data is stored on these tracks.

## Loading CP/M

The events that occur after you first switch on your computer and put the CP/M diskette into a disk drive are the same as those that occur when you press the RESET button—the computer generates a RESET signal.

The RESET button stops the central processor unit (CPU). All of the internals of the CPU are set to an initial state, and all the registers are cleared to zero. The program counter is also cleared to zero so that when the RESET signal goes away (it only lasts for a few milliseconds), the CPU starts executing instructions at location 0000H in memory.

Memory chips, when they first receive power, cannot be relied upon to contain any particular value. Therefore, hardware designers arrange for some initial instructions to be forced into memory at location 0000H and onward. It is this feat that is like pulling yourself up by your own bootstraps. How can you make the computer obey a particular instruction when there is “nothing” (of any sensible value) inside the machine?

There are two common techniques for placing preliminary instructions into memory:

### *Force-feeding*

With this approach, the hardware engineer assumes that when the RESET signal is applied, some part of the computer system, typically the floppy disk controller, can masquerade as memory. Just before the CPU is unleashed, the floppy disk controller will take control of the computer system and copy a small program into memory at location 0000H and upward. Then the CPU is allowed to start executing instructions at location 0000H. The disk controller preserves the instructions even when power is off because they are stored in nonvolatile PROM-based firmware. These instructions make the disk controller read the first sector of the first track of the system diskette into memory and then transfer control to it.

### *Shadow ROM*

This is a variation of the force-feeding technique. The hardware manufacturer arranges some ROM at location 0000H. There is also some normal read/write memory at location 0000H, but this is electronically disabled when the RESET signal has been activated. The CPU, unleashed at location 0000H, starts to execute the ROM instruction. The first act of the ROM program is to copy itself into read/write memory at some convenient location higher up in memory and transfer control of the machine up to this copy. Then the real memory at location 0000H can be turned on, the ROM turned off, and the first sector on the disk read in.

With either technique, the result is the same. The first sector of the disk is read into memory and control is transferred to the first instruction contained in the sector.

This first sector contains the main CP/M bootstrap program. This program initializes some aspects of the hardware and then reads in the remainder of track 0 and most of the sectors on track 1 (the exact number depends on the overall length of the BIOS itself). The CP/M bootstrap program will contain only the most primitive diskette error handling, trying to read the disk over and over again if the hardware indicates that it is having problems reading a sector.

The bootstrap program loads CP/M to the correct place in memory; the load address is a constant in the bootstrap. If you need to build a version of CP/M that uses more memory, you will need to change this load address inside the bootstrap as well as the address to which the bootstrap will jump when all of CP/M has been read in. This address too is a constant in the bootstrap program.

The bootstrap program transfers control to the first instruction in the BIOS, the cold boot entry point. "Cold" implies that the operation is starting cold from an empty computer.

The cold boot code in the BIOS will set up the hardware in your computer. That is, it programs the various chips that control the speed at which serial ports transmit and receive data. It initializes the serial port chips themselves and generally readies the computer system. Its final act is to transfer control to the first instruction in the BDOS in order to start up CP/M proper.

Once the BDOS receives control, it initializes itself, scans the file directory on the system diskette, and hands over control to the CCP. The CCP then outputs the "A>" prompt to the console and waits for you to enter a command. CP/M is then ready to do your bidding.

At this point, it is worthwhile to review which CP/M parts are in memory, where in memory they are, and what functions they perform.

This overview will look at memory first. Figure 2-3 shows the positions in memory of the Console Command Processor, the Basic Disk Operating System, and the Basic Input/Output System.

By touching upon these major memory components—the CCP, BDOS, and BIOS—this discussion will consider which modules interact with them, how requests for action are passed to them, and what functions they can perform.

## Console Command Processor

As you can see in Figure 2-3, the CCP is the first part of CP/M that is encountered going "up" through memory addresses. This is significant when you consider that the CCP is only necessary in between programs. When CP/M is idle, it needs the CCP to interact with you, to accept your next command. Once CP/M has started to execute the command, the CCP is redundant; any console interaction will be handled by the program you are running rather than by the CCP.

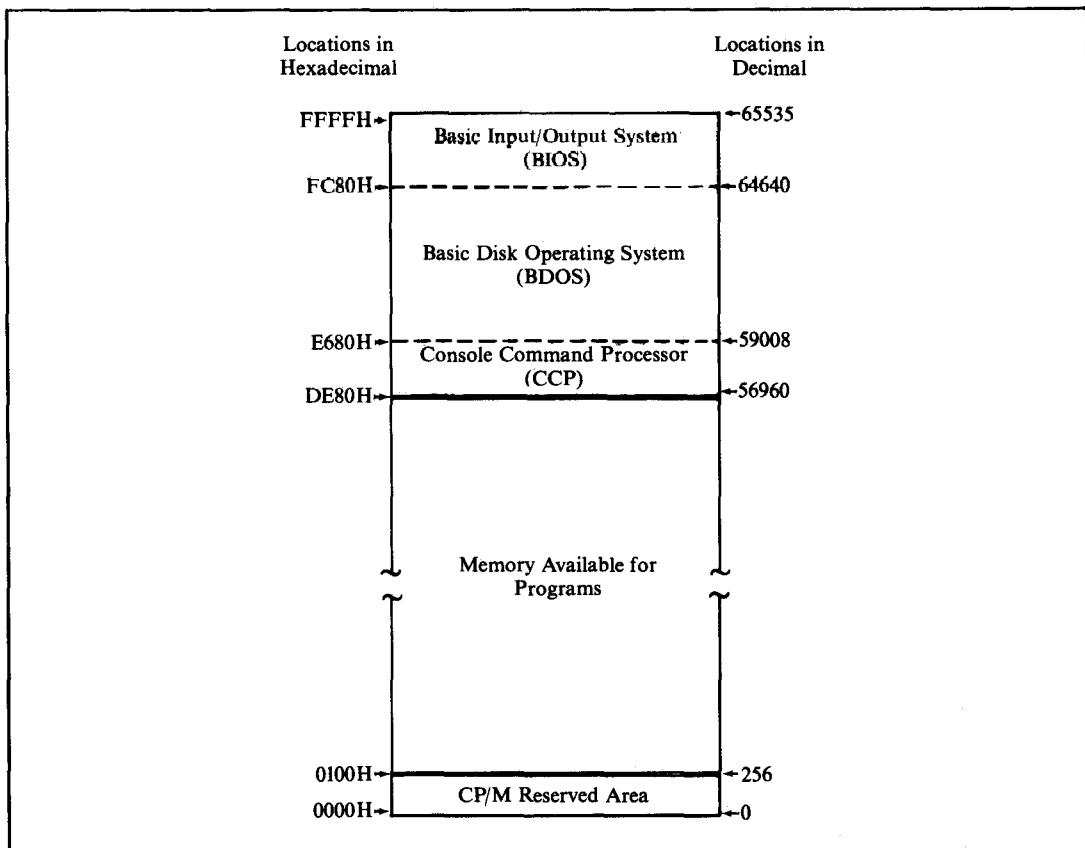


Figure 2-3. Memory layout with CP/M loaded

Therefore, the CCP leads a very jerky existence in memory. It is loaded when you first start CP/M. When you ask CP/M, via the CCP, to execute a program, this program can overwrite the CCP and use the memory occupied by the CCP for its own purposes. When the program you asked for has finished, CP/M needs to reload the CCP, now ready for its interaction with you. This process of reloading the CCP is known as a *warm boot*. In contrast with the cold boot mentioned before, the warm boot is not a complete “start from cold”; it’s just a reloading of the CCP. The BDOS and BIOS are not touched.

How does a program tell CP/M that it has finished and that a warm boot must be executed? By jumping to location 0000H. While the BIOS was initializing itself during the cold boot routine, it put an instruction at location 0000H to jump to the warm boot routine, which is also in the BIOS. Once the BIOS warm boot routine

has reloaded the CCP from the disk, it will transfer control to the CCP. (The cold and warm boot routines are discussed further in Chapter 6.)

This brief description indicates that every command you enter causes a program to be loaded, the CCP to be overwritten, the program to run, and the CCP to be reloaded when the program jumps to location 0000H on completing its task. This is not completely true. Some frequently needed commands reside in the CCP. Using one of these commands means that CP/M does not have to load anything from a diskette; the programs are already in memory as part of the CCP. These commands, known as "intrinsic" or "resident" commands, are listed here with a brief description of what they do. (All of them are described more thoroughly in Chapter 4.) The "resident" commands are

<i>DIR</i>	Displays which files are on a diskette
<i>ERA</i>	Erases files from a diskette
<i>REN</i>	Changes the names of files on diskette
<i>TYPE</i>	Displays the contents of text files on the console
<i>SAVE</i>	Saves some of memory as a file on diskette
<i>USER</i>	Changes User File Group.

## Basic Disk Operating System

The BDOS is the heart of CP/M. The CCP and all of the programs that you run under CP/M talk to the BDOS for all their outside contacts. The BDOS performs such tasks as console input/ output, printer output, and file management (creating, deleting, and renaming files and reading and writing sectors).

The BDOS performs all of these things in a rather detached way. It is concerned only with the logical tasks at hand rather than the detailed action of getting a sector from a diskette into memory, for example. These "low-level" operations are done by the BDOS in conjunction with the BIOS.

But how does a program work with the BDOS? By another strategically placed jump instruction in memory. Remember that the cold boot placed the jump to the BIOS warm boot routine in location 0000H. At location 0005H, it puts a jump instruction that transfers control up to the first instruction of the BDOS. Thus, any program that transfers control to location 0005H will find its way into the BDOS. Typically, programs make a CALL instruction to location 0005H so that once the BDOS has performed the task at hand, it can return to the calling program at the correct place. The program enlisting the BDOS's help puts special values into several of the CPU registers before it makes the call to location 0005H. These values tell the BDOS what operation is required and the other values needed for the specific operation.

## Basic Input/Output System

As mentioned before, the BDOS deals with the input and output of information in a detached way, unencumbered by the physical details of the computer hardware. It is the BIOS that communicates directly with the hardware, the ports, and the peripheral devices wired to them.

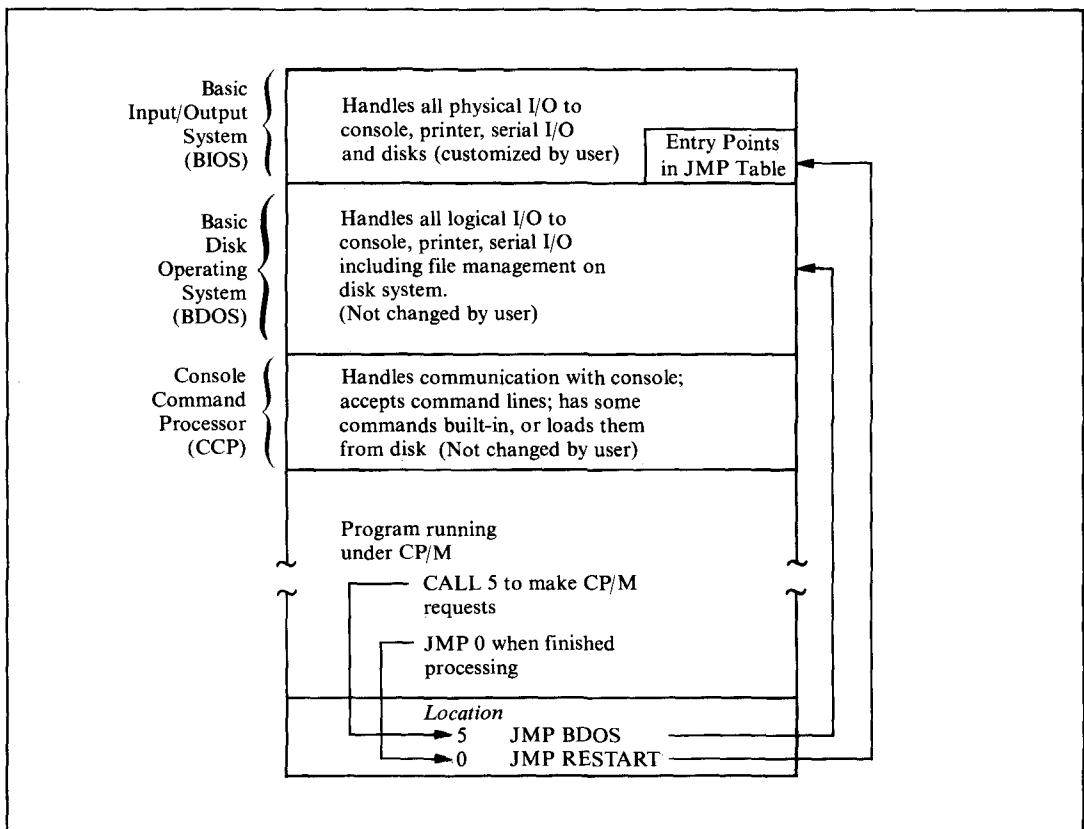
This separation of *logical* input/output in the BDOS from the *physical* input/output in the BIOS is one of the major reasons why CP/M is so popular. It means that the same version of CP/M can be adapted for all types of computers, regardless of the oddities of the hardware design. Digital Research will tell you that there are over 200,000 computers in the world running CP/M. Just about all of them are running *identical* copies of the CCP and BDOS. Only the BIOS is different. If you write a program that plays by the rules and only interacts with the BDOS to get things done, it will run on almost all of those 200,000 computers without your having to change a single line of code.

You probably noticed the word "almost" in the last paragraph. Sometimes programmers make demands of the BIOS directly rather than the BDOS. This leads to trouble. The BIOS should be off limits to your program. You need to know what it is and how it works in order to build a customized version of CP/M, but you must *never* write programs that talk directly to the BIOS if you want them to run on other versions of CP/M.

Now that you understand the perils of talking to the BIOS, it is safe to describe how the BDOS communicates with the BIOS. Unlike the BDOS, which has a single entry point and uses a value in a register to specify the function to be performed, the BIOS has several entry points. The first few instructions in the BIOS are all independent entry points, each taking up three bytes of memory. The BDOS will enter the BIOS at the appropriate instruction, depending on the function to be performed. This group of entry points is similar in function to a railroad marshalling yard. It directs the BDOS to the correct destination in the BIOS for the function it needs to have done. The entry point group consists of a series of JUMP instructions, each one three bytes long. The group as a whole is called the BIOS jump table, or jump vector. Each entry point has a predefined meaning. These points are detailed and will be discussed in Chapter 6.

## CCP, BDOS, and BIOS Interactions

Figure 2-4 summarizes the functions that the CCP, BDOS, and BIOS perform, the ways in which these parts of CP/M communicate among themselves, and the way in which one of your programs running under CP/M interacts with the BDOS.



**Figure 2-4.** CP/M's functional breakdown

# 3

How CP/M Views the Disk  
The Making of a File  
Disk Definition Tables  
File Organizations

## The CP/M File System

This chapter gives you a close look at the CP/M file system. The Basic Disk Operating System (BDOS) is responsible for this file system: It keeps a directory of the files on disk, noting where data are actually stored on the disk. Because the file system automatically keeps track of this information, you can ignore the details of which tracks and sectors on the disk have data for a given file.

### How CP/M Views the Disk

To manage files on the disk, CP/M works with the disk in logical terms rather than in physical terms of tracks and sectors. CP/M treats the disk as three major areas.

These are the *reserved area*, which contains the bootstrap program and CP/M itself; the *file directory*, containing one or more entries for each file stored on the disk; and the *data storage area*, which occupies the remainder of the disk. You will

be looking at how CP/M allocates the storage to the files as your programs create them.

The Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) has built-in tables that tell CP/M the respective sizes of the three areas. These are the *disk definition tables*, described later in this chapter.

## Allocation Blocks

Rather than work with individual 128-byte sectors, CP/M joins several of these sectors logically to form an allocation block. Typically, an allocation block will contain eight 128-byte sectors (which makes it 1024 or 1K bytes long). This makes for easier disk manipulation because the magnitude of the numbers involved is reduced. For example, a standard 8-inch, single-density, single-sided floppy disk has 1950 128-byte sectors; hard disks may have 120,000 or more. By using allocation blocks that view the disk eight sectors at a time, the number of storage units to be managed is substantially reduced. The total number is important because numeric information is handled as 16-bit integers on the 8080 and Z80 microprocessors, and therefore the largest unsigned number possible is 0FFFFH (65,535 or 64K decimal).

Whenever CP/M refers to a specific allocation block, all that is needed is a simple number. The first allocation block is number 0, the next is number 1, and so on, up to the total remaining capacity of the disk.

The typical allocation block contains 1024 (1K) bytes, or eight 128-byte sectors. For the larger hard disks, the allocation block can be 16,384 (16K) bytes, which is 128 128-byte sectors. CP/M is given the allocation via an entry in the disk definition tables in the BIOS.

The size of the allocation block is not arbitrary, but it is a compromise. The originator of the working BIOS for the system—either the manufacturer or the operating system's designer—chooses the size by considering the total storage capacity of the disk. This choice is tempered by the fact that if a file is created with only a single byte of data in it, that file would be given a complete allocation block. Large allocation blocks can waste disk storage if there are many small files, but they can be useful when a few very large files are called for.

This can be seen better by considering the case of a 1K-byte allocation block. If you create a very small file containing just a single byte of data, you will have allocated an entire allocation block. The remaining 1023 bytes will not be used. You can use them by adding to the file, but when you first create this one-byte file, they will be just so much dead space. This is the problem: Each file on the disk will normally have one partly filled allocation block. If these blocks are very large, the amount of wasted (unused) space can be very large. With 16K-byte blocks, a 10-megabyte disk with only 3 megabytes of data on it could become logically full, with all allocation blocks allocated.

On the other hand, when you use large allocation blocks, CP/M's performance is significantly improved because the BDOS refers to the file directory less

frequently. For example, it can read a 16K-byte file with only a single directory reference.

Therefore, when considering block allocation, keep the following questions in mind:

*How big is the logical disk?*

With a larger disk, you can tolerate space wasted by incomplete allocation blocks.

*What is the mean file size?*

If you anticipate many small files, use small allocation blocks so that you have a larger "supply" of blocks. If you anticipate a smaller number of large files, use larger allocation blocks to get faster file operations.

When a file is first created, it is assigned a single allocation block on the disk. Which block is assigned depends on what other files you already have on the disk and which blocks have already been allocated to them. CP/M maintains a table of which blocks are allocated and which are available. As the file accumulates more data, it will fill up the first allocation block. When this happens, CP/M will extend the file and allocate another block to it. Thus, as the file grows, it occupies more blocks. These blocks need not be adjacent to each other on the disk. The file can exist as a series of allocation blocks scattered all over the disk. However, when you need to see the entire file, CP/M presents the allocation blocks in the correct order. Thus, application programs can ignore allocation blocks. CP/M keeps track of which allocation blocks belong to each file through the file directory.

## The File Directory

The *file directory* is sandwiched between the reserved area and the data storage area on the disk. The actual size of the directory is defined in the BIOS's disk definition tables. The directory can have some binary multiple of entries in it, with one or more entries for each file that exists on the disk. For a standard 8-inch floppy diskette, there will be room for 64 directory entries; for a hard disk, 1024 entries would not be unusual. Each directory entry is 32 bytes long.

Simple arithmetic can be used to calculate how much space the directory occupies on a standard floppy diskette. For example, for a floppy disk the formula is  $64 \times 32 = 2048$  bytes = 2 allocation blocks of 1024 bytes each.

The directory entry contains the name of the file along with a list of the allocation blocks currently used by the file. Clearly, a single 32-byte directory entry cannot contain all of the allocation blocks necessary for a 5-megabyte file, especially since CP/M uses only 16 bytes of the 32-byte total for storage of allocation block numbers.

## Extents

Often CP/M will need to control files that need many allocation blocks. It does this by creating more than one directory entry. Second and subsequent directory

entries have the same file name as the first. One of the other bytes of the directory entry is used to indicate the directory entry sequence number. Each new directory entry brings with it a new supply of bytes that can be used to hold more allocation block numbers. In CP/M jargon, each directory entry is called an *extent*. Because the directory entry for each extent has 16 bytes for storing allocation block numbers, it can store either 16 one-byte numbers or 8 two-byte numbers. Therefore, the total number of allocation blocks possible in each extent is either 8 (for disks with more than 255 allocation blocks) or 16 (for smaller disks).

## File Control Blocks

Before CP/M can do anything with a file, it has to have some control information in memory. This information is stored in a *file control block*, or FCB. The FCB has been described as a motel for directory entries—a place for them to reside when they are not at home on the disk. When operations on a file are complete, CP/M transforms the FCB back into a directory entry and rewrites it over the original entry. The FCB is discussed in detail at the end of this chapter.

As a summary, Figure 3-1 shows the relationships between disk sectors, allocation blocks, directory entries, and file control blocks.

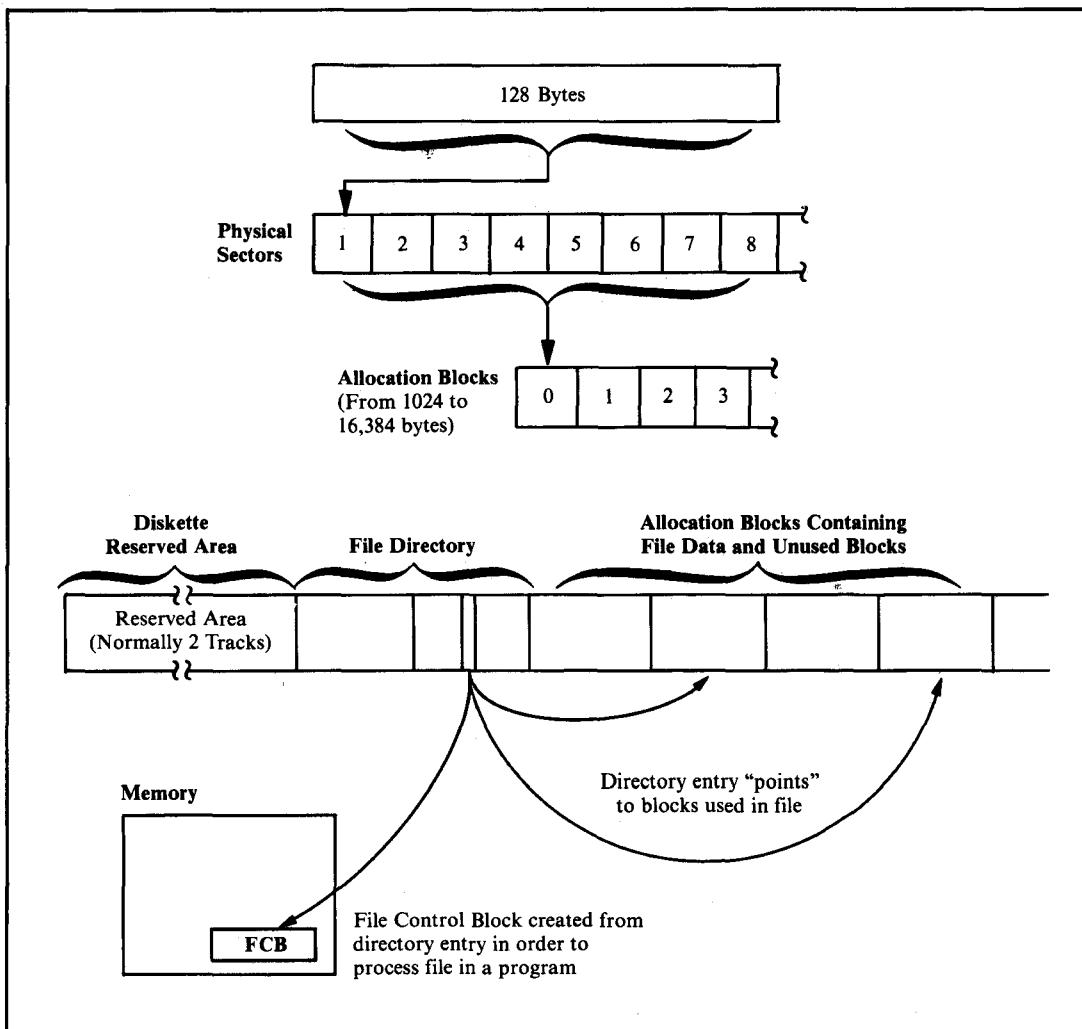
### The Making of a File

To reinforce what you already know about the CP/M file system, this section takes you on a “walk-through” of the events that occur when a program running under CP/M creates a file, writes data to it, and then *closes* the file.

Assume that a program has been loaded in memory and the CPU is about to start executing it. First, the program will declare space in memory for an FCB and will place some preset values there, the most important of which is the file name. The area in the FCB that will hold the allocation block numbers as they are assigned is initially filled with binary 0's. Because the first allocation block that is available for file data is block 1, an allocation block number of 0 will mean that no blocks have been allocated.

The program starts executing. It makes a call to the BDOS (via location 0005H) requesting that CP/M create a file. It transfers to the BDOS the address in memory of the FCB. The BDOS then locates an available entry in the directory, creates a new entry based on the FCB in the program, and returns to the program, ready to write data to the file. Note that CP/M makes no attempt to see if there is already a file of the same name on the disk. Therefore, most real-world programs precede a request to make a file with a request to delete any existing file of the same name.

The program now starts writing data to the file, 128-byte sector by 128-byte sector. CP/M does not have any provision for writing one byte at a time. It handles data sector-by-sector only, flushing sectors to the disk as they become full.



**Figure 3-1.** The hierarchical relationship between sectors, allocation blocks, directory entries, and FCBs

The first time a program asks CP/M (via a BDOS request) to write a sector onto the file on the disk, the BDOS finds an unused allocation block and assigns it to the file. The number of the allocation block is placed inside the FCB in memory. As each allocation block is filled up, a new allocation block is found and assigned, and its number is added to the list of allocation blocks inside the FCB. Finally, when the FCB has no more room for allocation block numbers, the BDOS

- Writes an updated directory entry out to the disk.

- Seeks out the next spare entry in the directory.
- Resets the FCB in memory to indicate that it is now working on the second extent of the file.
- Clears out the allocation block area in the FCB and waits for the next sector from the program.

Thus the process continues. New extents are automatically opened until the program determines that it is time to finish, writes the last sector out to the disk, and makes a BDOS request to close the file. The BDOS then converts the FCB into a final directory entry and writes to the directory.

## Directory Entry

The directory consists of a series of 32-byte entries with one or more entries for each file on the disk. The total number of entries is a binary multiple. The actual number depends on the disk format (it will be 64 for a standard floppy disk and perhaps 2048 for a hard disk).

Figure 3-2 shows the detailed structure of a directory entry. Note that the description is actually Intel 8080 source code for the data definitions you would need in order to manipulate a directory entry. It shows a series of EQU instructions—*equate* instructions, used to assign values or expressions to a label, and in this case used to access an entry. It also shows a series of DS or *define storage* instructions used to declare storage for an entry. The comments on each line describe the function of each of the fields. Where data elements are less than a byte long, the comment identifies which bits are used.

As you study Figure 3-2, you will notice some terminology that as yet has not been discussed. This is described in detail in the sections that follow.

**File User Number (Byte 0)** The least significant (low order) four bits of byte 0 in the directory entry contain a number in the range 0 to 15. This is the *user number* in which the file belongs. A better name for this field would have been file group number. It works like this: Suppose several users are sharing a computer system with a hard disk that cannot be removed from the system without a lot of trouble. How can each user be sure not to tamper with other users' files? One simple way would be for each to use individual initials as the first characters of any file names. Then each could tell at a glance whether a file was another's and avoid doing anything to anyone else's files. A drawback of this scheme is that valuable character positions would be used in the file name, not to mention the problems resulting if several users had the same initials.

The file user number is prefixed to each file name and can be thought of as part of the name itself. When CP/M is first brought up, User 0 is the default user—the one that will be chosen unless another is designated. Any files created will go into the directory bearing the user number of 0. These files are referred to as being in user area 0. However, with a shared computer system, arrangements must be made

for multiple user areas. The USER command makes this possible. User numbers and areas can range from 0 through 15. For example, a user in area 7 would not be able to get a directory of, access, or erase files in user area 5.

This user-number byte serves a second purpose. If this byte is set to a value of 0E5H, CP/M considers that the file directory entry has been deleted and completely ignores the remaining 31 bytes of data. The number 0E5H was not chosen whimsically. When IBM first defined the standard for floppy diskettes, they chose the binary pattern 11100101 (0E5H) as a good test pattern. A new floppy diskette formatted for use has nothing but bytes of 0E5H on it. Thus, the process of erasing a file is a "logical" deletion, where only the first byte of the directory entry is changed to 0E5H. If you accidentally delete a file (and provided that no other directory activity has occurred) it can be resurrected by simply changing this first byte back to a reasonable user number. This process will be explained in Chapter 11.

**File Name and Type (Bytes 1 - 8 and 9 - 11)** As you can see from Figure 3-2, the file name in a directory entry is eight bytes long; the file type is three. These two fields are used to name a file unambiguously. A file name can be less than eight characters and the file type less than three, but in these cases, the unused character positions are filled with spaces.

Whenever file names and file types are written together, they are separated by a period. You do not need the period if you are not using the file type (which is the same as saying that the file type is all spaces). Some examples of file names are

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READ. ME
LONGNAME.TYP
1
1.2
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0000 =	FDE\$USER	EQU	0	;File user number (LS 4 bits)
0001 =	FDE\$NAME	EQU	1	;File name (8 bytes)
0009 =	FDE\$TYP	EQU	9	;File type
				;Offsets for bits used in type
0009 =	FDE\$RO	EQU	9	;Bit 7 = 1 - Read only
000A =	FDE\$SYS	EQU	10	;Bit 7 = 1 - System status
000B =	FDE\$CHANGE	EQU	11	;Bit 7 = 0 - File Written To
				;
000C =	FDE\$EXTENT	EQU	12	;Extent number
				;13, 14 reserved for CP/M
000F =	FDE\$RECUSED	EQU	15	;Records used in this extent
0010 =	FDE\$ABUSED	EQU	16	;Allocation blocks used
				;
				;
				;
0000	FD\$USER:	DS		;File user number
0001	FD\$NAME:	DS	8	;File name
0009	FD\$TYP:	DS	3	;File type
000C	FD\$EXTENT:	DS	1	;Extent
000D	FD\$RESV:	DS	2	;Reserved for CP/M
000F	FD\$RECUSED:	DS	1	;Records used in this extent
0010	FD\$ABUSED:	DS	16	;Allocation blocks used

**Figure 3-2.** Data declarations for CP/M's file directory entries

A file name and type can contain the characters A through Z, 0 through 9, and some of the so-called "mark" characters such as "/" and "-". You can also use lowercase letters, but be careful. When you enter commands into the system using the CCP, it converts all lowercases to uppercases, so it will never be able to find files that actually have lowercase letters in their directory entries. Avoid using the "mark" characters excessively. Ones you can use are

! @ # \$ % ( ) - + /

Characters that you must not use are

< > . , ; : = ? \* [ ]

These characters are used by CP/M in normal command lines, so using them in file names will cause problems.

You can use odd characters in file names to your advantage. For example, if you create files with nongraphic characters in their names or types, the only way you can access these files will be from within programs. You cannot manipulate these files from the keyboard except by using ambiguous file names (described in the next section). This makes it more difficult to erase files accidentally since you cannot specify their names directly from the console.

**Ambiguous File Names** CP/M has the capability to refer to one or more file names by using special "wild card" characters in the file names. The "?" is the main wildcard character. Whenever you ask CP/M to do something related to files, it will match a "?" with any character it finds in the file name. In the extreme case, a file name and type of "??????????" will match with any and all file names.

As another example, all the chapters of this book were held in files called "CHAP1.DOC," "CHAP2.DOC," and so on. They were frequently referred to, however, as "CHAP???.DOC." Why two question marks? If only one had been used, for example, "CHAP?.DOC," CP/M would not have been able to match this with "CHAP10.DOC" nor any other chapter with two digits. The matching that CP/M does is strictly character-by-character.

Because typing question marks can be tedious and special attention must be paid to the exact number entered, a convenient shorthand is available. The asterisk character "\*" can be used to mean "as many ?'s as you need to fill out the name or the type field." Thus, "??????????" can be written "\*.\*" and "CHAP???.DOC" could also be rewritten "CHAP\*.DOC."

The use of "\*" is allowed only when you are entering file names from the console. The question mark notation, however, can be used for certain BDOS operations, with the file name and type field in the FCB being set to the "?" as needed.

**File Type Conventions** Although you are at liberty to think up file names without constraint, file types are subject to convention and, in one or two cases, to the mandate of CP/M itself.

The types that will cause problems if you do not use them correctly are

**.ASM**

Assembly language source for the ASM program

**.MAC**

Macro assembly language

**.HEX**

Hexadecimal file output by assemblers

**.REL**

Relocatable file output by assemblers

**.COM**

Command file executed by entering its name alone

**.PRN**

Print file written to disk as a convenience

**.LIB**

Library file of programs

**.SUB**

Input for CP/M SUBMIT utility program

Examples of conventional file types are

**.C**

C source code

**.PAS**

Pascal source code

**.COB**

COBOL source code

**.FTN**

FORTRAN source code

**.APL**

APL programs

**.TXT**

Text files

**.DOC**

Documentation files

**.INT**

Intermediate files

**.DTA**

Data files

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.IDX
Index files
.$$$  
Temporary files
```

The file type is also useful for keeping several copies of the same file, for example, "TEST.001," "TEST.002," and so on.

**File Status** Each one of the states *Read-Only*, *System*, and *File Changed* requires only a single bit in the directory entry. To avoid using unnecessary space, they have been slotted into the three bytes used for the file type field. Since these bytes are stored as characters in ASCII (which is a seven-bit code), the most significant bit is not used for the file type and thus is available to show status.

Bit 7 of byte 9 shows Read-Only status. As its name implies, if a file is set to be Read-Only, CP/M will not allow any data to be written to the file or the file to be deleted.

If a file is declared to be System status (bit 7 of byte 10), it will not show up when you display the file directory. Nor can the file be copied from one place to another with standard CP/M utilities such as PIP unless you specifically ask the utility to do so. In normal practice, you should set your standard software tools and application programs to be both Read-Only and System status/ Read-Only, so that you cannot accidentally delete them, and System status, so that they do not clutter up the directory display.

The File Changed bit (bit 7 of byte 11) is always set to 0 when you close a file to which you have been writing. This can be useful in conjunction with a file backup utility program that sets this bit to 1 whenever it makes a backup copy. Just by scanning the directory, this utility program can determine which files have changed since it was last run. The utility can be made to back up only those files that have changed. This is much easier than having to remember which files you have changed since you last made backup copies.

With a floppy disk system, there is less need to worry about backing up on a file-by-file basis—it is just as easy to copy the whole diskette. This system is useful, however, with a hard disk system with hundreds of files stored on the disk.

**File Extent (Byte 12)** Each directory entry represents a file extent. Byte 12 in the directory entry identified the extent number. If you have a file of less than 16,384 bytes, you will need only one extent—number 0. If you write more information to this file, more extents will be needed. The extent number increases by 1 as each new extent is created.

The extent number is stored in the file directory because the directory entries are in random sequence. The BDOS must do a sequential search from the top of the directory to be sure of finding any given extent of a file. If the directory is large, as it could be on a hard disk system, this search can take several seconds.

**Reserved Bytes 13 and 14** These bytes are used by the proprietary parts of CP/M's file system. From your point of view, they will be set to 0.

**Record Number (Byte 15)** Byte 15 contains a count of the number of records (128-byte sectors) that have been used in the last partially filled allocation block referenced in this directory entry. Since CP/M creates a file sequentially, only the most recently allocated block is not completely full.

**Disk Map (Bytes 16 - 31)** Bytes 16–31 store the allocation block numbers used by each extent. There are 16 bytes in this area. If the total number of allocation blocks (as defined by you in the BIOS disk tables) is less than 256, this area can hold as many as 16 allocation block numbers. If you have described the disk as having more than 255 allocation blocks, CP/M uses this area to store eight two-byte values. In this case allocation blocks can take on much larger values.

A directory entry can store either 8 or 16 allocation block numbers. If the file has not yet expanded to require this total number of allocation blocks, the unused positions in the entry are filled with zeros. You may think this would create a problem because it appears that several files will have been allocated block 0 over and over. In fact, there is no problem because the file directory itself always occupies block 0 (and depending on its size several of the blocks following). For all practical purposes, block 0 "does not exist," at least for the storage of file data.

Note that if, by accident, the relationship between files and their allocation blocks is scrambled—that is, either the data in a given block is overwritten, or two or more active directory entries contain the same block number—CP/M cannot access information properly and the disk becomes worthless.

Several commercially available utility programs manipulate the directory. You can use them to inspect and change a damaged directory, reviving accidentally erased files if you need to. There are other utilities you can use to logically remove bad sectors on the disk. These utilities find the bad areas, work backward from the track and sector numbers, and compute the allocation block in which the error occurs. Once the block numbers are known, they create a dummy file, either in user area 15 or, in some cases, in an "impossible" user area (one greater than 15), that appears to "own" all the bad allocation blocks.

A good utility program protects the integrity of the directory by verifying that each allocation block is "owned" by only one directory entry.

## Disk Definition Tables

As mentioned previously, the BIOS contains tables telling the BDOS how to view the disk storage devices that are part of the computer system. These tables are built *by you*. If you are using standard 8-inch, single-sided, single-density floppy

diskettes, you can use the examples in the Digital Research manual *CP/M 2 Alteration Guide*. But if you are using some other, more complex system, you must make some careful judgments. Any mistakes in the *disk definition tables* can create serious problems, especially when you try to correct diskettes created using the erroneous tables. You, as a programmer, must ensure the correctness of the tables by being careful.

One other point before looking at table structures: Because the tables exist and define a particular disk "shape" does not mean that such a disk need necessarily be connected to the system. The tables describe *logical* disks, and there is no way for the physical hardware to check whether your disk tables are correct. You may have a computer system with a single hard disk, yet describe the disk as though it were divided into several *logical* disks. CP/M will view each such "disk" independently, and they should be thought of as separate disks.

## Disk Parameter Header Table

This table is the starting point in the disk definition tables. It is the topmost structure and contains nothing but the addresses of other structures. There is one entry in this table for each logical disk that you choose to describe. There is an entry point in the BIOS that returns the address of the parameter header table for a specific logical disk.

An example of the code needed to define a disk parameter header table is shown in Figure 3-3.

**Sector Skewing (Skewtable)** To define sector *skewing*, also called sector *interlacing*, picture a diskette spinning in a disk drive. The sectors in the track over which the head is positioned are passing by the head one after another—sector 1, sector 2, and so on—until the diskette has turned one complete revolution. Then the sequence repeats. A standard 8-inch diskette has 26 sectors on each track, and the disk spins at 360 rpm. One turn of the diskette takes  $60/360$  seconds, about 166 milliseconds per track, or 6 milliseconds per sector.

Now imagine CP/M loading a program from such a diskette. The BDOS takes a finite amount of time to read and process each sector since it reads only a single sector at a time. It has to make repeated reads to load a program. By the time the BDOS has read and loaded sector n, it will be too late to read sector n +1. This sector will have already passed by the head and will not come around for another 166 milliseconds. Proceeding in this fashion, almost 4½ seconds are needed to read one complete track.

This problem can be solved by simply numbering the sectors *logically* so that there are several physical sectors between each logical sector. This procedure, called *sector skewing* or *interlace*, is shown in Figure 3-4. Note that unlike physical sectors, logical sectors are numbered from 0 to 25.

Figure 3-4 shows the standard CP/M sector interlace for 8-inch, single-sided, single-density floppy diskettes. You see that logical sector 0 has six sectors between

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DPBASE:                                ;Base of the parameter header
0000 1000      DW    SKEWTABLE        ;(used to access the headers)
0002 0000      DW    0               ;Pointer to logical-to-physical
0004 0000      DW    0               ;sector conversion table
0006 0000      DW    0               ;Scratch pad areas used by CP/M
0008 2A00      DW    DIRBUF          ;Pointer to Directory Buffer
000A AA00      DW    DPBO            ;work area
000C B900      DW    WACD            ;Pointer to disk parameter block
000E C900      DW    ALVECO          ;Pointer to work area (used to
                                     ;check for changed diskettes)
                                     ;Pointer to allocation vector
;
; The following equates would normally be derived from
; values found in the disk parameter Block.
; They are shown here only for the sake of completeness.
;
003F =        NODE   EQU    63           ;Number of directory entries 1
00F2 =        NOAB   EQU    242          ;Number of allocation blocks
;
; Example data definitions for those objects pointed
; to by the disk parameter header
;
SKEWTABLE:                                ;Sector skew table.
0010 01070D13  DB    01,07,13,19    ;Indexed by logical sector
0014 19050B11  DB    25,05,11,17    ;0,1,2,3
0018 1703090F  DB    23,03,09,15    ;4,5,6,7
001C 1502080E  DB    21,02,08,14    ;8,9,10,11
0020 141A060C  DB    20,26,06,12    ;12,13,14,15
0024 1218040A  DB    18,24,04,10    ;16,17,18,19
0028 1016      DB    16,22           ;20,21,22,23
                                     ;24,25
;
002A  DIRBUF: DS    128             ;Directory buffer
00AA  DPBO:   DS    15              ;Disk parameter block
                                     ;This is normally a table of
                                     ;constants.
                                     ;A dummy definition is shown
                                     ;here
00B9  WACD:   DS    (NODE+1)/4    ;Work area to check directory
                                     ;Only used for removable media
00C9  ALVECO: DS    (NOAB/8)+1    ;Allocation vector #0
                                     ;Needs 1 bit per allocation
                                     ;block

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**Figure 3-3.** Data declarations for a disk parameter header

it and logical sector 1. There is a similar gap between each of the logical sectors, so that there are six “sector times” (about 38 milliseconds) between two adjacent logical sectors. This gives ample time for the software to access each sector. However, several revolutions of the disk are still necessary to read every sector in turn. In Figure 3-4, the vertical columns of logical sectors show which sectors are read on each successive revolution of the diskette.

The wrong interlace can strongly affect performance. It is not a gradual effect, either; if you “miss” the interlace, the perceived performance will be very slow. In the example given here, six turns of the diskette are needed to read the whole track—this lasts one second as opposed to 4½ without any interlacing. But don’t imagine that you can change the interlace with impunity; files written with one interlace stay that way. You must be sure to read them back with the same interlace with which they were written.

Some disk controllers can simplify this procedure. When you format the diskette, they can write the sector addresses onto the diskette with the interlace already built in. When CP/M requests sector n, the controller's electronics wait until they see the requested sector's header fly by. They then initiate the read or write operation. In this case you can embed the interlace right into the formatting of the diskette.

Because the wrong interlace gives terrible performance, it is easy to know when you have the right one. Some programmers use the time required to format a diskette as the performance criterion to optimize the interlace. This is not good practice because under normal circumstances you will spend very little time formatting diskettes. The time spent loading a program would be a better arbiter, since far more time is spent doing this. You might argue that doing a file update would be even more representative, but most updates produce slow and sporadic disk activity. This kind of disk usage is not suitable for setting the correct interlace.

Hard disks do not present any problem for sector skewing. They spin at 3600 rpm or faster, and at that speed there simply is no interlace that will help. Some

Physical Sector	Logical Sector					
	Pass 1	Pass 2	Pass 3	Pass 4	Pass 5	Pass 6
1	0					
2						
3			9		13	
4						
5		5				
6						
7	1					
8						
9			10		14	
10						
11		6				
12						
13	2					
14						
15			11		15	
16						
17		7				
18						
19	3					
20						
21			12		16	
22		8				
23						
24						
25	4					
26				17		

**NOTE:** Additional sector between logical sectors 12 and 13

Figure 3-4. Physical to logical sector skewing

tricks can be played to improve the performance of a hard disk—these will be discussed in the section called “Special Considerations for Hard Disks,” later in this chapter.

To better understand these theories, study an example of the standard interface table, or *skewtable*. Bear in mind that the code that will access this table will first be given a *logical* sector. It will then have to return the appropriate *physical* sector.

Figure 3-5 shows the code for the skew table and the code that can be used to access the table. The table is indexed by a logical sector and the corresponding table entry is the physical sector. You can see that the code assumes that the first *logical* sector assigned by CP/M will be sector number 0. Hence there is no need to subtract 1 from the sector number before using it as a table subscript.

**Unused Areas in the Disk Parameter Header Table** The three words shown as 0's in Figure 3-3 are used by CP/M as temporary variables during disk operations.

**Directory Buffer (DIRBUF)** The *directory buffer* is a 128-byte area used by CP/M to store a sector from the directory while processing directory entries. You only need one directory buffer; it can be shared by all of the logical disks in the system.

**Disk Parameter Block (DPB0)** The *disk parameter block* describes the particular characteristics of each logical disk. In general, you will need a separate parameter block for each *type* of logical disk. Logical disks can share a parameter block only if their

```

SKEWTABLE:
0000 01070D13    DB    01,07,13,19    ;Logical sector
0004 19050B11    DB    25,05,11,17    ;0,1,2,3
0008 1703090F    DB    23,03,09,15    ;4,5,6,7
000C 1502080E    DB    21,02,08,14    ;8,9,10,11
0010 141A060C    DB    20,26,06,12    ;12,13,14,15
0014 121B040A    DB    18,24,04,10    ;16,17,18,19
0018 1016        DB    16,22        ;20,21,22,23
,
;
; The code to translate logical sectors to physical
; sectors is as follows:
;
; On entry, the logical sector will be transferred from
; CP/M as a 16-bit value in registers BC.
; CP/M also transfers the address of the skew table
; in registers DE (it finds the skew table by looking in
; the disk parameter header entry).
;
; On return, the physical sector will be placed
; in registers HL.
;
SECTRAN:
001A EB          XCHD      ;HL -> skew table base address
001B 09          DAD       B      ;HL -> physical sector
                           ; entry in skew table
001C 6E          MOV       L,M    ;L = physical sector
001D 60          MOV       H,O    ;HL = Physical Sector
001E C9          RET

```

Figure 3-5. Data declarations for the standard skewtable for standard diskettes

characteristics are identical. You can, for example, use a single parameter block to describe all of the single-sided, single-density diskette drives that you have in the system. However, you would need another parameter block to describe double-sided, double-density diskette drives. It is also rare to be able to share parameter blocks when a physical hard disk is split up into several logical disks. You will understand why after looking at the contents of a parameter block, described later in this chapter.

**Work Area to Check for Changed Diskettes (WACD)** One of the major problems that CP/M faces when working with removable media such as floppy diskettes is that the computer operator, without any warning, can open the diskette drive and substitute a different diskette. On early versions of CP/M, this resulted in the newly inserted diskette being overwritten with data from the original diskette.

With the current version of CP/M, you can request that CP/M check if the diskette has been changed. Given this request, CP/M examines the directory entries whenever it has worked on the directory and, if it detects that the diskette has been changed, declares the whole diskette to be Read-Only status and inhibits any further writing to the diskette. This status will be in effect until the next warm boot operation occurs. A warm boot occurs whenever a program terminates or a CONTROL-C is entered to the CCP, resetting the operating system.

The value of WACD is the address of a buffer, or temporary storage area, that CP/M can use to check the directory. The length of this buffer is defined (somewhat out of place) in the disk parameter block.

**Allocation Vector (ALVEC0)** CP/M views each disk as a set of allocation blocks, assigning blocks to individual files as those files are created or expanded, and relinquishing blocks as files are deleted.

CP/M needs some mechanism for keeping track of which blocks are used and which are free. It uses the *allocation vector* to form a *bit map*, with each bit in the map corresponding to a specific allocation block. The most significant bit (bit 7) in the first byte corresponds to the first allocation block, number 0. Bit 6 corresponds to block 1, and so on for the entire disk.

Whenever you request CP/M to use a logical disk, CP/M will *log in* the disk. This consists of reading down the file directory and, for each active entry or extent, interacting with the allocation blocks "owned" by that particular file extent. For each block number in the extent, the corresponding bit in the allocation vector is set to 1. At the end of this process, the allocation vector will accurately represent a map of which blocks are in use and which are free.

When CP/M goes looking for an unused allocation block, it tries to find one near the last one used, to keep the file from becoming too fragmented.

In order to reserve enough space for the allocation vector, you need to reserve one bit for each allocation block. Computing the number of allocation blocks is discussed in the section "Maximum Allocation Block Number," later in this chapter.

## Disk Parameter Block

The *disk parameter block* in early versions of CP/M was built into the BDOS and was a closely guarded secret of the CP/M file system. To make CP/M adaptable to hard disk systems, Digital Research decided to move the parameter blocks out into the BIOS where everyone could adapt them. Because of the proprietary nature of CP/M's file system, you will still see several odd-looking fields, and you may find the explanation given here somewhat superficial. However, the lack of explanation in no way detracts from your ability to use CP/M as a tool.

Figure 3-6 shows the code necessary to define a parameter block for 8-inch, single-sided diskettes. This table is pointed to by—that is, its address is given in—an entry in the disk parameter header. Each of the entries shown in the disk parameter block is explained in the following sections.

**Sectors Per Track** This is the number of 128-byte sectors per track. The standard diskette shown in the example has 26 sectors. As you can see, simply telling CP/M that there are 26 sectors per track does not indicate whether the first sector is numbered 0 or 1. CP/M assumes that the first sector is 0; it is left to a sector translate subroutine to decipher which physical sector this corresponds to.

Hard disks normally have sector sizes larger than 128 bytes. This is discussed in the section on considerations for hard disks.

**Block Shift, Block Mask, and Extent Mask** These mysteriously named fields are used internally by CP/M during disk file operations. The values that you specify for them depend primarily on the size of the allocation block that you want.

Allocation block size can vary from 1024 bytes (1K) to 16,384 bytes (16K). There is a distinct trade-off between these two extremes, as discussed in the section on allocation blocks at the beginning of this chapter.

An allocation block size of 1024 (1K) bytes is suggested for floppy diskettes with capacities up to 1 megabyte, and a block size of 4096 (4K) bytes for larger floppy or hard disks.

```
DPB01: DW 26      ;Sectors per track
        DB 3       ;Block shift
        DB 7       ;Block mask
        DB 3       ;Extent mask
        DW 242    ;Max. allocation block number
        DW 63     ;Number of directory entries i
        DB 1100$0000B ;Bit map for allocation blocks
        DB 0000$0000B ; used for directory
        DW 16      ;No. of bytes in dir. check buffer
        DW 2       ;No. of tracks before directory
```

Figure 3-6. Data declarations for the disk parameter block for standard diskettes

If you can define which block size you wish to use, you can now select the values for the block shift and the block mask from Table 3-1.

**Table 3-1.** Block Shift and Mask Value

Allocation Block Size	Block Shift	Block Mask
1,024	3	7
2,048	4	15
4,096	5	31
8,192	6	63
16,384	7	127

Select your required allocation block size from the left-hand column. This tells you which values of block shift and mask to enter into the disk parameter block.

The last of these three variables, the *extent mask*, depends not only on the block size but also on the total storage capacity of the logical disk. This latter consideration is only important for computing whether or not there will be fewer than 256 allocation blocks on the logical disk. Just divide the chosen allocation block size into the capacity of the logical disk and check whether you will have fewer than 256 blocks.

Keeping this answer and the allocation block size in mind, refer to Table 3-2 for the appropriate value for the extent mask field of the parameter block. Select the appropriate line according to the allocation block size you have chosen. Then, depending on the total number of allocation blocks in the logical disk, select the extent mask from the appropriate column.

**Table 3-2.** Extent Mask Value

Allocation Block Size	Number of Allocation Blocks	
	1 to 255	256 and Above
1,024	0	(Impossible)
2,048	1	0
4,096	3	1
8,192	7	3
16,384	15	7

**Maximum Allocation Block Number** This value is the *number* of the last allocation block in the logical disk. As the first block number is 0, this value is *one less* than the total number of allocation blocks on the disk. Where only a partial allocation block exists, the number of blocks is rounded down.

Figure 3-7 has an example for standard 8-inch, single-sided, single-density diskettes. Note that CP/M uses two reserved tracks on this diskette format.

**Number of Directory Entries Minus 1** Do not confuse this entry with the number of files that can be stored on the logical disk; it is only the number of *entries* (minus one). Each extent of each file takes one directory entry, so very large files will consume several entries. Also note that the value in the table is *one less* than the number of entries.

On a standard 8-inch diskette, the value is 63 entries. On a hard disk, you may want to use 1023 or even 2047. Remember that CP/M performs a sequential scan down the directory and this takes a noticeable amount of time. Therefore, you should balance the number of logical disks with your estimate of the largest file size that you wish to support.

As a final note, make sure to choose a number of entries that fits evenly into one or more allocation blocks. Each directory entry needs 32 bytes, so you can compute the number of bytes required. Make sure this number can be divided by your chosen allocation block size without a remainder.

**Allocation Blocks for the Directory** This is a strange value; it is not a number, but a bit map. Looking at Figure 3-6, you see the example value written out in full as a binary value to illustrate how this value is defined. This 16-bit value has a bit set to 1 for each allocation block that is to be used for the file directory.

This value is derived from the number of directory entries you want to have on the disk and the size of the allocation block you want to use. One given, or

Physical characteristics:		Calculate:
77	Tracks/Diskette	77
26	Sectors/Track	- 2
128	Bytes/Sector	75
2	Tracks Reserved for CP/M	×26
1024	Bytes/Allocation Block	1950
		×128
		249,600
		+1024
		243.75
		Total Number of Allocation Blocks
		242 Number of the last allocation block (rounded and based on first block being Block 0)

**Figure 3-7.** Computing the maximum allocation block number for standard diskettes

constant, in this derivation is that the size of each directory entry is 32 bytes.

In the example, 64 entries are required (remember the number shown is one less than the required value). Each entry has 32 bytes. The total number of bytes required for the directory thus is 64 times 32, or 2048 bytes. Dividing this by the allocation block size of 1024 indicates that two allocation blocks must be reserved for the directory. You can see that the example value shows this by setting the two most significant bits of the 16-bit value.

As a word of warning, do not be tempted to declare this value using a DW (define word) pseudo-operation. Doing so will store the value *byte-reversed*.

**Size of Buffer for Directory Checking** As mentioned before in the discussion of the disk parameter header, CP/M can be requested to check directory entries whenever it is working on the directory. In order to do this, CP/M needs a buffer area, called the *work area to check for changed diskettes*, or WACD, in which it can hold working variables that keep a compressed record of what is on the directory. The length of this buffer area is kept in the disk parameter block; its address is specified in the parameter header. Because CP/M keeps a compressed record of the directory, you need only provide one byte for every four directory entries. You can see in Figure 3-6 that 16 bytes are specified to keep track of the 64 directory entries.

**Number of Tracks Before the Directory** Figure 3-8 shows the layout of CP/M on a standard floppy diskette. You will see that the first two tracks are reserved, containing the initial bootstrap code and CP/M itself. Hence the example in Figure 3-6, giving the code for a standard floppy disk, shows two reserved tracks (the number of tracks before the directory).

This *track offset value*, as it is sometimes called, provides a convenient method of dividing a physical disk into several logical disks.

## Special Considerations for Hard Disks

If you want to run CP/M on a hard disk, you must provide code and build tables that make CP/M work as if it were running on a very large floppy disk. You must even include 128-byte sectors. However, this is not difficult to do.

To adapt hard disks to the 128-byte sector size, you must provide code in the disk driver in your BIOS that will present the illusion of reading and writing 128-byte sectors even though it is really working on sectors of 512 bytes. This code is called the *blocking/deblocking* routine.

If hard disks have sector sizes other than 128 bytes, what of the number of sectors per track, and the number of tracks?

Hard disks come in all sizes. The situation is further confused by the disk controllers, the hardware that controls the disk. In many cases, you can think of the hard disk as just a series of sectors without any tracks at all. The controller, given a *relative sector number* by the BIOS, can translate this sector number into which track, read/write head (if there is more than one platter), and sector are actually being referenced.

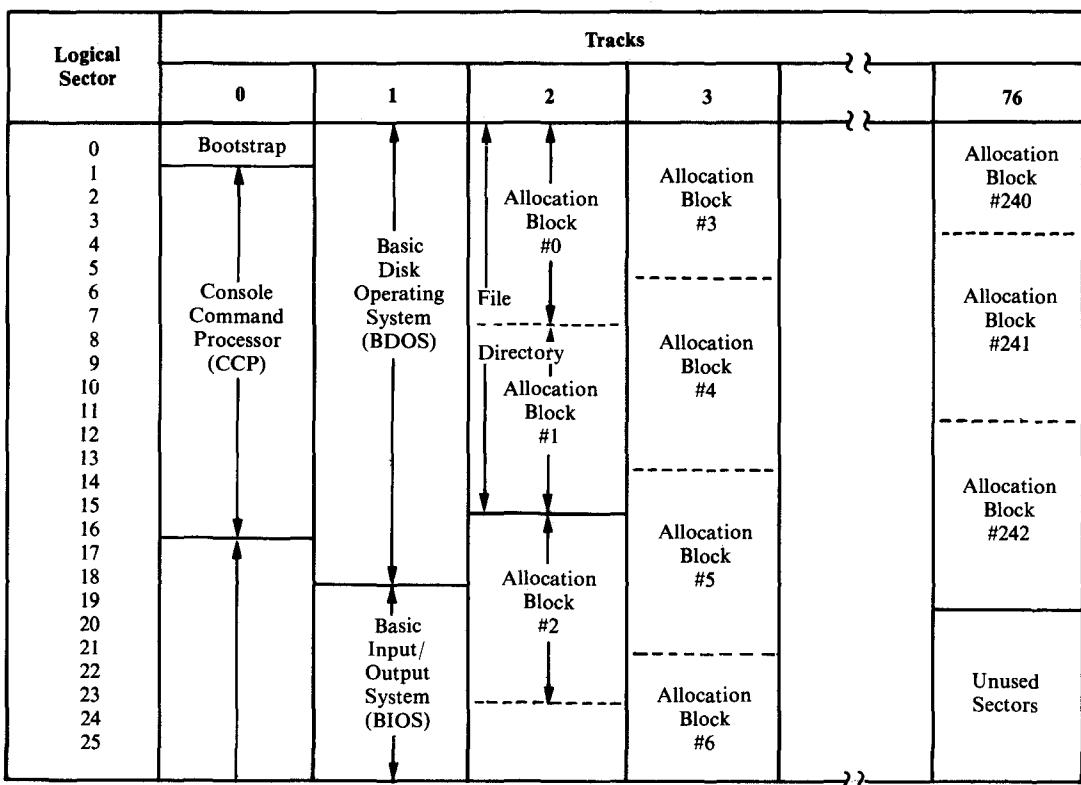


Figure 3-8. Layout of standard diskette

Furthermore, most hard disks rotate so rapidly that there is nothing to be gained by using a sector-skewing algorithm. There is just no way to read more than one physical sector per revolution; there is not enough time.

In many cases it is desirable to divide up a single, physical hard disk into several smaller, logical disks. This is done mainly for performance reasons: Several smaller disks, along with smaller directories, result in faster file operations.

The disk parameter header will have 0's for the skewtable entry and the pointer to the WACD buffer. In general, hard disks *cannot* be changed, at least not without turning off the power and swapping the entire disk drive. If you are using one of the new generation of removable hard disks, you will need to use the directory checking feature of CP/M.

The disk parameter block for a hard disk will be quite different from that used for a floppy diskette. The number of sectors per track needs careful consideration. Remember, this is the number of 128-byte sectors. The conversion from the physical sector size to 128-byte sectors will be done in the disk driver in the BIOS.

If you have a disk controller that works in terms of sectors and tracks, all you need do is compute the number of 128-byte sectors on each track. Multiply the number of physical sectors per track by their size in bytes and then divide the product by 128 to give the result as the number of 128-byte sectors per physical track.

But what of those controllers that view their hard disks as a series of sectors without reference to tracks? They obscure the fact that the sectors are arranged on concentric tracks on the disk's surface. In this case, you can play a trick on CP/M. You can set the "sectors per track" value to the number of 128-byte sectors that will fit into one of the disk's physical sectors. To do this, divide the physical sector size by 128. For example, a 512-byte physical sector size will give an answer of four 128-byte sectors per "track." You can now view the hard disk as having as many "tracks" as there are physical sectors. By using this method, you avoid having to do any kind of arithmetic on CP/M's sector numbers; the "track" number to which CP/M will ask your BIOS to move the disk heads will be the *relative physical sector*. Once the controller has read this physical sector for you, you can look at the 128-byte sector number, which will be 0, 1, 2, or 3 (for a 512-byte physical sector) in order to select which 128 bytes need to be moved in or out of the disk buffer.

The block shift, block mask, and extent mask will be computed as before. Use a 4096-byte allocation block size. This will yield a value of 5 for the block shift, 31 for the block mask, and given that you will have more than 256 allocation blocks for each logical disk, an extent mask value of 1.

The maximum allocation block number will be computed as before. Keep clear in your mind whether you are working with the number of physical sectors (which will be larger than 128 bytes) or with 128-byte sectors when you are computing the storage capacity of each logical disk.

The number of directory entries (less 1) is best set to 511 for logical disks of 1 megabyte and either 1023 or 2047 for larger disks. Remember that under CP/M version 2 you cannot have a logical disk larger than 8 megabytes.

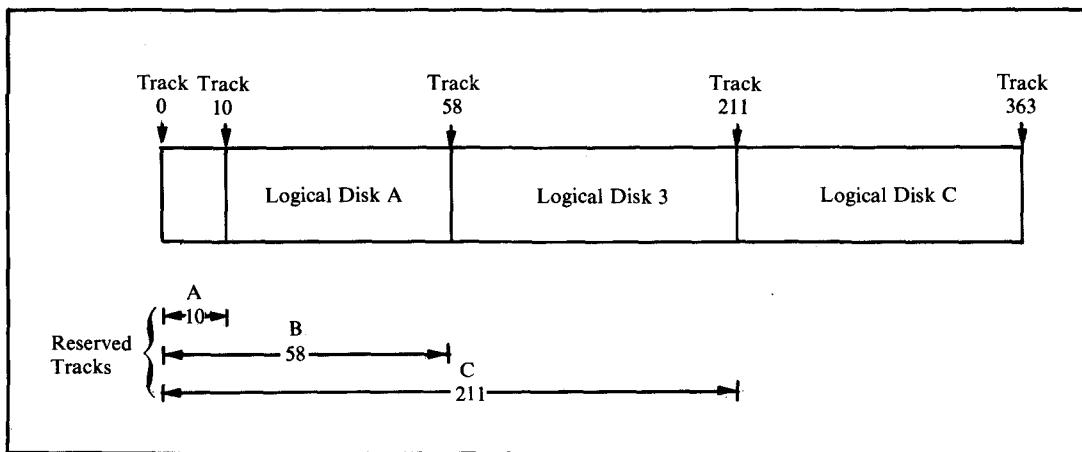
The allocation blocks for the directory are also computed as described for floppy disks.

As a rule, the size of the directory check buffer (WADC) will be set to 0, since there is no need to use this feature on hard disk systems with fixed media.

The number of tracks before the directory (track offset) can be used to divide up the physical disk into smaller logical disks, as shown in Figure 3-9.

There is no rule that says the tracks before a logical disk's directory cannot be used to contain other complete logical disks. You can see this in Figure 3-9. CP/M behaves as if each logical disk starts at track 0 (and indeed they do), but by specifying increasingly larger numbers of tracks before each directory, the logical disks can be staggered across the available space on the physical disk.

Figure 3-10 shows the calculations involved in the first phase of building disk parameter blocks for the hard disk shown in Figure 3-9. The physical characteristics are those imposed by the design of the hard disk. As a programmer, you do not have any control over these; however, you can choose how much of the physical



**Figure 3-9.** Dividing hard disks into logical disks

disk is assigned to each logical disk, the allocation block size, and the number of directory entries. You can see that logical disk A is much smaller than disks B and C, and that B and C are the same size. Disk A will be the systems disk from which most programs will be loaded, so its smaller directory size will make program loading much faster. The allocation block size for disk A is also smaller in order to reduce the amount of space wasted in partially filled allocation blocks.

Figure 3-10 also shows the calculations involved in computing the maximum allocation block number. Again, note that once the total number of allocation blocks has been computed, it is necessary to round it down in the case of any fractional components and then subtract 1 to get the maximum number (the first block being 0).

Figure 3-11 shows the actual values that will be put into the parameter blocks. It is assumed that the disk controller is one of those types that view the physical disk as a series of contiguous sectors and make no reference to tracks; the internal electronics and firmware in the controller take care of these details. For this reason, CP/M is told that each *physical* sector is a "track" in CP/M's terms. Each "track" has 512 bytes and can therefore store four 128-byte sectors. You can see this is the value that is in the sectors/"track" field.

The block shift and mask values are obtained from Table 3-1, using the allocation block size previously chosen. Then, with both the allocation block size and the maximum number of allocation blocks (see Figure 3-10), the extent mask can be obtained from Table 3-2. You can see in Figure 3-11 that extent mask values of 1 were obtained for all three logical disks even though two different allocation block sizes have been chosen, and even though disk A has less than 256 blocks and disks B and C have more.

Physical Characteristics:		Calculate:	
364	Tracks/Disk	A:	B: and C:
20	Sectors/Track	48	153 Tracks assigned to Disk
512	Bytes/Sector	$\times 10,240$	Bytes/Track
10,240	Bytes/Track	491,520	1,566,720 Bytes/Disk
		$\div 2048$	$\div 4096$ Bytes/Allocation Block
		240	382.5 Number of Allocation Blocks
Chosen Logical Characteristics:		239	381 Maximum Block Number
Tracks		Allocation Block Size	
Reserved Area	10	n/a	
Disk A:	48	2048	
Disk B:	153	4096	
Disk C:	153	4096	

Figure 3-10. Computing the maximum allocation block number for a hard disk

DPBA:	DPBB:	DPBC:	
4	4	4	;128-byte sectors/"track"
4	5	5	;Block shift
15	31	31	;Block mask
1	1	1	;Extent mask
239	381	381	;Max. all. block #
255	1023	1023	;No. of directory entries
11110000B	11111111B	11111111B	;Bit Map for allocation blocks
00000000B	00000000B	00000000B	;Used for directory
0	0	0	;No. of bytes in dir.check buffer
(10)	(58)	(211)	;Actual tracks before directory
200	1160	4220	; "Tracks" before directory

Figure 3-11. Disk parameter tables for a hard disk

The bit map showing how many allocation blocks are required to hold the file directory is computed by multiplying the number of directory entries by 32 and dividing the product by the allocation block size. This yields results of 4 for disk A and 8 for disks B and C. As you can see, the bit maps have the appropriate number of bits set.

Since most of the hard disks on the market today do not have removable media, the lengths of the directory checking buffer are set to 0.

The number of "tracks" before the directory requires a final touch of skull-duggery. Having already indicated to CP/M that each "track" has four sectors, you need to continue in the same vein and express the number of real tracks before the directories in units of 512-byte physical sectors.

As a final note, if you are specifying these parameter blocks for a disk controller that requires you to communicate with it in terms of physical tracks and 128-byte sectors, then the number of sectors per track must be set to 80 (twenty

512-byte sectors per physical track). You would also have to change the number of tracks before the directory by stating the number of physical tracks (shown in parentheses on Figure 3-11).

## Adding Additional Information to the Parameter Block

Normally, some additional information must be associated with each logical disk. For example, in a system that has several physical disks, you need to identify where each *logical* disk resides. You may also want to identify some other *physical* parameters, disk drive types, I/O port numbers, and addresses of driver subroutines.

You may be tempted to extend the disk parameter header entry because there is a separate header entry for each logical disk. But the disk parameter header is exactly 16 bytes long; adding more bytes makes the arithmetic that we need to use in the BIOS awkward. The best place to put these kinds of information is to *prefix* them to the front of each disk parameter block. The label at the front of the block must be left in the same place lest CP/M become confused. Only special additional code that you write will be "smart" enough to look *in front* of the block in order to find the additional parameter information.

## File Organizations

CP/M supports two types of files: sequential and random. CP/M views both types as made up of a series of 128-byte *records*. Note that in CP/M's terms, a record is the same as a 128-byte sector. This terminology sometimes gets in the way. It may help to think of 128-byte sectors as *physical* records. Applications programs manipulate *logical* records that bear little or no relation to these physical records. There is code in the applications programs to manipulate logical records.

CP/M does not impose any restrictions on the contents of a file. In many cases, though, certain conventions are used when textual data is stored. Each line of text is terminated by ASCII CARRIAGE RETURN and LINE FEED. The last sector of a text file is filled with ASCII SUB characters; in hexadecimal this is 1AH.

## File Control Blocks

In order to get CP/M to work on a file, you need to provide a structure in which both you and the BDOS can keep relevant details about the file, its name and type, and so on. The file control block (FCB) is a derivative of the file directory entry, as you can see in Figure 3-12. This figure shows both a series of equates that can be used to access an entry and a series of DB (define byte) instructions to declare an example.

The first difference you will see between the file directory entry and the FCB is that the very first byte is serving a different purpose. In the FCB, it is used to

specify on which disk the file is to be found. You may recall that in the directory, this byte indicates the user number for a given entry. When you are actually processing files, the current user number is set either by the operator in a command from the console or by a BDOS function call; this predefines which subset of files in the directory will be processed. Therefore, the FCB does not need to keep track of the user number.

The disk number in the FCB's first byte is stored in an odd way. A value of 0 indicates to CP/M that it should look for the file on the current default disk. This default disk is selected either by an entry from the console or by making a specific BDOS call from within a program. In general, the default disk should be preset to the disk that contains the set of programs with which you are working. This avoids unnecessary typing on the keyboard when you want to load a program.

A disk number value other than 0 represents a letter of the alphabet based on a simple codification scheme of A = 1, B = 2, and so on.

As you can see from Figure 3-12, the file name and type must be set to the required values, and for sequential file processing, the remainder of the FCB can be set to zeros. Strictly speaking, the last three bytes of the FCB (the random record number and the random record overflow byte) need not even be declared if you are never going to process the file randomly.

This raises a subtle conceptual point. Random files are only random files because *you* process them randomly. Though this sounds like a truism, what it means is that CP/M's files are not intrinsically random or sequential. What they are depends on how you choose to process them at any given point. Therefore,

```

0000 = FCBEB$DISK EQU 0 ;Disk drive (0 = default, 1=A)
0001 = FCBEB$NAME EQU 1 ;File name (8 bytes)
0009 = FCBEB$TYP EQU 9 ;File type
0009 = FCBEB$RO EQU 9 ;Offsets for bits used in type
000A = FCBEB$SYS EQU 10 ;Bit 7 = 1 - read only
000B = FCBEB$CHANGE EQU 11 ;Bit 7 = 1 - system status
000B = FCBEB$CHANGE EQU 11 ;Bit 7 = 0 - file written to
;
000C = FCBEB$EXTENT EQU 12 ;Extents number
;13, 14 reserved for CP/M
000F = FCBEB$RECUSED EQU 15 ;Records used in this extent
0010 = FCBEB$ABUSED EQU 16 ;Allocation blocks used
0020 = FCBEB$SEQREC EQU 32 ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 = FCBEB$RANREC EQU 33 ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 = FCBEB$RANRECO EQU 35 ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)
;
;
0000 00 FCB$DISK: DB 0 ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB 'FILENAME' ;File name
0009 545950 FCB$TYP: DB 'TYP' ;File type
000C 00 FCB$EXTENT: DB 0 ;Extent
000D 0000 FCB$RESV: DB 0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00 FCB$RECUSED: DB 0 ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000 DB 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00 FCB$SEQREC: DB 0 ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000 FCB$RANREC: DW 0 ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00 FCB$RANRECO: DB 0 ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

```

**Figure 3-12.** Data declarations for the ECB

while the manner in which you process them will be different, there is nothing special built into the file that predicates how it will be used.

## Sequential Files

A sequential file begins at the beginning and ends at the end. You can view it as a contiguous series of 128-byte "records."

In order to create a sequential file, you must declare a file control block with the required file name and type and request the BDOS to *create* the file. You can then request the BDOS to write, "record" by "record" (really 128-byte sector by 128-byte sector) into the file. The BDOS will take care of opening up new extents as it needs to. When you have written out all the data, you must make a BDOS request to close the file.

To read an existing file, you also need an FCB with the required file name and type declared. You then make a BDOS request to open the file for processing and a series of Read Sequential requests, each one bringing in the next "record" until either your program detects an end of file condition (by examining the data coming in from the file) or the BDOS discovers that there are no more sectors in the file to read. There is no need to close a file from which you have been reading data—but *do close it*. This is not necessary if you are going to run the program only under CP/M, but it is necessary if you want to run under MP/M (the multiuser version of CP/M).

What if you need to append further information to an existing file? One option is to create a new file, copy the existing file to the new one, and then start adding data to the end of the new file. Fortunately, with CP/M this is not necessary. In the FCB used to read a file, the name and the type were specified, but you can also specify the extent number. If you do, the BDOS will proceed to open (if it can find it) the extent number that you are asking for. If the BDOS opens the extent successfully, all you need do is check if the number of records used in the extent (held in the field FCB\$RECUSED) is less than 128 (80H). This indicates the extent is not full. By taking this record number and placing it into the FCB\$SEQREC (sequential record number) byte in the FCB, you can make CP/M *jump ahead* and start writing from the effective end of the file.

## Random Files

Random files use a simple variation of the technique described above. The main difference is that the random record number must be set in the FCB. The BDOS automatically keeps track of file extents during Read/Write Random requests. (These requests are explained more fully in Chapter 5.)

Conceptually, random files need a small mind-twist. After creating a file as described earlier, you must set the random record number in the FCB before each Write Random request. This is the two-byte value called FCB\$RANREC in Figure 3-12. Then, when you give the Write Random request to the BDOS, it will

look at the record number; compute in which extent the record must exist; if necessary, create the directory entry for the extent; and finally, write out the data record. Using this scheme, you can dart backward and forward in the file putting records at random throughout the file space, with CP/M creating the necessary directory entries each time you venture into a part of the file that has not yet been written to.

The same technique is used to read a file randomly. You set the random record number in the FCB and then give a system call to the BDOS to open the correct extent and read the data. The BDOS will return an error if it cannot find the required extent or if the particular record is nonexistent.

Problems lie in wait for the unwary. Before starting to do any random reading or writing, you must open up the file at extent 0 even though this extent may not contain any data records. For a new file, this can be done with the Create File request, and for an existing file with the normal Open File request. If you create a *sparse* file, one that has gaps in between the data, you may have some problems manipulating the file. It will appear to have several extents, each one being partially full. This will fool some programs that normally process sequential files; they don't expect to see a partial extent except at the end of a file, and may treat the wrong spot as the end.

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## The Console Command Processor (CCP)

The Console Command Processor processes commands that you enter from the console. As you may recall from the brief overview in Chapter 2, the CCP is loaded into memory immediately below the BDOS. In practice, many programs deliberately overwrite the CCP in order to use the memory it normally occupies. This gives these programs an additional 800H bytes (2K bytes).

When one of these "transient programs" terminates, it relinquishes control to the BIOS, which in turn reloads a fresh copy of the CCP from the system tracks of the disk back into memory and then transfers control to it. Consequently, the CCP leads a sporadic existence—an endless series of being loaded into memory, accepting a command from you at the console, being overwritten by the program

you requested to be loaded, and then being brought back into memory when the program terminates.

This chapter discusses what the CCP does for you in those brief periods when it is in memory.

## Functions of the CCP

Simply put, once the CCP has control of the machine, so do you. The CCP announces its presence by displaying a prompt of two characters: a letter of the alphabet for the current default disk drive and a “greater than” sign. In the example A>, the A tells you that the default disk drive is currently set to be logical drive A, and the “>,” that the message was output by the CCP.

Once you see the prompt, the CCP is ready for you to enter a command line. A command line consists of two major parts: the name of the command and, optionally, some values for the command. This last part is known as the *command tail*.

The command itself can be one of two things: either the name of a file or the name of one of the frequently used commands built into the CCP.

If you enter the name of one of the built-in commands, the CCP does not need to go out to the disk system in order to load the command for execution. The executable code is already inside the CCP.

If the name of the command you entered does not match any of the built-in commands (the CCP has a table of their names), the CCP will search the appropriate logical disk drive for a file with a matching name and a file type of “COM” (which is short for command). You do not enter “.COM” when invoking a command—the CCP assumes a file type of “COM.”

If you do not precede the name of the COM file with a logical disk drive specification, the CCP will search the current default drive. If you have prefixed the COM file’s name with a specific logical drive, the CCP will look only on that drive for the program. For example, the command MYPROG will cause the CCP to look for a file called “MYPROG.COM” on the current default drive, whereas C:MYPROG would make the CCP search only on drive C.

If you enter a command name that matches neither the CCP’s built-in command table nor the name of any COM file on the specified disk, the CCP will output the command name followed by a question mark, indicating it is unable to find the file.

## Editing the CCP Command Line

The CCP uses a line buffer to store what you type until you strike either a CARRIAGE RETURN or a LINE FEED. If you make an error or change your mind, you can modify the incomplete command, even to the point of discarding it.

You edit the command line by entering *control characters* from the console. Control characters are designated either by the combination of keys required to generate them from the keyboard or by their official name in the ASCII character set. For example, CONTROL-J is also known as CARRIAGE RETURN or CR.

Whenever CP/M has to represent control characters, the convention is to indicate the "control" aspect of a character with a caret (^). For example, CONTROL-A will appear as "^A", CONTROL-Z as "^Z", and so on. But if you press the CONTROL key with the normal shift key and the "6" key, this will produce a CONTROL-^ or "^^". The representation of control keys with the caret is only necessary when outputting to the console or the printer—internally, these characters are held as their appropriate binary values.

**CONTROL-C: Warm Boot** If you enter a CONTROL-C as the first character of a command line, the CCP will initiate a warm boot operation. This operation resets CP/M completely, including the disk system. A fresh copy of the CCP is loaded into memory and the file directory of the current default disk drive is scanned, rebuilding the allocation bit map held in the BIOS (as discussed in Chapter 3).

The only time you would initiate a warm boot operation is after you have changed a diskette (or a disk, if you have removable media hard disks). Thus, CP/M will reset the disk system.

Note that a CONTROL-C only initiates a warm boot if it is the first character on a command line. If you enter it in any other position, the CCP will just echo it to the screen as "^C". If you have already entered several characters on a command line, use CONTROL-U or CONTROL-X to cancel the line, and then use CONTROL-C to initiate a warm boot. You can tell a warm boot has occurred because there will be a noticeable pause after the CONTROL-C before the next prompt is displayed. The system needs a finite length of time to scan the file directory and rebuild the allocation bit map.

**CONTROL-E: Physical End-of-Line** The CONTROL-E command is a relic of the days of the teletype and terminals that did not perform an automatic carriage return and line feed when the cursor went off the screen to the right. When you type a CONTROL-E, CP/M sends a CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED command to the console, but does not start to execute the command line you have typed thus far. CONTROL-E is, in effect, a *physical* end-of-line, not a *logical* one.

As you can see, you will need to use this command only if your terminal either overprints (if it is a hard copy device) or does not wrap around when the cursor gets to the right-hand end of the line.

**CONTROL-H: Backspace** The CONTROL-H command is the ASCII backspace character. When you type it, the CCP will "destructively" backspace the cursor. Use it to correct typing errors you discover before you finish entering the command line. The last character you typed will disappear from the screen. The CCP does this by sending a three-character sequence of backspace, space, backspace to the console.

The CCP ignores attempts to backspace over its own prompt. It also takes care of backspacing over control characters that take two character positions on the line. The CCP sends the character sequence backspace, backspace, space, space, backspace, backspace, erasing both characters.

**CONTROL-J: Line Feed/CONTROL-M: Carriage Return** The CONTROL-J command is the ASCII LINE FEED character; CONTROL-M is the CARRIAGE RETURN. Both of these characters terminate the command line. The CCP will then execute the command.

**CONTROL-P: Printer Echo** The CONTROL-P command is used to turn on and off a feature called *printer echo*. When it is turned on, every character sent to the console is also sent to CP/M's list device. You can use this command to get a hard copy of information that normally goes only to the console.

CONTROL-P is a "toggle." The first time you type CONTROL-P it turns on printer echo; the next time you type CONTROL-P it turns off printer echo. Whenever CP/M does a warm boot, printer echo is turned off.

There is no easy way to know whether printer echo is on or off. Try typing a few CARRIAGE RETURNS, and see whether the printer responds; if it does not, type CONTROL-P and try again.

One of the shortcomings in most CP/M implementations is that the printer drivers (the software in the BIOS that controls or "drives" the printer) do not behave very intelligently if the printer is switched off or not ready when you or your program asks it to print. Under these circumstances, the software will wait forever and the system will appear to be dead. So if you "hang" the system in this way when you type a CONTROL-P, check that the printer is turned on and ready. Otherwise, you may have to reset the entire system.

**CONTROL-R: Repeat Command Line** The CONTROL-R command makes the CCP repeat or retype the current input line. The CCP outputs a "#" character, a CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED, and then the entire contents of the command line buffer. This is a useful feature if you are working on a teletype or other hard copy terminal and have used the RUB or DEL characters. Since these characters do not destructively delete a character, you can get a visually confusing line of text on the terminal. The CONTROL-R character gives you a fresh copy of the line without any of the logically deleted characters cluttering it up. In this way you can see exactly what you have typed into the command line buffer.

See the discussion of the RUB and DEL characters for an example of CONTROL-R in use.

**CONTROL-S: Stop Screen Output** The CONTROL-S command is the ASCII XOFF (also called DC3) character; XOFF is an abbreviation for "Transmit Off." Typing CONTROL-S will temporarily stop output to the console. In a standard version of

CP/M, the CCP will resume output when *any* character is entered (including another CONTROL-S) from the console. Thus, you can use CONTROL-S as a toggle switch to turn console output on and off.

In some implementations of CP/M, the console driver itself (the low-level code in the BIOS that controls the console) will be maintaining a communication protocol with the console; therefore, a better way of resuming console output after pausing with a CONTROL-S is to use CONTROL-Q, the ASCII XON or “Transmit On” character. Entering a CONTROL-Q instead of relying on the fact that *any* character may be used to continue the output is a fail-safe measure.

The commands CONTROL-S and CONTROL-Q are most useful when you have large amounts of data on the screen. By “riding” the CONTROL-S and CONTROL-Q keys, you can let the data come to the screen in small bursts that you can easily scan.

**CONTROL-U or CONTROL-X: Undo Command Line** The commands CONTROL-U and CONTROL-X perform the same function: They erase the current partially entered command line so that you can undo any mistakes and start over. The CONTROL-U command was originally intended for hard copy terminals. The CCP outputs a “#” character, then a CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED, and then some blanks to leave the cursor lined up and ready for you to enter the next command line. It leaves what you originally entered in the previous line on the screen. The CONTROL-X command is more suited to screens; the CCP destructively backspaces to the beginning of the command line so that you can reenter it.

**RUB or DEL: Delete Last Character** The rubout or delete function (keys marked RUB, RUBOUT, DEL, or DELETE) nondestructively deletes the last character that you typed. That is, it deletes the last character from the command line buffer and echoes it back to the console.

Here is an example of a command line with the last few characters deleted using the RUB key:

```
A>RUN PAYROLLLORYAPSALES
          ^^^^^^
          DELETED
```

You can see that the command line very quickly becomes unreadable. If you lose track of what are data characters and what has been deleted, you can use CONTROL-R to get a fresh copy of what is in the command line buffer.

The example above would then appear as follows:

```
A>RUN PAYROLLLORYAPSALES#
          RUN SALES_
```

The “#” character is output by the CCP to indicate that the line has been

repeated. The “\_” represents the position of the cursor, which is now ready to continue with the command line.

## Built-In Commands

When you enter a command line and press either CARRIAGE RETURN or LINE FEED, the CCP will check if the command name is one of the set of built-in commands. (It has a small table of command names embedded in it, against which the entered command name is checked.) If the command name matches a built-in one, the CCP executes the command immediately.

The next few sections describe the built-in commands that are available; however, refer to *Osborne CP/M User Guide*, second edition by Thom Hogan (Berkeley: Osborne/McGraw-Hill, 1982) for a more comprehensive discussion with examples of the various forms of each command.

**X:— Changing Default Disk Drives** The default drive is the currently active drive that CP/M uses for all file access whenever you do not nominate a specific drive. If you wish to change the default drive, simply enter the new default drive's identifying letter followed by a colon. The CCP responds by changing the name of the disk that appears in the prompt line.

On hard disks, this simple operation may take a second or two to complete because the BDOS, requested by the CCP to log in the drive, must read through the disk directory and rebuild the allocation vector for the disk. If you have a diskette or a disk that is removable, changing it and performing a warm boot has the same effect of refreshing CP/M's image of which allocation blocks are used and which are available. It takes longer on a hard disk because, as a rule, the directories are much larger.

**DIR—Directory of Files** In its simplest form, the DIR command displays a listing of the files set to Directory status in the current user number (or file group) on the current default drive. Therefore, when you do not ask for any files after the DIR command, a file name of “\*.\*” is assumed. This is a total wildcard, so all files that have not been given System status will be displayed. This is the only built-in command where an omitted file name reference expands to “all file names, all file types.”

You can display the directory of a different drive by specifying the drive in the same command line as the DIR command.

You can qualify the files you want displayed by entering a unique or ambiguous file name or extension. Only those files that match the given file name specification will be displayed, and even then, only those files that are not set to System status will appear on the screen. (The standard CP/M utility program STAT can be used to change files from SYS to DIR status.)

Another side effect of the DIR command and files that are SYS status is best illustrated by an example. Imagine that the current logical drive B has two files on it called SYSFILE (which has SYS status) and NONSYS (which does not). Look at the following console dialog, in which user input is underlined:

```
B>DIR<cr>
B: NONSYS          SYSFILE does not show
B>DIR JUNK<cr>
NO FILE               JUNK does not exist
B>DIR SYSFILE<cr>
B>_
```

Do you see the problem? If a file is not on the disk, the CCP will display NO FILE (or NOT FOUND in earlier versions of CP/M). However, if the file *does* exist but is a SYS file, the CCP does not display it because of its status; nor does the CCP say NO FILE. Instead it quietly returns to the prompt. This can be confusing if you are searching for a file that happens to be set to SYS status. The only safe way to find out if the file does exist is to use the STAT utility.

**ERA — Erase a File** The ERA command logically removes files from the disk (*logically* because only the file directory is affected; the actual data blocks are not changed).

The logical delete changes the first byte of each directory entry belonging to a file to a value of 0E5H. As you may recall from the discussion on the file directory entry in Chapter 3, this first byte usually contains the file user number. If it is set to 0E5H, it marks the entry as being deleted.

ERA makes a complete pass down the file directory to logically delete all of the extents of the file.

Unlike DIR, the ERA command does not assume “all files, all types” if you omit a file name. If it did, it would be all too easy to erase all of your files by accident. You must enter “\*.\*” to erase all files, and even then, you must reassure the CCP that you really want to erase all of them from the disk. The actual dialog looks like the following:

```
A>era b:*.*<cr>
ALL (Y/N)?y<cr>
A>_
```

If you change your mind at the last minute, you can press “n” and the CCP will not erase any files.

One flaw in CP/M is that the ERA command only asks for confirmation when you attempt to erase all of your files using a name such as “\*.\*” or “\*.\*??”. Consider the impact of the following command:

```
A>ERA *.C??<cr>
A>_
```

The CCP with no hesitation has wiped out all files that have a file type starting with the letter “C” in the current user number on logical disk A.

If you need to use an ambiguous file name in an ERA command, check which files you will delete by first using a STAT command with exactly the same ambiguous file name. STAT will show you all the files that match the ambiguous name, even those with SYS status that would not be displayed by a DIR command.

There are several utility programs on the market with names like UNERA or WHOOPS, which take an ambiguous file name and reinstate the files that you may have accidentally erased. A design for a version of UNERASE is discussed in Chapter 11.

If you attempt to erase a file that is not on the specified drive, the CCP will respond with a NO FILE message.

**REN — Rename a File** The REN command renames a file, changing the file name, the file type, or both. In order to rename, you need to enter two file names, the new name and the current file name.

To remember the correct name format, think of the phrase *new = old*. The actual command syntax is

```
A>ren newfile.type=oldfile.type<cr>
A>_
```

You can use a logical disk drive letter to specify on which drive the file exists. If you specify the drive, you only need to enter it on one of the file names. If you enter the drive with both file names, it must be the same letter for both.

Unlike the previous built-in command, REN cannot be used with ambiguous file names. If you try, the CCP echoes back the ambiguous names and a question mark, as in the following dialog:

```
A>ren chap*.doc=chapter*.doc<cr>
CHAP*.DOC=CHAPTER*.DOC?
A>_
```

If the REN command cannot find the old file, it will respond NO FILE. If the new file already exists, the message FILE EXISTS will be displayed. If you receive a FILE EXISTS message and want to check that the new file does exist, remember that it is better to use the STAT command than DIR. The extant file may be declared to be SYS status and therefore will not appear if you use the DIR command.

**TYPE — Type a Text File** The TYPE command copies the specified file to the console. You cannot use ambiguous file names, and you will need to press CONTROL-S if the file has more data than can fill one screen. With the TYPE command, the data in the file will fly past on the screen unless you stop the display by pressing CONTROL-S. Be careful, because if you type any other character, the TYPE command will abort and return control to the CCP.

Once you have had time to see what is displayed on the screen, you can press CONTROL-Q to resume the output of data to the console. With standard CP/M implementations, you will discover that any character can be used to restart the flow of data; however, use CONTROL-Q as a fail-safe measure. CONTROL-S (X-OFF) and CONTROL-Q (X-ON) conform to the standard protocol which should be used.

If you need to get hard copy output of the contents of the file, you should type a CONTROL-P command before you press the CARRIAGE RETURN at the end of the TYPE command line.

As you may have inferred, the TYPE command should only be used to output ASCII text files. If for some reason you use the TYPE command with a file that contains binary information, strange characters will appear on the screen. In fact, you may program your terminal into some state that can only be remedied by turning the power off and then on again. The general rule therefore is *only* use the TYPE command with ASCII text files.

**SAVE — Save Memory Image on Disk** The SAVE command is the hardest of the CCP's commands to explain. It is more useful to the programmer than to a typical end user. The format of this command is

```
A>SAVE n FILENAME.TYP<cr>  
A>_
```

The SAVE command creates a file of the specified name and type (or overwrites an existing file of this name and type), and writes into it the specified number *n* of memory pages. A page in CP/M is 256 (100H) bytes. The SAVE command starts writing out memory from location 100H, the start of the Transient Program Area (TPA). Before you use this command, you will normally have loaded a program into the TPA. The SAVE command does just what its name implies: It saves an image of the program onto a disk file.

More often than not, when you use the SAVE command the file type will be ".COM." With the file saved in this way, the CCP will be able to load and execute the file.

**USER — Change User Numbers** As mentioned before, the directory of each logical disk consists of several directories that are physically interwoven but logically separated by the user number. When you use a specific user number, those files that were created when you were in another user number are logically not available to you.

The USER command provides a way for you to move from one user number to another. The command format is

```
A>USER n<cr>  
A>_
```

where *n* can be any number from 0 to 15. Any other number will provoke the CCP to echoing back your entry, followed by a question mark.

But once you have switched back and forth between user numbers several times, it is easy to become confused about which user number you are in. The STAT command can be used to find the current user number. If you are in a user number that does not make a copy of STAT available to you however, all you can do is use the USER command to set yourself to another user number. You cannot find out which user number you were in; you can only tell the system the user number you want to go to.

In the custom BIOS systems discussed later, there is a way of displaying the current user number each time a warm boot occurs. If you are building a system in which you plan to utilize CP/M's user number features, you should give this display of the current user number serious thought. If you are in the wrong user number and erase files, you can create serious problems.

Some implementations of CP/M have modified the CCP so that the prompt shows the current user number as well as the default drive (similar to the prompt used in MP/M). However, this use of a nonstandard CCP is not a good practice. As a rule, customization should be confined to the BIOS.

## Program Loading

The first area to consider when loading a program is the first 100H bytes of memory, called the *base page*. Several fields—units in this area of memory—are set to predetermined values before a program takes control.

To aid in this discussion, imagine a program called COPYFILE that copies one file to another. This program expects you to specify the source and destination file names on the command line. A typical command would read

```
A>copyfile tofile.typ fromfile.typ display
```

Notice the word "display." COPYFILE will, if you specify the "display" option, output the contents of the source file ("fromfile.typ") on the console as the transfer takes place.

When you press the CARRIAGE RETURN key at the end of the command line, the CCP will search the current default drive ("A" in the example) and load a file called COPYFILE.COM into memory starting at location 100H. The CCP then transfers control to location 100H—just past the base page—and COPYFILE starts executing.

### Base Page

The base page normally starts from location 0000H in memory, but where there is other material in low memory addresses, it may start at a higher address. Figure 4-1 shows the assembly language code you will need to access the base page. RAM is assumed to start at location 0000H in this example.

```

0000 =     RAM      EQU    0      ;Start of RAM (and the base page)
          ;You may need to change this to
          ;some other value (e.g. 4300H)

0000      , WARMBOOT:   ORG    DS    3      ;Set location counter to RAM base
          ;Contains a JMP to warm boot entry
          ;in BIOS Jump vector table

0002 =     BIOSPAGE   EQU    RAM+2 ;BIOS Jump vector page

0003      , IOBYTE:    DS     1      ;Input/output redirection byte

0004      , CURUSER:   DS     1      ;Current user (bits 7-4)
0004 =     CURDISK:   EQU    CURUSER ;Default logical disk (bits 3-0)

0005      , BDOS:      DS     3      ;Contains a JMP to BDOS entry
0007 =     TOPRAM:    EQU    BDOS+2 ;Top page of usable RAM

0005C     ,           ORG    RAM+5CH ;Bypass unused locations

005C      , FCB1:      DS     16     ;File control block #1
          ;Note: if you use this FCB here
          ;you will overwrite FCB2 below.

006C      , FCB2:      DS     16     ;File control block #2
          ;You must move this to another
          ;place before using it

0080      ,           ORG    RAM+80H ;Bypass unused locations

0080      , COMTAIL:   DS     1      ;Complete command tail
          ;Count of the number of chars
          ;in command tail (CR not incl.)

0081      , COMTAIL$COUNT: DS     127    ;Characters in command tail
          ;converted to uppercase and
          ;without trailing carriage ret.

0080      ,           ORG    RAM+80H ;Redefine command tail area

0080      , DMABUFFER: DS     128    ;Default "DMA" address used
          ;as a 128-byte record buffer

0100      ,           ORG    RAM+100H ;Bypass unused locations
          ;Start of transient program area
          ;into which programs are loaded.

```

**Figure 4-1.** Base page data declarations

Some versions of CP/M, such as the early Heathkit/Zenith system, have ROM from location 0000H to 42FFH. Digital Research, responding to market pressure, produced a version of CP/M that assumed RAM starting at 4300H. If you have one of these systems, you must add 4300H to all addresses in the following paragraphs *except* for those that refer to addresses at the top of memory. These will not be affected by the presence of ROM in low memory.

The individual values used in fields in the base page are described in the following sections.

**Warmboot** The three-byte *warmboot* field contains an instruction to jump up to the high end of RAM. This JMP instruction transfers control into the BIOS and triggers a warm boot operation. As mentioned before, a warm boot causes CP/M to reload the CCP and rebuild the allocation vector for the current default disk. If you need

to cause a warm boot from within one of your assembly language programs, code

```
JMP 0          ; Warm Boot
```

**BIOSPAGE** The BIOS has several different entry points; however, they are all clustered together at the beginning of the BIOS. The first few instructions of the BIOS look like the following:

```
JMP ENTRY1
JMP ENTRY2
JMP ENTRY3      ; and so on
```

Because of the way CP/M is put together, the first jump instruction *always* starts on a page boundary. Remember that a page is 256 (100H) bytes of memory, so a page boundary is an address where the least significant eight bits are zero. For example, the BIOS jump vector (as this set of JMPs is called) may start at an address such as F200H or E600H. The exact address is determined by the size of the BIOS.

By looking at the BIOSPAGE, the most significant byte of the address in the warmboot JMP instruction, the page address of the BIOS jump vector can be determined.

### IOBYTE

CP/M is based on a philosophy of separating the *physical* world from CP/M's own *logical* view of the world. This philosophy also applies to the character-oriented devices that CP/M supports.

The IOBYTE consists of four two-bit fields that can be used to assign a physical device to each of the logical ones. It is important to understand that the IOBYTE itself is just a passive data structure. Actual assignment occurs only when the physical device drivers examine the IOBYTE, interpreting its contents and selecting the correct physical drive for the cooperation of the BIOS. These device drivers are the low-level (that is, close to machine language) code in the BIOS that actually interfaces and controls the physical device.

The four *logical* devices that CP/M knows about are

1. *The console.* This is the device through which you communicate with CP/M. It is normally a terminal with a screen and a keyboard. The console is a bidirectional device: It can be used as a source for information (input) and a destination to which you can send information (output).

In CP/M terminology, the console is known by the symbolic name of "CON:". Note the ":"—this differentiates the device name from a disk file that might be called "CON."

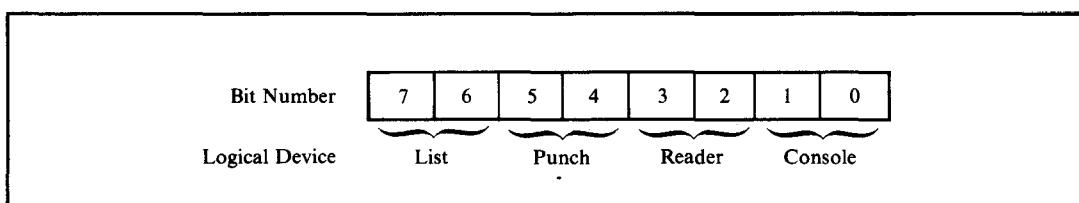
2. *The list device.* This is normally a printer of some sort and is used to make hard copy listings. CP/M views the printer as an output device only. This creates problems for printers that need to tell CP/M they are busy, but this

problem can be remedied by adding code to the low-level printer driver. CP/M's name for this logical device is "LST:".

3. *The paper tape reader.* It is unusual to find a paper tape reader in use today. Originally, CP/M ran on an Intel Microcomputer Development System called the MDS-800, and this system had a paper tape reader. This device can be used only as a source for information.  
CP/M calls this logical device "RDR:".
4. *The paper tape punch.* This, too, is a relic from CP/M's early days and the MDS-800. In this case, the punch can be used only for output.  
The logical device name used by CP/M is "PUN:".

The physical arrangement of the IOBYTE fields is shown in Figure 4-2. Each two-bit field can take on one of four values: 00, 01, 10, and 11. The particular value can be interpreted by the BIOS to mean a specific physical device, as shown in Table 4-1.

Although the actual interpretation of the IOBYTE is performed by the BIOS, the STAT utility can set the IOBYTE using the logical and physical device names, and PIP (Peripheral Interchange Program) can be used to copy data from one device to another. In addition, you can write a program that simply changes the



**Figure 4-2.** Arrangement of the IOBYTE

**Table 4-1.** IOBYTE Values

Logical Device	Physical Device			
	00	01	10	11
Console (CON:)	TTY:	CRT:	BAT:	UC1:
Reader (RDR:)	TTY:	PTR:	UR1:	UR2:
Punch (PUN:)	TTY:	PTP:	UPI:	UP2:
List (LST:)	TTY:	CRT:	LPT:	UL1:

contents of the IOBYTE. But be careful: Changes in the IOBYTE take effect immediately.

The values in the IOBYTE have the following meanings:

**Console (CON:)**

- 00 Teletype driver (TTY:)  
This driver is assumed to be connected to a hard copy device being used as the main console.
- 01 CRT driver (CRT:)  
The driver is assumed to be connected to a CRT terminal.
- 10 Batch mode (BAT:)  
This is a rather special case. It is assumed that appropriate drivers will be called so that console input comes from the logical reader (RDR:) and console output is sent to the logical list device (LST:).
- 11 User defined console (UC1:)  
Meaning depends on the individual BIOS implementation. If, for example, you have a high-resolution graphics screen, you could arrange for this setting of the IOBYTE to direct console output to it. You might make console input come in from some graphic tablet, joystick, or other device.

**Reader (RDR:)**

- 00 Teletype driver (TTY:)  
This refers to the paper tape reader device that was often found on teletype consoles.
- 01 Paper tape reader (PTR:)  
This presumes some kind of high-speed input device connected to the system. Modern systems rarely have such a device, so this setting is often used to connect the logical reader to the input side of a communications line.
- 10 User defined reader #1 (UR1:)
- 11 User defined reader #2 (UR2:)  
Both of these settings can be used to direct the physical driver to some other specialized devices. These values are included only because they would otherwise have been unassigned. They are rarely used.

**Punch (PUN:)**

- 00 Teletype driver (TTY:)  
This refers to the paper tape punch that was often found on teletype consoles.
- 01 Paper tape punch (PTP:)

This presumes that there is some kind of high-speed paper tape punch connected to the system. Again, this is rarely the case, so this setting is often used to connect the logical punch to the output side of a communications line.

- 10 User defined punch #1 (UP1:)
- 11 User defined punch #2 (UP2:)

These two settings correspond to the two user defined readers, but they are practically never used.

#### **List (LST):**

- 00 Teletype driver (TTY:)  
Output will be printed on a teletype.
- 01 CRT driver (CRT:)  
Output will be directed to the screen on a CRT terminal.
- 10 Line printer driver (LPT:)  
Output will go to a high-speed printing device. Although the name *line printer* implies a specific type of hardware, it can be any kind of printer.
- 11 User defined list device (UL1:)  
Whoever writes the BIOS can arrange for this setting to cause logical list device output to go to a device other than the main printer.

To repeat: The IOBYTE is not actually used by the main body of CP/M. It is just a passive data structure that can be manipulated by the STAT utility. Whether the IOBYTE has any effect depends entirely on the particular BIOS implementation.

**CURUSER** The CURUSER field is the most significant four bits (high order nibble) of its byte. It contains the currently selected user number set by the CCP USER command, by a specific call to the BDOS, or by a program setting this nibble to the required value. This last way of changing user numbers may cause compatibility problems with future versions of CP/M, so use it only under controlled conditions.

**CURDISK** The CURDISK field is the least significant four bits of the byte it shares with CURUSER. It contains a value of 0 if the current disk is A:, 1 if it is B:, and so on. The CURDISK field can be set from the CCP, by a request to the BDOS, or by a program altering this field. The caveat given for CURUSER regarding compatibility also applies here.

**BDOSE** This three-byte field contains an instruction to jump to the entry point of the BDOS. Whenever you want the BDOS to do something, you can transfer the request to the BDOS by placing the appropriate values in registers and making a CALL to this JMP instruction. By using a CALL, the return address will be

placed on the stack. The subsequent JMP to the BDOS does not put any additional information onto the stack, which operates on a last-in, first-out basis; so when the system returns from the BDOS, it will return directly to your program.

**TOPRAM** Because the BDOS, like the BIOS, starts on a page boundary, the most significant byte of the address of the BDOS entry tells you in which page the BDOS starts. You must subtract 1 from the value in TOPRAM to get the highest page number that you can use in your program. Note that when you use this technique, you assume that the CCP will be overwritten since it resides in memory just below the BDOS.

**FCB1 and FCB2** As a convenience, the CCP takes the first two parameters that appear in the command tail (see next section), attempts to parse them as though they were file names, and places the results in FCB1 and FCB2. The results, in this context, mean that the logical disk letter is converted to its FCB representation, and the file name and type, converted to uppercase, are placed in the FCB in the correct bytes. In addition, any use of "\*" in the file name is expanded to one or more question marks. For example, a file name of "abc\*.\*" will be converted to a name of "ABC?????" and type of "???".

Notice that FCB2 starts only 16 bytes above FCB1, yet a normal FCB is at least 33 bytes long (36 bytes if you want to use random access). In many cases, programs only require a single file name. Therefore, you can proceed to use FCB1 straight away, not caring that FCB2 will be overwritten.

In the case of the COPYFILE program example on previous pages, two file names are required. Before FCB1 can be used, the 16 bytes of FCB2 must be moved into a skeleton FCB that is declared in the body of COPYFILE itself.

**COMTAIL** The command tail is everything on the command line *other* than the command name itself. For example, the command tail in the COPYFILE command line is shown here:

```
A>copyfile tofile.type fromfile.typ display
```

The CCP takes the command tail (converted to uppercase) and stores it in the COMTAIL area.

**COMTAIL\$COUNT** This is a single-byte binary count of the number of characters in the command tail. The count does *not* include a trailing CARRIAGE RETURN or a blank between the command name and the command tail. For example, if you enter the command line

```
A>PRINT ABC*.*
```

the COMTAIL\$COUNT will be six, which is the number of characters in the string "ABC\*.\*".

**COMTAIL\$CHARS** These are the actual characters in the command tail. This field is not blank-filled, so you must use the COMTAIL\$COUNT in order to detect the end of the command tail.

**DMA\$BUFFER** In Figure 4-1, the DMA\$BUFFER is actually the same area of memory as the COMTAIL. This is a space-saving trick that works because most programs process the contents of the command tail before they do any disk input or output.

The DMA\$BUFFER is a sector buffer (hence it has a length of 128 bytes). The use of the acronym DMA (direct memory access) refers back to the Intel MDS-800. This system had hardware that could move data to and from diskettes by going directly to memory, bypassing the CPU completely. The term is still used even though you may have a computer system that does not use DMA for its disk I/O. You can substitute the idea of "the address to/from which data is read/written" in place of the DMA concept.

You can request CP/M to use a DMA address other than DMA\$BUFFER, but whenever the CCP is in control, the DMA address will be set back here.

#### TPA

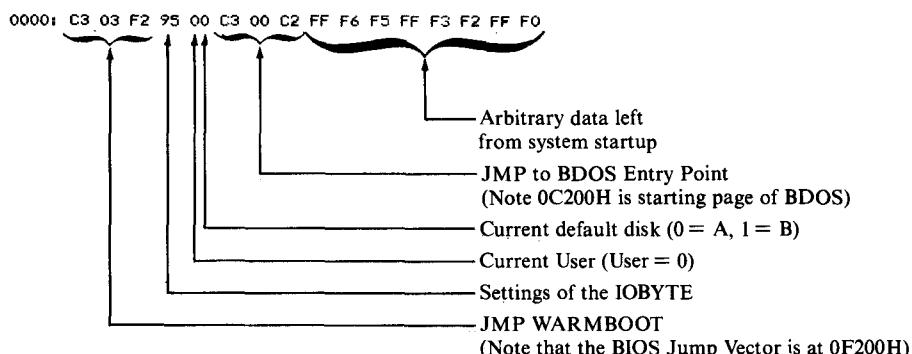
This is the *transient program area* into which the CCP loads programs. The TPA extends up to the base of the BDOS.

The TPA is also the starting address for the memory image that is saved on disk whenever you use the CCP SAVE command.

### Memory Dumps of the Base Page

The following are printouts showing the contents of the base page (the first 100H bytes of memory) as the COPYFILE program will see it.

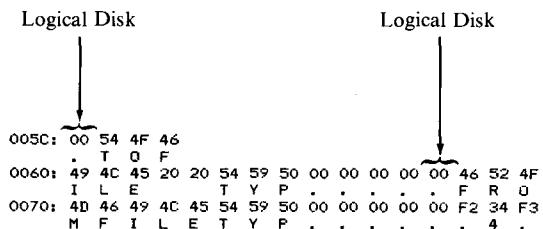
This is an example of the first 16 bytes of memory:



The command line, as you recall, was

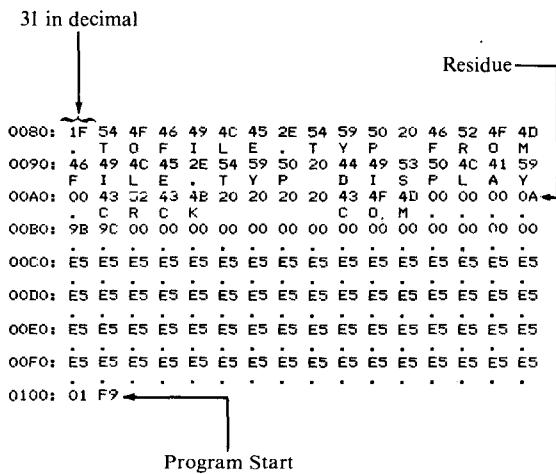
A>copyfile tofile.typ fromfile.typ display

The FCB1 and FCB2 areas will be set by the CCP as follows:



Since the logical disks were not specified in the file names in the command line, the CCP has set the disk code in both FCB1 and FCB2 to 00H, meaning "use the default disk." The file name and type have been converted to uppercase, separated, and put into the FCBs in their appointed places.

The complete command tail has been stored in COMTAIL as follows:



You can see that the command tail length is 01FH (31 decimal). This is followed immediately by the command tail characters themselves. Note that the command tail stops at location 9FH. The remainder of the data that you can see is the residue of some previous directory operation by the CCP. You can see the file name CRCK.COM in a directory entry, followed by several 0E5Hs that are unused directory space.

Finally, at location 0100H are the first two bytes of the program.

## Processing the Command Tail

One of the first problems facing you if you write a program that can accept parameters from the command tail is to process the command tail itself, isolating each of the parameters. You should use a standard subroutine to do this. This subroutine splits the command line into individual parameters and returns a count of the number of parameters, as well as a pointer to a table of addresses. Each address in this table points in turn to a null-byte-terminated string. Each parameter is placed in a separate string.

Figure 4-3 contains the listing of this subroutine, CTP (Command Tail Processor).

```

0100 ORG 100H
0100 CD3601 START: CALL CTP ;Test bed for CTP
0103 00 NOP
; Remainder of your program

; This subroutine breaks the command tail apart, placing
; each value in a separate string area.
;

; Return parameters:
; A = 0 - No error (Z flag set)
; B = Count of number of parameters
; HL -> Table of addresses
; Each address points to a null-byte-
; terminated parameter string.
; If too many parameters are specified, then A = TMP
; If a given parameter is too long, then A = PTL
; and D points to the first character of the
; offending parameter in the COMTAIL area.

0080 = COMTAIL EQU 80H ;Command tail in base page
0080 = COMTAIL$COUNT EQU COMTAIL ;Count of chars. in command tail
0001 = CTP$PTMP EQU 1 ;Too many parameters error code
0002 = CTP$PTL EQU 2 ;Parameter too long error code
;
PTABLE: ;Table of pointers to parameters
0104 0C01 DW P1 ;Parameter 1
0106 1A01 DW P2 ;Parameter 2
0108 2B01 DW P3 ;Parameter 3
; <-- Add more parameter addresses here
010A 0000 DW 0 ;Terminator
;
; Parameter strings.
; The first byte is 0 so that unused parameters appear
; to be null strings.
; The last byte of each is a 0 and is used to detect
; a parameter that is too long.
010C 00010101P1: DB 0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0 ;Param. 1 & terminator
011A 00010101P2: DB 0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0 ;Param. 2 & terminator
0128 00010101P3: DB 0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,0 ;Param. 3 & terminator
; <-- Add more parameter strings here
;
CTP: ;Main entry point <<<<
LXI H,PTABLE ;HL -> table of addresses
0139 0E00 MVI C,0 ;Set parameter count
013B 3A8000 LDA COMTAIL$COUNT ;Character count
013E B7 ORA A ;Check if any params.
013F C8 RZ ;Exit (return params. already set)
0140 E5 PUSH H ;Save on top of stack for later
0141 47 MOV B,A ;B = COMTAIL char. count
0142 21B100 LXI H,COMTAIL+1 ;HL -> Command tail chars.

```

**Figure 4-3.** Command Tail Processor (CTP)

```

        CTP$NEXTP:
0145 E3      XTHL          ;Next parameter loop
0146 5E      MOV  E,M       ;HL -> Table of addresses
0147 23      INX  H         ;Top of stack = COMTAIL ptr.
0148 56      MOV  D,M       ;Get LS byte of param. addr.
0149 7A      MOV  A,D       ;Get MS byte of param. addr.
014A B3      ORA  E         ;DE -> Parameter string (or is 0)
014B CA8001   JZ   CTP$TMPX  ;Get copy of MS byte of addr.
014E 23      INX  H         ;Combine MS and LS byte
014F E3      XTHL          ;Too many parameters--exit
0150 7E      MOV  A,M       ;Update address pointer
0151 23      INX  H         ;Get MS byte of param. addr.
0152 05      DCR  B         ;Get LS byte of param. addr.
0153 FA7301   MB   CTPX      ;DE -> Parameter string (or is 0)
0156 FE20      CPI  '/'      ;Get copy of MS byte of addr.
0158 CA5001   JZ   CTP$SKIPB  ;Combine MS and LS byte
015B 0C      INR  C         ;Too many parameters--exit
015C 12      STAX D        ;Get next parameter byte
015D 13      INX  D        ;Update command tail ptr.
015E 1A      LDAX D        ;Check if characters still remain
015F B7      ORA  A         ;No, so exit
0160 CA7A01   JZ   CTP$PTLX  ;Check if terminator
0163 AF      XRA  A        ;Parameter too long exit
0164 12      STAX D        ;Float a 0-byte at end of param.
0165 7E      MOV  A,M       ;Store in param. string
0166 23      INX  H         ;Get next character from tail
0167 05      DCR  B        ;Update command tail pointer
0168 FA7301   JM   CTPX      ;Check if characters still remain
016B FE20      CPI  '/'      ;No, so exit
016D CA4501   JZ   CTP$NEXTP  ;Check if parameter terminator
0170 C35C01   JMP  CTP$NEXTC  ;Yes, so move to next parameter
0173 AF      XRA  A        ;No, so store it in param. string
0174 E1      POP  H         ;Normal exit
0175 210401   LXI  H,PTABLE  ;A = 0 & Z-flag set
0178 B7      ORA  A        ;Common exit code
0179 C9      RET             ;Balance stack
017A 3E02      MVI  A,CTP$PTL  ;Return ptr. to param. addr. table
017C EB      XCHG           ;Ensure Z-flag set appropriately
017D C37401   JMP  CTPCX     ;Common exit
0180 3E01      MVI  A,CTP$TMP  ;Parameter too long exit
0182 C37401   JMP  CTPCX     ;Set error code
0185          END             ;DE -> offending parameter
                                ;Too many parameters exit
                                ;Set error code
                                ;Common exit
        START

```

Figure 4-3. Command Tail Processor (CTP) (continued)

## Available Memory

Many programs need to use all of available memory, and so very early in the program they need to set the stack pointer to the top end of the available RAM. As mentioned before, the CCP can be overwritten as it will be reloaded on the next warm boot.

Figure 4-4 shows the code used to set the stack pointer. This code determines the amount of memory in the TPA and sets the stack pointer to the top of available RAM.

## Communicating with the BIOS

If you are writing a utility program to interact with a customized BIOS, there will be occasions where you need to make a *direct* BIOS call. However, if your program ends up on a system running Digital Research's MP/M Operating System, you will have serious problems if you try to call the BIOS directly. Among other things, you will crash the operating system.

If you need to make such a call and you are aware of the dangers of using direct BIOS calls, Figure 4-5 shows you one way to do it.

Remember that the first instructions in the BIOS are the jump vector—a sequence of JMP instructions one after the other. Before you can make a direct call, you need to know the *relative page offset* of the particular JMP instruction you want to go to. The BIOS jump vector always starts on a page boundary, so all you need to know is the least significant byte of its address.

```

0007 =      TOPRAM EQU    7      ;Most significant byte of
               ;          BDOS entry point
0000 3A0700      LDA     TOPRAM ;Get MS byte of BDOS entry point
0003 3D      DCR     A       ;Back off one page
0004 2EFF      MVI     L,OFFH ;Set LS byte of final address
0006 67      MOV     H,A     ;HL = XXFFH
0007 F9      SPHL   ;Set stack pointer from HL

```

**Figure 4-4.** Setting stack pointer to top of available RAM

```

;      Use this technique only for CP/M utility programs.
;      MP/M programs do not permit this.
;
0009 =      CONIN   EQU    09H    ;Get console input character
               ;          ;(It's the 4th jump in the vector)
0002 =      BIOSPAGE EQU    2      ;Address of BIOS page
;
;      At this point you make a direct CONIN
;      CALL...
;
0000 2E09      MVI     L,CONIN ;Get LS byte of CONIN entry point
0002 CD0500      CALL    BIOS   ;Go to BIOS entry subroutine
               ;... the rest of your program...
;
;
BIOS:        LDA     BIOSPAGE;Get BIOS jump vector page
0005 3A0200      MOV     H,A     ;HL -> entry point
0008 67      PCHL   ;(You set LS byte before coming here)
0009 E9      ;"Jump" to BIOS
               ;Your return address is already
               ;on the stack

```

**Figure 4-5.** Making a direct BIOS call

```

;      Note: This example assumes you have not
;      overwritten the CCP.
;
0100      ORG 100H ;Start at TPA
START:    LXI H,0      ;Save CCP's stack pointer
          DAD SP      ;By adding it to 0 in HL
          SHLD CCP$STACK
          LXI SP,LOCAL$STACK
;
;      The main body of your program is here
;
;      ... and when you are ready to return
;            to the CCP...
;
010A 2A0F01 LHLD CCP$STACK ;Get CCP's stack pointer
010D F9     SPHL             ;Restore SP
010E C9     RET              ;Return to the CCP
;
010F CCP$STACK: DS 2        ;Save area for CCP SP
0111 LOCAL$STACK: DS 48     ;Local stack
0141 END START

```

**Figure 4-6.** Returning to CCP at program end

## Returning to CP/M

Once your program has run, you will need to return control back to CP/M. If your program has not overwritten the CCP and has left the stack pointer as it was when your program was entered, you can return directly to the CCP using a RET instruction.

Figure 4-6 shows how a normal program would do this if you use a local stack, one within the program. The CCP stack is too small; it has room for only 24 16-bit values.

The advantage of returning directly to the CCP is speed. This is true especially on a hard disk system, where the time needed to perform a warm boot is quite noticeable.

If your program has overwritten the CCP, you have no option but to transfer control to location 0000H and let the warm boot occur. To do this, all you need do is execute

```
EXIT: JMP 0           ;Warm Boot
```

(As a hint, if you are testing a program and it suddenly exits back to CP/M, the odds are that it has inadvertently blundered to location 0000H and executed a warm boot.)

# 5

What the BDOS Does

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## The Basic Disk Operating System

The Basic Disk Operating System is the real heart of CP/M. Unlike the Console Command Processor, it must be in memory all the time. It provides all of the input/output services to CP/M programs, including the CCP.

As a general rule, unless you are writing a system-dependent utility program, you should use the BDOS for *all* of your program's input/output. If you circumvent the BDOS you will probably create problems for yourself later.

## What the BDOS Does

The BDOS does all of the system input/output for you. These services can be grouped into two types of functions:

### *Simple Byte-by-Byte I/O*

This is sending and receiving data between the computer system and its logical devices—the console, the “reader” and “punch” (or their substitutes), and the printer.

### *Disk File I/O*

This covers such tasks as creating new files, deleting old files, opening existing files, and reading and writing 128-byte long “records” to and from these files.

The remainder of this chapter explains each of the BDOS functions, shows how to make each operating system request, and gives additional information for each function. You should also refer to Digital Research’s manual, *CP/M 2 Interface Guide*, for their standard description of these functions.

## BDOS Function Calls

The BDOS function calls are described in the order of their function code numbers. Figure 5-1 summarizes these calls.

### Naming Conventions

In practice, whenever you write programs that make BDOS calls, you should include a series of equates for the BDOS function code numbers. We shall be making reference to these values in subsequent examples, so they are shown in Figure 5-2 as they will appear in the programs.

The function names used to define the equates in Figure 5-2 are shorter than those in Figure 5-1 to strike a balance between the abbreviated function names used in Digital Research’s documentation and the need for clearer function descriptions.

### Making a BDOS Function Request

All BDOS functions are requested by issuing a CALL instruction to location 0005H. You can also request a function by transferring control to location 0005H with the return address on the stack.

In order to tell the BDOS what you need it to do, you must arrange for the internal registers of the CPU to contain the required information before the CALL instruction is executed.

<b>Function Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Simple Byte-by-Byte I/O</b>	
0	Overall system and BDOS reset
1	Read a byte from the console keyboard
2	Write a byte to the console screen
3	Read a byte from the logical reader device
4	Write a byte to the logical punch device
5	Write a byte to the logical list device
6	Direct console I/O (no CCP-style editing)
7*	Read the current setting of the IOBYTE
8*	Set a new value of the IOBYTE
9	Send a "\$"-terminated string to the console
10	Read a string from the console into a buffer
11	Check if a console key is waiting to be read
12	Return the CP/M version number
<b>Disk File I/O</b>	
13	Reset disk system
14	Select specified logical disk drive
15	Open specified file for reading/writing
16	Close specified file after reading/writing
17	Search file directory for first match with filename
18	Search file directory for next match with filename
19	Delete (erase) file
20	Read the next "record" sequentially
21	Write the next "record" sequentially
22	Create a new file with the specified name
23	Rename a file to a new name
24	Indicate which logical disks are active
25	Return the current default disk drive number
26	Set the DMA address (read/write address)
27	Return the address of an allocation vector
28*	Set specified logical disk drive to Read-Only status
29	Indicate which disks are currently Read-Only status
30	Set specified file to System or Read-Only status
31	Return address of disk parameter block (DPB)
32*	Set/Get the current user number
33	Read a "record" randomly
34	Write a "record" randomly
35	Return logical file size (even for random files)
36	Set record number for the next random read/write
37	Reset specified drive
40	Write a "record" randomly with zero fill

\*These do not work under MP/M.

**Figure 5-1.** BDOS function calls

0000 =	B\$SYSRESET	EQU 0	;System Reset
0001 =	B\$CONIN	EQU 1	;Read Console Byte
0002 =	B\$CONOUT	EQU 2	;Write Console Byte
0003 =	B\$READIN	EQU 3	;Read "Reader" Byte
0004 =	B\$PUNOUT	EQU 4	;Write "Punch" Byte
0005 =	B\$LISTOUT	EQU 5	;Write Printer Byte
0006 =	B\$DIRCONIO	EQU 6	;Direct Console I/O
0007 =	B\$GETIO	EQU 7	;Get I/OBYTE
0008 =	B\$SETIO	EQU 8	;Set I/OBYTE
0009 =	B\$PRINTS	EQU 9	;Print Console String
000A =	B\$READCONS	EQU 10	;Read Console String
000B =	B\$CONST	EQU 11	;Read Console Status
000C =	B\$GETVER	EQU 12	;Get CP/M Version Number
000D =	B\$DISKRESET	EQU 13	;Disk System Reset
000E =	B\$SELDSK	EQU 14	;Select Disk
000F =	B\$OPEN	EQU 15	;Open File
0010 =	B\$CLOSE	EQU 16	;Close File
0011 =	B\$SEARCHF	EQU 17	;Search for First Name Match
0012 =	B\$SEARCHN	EQU 18	;Search for Next Name Match
0013 =	B\$ERASE	EQU 19	;Erase (delete) File
0014 =	B\$READSEQ	EQU 20	;Read Sequential
0015 =	B\$WRITESEQ	EQU 21	;Write Sequential
0016 =	B\$CREATE	EQU 22	;Create File
0017 =	B\$RENAME	EQU 23	;Rename File
0018 =	B\$GETACTDSK	EQU 24	;Get Active (Logged-in) Disks
0019 =	B\$GETCURDSK	EQU 25	;Get Current Default Disk
001A =	B\$SETDMA	EQU 26	;Set DMA (Read/Write) Address
001B =	B\$GETALVEC	EQU 27	;Get Allocation Vector Address
001C =	B\$SETDSKRO	EQU 28	;Set Disk to Read Only
001D =	B\$GETRDOSKS	EQU 29	;Get Read Only Disks
001E =	B\$SETFAT	EQU 30	;Set File Attributes
001F =	B\$GETDPB	EQU 31	;Get Disk Parameter Block Address
0020 =	B\$SETGETUN	EQU 32	;Set/Get User Number
0021 =	B\$READRAN	EQU 33	;Read Random
0022 =	B\$WRITERAN	EQU 34	;Write Random
0023 =	B\$GETFSIZ	EQU 35	;Get File Size
0024 =	B\$SETTRANREC	EQU 36	;Set Random Record Number
0025 =	B\$RESETD	EQU 37	;Reset Drive
0028 =	B\$WRITERANZ	EQU 40	;Write Random with Zero-Fill

**Figure 5-2.** Equates for BDOS function code numbers

The function code number of the specific function call you want performed must be in register C.

If you need to hand a single-byte value to the BDOS, such as a character to be sent to the console, then you must arrange for this value to be in register E. If the value you wish to pass to the BDOS is a 16-bit value, such as the address of a buffer or a file control block (FCB), this value must be in register pair DE.

When the BDOS hands back a single-byte value, such as a keyboard character or a return code indicating the success or failure of the function you requested, it will be returned in register A. When the BDOS returns a 16-bit value, it will be in register pair HL.

On return from the BDOS, registers A and L will contain the same value, as will registers B and H. This odd convention stems from CP/M's origins in PL/M (Programming Language/Microprocessor), a language used by Intel on their MDS system. Thus, PL/M laid the foundations for what are known as "register calling conventions."

The BDOS makes no guarantee about the contents of the other registers. If you need to preserve a value that is in a register, either store the value in memory or push it onto the stack. The BDOS uses its own stack space, so there is no need to worry about it consuming your stack.

To sum up, when you make a function request to the BDOS that requires a byte value, the code and the required entry and exit parameters will be as follows:

MVI	C,FUNCTION\$CODE	;C = function code
MVI	E,SINGLE\$BYTE	;E = single byte value
CALL	BDOS	;Location 5
		;A = return code or value
		;or HL = return value

For those function requests that need to have an address passed to the BDOS, the calling sequence is

MVI	C,FUNCTION\$CODE	;C = function code
LXI	D,ADDRESS	;DE = address
CALL	BDOS	;Location 5
		;A = return code or value
		;or HL = return value

If a function request involves disk files, you will have to tell the BDOS the address of the FCB that you have created for the file. (Refer back to Chapter 3 for descriptions of the FCB.)

Many file processing functions return a value in register A that is either 0FFH, indicating that the file named in the FCB could not be found, or equal to a value of 0, 1, 2, or 3. In the latter case, the BDOS is returning what is called a "directory code." The number is the directory entry number that the BDOS matched to the file name in your FCB. At any given moment, the BDOS has a 128-byte sector from the directory in memory. Each file directory entry is 32 bytes, so four of them (numbered 0, 1, 2, and 3) can be processed at a time. The directory code indicates which one has been matched to your FCB.

References to CP/M "records" in the following descriptions mean 128-byte sectors. Do not confuse them with the logical records used by applications programs. Think of CP/M records as 128-byte sectors throughout.

## Function 0: System Reset

Function Code: C ≡ 00H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: Does not return

### Example

```
0000 = B$SYSRESET EQU 0 ;System Reset
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E00 MVI C,B$SYSRESET ;Set function code
0002 C30500 JMP BDOS ;Note: you can use a JMP since
; you don't get control back
```

**Purpose** The system reset function makes CP/M do a complete reset, exactly the same as the warm boot function invoked when you transfer control to the WARM-BOOT point (refer to Figure 4-1).

In addition to resetting the BDOS, this function reloads the CCP, rebuilds the allocation vectors for the currently logged disks, sets the DMA address (used by CP/M to address the disk read/write buffer) to 80H, marks all disks as being Read/Write status, and transfers control to the CCP. The CCP then outputs its prompt to the console.

**Notes** This function is most useful when you are working in a high-level language that does not permit a jump instruction to an absolute address in memory. Use it when your program has finished and you need to return control back to CP/M.

## Function 1: Read Console Byte

Function Code: C = 01H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: A = Data byte from console

### Example

```

0001 =      B$CONIN      EQU    1      ;Console input
0005 =      BDOS         EQU    5      ;BDOS entry

0000 0E01      MVI     C,B$CONIN      ;Get function code
0002 CD0500      CALL    BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function reads the next byte of data from the console keyboard and puts it into register A. If the character input is a graphic character, it will be echoed back to the console. The only control characters that are echoed are CARRIAGE RETURN, LINE FEED, BACKSPACE, and TAB. In the case of a TAB character, the BDOS outputs as many spaces as are required to move the cursor to the next multiple of eight columns. All of the other control characters, including CONTROL-C, are input but are not echoed.

This function also checks for CONTROL-S (XOFF) to see if console output should be suspended, and for CONTROL-P (printer echo toggle) to see if console output should also be sent to the list device. If CONTROL-S is found, further output will be suspended until you type another character. CONTROL-P will enable the echoing of console output the first time it is pressed and disable it the second time.

If there is no incoming data character, this function will wait until there is one.

**Notes** This function often hinders rather than helps, because it echoes the input. Whenever you need console input at the byte-by-byte level, you will usually want to suppress this echo back to the console. For instance, you may know that the "console" is actually a communications line such as a modem. You may be trying to accept a password that should not be echoed back. Or you may need to read a

cursor control character that would cause an undesirable side effect on the terminal if echoed there.

In addition, if you need more than a single character from the console, your program will be easier to use if the person at the console can take full advantage of the CCP-style line editing. This can best be done by using the Read Console String function (code 10, 0AH).

Read Console String also is more useful for single character input, especially when you are expecting a "Y" or "N" (yes or no) response. If you use the Read Console Byte function, the operator will have only one chance to enter the data. When you use Read Console String, however, users have the chance to type one character, change their minds, backspace, and type another character.

## Function 2: Write Console Byte

Function Code: C = 02H  
 Entry Parameters: E = Data byte to be output  
 Exit Parameters: None

### Example

```

0002 =      B$CONOUT      EQU    2      ;Write Console Byte
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5      ;BDOS entry
0000 0E02      MVI    C,B$CONOUT      ;Function code
0002 1E2A      MVI    E,'*'        ;E = data byte to be output
0004 CD0500      CALL   BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function outputs the data byte in register E to the console. As with function 1, if the data byte is a TAB character, it will be expanded by the BDOS to the next column that is a multiple of eight. The BDOS also checks to see if there is an incoming character, and if there is, checks to see if it is a CONTROL-S (in which case console output is suspended) or CONTROL-P (in which case echoing of console output to the printer is toggled on or off).

**Notes** You may have problems using this function to output cursor-addressing control sequences to the console. If you try to output a true binary cursor address to position 9, the BDOS will interpret this as a TAB character (ASCII code 9) and dutifully replace it with zero to eight blanks. If you need to output binary values, you must set the most significant bit of the character (use an ORI 80H, for example) so that it will not be taken as the ASCII TAB.

Here are two general-purpose subroutines that you will need for outputting messages. The first one, shown in Figure 5-3, outputs a null-byte-terminated message from a specified address. The second, in Figure 5-4, does essentially the same thing *except* that the message string follows immediately after the call to the subroutine.

```

;MSGOUT (message out)
;Output null-byte-terminated message.

;Calling sequence
;    MESSAGE:      DB      'Message',0
;    LXI     H,MESSAGE
;    CALL    MSGOUT

;Exit Parameters
;    HL -> Null byte terminator

0002 = B$CONOUT    EQU    2      ;Write Console Byte
0005 = BDOS        EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

MSGOUT:
0000 7E    MOV     A,M      ;Get next byte for output
0001 B7    ORA     A
0002 C8    RZ      H        ;Return when null-byte
0003 23    INX     H        ;Update message pointer
0004 E5    PUSH    H        ;Save updated pointer
0005 5F    MOV     E,A      ;Ready for BDOS
0006 0E02   MVI    C,B$CONOUT
0008 CD0500  CALL    BDOS
0008 E1    POP     H        ;Recover message pointer
000C C30000  JMP    MSGOUT  ;Go back for next character

```

**Figure 5-3.** Write console byte example, output null-byte terminated message from specified address

```

;MSGOUTI (message out in-line)
;Output null-byte-terminated message that
;follows the CALL to MSGOUTI.

;Calling sequence
;    CALL    MSGOUTI
;    DB      'Message',0
;    ... next instruction

;Exit Parameters
;    HL -> instruction following message

0002 = B$CONOUT    EQU    2      ;Write Console Byte
0005 = BDOS        EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

MSGOUTI:
0000 E1    POP     H      ;HL -> message
0001 7E    MOV     A,M    ;Get next data byte
0002 23    INX     H      ;Update message pointer
0003 B7    ORA     A      ;Check if null byte
0004 C20800 JNZ    MSGOUTIC ;No, continue
0007 E9    PCHL
0008 E5    PUSH    H      ;Save message pointer
0009 5F    MOV     E,A    ;Ready for BDOS
000A 0E02   MVI    C,B$CONOUT ;Function code
000C CD0500  CALL    BDOS
000F C30000  JMP    MSGOUTI ;Go back for next char.

```

**Figure 5-4.** Write console byte example, output null-byte terminated message following call to subroutine

**Function 3: Read "Reader" Byte**

Function Code: C = 03H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: A = Character input

**Example**

```

0003 =      B$READIN      EQU    3      ;Read "Reader" Byte
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5      ;BDOS entry

0000 0E03      MVI    C,B$READIN      ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL   BDOS          ;A = reader byte

```

**Purpose** This function reads the next character from the logical "reader" device into register A. In practice, the physical device that is accessed depends entirely on how your BIOS is configured. In some systems, there is no reader at all; this function will return some arbitrary value such as 1AH (the ASCII CONTROL-Z character, used by CP/M to denote "End of File").

Control is not returned to the calling program until a character has been read.

**Notes** Since the physical device (if any) used when you issue this request depends entirely on your particular BIOS, there can be no default standard for all CP/M implementations. This is one of the weaker parts of the BDOS.

You should "connect" the reader device by means of BIOS software to a serial port that can be used for communication with another system. This is only a partial solution to the problem, however, because this function call does not return control to your program until an incoming character has been received. There is no direct way that you can "poll" the reader device to see if an incoming character has been received. Once you make this function call, you lose control until the next character arrives; there is no function corresponding to the Read Console Status (function code 11, 0BH) that will simply read status and return to your program.

One possible solution is to build a timer into the BIOS reader driver that returns control to your program with a dummy value in A if a specified period of time goes by with no incoming character. But this brings up the problem of what dummy value to use. If you ever intend to send and receive files containing pure binary information, there is no character in ASCII that you might not encounter in a legitimate context. Therefore, any dummy character you might choose could also be true data.

The most cunning solution is to arrange for one setting of the IOBYTE (which controls logical-device-to-physical-device mapping) to connect the console to the serial communication line. This done, you can make use of the Read Console Status function, which will return not the physical console status but the serial line status. Your program can then act appropriately if no characters are received within a specified time. Figure 5-11 shows a subroutine that uses this technique in the Set IOBYTE function (code 8, 08H).

Figure 5-5 shows an example subroutine to read lines of data from the reader device. It reads characters from the reader, stacking them in memory until either a LINE FEED or a specified number of characters has been received. Note that CARRIAGE RETURNS are ignored, and the input line is terminated by a byte of 00H. The convention of 00H-byte terminated strings and no CARRIAGE RETURNS is used because it makes for much easier program logic. It also conforms to the conventions of the C language.

```

;RL$RDR
;Read line from reader device.
;Carriage returns are ignored, and input terminates
;when specified number of characters have been read
;or a line feed is input.

;Note: Potential weakness is that there is no
;timeout in this subroutine. It will wait forever
;if no more characters arrive at the reader device.

;Calling sequence
;    LXI    H,BUFFER
;    LXI    B,MAXCOUNT
;    CALL   RL$RDR

;Exit Parameters
;    HL -> 00H byte terminating string
;    BC = residual count (0 if max. chars. read)
;    E = last character read

0003 = B$READIN      EQU    3      ;Reader input
0005 = BDOS          EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

000D = CR            EQU    0DH    ;Carriage return
000A = LF            EQU    0AH    ;Line feed (terminator)

        RL$RDR:
0000 79      MOV     A,C      ;Check if count 0
0001 B0      ORA     B         ;If count 0 on entry, fake
0002 5F      MOV     E,A      ;last char. read (00H)
0003 CA2000  JZ      RL$RDRX  ;Yes, exit
0006 C5      PUSH   B       ;Save max. chars. count
0007 E5      PUSH   H       ;Save buffer pointer

        RL$RDR1:
0008 0E03  MVI     C,B$READIN  ;Loop back here to ignore
000A CD0500  CALL   BDOS      ;A = character input
000B 5F      MOV     E,A      ;Preserve copy of chars.
000E FE0D  CPI     CR       ;Check if carriage return
0010 CA0800  JZ      RL$RDR1  ;Yes, ignore it
0013 E1      POP     H       ;Recover buffer pointer
0014 C1      POP     B       ;Recover max. Count
0015 FE0A  CPI     LF       ;Check if line feed
0017 CA2000  JZ      RL$RDRX  ;Yes, exit
001A 77      MOV     M,A      ;No, store char. in buffer
001B 23      INX     H       ;Update buffer pointer
001C 0B      DCX     B       ;Downdate count
001D C30000  JMP     RL$RDR  ;Loop back for next char.

        RL$RDRX:
0020 3600  MVI     M,O      ;Null-byte-terminate buffer
0022 C9      RET

```

Figure 5-5. Read line from reader device

## Function 4: Write "Punch" Byte

Function Code: C = 04H  
 Entry Parameters: E = Byte to be output  
 Exit Parameters: None

### Example

```
0004 =      B$PUNOUT      EQU    4      ;Write "Punch" Byte
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5
0000 0E04      MVI     C,B$PUNOUT      ;Function code
0002 1E2A      MVI     E,'*'          ;Data byte to output
0004 CD0500      CALL    BDOS
```

### Purpose

This function is a counterpart to the Read "Reader" Byte described above. It outputs the specified character from register E to the logical punch device. Again, the actual physical device used, if any, is determined by the BIOS. There is no set standard for this device; in some systems the punch device is a "bit bucket," so called because it absorbs all data that you output to it.

### Notes

The problems and possible solutions discussed under the Read "Reader" Byte function call also apply here. One difference, of course, is that this function outputs data, so the problem of an indefinite loop waiting for the next character is less likely to occur. However, if your punch device is connected to a communications line, and if the output hardware is not ready, the BIOS line driver will wait forever. Unfortunately, there is no legitimate way to deal with this problem since the BDOS does not have a function call that checks whether a logical device is ready for output.

Figure 5-6 shows a useful subroutine that outputs a 00H-byte terminated string to the punch. Wherever it encounters a LINE FEED, it inserts a CARRIAGE RETURN into the output data.

## Function 5: Write List Byte

Function Code: C = 05H  
 Entry Parameters: E = Byte to be output  
 Exit Parameters: None

### Example

```
0005 =      B$LSTOUT      EQU    5      ;Write List Byte
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5
0000 0E05      MVI     C,B$LSTOUT      ;Function code
0002 1E2A      MVI     E,'*'          ;Data byte to output
0004 CD0500      CALL    BDOS
```

### Purpose

This function outputs the specified byte in register E to the logical list device. As with the reader and the punch, the physical device used depends entirely on the BIOS.

```

;WL$PUN
;Write line to punch device. Output terminates
;when a OOH byte is encountered.
;A carriage return is output when a line feed is
;encountered.

;Calling sequence
;    LXI    H,BUFFER
;    CALL   WL$PUN

;Exit parameters
;    HL -> OOH byte terminator

0004 = B$PUNOUT EQU 4
0005 = BDOS EQU 5

000D = CR EQU 0DH ;Carriage return
000A = LF EQU 0AH ;Line feed

WL$PUN:
0000 E5 PUSH H      ;Save buffer pointer
0001 7E MOV A,M    ;Get next character
0002 B7 ORA A       ;Check if OOH
0003 CA2000 JZ WL$PUNX ;Yes, exit
0006 FEOA CPI LF    ;Check if line feed
0008 CC1600 CZ WL$PUNLF ;Yes, O/P CR
000B 5F MOV E,A    ;Character to be output
000C 0E04 MVI C,B$PUNOUT ;Function code
000E CD0500 CALL BDOS  ;Output character
0011 E1 POP H      ;Recover buffer pointer
0012 23 INX H      ;Increment to next char.
0013 C30000 JMP WL$PUN ;Output next char

WL$PUNLF:
0016 0E04 MVI C,B$PUNOUT ;Line feed encountered
0018 1E0D MVI E,CR    ;Function code
001A CD0500 CALL BDOS  ;Output a CR
001D 3EOA MVI A,LF    ;Recreate line feed
001F C9 RET          ;Output LF

WL$PUNX:
0020 E1 POP H      ;Exit
0021 C9 RET          ;Balance the stack

```

Figure 5-6. Write line to punch device

**Notes**

One of the major problems associated with this function is that it does not deal with error conditions very intelligently. You cannot be sure which physical device will be used as the logical list device, and most standard BIOS implementations will cause your program to wait forever if the printer is not ready or has run out of paper. The BDOS has no provision to return any kind of error status to indicate that there is a problem with the list device. Therefore, the BIOS will have to be changed in order to handle this situation.

Figure 5-7 is a subroutine which outputs data to the list device. As you can see, this is essentially a repeat of Figure 5-6, which performs the same function for the logical punch device.

```

;WL$LST
;Write line to list device. Output terminates
;when a 00H byte is encountered.
;A carriage return is output when a line feed is
;encountered.

;Calling sequence
;    LXI    H,BUFFER
;    CALL   WL$LST

;Exit Parameters
;    HL -> 00H byte terminator

0005 =     B$LSTOUT      EQU    5
0005 =     BDOS          EQU    5

000D =     CR            EQU    0DH ;Carriage return
000A =     LF            EQU    0AH ;Line feed

        WL$LST:
0000 E5      PUSH   H           ;Save buffer pointer
0001 7E      MOV    A,M         ;Get next character
0002 B7      ORA    A           ;Check if 00H
0003 CA2000  JZ    WL$LSTX    ;Yes, exit
0006 FE0A    CPI    LF          ;Check if line feed
0008 CC1600  CZ    WL$LSTLF   ;Yes, O/P CR
000B SF      MOV    E,A         ;Character to be output
000C 0E05    MVI    C,B$LSTOUT ;Function code
000E CD0500  CALL   BDOS       ;Output character
0011 E1      POP    H           ;Recover buffer pointer
0012 23      INX    H           ;Update to next char.
0013 C30000  JMP    WL$LST    ;Output next char.

        WL$LSTLTF:
0016 0E05    MVI    C,B$LSTOUT ;Line feed encountered
0018 1E0D    MVI    E,CR        ;Function code
001A CD0500  CALL   BDOS       ;Output a CR
001D 3E0A    MVI    A,LF        ;Recreate line feed
001F C9      RET               ;Output LF

        WL$LSTX:
0020 E1      POP    H           ;Exit
0021 C9      RET               ;Balance the stack

```

**Figure 5-7.** Write line to list device

## Function 6: Direct Console I/O

Function Code: C = 06H  
 Entry Parameters: E = 0FFH for Input  
                   E = Other than 0FFH for output  
 Exit Parameters: A = Input byte or status

### **Example**

```

;Example of console output
0007 0E06      MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO ;Function code
0009 1E2A      MVI    E,'*'      ;Not OFFH means output char.
000B CD0500      CALL   BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function serves double duty: it both inputs and outputs characters from the console. However, it bypasses the normal control characters and line editing features (such as CONTROL-P and CONTROL-S) normally associated with console I/O. Hence the name "direct" (or "unadorned" as Digital Research describes it). If the value in register E is *not* 0FFH, then E contains a valid ASCII character that is output to the console. The logic used is most easily understood when written in pseudo-code:

```

if this is an input request (E = OFFH)
{
    if console status indicates a character is waiting
    {
        read the char from the console and
        return to caller with char in A
    }
    else (no input character waiting) and
        return to caller with A = 00
}
else (output request)
{
    output the char in E to the console and
    return to caller
}

```

**Notes** This function works well provided you never have to send a value of 0FFH or expect to receive a value of 00H. If you do need to send or receive pure binary data, you cannot use this function, since these values are likely to be part of the data stream.

To understand why you might want to send and receive binary data, remember that the logical "reader" does not have any method for you to check its status to see if an incoming character has arrived. All you can do is attempt to read a character (Read Reader Byte, function code 3). However, the BDOS will not give control back to you until a character arrives (which could be a very long time). One possibility is to logically assign the console to a communications line by the use of the IOBYTE (or some similar means) and then use this Direct I/O call to send and receive data to and from the line. Then you could indeed "poll" the communications line and avoid having your program go into an indefinite wait for an incoming character. An example subroutine using this technique is shown in Figure 5-11 under Set IOBYTE (function code 8).

Figure 5-8 shows a subroutine that uses the Direct Console Input and Output. Because this example is more complex than any shown so far, the code used to check the subroutine has also been included.

## Function 7: Get IOBYTE Setting

Function Code: C = 07H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: A = IOBYTE current value

```

;-----  

;TESTBED CODE  

;Because of the complexity of this subroutine, the  

;actual testbed code has been left in this example.  

;It assumes that DDT or ZSID  

;will be used for checkout.  

;  

        IF      1          ;Change to IF 0 to disable testbed  

0100    ORG    100H  

0100 C31101  JMP    START   ;Bypass "variables" setup by DDT  

;  

0103 00  OPTIONS:  DB     0          ;Option flags  

0104 41454900 TERMS:  DB     'A','E','I',0  ;Terminators  

0108 05  BUFFER:   DB     5          ;Max. characters in buffer  

0109 00  :         DB     0          ;Actual count  

010A 6363636363 DB     99,99,99,99,99 ;Data bytes  

010F 6363  DB     99,99  

;  

        START:  

0111 210801  LXI    H,BUFFER  ;Get address of buffer  

0114 110401  LXI    D,TERMS   ;Address of terminator table  

0117 3A0301  LDA    OPTIONS   ;Get options set by DDT  

011A 47    MOV    B,A       ;Put in correct register  

011B CD2B01  CALL   RCS      ;Enter subroutine  

011E CD3800  CALL   38H     ;Force DDT breakpoint  

0121 C31101  JMP    START   ;Test again  

        ENDIF   ;End of testbed  

;  

;RCS: Read console string (using raw input)  

;Reads a string of characters into a memory  

;buffer using raw input.  

;  

;Supports options:  

;  o to echo characters or not (when echoing,  

;    a carriage return will be echoed followed  

;    by line feed)  

;  o warm boot on input of control-C or not  

;  o terminating input either on:  

;    o max. no of chars input  

;    o matching terminator character  

;  

; Calling Sequence  

;  LXI    H,BUFFER  

;  Buffer has structure:  

;    BUFFER: DB     10      Max. size  

;             DB     0       Actual Read  

;             DS     10+1    Buffer area  

;  MVI    B,OPTIONS  Options required  

;          (see equates)  

;  LXI    D,TERMS   Pointer to OOH-byte  

;              terminated Chars,  

;              any one of which is a  

;              terminator.  

;  CALL   RCS  

;  

; Exit Parameters  

;  BUFFER: Updated with data bytes and actual  

;          character count input.  

;          (Does not include the terminator).  

;  A = Terminating Code  

;      O = Maximum number of characters input.  

;      NZ = Terminator character found.  

;  

0001 =  RCS$ECHO   EQU    0000$0001B  ;Input characters to be echoed  

0002 =  RCS$ABORT  EQU    0000$0010B  ;Abort on Control-C  

0004 =  RCS$FOLD   EQU    0000$0100B  ;Fold lowercase to uppercase  

0008 =  RCS$TERM   EQU    0000$1000B  ;DE -> term. char. set  

;  

0006 =  B$DIRCONIO EQU    6          ;Direct console I/O  

0005 =  BDOS      EQU    5          ;BDOS entry point  

;  

0003 =  CTL$C     EQU    03H      ;Control-C  

000D =  CR        EQU    0DH      ;Carriage return

```

Figure 5-8. Read/write string from/to console using raw I/O

```

000A = LF EQU OAH ;Line feed
000B = BS EQU 0BH ;Backspace

        RCS$ST:           ;Internal standard terminator table
0124 0D DB 0DH ;Carriage return
0125 0A DB 0AH ;Line feed
0126 00 DB 0 ;End of table

        RCS$BSS:           ;Destructive backspace sequence
0127 08200800 DB BS,` ',BS,0

        RCS:                ;<<<< Main entry
012B 23 INX H ;HL -> actual count
012C 3600 MVI M,0 ;Reset to initial state
012E 2B DCX H ;HL -> max. count

        RCS$L:              ;Save buffer pointer
012F E5 PUSH H ;Get character and execute:
0130 CD9201 CALL RCS$GC ;; ECHO, ABORT, and FOLD options
;C = character input
;Recover buffer pointer
;Check if user-specified terminator
;B = options
;User specified terminators
;Standard terminators

        RCS$UST:             ;Check for terminator
0133 E1 POP H ;Not terminator
0134 3E08 MVI A,RCS$TERM ;Preserve terminating char.
0136 A0 ANA B
0137 C23D01 JNZ RCS$UST
013A 112401 LXI D,RCS$ST

        RCS$MCI:              ;(Max. char. input shares this code)
0144 0E00 MVI C,0 ;Terminate buffer
0146 CD7F01 CALL RCS$SC ;Save character
0149 78 MDV A,B ;Recover terminating char.
014A B7 'ORA A ;Set flags
014B C9 RET

        RCS$NOTT:             ;Not a terminator
014C 3E08 MVI A,BS ;Check for backspace
014E B9 CMP C

014F CA6001 JZ RCS$BS ;Backspace entered
0152 CD7F01 CALL RCS$SC ;Save character in buffer
0155 CD8B01 CALL RCS$UC ;Update count
0158 C22F01 JNZ RCS$L ;Not max. so get another char.
015B 0600 MVI B,0 ;Fake terminating char.
015D C34401 JMP RCS$MCI ;A = 0 for max. chars. input

        RCS$BS:                ;Backspace entered
0160 E5 PUSH H ;Save buffer pointer
0161 23 INX H ;HL -> actual count
0162 35 DCR M ;Back up one
0163 FA7A01 JM RCS$NBS ;Check if count negative
0166 212701 LXI H,RCS$BSS ;HL -> backspacing sequence
0169 3E01 MVI A,RCS$ECHO ;No, check if echoing
016B A0 ANA B ;BS will have been echoed if so
016C CA7001 JZ RCS$BSNE ;No, input BS not echoed
016F 23 INX H ;Bypass initial backspace

        RCS$BSNE:             ;Save options and character
0170 C5 PUSH B ;Save terminator table pointer
0171 D5 PUSH D ;Write console string
0172 CDF601 CALL WCS
0175 D1 POP B ;Recover terminator table pointer
0176 C1 POP B ;Recover options and character
0177 C37B01 JMP RCS$BSX ;Exit from backspace logic

        RCS$NBS:               ;Reset count to 0
017A 34 INR M

        RCS$BSX:               ;Recover buffer pointer
017B E1 POP H ;Get next character
017C C32F01 JMP RCS$L

```

Figure 5-8. (Continued)

```

RCS$SC:                                ;Save character in C in buffer
017F D5      PUSH   D                 ;HL -> buffer pointer
0180 E5      PUSH   H                 ;Save terminator table pointer
0181 23      INX    H                 ;Save buffer pointer
0182 5E      MOV    E,M               ;HL -> actual count in buffer
0183 1C      INR    E                 ;Get actual count
0184 1600    MVI    D,0               ;Count of 0 points to first data byte
0186 19      DAD    D                 ;Make word value of actual count
0187 71      MOV    M,C               ;HL -> next free data byte
0188 E1      POP    H                 ;Save data byte away
0189 D1      POP    D                 ;Recover buffer pointer
018A C9      RET    H                 ;Recover terminator table
                                         ; pointer

RCS$UC:                                ;Update buffer count and check for max.
018B E5      PUSH   H                 ;Return Z set if = to max., NZ
018C 7E      MOV    A,M               ;if not HL -> buffer on entry
018D 23      INX    H                 ;Save buffer pointer
018E 34      INR    M                 ;Get max. count
018F BE      CMP    M                 ;HL -> actual count
0190 E1      POP    H                 ;Increase actual count
0191 C9      RET    H                 ;Compare max. to actual
                                         ;Recover buffer pointer
                                         ;Z-flag set

RCS$GC:                                ;Get character and execute
0192 D5      PUSH   D                 ;ECHO, ABORT and FOLD options
0193 E5      PUSH   H                 ;Save terminator table pointer
0194 C5      PUSH   B                 ;Save buffer pointer
                                         ;Save option flags

RCS$WT:                                ;Function code
0195 0E06    MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO   ;Specify input
0197 1EFF    MVI    E,OFH
0199 CD0500    CALL   BDOS
019C B7      ORA    A
019D CA9501    JZ    RCS$WT
01A0 C1      POP    B
01A1 4F      MOV    C,A
01A2 3E02    MVI    A,RCS$ABORT
01A4 A0      ANA    B
01A5 CAAE01    JZ    RCS$NA
01A8 3E03    MVI    A,CTL$C
01AA B9      CMP    C
01AB CA0000    JZ    0
                                         ;Check if data waiting
                                         ;Go back and wait
                                         ;Recover option flags
                                         ;Save data byte
                                         ;Check if abort option enabled
                                         ;No abort
                                         ;Check for control-C
                                         ;Warm boot

RCS$NA:                                ;Check if folding enabled
01AE 3E04    MVI    A,RCS$FOLD
01B0 A0      ANA    B
01B1 C4E501    CNZ   TOUPPER
01B4 3E01    MVI    A,RCS$ECHO
01B6 A0      ANA    B
01B7 CAD101    JZ    RCS$NE
01BA C5      PUSH   B
01BB 59      MOV    E,C
01BC 0E06    MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO
01BE CD0500    CALL   BDOS
01C1 C1      POP    B
01C2 3E0D    MVI    A,CR
01C4 B9      CMP    C
01C5 C2D101    JNZ   RCS$NE
01CB C5      PUSH   B
01C9 0E06    MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO
01CB 1EOA    MVI    E,LF
01CD CD0500    CALL   BDOS
01D0 C1      POP    B
                                         ;Convert to uppercase
                                         ;Check if echo required
                                         ;No echo required
                                         ;Save options and character
                                         ;Move character for output
                                         ;Function code
                                         ;Echo character
                                         ;Recover options and character
                                         ;Check if carriage return
                                         ;No
                                         ;Save options and character
                                         ;Function code
                                         ;Output line feed
                                         ;Recover options and character

RCS$NE:                                ;Recover buffer pointer
01D1 E1      POP    H
01D2 D1      POP    D
01D3 C9      RET    H
                                         ;Recover terminator table
                                         ;Character in C

```

Figure 5-8. (Continued)

```

RCS$CT:                                ;Check for terminator
01D4 D5      PUSH   D      ;C = character just input
                                     ;DE -> 00-byte character
                                     ; string of term. chars.
                                     ; Returns Z status if no
                                     ; match found, NZ if found
                                     ; (with A = C = terminating
                                     ; character)
                                     ;Save table pointer

RCS$CTL:                                ;Get next terminator character
01D5 1A      LDAX   D      ;Check for end of table
01D6 B7      ORA    A      ;No terminator matched
01D7 CAE201   JZ    RCS$CTX
01DA B9      CMP    C      ;Compare to input character
01DB CAE201   JZ    RCS$CTX
01DE 13      INX    D      ;Terminator matched
01DF C3D501   JMP    RCS$CTL
                                     ;Move to next terminator
                                     ; loop to try next character in table

RCS$CTX:                                ;Check terminator exit
01E2 B7      ORA    A      ;At this point, A will either
                           ; be 0 if the end of the
                           ; table has been reached, or
                           ; NZ if a match has been
                           ; found. The Z-flag will be
                           ; set.
                                     ;Recover table pointer
01E3 D1      POP    D
01E4 C9      RET

;TOUPPER - Fold lowercase letters to upper
;          ; C = Character on entry and exit

TOUPPER:                                ;Check if folding needed
01E5 3E60   MVI    A,'a'-1
01E7 B9      CMP    C      ;Compare to input char.
01E8 D2F501   JNC    TOUPX
01EB 3E7A   MVI    A,'z'
01ED B9      CMP    C      ;Maybe, char. is = or > "a"
01EE DAF501   JC     TOUPX
01F1 3EDF   MVI    A,0DH
01F3 A1      ANA    C      ;Fold character
01F4 4F      MOV    C,A
                                     ;Return folded character

TOUPX:                                  ;RET

;WCS - Write console string (using raw I/O)
;Output terminates when a 00H byte is encountered.
;A carriage return is output when a line feed is
;encountered.

;Calling sequence
;  LXI    H,BUFFER
;  CALL   WCS

;Exit parameters
;  HL -> 00H byte terminator

WCS:                                    ;Save buffer pointer
01F6 E5      PUSH   H
01F7 7E      MOV    A,M
01F8 B7      ORA    A      ;Get next character
01F9 CA1602   JZ    WCSX
01FC FEOA   CPI    LF      ;Check if line feed
01FE CCOC02   CZ    WCSLF
0201 5F      MOV    E,A
0202 0E06   MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO
0204 CD0500   CALL   BDOS
0207 E1      POP    H      ;Function code
0208 23      INX    H      ;Output character
0209 C3F601   JMP    WCS
                                     ;Character to be output
                                     ;Yes, output a carriage return
                                     ;Yes, output a line feed
                                     ;Function code
                                     ;Output buffer pointer
                                     ;Update to next char.
                                     ;Output next char.

WCSLF:                                 ;Line feed encountered
020C 0E06   MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO
                                     ;Function code

```

Figure 5-8. (Continued)

```

020E 1E0D      MVI    E,CR      ;Output a CR
0210 CD0500      CALL   BDOS
0213 3EOA      MVI    A,LF      ;Recreate line feed
0215 C9       RET
WCSX:          POP    H        ;Exit
0216 E1       RET
0217 C9

```

**Figure 5-8.** (Continued)**Example**

```

0007 =      B$GETIO      EQU    7      ;Get IOBYTE
0005 =      BDOS         EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point
0000 0E07      MVI    C,B$GETIO      ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;A = IOBYTE

```

**Purpose** This function places the current value of the IOBYTE in register A.

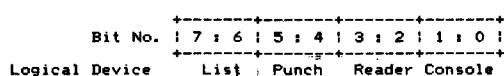
**Notes** As we saw in Chapter 4, the IOBYTE is a means of associating CP/M's logical devices (console, reader, punch, and list) with the physical devices supported by a particular BIOS. Use of the IOBYTE is completely optional. CP/M, to quote from the Digital Research *CP/M 2.0 Alteration Guide*, "...tolerate[s] the existence of the IOBYTE at location 0003H."

In practice, the STAT utility provided by Digital Research does have some features that set the IOBYTE to different values from the system console.

Figure 5-9 summarizes the IOBYTE structure. A more detailed description was given in Chapter 4.

Each two-bit field can take on one of four values: 00, 01, 10, and 11. The value can be interpreted by the BIOS to mean a specific physical device, as shown in Table 4-1.

Figure 5-10 has equates that are used to refer to the IOBYTE. You can see that the values shown are declared using the SHL (shift left) operator in the Digital Research Assembler. This is just a reminder that the values are structured this way in the IOBYTE itself.

**Figure 5-9.** The IOBYTE structure

```

;IOBYTE equates
;These are for accessing the IOBYTE.

;Mask values to isolate specific devices.
;(These can also be inverted to preserve all BUT the
; specific device)

0003 = IO$CONM EQU 0000$0011B ;Console mask
000C = IO$RDRM EQU 0000$1100B ;Reader mask
0030 = IO$PUNM EQU 0011$0000B ;Punch mask
00C0 = IO$LSTM EQU 1100$0000B ;List mask

;Console values
0000 = IO$CTTY EQU 0 ;Console -> TTY;
0001 = IO$CCRT EQU 1 ;Console -> CRT;
0002 = IO$CBAT EQU 2 ;Console input <- RDR;
;Console output -> LST;
0003 = IO$CUC1 EQU 3 ;Console -> UC1: (user console 1)

;Reader values
0000 = IO$RTTY EQU 0 SHL 2 ;Reader <- TTY;
0004 = IO$RRDR EQU 1 SHL 2 ;Reader <- RDR;
0008 = IO$UR1 EQU 2 SHL 2 ;Reader <- UR1: (user reader 1)
000C = IO$UR2 EQU 3 SHL 2 ;Reader <- UR2: (user reader 2)

;Punch values
0000 = IO$PTTY EQU 0 SHL 4 ;Punch -> TTY;
0010 = IO$PPUN EQU 1 SHL 4 ;Punch -> PUN;
0020 = IO$PUP1 EQU 2 SHL 4 ;Punch -> UP1: (user punch 1)
0030 = IO$PUP2 EQU 3 SHL 4 ;Punch -> UP2: (user punch 2)

;List values
0000 = IO$LTYY EQU 0 SHL 6 ;List -> TTY;
0040 = IO$LCRT EQU 1 SHL 6 ;List -> CRT;
0080 = IO$LLPT EQU 2 SHL 6 ;List -> LPT: (physical line printer)
00C0 = IO$UL1 EQU 3 SHL 6 ;List -> UL1: (user list 1)

```

Figure 5-10. IOBYTE equates

**Function 8: Set IOBYTE**

Function Code: C = 08H

Entry Parameters: E = New IOBYTE value

Exit Parameters: None

**Example** This listing shows you how to assign the logical reader device to the BIOS's console driver. It makes use of some equates from Figure 5-10.

```

0007 = B$GETIO EQU 7 ;Get IOBYTE
0008 = B$SETIO EQU 8 ;Set IOBYTE
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

000C = IO$RDRM EQU 0000$1100B ;Reader bit mask
0008 = IO$UR1 EQU 2 SHL 2 ;User reader select

;This example shows how to assign the logical
;reader to the user-defined reader #1 (UR1)

0100 ORG 100H
0100 0E07 MVI C,B$GETIO ;First, get current IOBYTE

```

```

0102 CD0500      CALL    BDOS
0105 E6F3        ANI     (NOT IO$RDRM) AND OFFH ;Preserve all but
                           ; reader bits
0107 F608        ORI     IO$RUR1      ;OR in new setting
0109 5F          MOV     E,A          ;Ready for set IOBYTE
010A 0E08        MVI     C,B$SETIO   ;Set new value
010C CD0500      CALL    BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function sets the IOBYTE to a new value which is given in register E. Because of the individual bit fields in the IOBYTE, you will normally use the Get IOBYTE function, change some bits in the current value, and then call the Set IOBYTE function.

**Notes** You can use the Set IOBYTE, Get IOBYTE, and Direct Console I/O functions together to create a small program that transforms your computer system into a "smart" terminal. Any data that you type on your keyboard can be sent out of a serial communications line to another computer, and any data received on the line can be sent to the screen.

Figure 5-11 shows this program and illustrates the use of all of these functions.

For this program to function correctly, your BIOS must check the IOBYTE and detect whether the logical console is connected to the physical console (with the IOBYTE set to TTY:) or to the input side of the serial communications line (with the IOBYTE set to RDR:).

Figure 5-11 shows how to use the Get and Set IOBYTE functions to make a simple terminal emulator. For this example to work, the BIOS must detect the Console Value as 3 (IO\$CUC1) and connect Console Status, Input, and Output functions to the communications line.

```

0006 =      B$DIRCONIO  EQU    6      ;Direct console input/output
0007 =      B$GETIO    EQU    7      ;Get IOBYTE
0008 =      B$SETIO    EQU    8      ;Set IOBYTE
000B =      B$CONST    EQU    11     ;Get console status (sneak preview)
0005 =      BDOS       EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

0003 =      IO$CONN EQU    0000$0011B ;Console mask for IOBYTE
0001 =      IO$CCRT EQU    1        ;Console -> CRT:
0003 =      IO$CUC1 EQU    3        ;Console -> user console #1

TERM:
0000 CD2A00      CALL    SETCRT     ;Connect console -> CRT:

TERM$CKS:
0003 CD5200      CALL    CONST      ;Get CRT status
0006 CA2400      JZ     TERM$NOKI  ;No console input
0009 CD4B00      CALL    CONIN     ;Get keyboard character
000C CD3000      CALL    SETCOMM   ;Connect console -> comm. line
000F CD4500      CALL    CONOUT    ;Output to comm. line

TERM$CCS:
0012 CD5200      CALL    CONST      ;Check comm. status
0015 CA0000      JZ     TERM      ;Get "console" status
0018 CD4B00      CALL    CONIN     ;No incoming comm. character
                                         ;Get incoming comm. character

```

**Figure 5-11.** Simple terminal emulator

```

001B CD2A00      CALL   SETCRT      ;Connect console -> CRT:
001E CD4500      CALL   CONOUT     ;Output to CRT
0021 C30300      JMP    TERM$CKS   ;Loop back to check keyboard status

        TERM$NOKI:
0024 CD3000      CALL   SETCOMM    ;Connect console -> comm. line
0027 C31200      JMP    TERM$CCS   ;Loop back to check comm. status

        SETCRT:
002A F5          PUSH   PSW        ;Connect console -> CRT:
002B 0601        MVI    B, IO$CCRT ;Save possible data character
002D C33300      JMP    SETCON    ;Connect console -> CRT:
                                ;Common code

        SETCOMM:
0030 F5          PUSH   PSW        ;Connect console -> comm. line
0031 0603        MVI    B, IO$CUC1 ;Save possible data character
                                ;Connect console -> comm. line
                                ;Drop into SETCON

        SETCON:
0033 C5          PUSH   B         ;Set console device
0034 0E07        MVI    C,B$GETIO ;Save code
0036 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;Get current I/OBYTE
0039 E6FC        ANI    (NOT IO$CONM) AND OFFH ;Preserve all but console
003B C1          POP    B         ;Recover required code
003C B0          ORA    B         ;OR in new bits
003D 5F          MOV    E,A       ;Ready for setting
003E 0E08        MVI    C,B$SETIO ;Function code
0040 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;Function code
0043 F1          POP    PSW      ;Recover possible data character
0044 C9          RET

        CONOUT:
0045 5F          MOV    E,A       ;Get data byte for output
0046 0E06        MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO ;Function code
0048 C30500      JMP    BDOS      ;BDOS returns to CONOUT's caller

        CONIN:
004B 0E06        MVI    C,B$DIRCONIO ;Function code
004D 1EFF        MVI    E, OFFH    ;Indicate console input
004F C30500      JMP    BDOS      ;BDOS returns to CONIN's caller

        CONST:
0052 0E0B        MVI    C,B$CONST ;Function code
0054 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;Function code
0057 B7          ORA    A         ;Set Z-flag to result
0058 C9          RET

```

Figure 5-11. (Continued)

### Function 9: Display "\$"-Terminated String

Function Code: C = 09H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of first byte of string

Exit Parameters: None

#### Example

0009 =	B\$PRINTS	EQU	9	:Print \$-Terminated String
0005 =	BDOS	EQU	5	:BDOS entry point
000D =	CR	EQU	ODH	:Carriage return
000A =	LF	EQU	0AH	:Line feed
0009 =	TAB	EQU	09H	:Horizontal tab

```

0000 0D0A095468MESSAGE:      DB      CR,LF,TAB,'This is a message',CR,LF,'$'
0017 0E09      MVI     C,B$PRINTS    ;Function code
0019 110000    LXI     D,MESSAGE    ;Pointer to message
001C CD0500    CALL    BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function outputs a string of characters to the console device. The address of this string is in registers DE. You must make sure that the last character of the string is "\$"; the BDOS uses this character as a marker for the end of the string. The "\$" itself does not get output to the console.

While the BDOS is outputting the string, it expands tabs as previously described, checks to see if there is an incoming character, and checks for CONTROL-S (XOFF, which stops the output until another character is entered) or CONTROL-P (which turns on or off echoing of console characters to the printer).

**Notes** One of the biggest drawbacks of this function is its use of "\$" as a terminating character. As a result, you cannot output a string with a "\$" in it. To be truly general-purpose, it would be better to use a subroutine that used an ASCII NUL (00H) character as a terminator, and simply make repetitive calls to the BDOS CONOUT function (code 2). Figure 5-3 is an example of such a subroutine.

Figure 5-12 shows an example of a subroutine that outputs one of several messages. It selects the message based on a message code that you give it as a parameter. Therefore, it is useful for handling error messages; the calling code can pass it an 8-bit error code. You may find it more flexible to convert this subroutine to using 00H-byte-terminated messages using the techniques shown in Figure 5-3.

```

;OM (Output message)
;This subroutine selects one of several messages based on
;the contents of the A register on entry. It then displays
;this message on the console.

;Each message is declared with a "$" as its last character.
;If the A register contains a value larger than the number
;of messages declared, OM will output "Unknown Message".

;As an option, OM can output carriage return / line feed
;prior to outputting the message text.

;Entry parameters
;   HL -> message table
;       This has the form :
;       DB    3      ;Number of messages in table
;       DW    MSG0    ;Address of text (A = 0)
;       DW    MSG1    ;(A = 1)
;       DW    MSG2    ;(A = 2)
;
;       MSG0: DB    'Message text$'
;              ...etc.
;       A = Message code (from 0 on up)
;       B = Output CR/LF if non-zero

```

**Figure 5-12.** Display \$-terminated message on console

```

; Calling sequence
; LXI H,MSG$TABLE
; LDA MSGCODE
; MVI B,0 ;Suppress CR/LF
; CALL OM

0009 = B$PRINTS EQU 9 ;Print $-terminated string
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

000D = CR EQU 0DH ;Carriage return
000A = LF EQU 0AH ;Line feed

0000 0D0A24 OM$CRLF: DB CR,LF,'$'
0003 556E6B6E6F0M$UM: DB 'Unknown Message$'

OM:
0013 F5 PUSH PSW ;Save message code
0014 E5 PUSH H ;Save message table pointer
0015 78 MOV A,B ;Check if CR/LF required
0016 B7 ORA A
0017 CA2200 JZ OM$NOCR ;No
001A 110000 LXI D,OM$CRLF ;Output CR/LF
001D 0E09 MVI C,B$PRINTS
001F CD0500 CALL BDOS

OM$NOCR:
0022 E1 POP H ;Recover message table pointer
0023 F1 POP PSW ;Recover message code
0024 BE CMP M ;Compare message to max. value
0025 D23700 JNC OM$ERR ;Error-code not <= max.
0028 23 INX H ;Bypass max. value in table
0029 87 ADD A ;Message code * 2
002A 5F MOV E,A ;Make (code * 2) a word value
002B 1600 MVI D,0
002D 19 DAD D ;HL -> address of message text
002E 5E MOV E,M ;Get LS byte
002F 23 INX H ;HL -> MS byte
0030 56 MOV D,M ;Get MS byte
0031 56 DE ;DE -> message text itself

OM$PS:
0031 0E09 MVI C,B$PRINTS ;Print string entry point
0033 CD0500 CALL BDOS ;Function code
0036 C9 RET ;Return to caller

OM$ERR:
0037 110300 LXI D,OM$UM ;Error
003A C33100 JMP OM$PS ;Point to "Unknown Message"
                                ;Print string

```

Figure 5-12. (Continued)

## Function 10: Read Console String

Function Code: C = 0AH

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of string buffer

Exit Parameters: String buffer with console bytes in it

### Example

```

000A = B$READCONS EQU 10 ;Read Console String
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

```

```

0050 =      BUflen      EQU     80      ;Buffer length
             BUFFER:      DB      BUflen      ;Console input buffer
             BUFMAXCH:    DB      0          ;Max. no. of characters in
                                         ; buffer
             0001 00      BUFACTCH:   DB      0          ;Actual no. of characters input
             0002          BUFCH:      DS      BUflen      ;Buffer characters
             0052 0EOA      MVI      C,B$READCONS  ;Function code
             0054 110000    LXI      D,BUFFER    ;Pointer to buffer
             0057 CD0500    CALL     BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function reads a string of characters from the console device and stores them in a buffer (address in DE) that you define. Full line editing is possible: the operator can backspace, cancel the line and start over, and use all the normal control functions. What you will ultimately see in the buffer is the final version of the character string entered, without any of the errors or control characters used to do the line editing.

The buffer that you define has a special format. The first byte in the buffer tells the BDOS the maximum number of characters to be accepted. The second byte is reserved for the BDOS to tell you how many characters were actually placed in the buffer. The following bytes contain the characters of the string.

Character input will cease either when a CARRIAGE RETURN is entered or when the maximum number of characters, as specified in the buffer, has been received. The CARRIAGE RETURN is not stored in the buffer as a character—it just serves as a terminator.

If the first character entered is a CARRIAGE RETURN, then the BDOS sets the “characters input” byte to 0. If you attempt to input more than the maximum number of characters, the “characters input” count will be the same as the maximum value allowed.

**Notes** This function is useful for accepting console input, especially because of the line editing that it allows. It should be used even for single-character responses, such as “Y/N” (yes or no), because the operator can type “Y”, backspace, and overtype with “N”. This makes for more “forgiving” programs, tolerant of humans who change their minds.

Figure 5-13 shows an example subroutine that uses this function. It accepts console input, matches the input against a table, and transfers control to the appropriate subroutine. Many interactive programs need to do this; they accept an operator command and then transfer control to the appropriate command processor to deal with that command.

This example also includes two other subroutines that are useful in their own right. One compares null-byte-terminated strings (FSCMP), and the other converts, or “folds,” lowercase letters to uppercase (FOLD).

```

;RSA
;Return subprocessor address
;This subroutine returns one of several addresses selected
;from a table by matching keyboard input against specified
;strings. It is normally used to switch control to a
;particular subprocessor according to an option entered
;by the operator from the keyboard.
;
;Character string comparisons are performed with case-folding;
;that is, lowercase letters are converted to uppercase.
;
;If the operator input fails to match any of the specified
;strings, then the carry flag is set. Otherwise, it is
;cleared.
;
;Entry parameters
;      HL -> Subprocessor select table
;          This has the form :
;          DW    TEXT0,SUBPROC0
;          DW    TEXT1,SUBPROC1
;          DW    0      ;Terminator
;          TEXT0: DB    'add',0 ;00H-byte terminated
;          TEXT1: DB    'subtract',0
;          SUBPROC0:
;              Code for processing ADD function.
;          SUBPROC1:
;              Code for processing SUBTRACT function.
;
;Exit parameters
;      DE -> operator input string (00H-terminated
;           input string).
;      Carry Clear, HL -> subprocessor.
;      Carry Set, HL = 0000H.
;
;Calling sequence
;      LXI   H,SUBPROCTAB  ;Subprocessor table
;      CALL  RSA
;      JC    ERROR         ;Carry set only on error
;      LXI   D,RETURN       ;Fake CALL instruction
;      PUSH  D              ;Push return address on stack
;      PCHL
;      RETURN:
;
000A = B$READCONS EQU 10 ;Read console string into buffer
0005 = BDOS     EQU 5   ;BDOS entry point
;
0050 = RSA$BL    EQU 80 ;Buffer length
0000 50 RSA$BUF: DB RSA$BL ;Max. no. of characters
0001 00 RSA$ACTC: DB 0   ;Actual no. of characters
0002 RSA$BUFC: DS RSA$BL ;Buffer characters
0052 00                   DB 0   ;Safety terminator
;
RSA:             DCX   H      ;Adjust Subprocessor pointer
0053 2B             DCX   H      ;for code below
0054 2B             PUSH  H      ;Top of stack (TOS) -> subproc. table - 2
0055 E5             MVI   C,B$READCONS ;Function code
0056 0EOA             MVI   D,RS$ACTC ;DE -> buffer
0058 110000           LXI   D,RS$BUF ;Read operator input and
005B CD0500           CALL  BDOS ;Convert to 00H-terminated
;
005E 210100           LXI   H,RS$ACTC ;HL -> actual no. of chars. input
0061 5E             MOV   E,M ;Get actual no. of chars. input
0062 1600             MVI   D,0 ;Make into word value
0064 23             INX   H      ;HL -> first data character
0065 19             DAD   D      ;HL -> first UNUSED character in buffer
0066 3600             MVI   M,0 ;Make input buffer 00H terminated
;
RSA$ML:           ;Compare input to specified values
;      Main loop
0068 E1             POP   H      ;Recover subprocessor table pointer
0069 23             INX   H      ;Move to top of next entry
006A 23             INX   H      ;HL -> text address
006B 5E             MOV   E,M ;Get text address
;
```

Figure 5-13. Read console string for keyboard options

```

006C 23      INX    H
006D 56      MOV    D,M      ;DE -> text

006E 7A      MOV    A,D      ;Check if at end of subprocessor table
006F B3      ORA    E
0070 CAB500   JZ     RSA$NFND  ;Match not found

0073 23      INX    H
0074 E5      PUSH   H
0075 210200  LXI    H,RSA$BUFC
0076 CBA000  CALL   FSCMP
007B C26800  JNZ    RSA$ML
007E E1      PDP    H
007F 5E      MOV    E,M      ;Match found, recover subprocessor ptr.
0080 23      INX    H
0081 56      MOV    D,M      ;DE -> Subprocessor code
0082 EB      XCHG   D,M      ;HL -> Subprocessor code
0083 B7      ORA    A
0084 C9      RET

RSA$NFND:
0085 210000  LXI    H,0      ;Indicate no match found
0088 37      STC
0089 C9      RET

;FSCMP
;Compare folded (lowercase to uppercase) string.
;This subroutine compares two 00H-byte terminated
;strings and returns with the condition flags set
;to indicate their relationship.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> string 1
;      HL -> string 2

;Exit Parameters
;      Flags set (based on string 1 - string 2, on a
;      character-by-character basis)

FSCMP:
008A 1A      LDAX   D      ;Get string 1 character
008B CD9E00  CALL   FOLD  ;Fold to uppercase
008E F5      PUSH   PSW
008F 7E      MOV    A,M      ;Get string 2 character
0090 CD9E00  CALL   FOLD  ;Fold to uppercase
0093 47      MOV    B,A      ;Save string 2 character
0094 F1      POP    PSW
0095 B8      CMP    B      ;Recover string 1 character
0096 C0      RNZ
0097 B7      ORA    A      ;String 1 - string 2
0098 C8      RZ
0099 13      INX    D      ;Return if not equal
009A 23      INX    H
009B C3BA00  JMP    FSCMP  ;Yes
                           ;No, update string 1 pointer
                           ;and string 2 pointer
                           ;Check next character

;FOLD
;Folds a lowercase letter (a-z) to uppercase (A-Z)
;The character to be folded is in A on entry and on exit.

FOLD:
009E 4F      MOV    C,A      ;Preserve input character
009F 3E60  MVI    A,'a'-1  ;Check if folding needed
00A1 B9      CMP    C
00A2 D2AF00  JNC    FOLDX
00A5 3E7A  MVI    A,'z'
00A7 B9      CMP    C
00A8 DAAF00  JC    FOLDX
00AB 3EDF  MVI    A,ODFH
00AD A1      ANA    C
00AE C9      RET

FOLDX:
00AF 79      MOV    A,C      ;Fold character
00B0 C9      RET
                           ;Recover original input char.

```

**Figure 5-13.** (Continued)

## Function 11: Read Console Status

Function Code: C = 0BH  
 Entry Parameters: None  
 Exit Parameters: A = 00H if no incoming data byte  
                   A = 0FFH if incoming data byte

### Example

```
000B =      B$CONST          EQU    11      ;Get Console Status
0005 =      BDOS              EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
0000 0E0B      MV1    C,B$CONST          ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL   BDOS              ;A = 00 if no character waiting
                                            ;A = OFFH if character waiting
```

**Purpose** This function tells you whether a console input character is waiting to be processed. Unlike the Console Input functions, which will wait until there is input, this function simply checks and returns immediately.

**Notes** Use this function wherever you want to interrupt an executing program if a console keyboard character is entered. Just put a Console Status call in the main loop of the program. Then, if the program detects that keyboard data is waiting, it can take the appropriate action. Normally this would be to jump to location 0000H, thereby aborting the current program and initiating a warm boot.

Figure 5-11 is an example subroutine that shows how to use this function.

## Function 12: Get CP/M Number

Function Code: C = 0CH  
 Entry Parameters: None  
 Exit Parameters: HL = Version number code

### Example

```
000C =      B$GETVER          EQU    12      ;Get CP/M Version Number
0005 =      BDOS              EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
0000 0E0C      MV1    C,B$GETVER          ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL   BDOS              ;H = 00 for CP/M
                                            ;L = version (e.g. 22H for 2.2)
```

**Purpose** This function tells you which version of CP/M you are currently running. A two-byte value is returned:

H = 00H for CP/M, H = 01H for MP/M

L = 00H for all releases before CP/M 2.0

L = 20H for CP/M 2.0, 21H for 2.1, 22H for 2.2, and so on for any subsequent releases.

This information is of interest only if your program has some version-specific logic built into it. For example, CP/M version 1.4 does not support the same Random File Input/Output operations that CP/M 2.2 does. Therefore, if your program uses Random I/O, put this check at the beginning to ensure that it is indeed running under the appropriate version of CP/M.

**Notes**

Figure 5-14 is a subroutine that checks the current CP/M version number, and, if it is not CP/M 2.2, displays an explanatory message on the console and does a warm boot by jumping to location 0000H.

**Function 13: Reset Disk System**

Function Code: C = 0DH

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: None

```

;CCPM
;Check if CP/M
;This subroutine determines the version number of the
;operating system and, if not CP/M version 2, displays
;an error message and executes a warm boot.

;Entry and exit parameters
;      None

;Calling sequence
;      CALL    CCPM   ;Warm boots if not CP/M 2

0009 =     B$PRINTS    EQU    9      ;Display $-terminated string
000C =     B$GETVER   EQU    12     ;Get version number
0005 =     BDOS       EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

000D =     CR         EQU    0DH    ;Carriage return
000A =     LF         EQU    0AH    ;Line feed

0000 0D0A  CCPMM: DB    CR,LF
0002 5468697320  DB    'This program can only run under CP/M version 2.'
0031 0D0A24  DB    CR,LF,'$'

        CCPM:
0034 0E0C  MVI    C,B$GETVER  ;Get version number
0036 CD0500  CALL   BDOS
0039 7C  MOV    A,H      ;H must be 0 for CP/M
003A B7  ORA    A
003B C24700 JNZ    CCPME   ;Must be MP/M
003E 7D  MOV    A,L      ;L = version number of CP/M
003F E6F0  ANI    OFOH    ;Version number in MS nibble
0041 FE20  CPI    20H    ;Check if version 2
0043 C24700 JNZ    CCPME   ;Must be an earlier version
0046 C9  RET

        CCPME:
0047 0E09  MVI    C,B$PRINTS ;Error
0049 110000 LXI    D,CCPMM ;Display error message
004C CD0500  CALL   BDOS
004F C30000  JMP    0       ;Warm boot

```

**Figure 5-14.** Determine the CP/M version number

**Example**

```

000D =      B$DSKRESET    EQU    13    ;Reset Disk System
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E0D      MVI      C, B$DSKRESET   ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL     BDOS

```

**Purpose**

This function requests CP/M to completely reset the disk file system. CP/M then resets its internal tables, selects logical disk A as the default disk, resets the DMA address back to 0080H (the address of the buffer used by the BDOS to read and write to the disk), and marks all logical disks as having Read/Write status.

The BDOS will then have to log in each logical disk as each disk is accessed. This involves reading the entire file directory for the disk and rebuilding the allocation vectors (which keep track of which allocation blocks are free and which are used for file storage).

**Notes**

This function lets you change the diskettes under program control. If the operator were to simply change diskettes, without CP/M knowing about it, the next access to the (now different) diskette would force CP/M to declare the disk Read-Only, thwarting any further attempts to write on the diskette. If you need to reset one or two disks, rather than the entire disk system, look ahead to the Reset Disk function (code 37) described at the end of this chapter.

Figure 5-15 shows a simple subroutine that outputs a message on the console, requesting that the diskette in a specified drive be changed. It then issues a Reset Disk function call to make sure that CP/M will log in the diskette on the next access to the drive.

```

;CDISK
;Change disk
;This subroutine displays a message requesting the
;user to change the specified logical disk, then waits
;for a carriage return to be pressed. It then issues
;a Disk Reset and returns to the caller.

;Entry parameters
;      A = Logical disk to be changed (A = 0, B = 1)

;Exit parameters
;      None

;Calling sequence
;      MVI      A,0          ;Change drive A:
;      CALL    CDISK

000D =      B$DSKRESET    EQU    13    ;Disk Reset function code
0009 =      B$PRINTS     EQU    9     ;Print $-terminated string
0001 =      B$CONIN      EQU    1     ;Get console input
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

```

**Figure 5-15.** Reset requested disk drive

```

000D = CR EQU ODH
000A = LF EQU OAH

0000 0D0A436861CDISKM: DB CR,LF,'Change logical disk '
0016 00 CDISKD: DB 0
0017 3A20616E64 DB ': and press Carriage Return to continue'

        CDISK:    ADI   'A'-1      ;Convert to letter
003F C640` STA   CDISKD     ;Store in message
0041 321600 MVI   C,B$PRINTS ;Display message
0044 0E09    LXI   D,CDISKM
0046 110000    CALL  BDOS
0049 CD0500

        CDISKW:   MVI   C,B$CONIN ;Get keyboard character
004C 0E01    CALL  BDOS
004E CD0500    CPI   CR
0051 FE0D    JNZ   CDISKW
0053 C24C00    MVI   C,B$DSKRESET ;Now reset disk system
0056 0E0D    CALL  BDOS
0058 CD0500    RET
005B C9

```

**Figure 5-15.** Reset requested disk drive (continued)

## Function 14: Select Logical Disk

Function Code: C = 0EH

Entry Parameters: E = Logical Disk Code

00H = Drive A

01H = Drive B and so on

Exit Parameters: None

### Example

```

000E = B$SELDISK    EQU 14      ;Select Logical Disk
0005 = BDOS         EQU 5       ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E0E    MVI   C,B$SELDISK ;Function code
0002 1E00    MVI   E,0         ;E = 0 for A:, 1 for B: etc.
0004 CD0500    CALL  BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function makes the logical disk named in register E the default disk. All subsequent references to disk files that do not specify the disk will use this default.

When you reference a disk file that *does* have an explicit logical disk in its name you do not have to issue another Select Disk function; the BDOS will take care of that for you.

**Notes** Notice the way in which the logical disk is specified in register E. It is not the same as the disk drive specification in the first byte of the file control block. In the FCB, a value of 00H is used to mean “use the current default disk”(as specified in the last Select Disk call or by the operator on the console). With this function, a

value of 00H in register A means that A is the selected drive, a value of 01H means drive B, and so on to 0FH for drive P, allowing 16 drives in the system.

If you select a logical disk that does not exist in your computer system, the BDOS will display the following message:

**BDOS Err on J: Select**

If you type a CARRIAGE RETURN in order to proceed, the BDOS will do a warm boot and transfer control back to the CCP. To avoid this, you must rely on the computer operator not to specify nonexistent disks or build into your program the knowledge of how many logical disk drives are on the system.

Another problem with this function is that you cannot distinguish a logical disk for which the appropriate tables have been built into the BIOS, but for which there is no physical disk drive. The BDOS does not check to see if the drive is physically present when you make the Select Disk call. It merely sets up some internal values ready to access the logical disk. If you then attempt to access this nonexistent drive, the BIOS will detect the error. What happens next is completely up to the BIOS. The standard BIOS will return control to the BDOS, indicating an error condition. The BDOS will output the message

**BDOS Err on C: Bad Sector**

You then have a choice. You can press CARRIAGE RETURN, in which case the BDOS will ignore the error and attempt to continue with whatever appears to have been read in. Or you can enter a CONTROL-C, causing the program to abort and CP/M to perform a warm boot.

Note that the Select Disk function does not return any values. If your program gets control back, you can assume that the logical disk you asked for at least has tables declared for it.

## Function 15: Open File

Function Code: C = 0FH

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

000F =     B$OPEN      EQU    15      ;Open File
0005 =     BDOS       EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           ;File control block
0000 00   FCB$DISK:    DB     0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB     'FILENAME' ;File name
0009 545950   FCB$TYP:    DB     'TYP'   ;File type
000C 00   FCB$EXTENT:   DB     0       ;Extent
000D 0000   FCB$RESV:    DB     0,0     ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00   FCB$REUSED:   DB     0       ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000   FCB$SEQREC: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00           FCB$SEQREC: DB     0       ;Sequential rec. to read/write

```

0021 0000	FCB\$RANREC:	DW	0	;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00	FCB\$RANRECO:	DB	0	;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)
0024 0EOF	MVI	C,B\$OPEN		;Function code
0026 110000	LXI	D,FCB		;DE → File control block
0029 CD0500	CALL	BDOS		;A = OFFH if file not found

**Purpose** This function opens a specified file for reading or writing. The FCB, whose address must be in register DE, tells CP/M the user number, the logical disk, the file name, and the file type. All other bytes of the FCB will normally be set to 0.

The code returned by the BDOS in register A indicates whether the file has been opened successfully. If A contains 0FFH, then the BDOS was unable to find the correct entry in the directory. If A = 0, 1, 2, or 3, then the file has been opened.

**Notes** The Open File function searches the entire file directory on the specified logical disk looking for the file name, type, and extent specified in the FCB; that is, it is looking for an exact match for bytes 1 through 14 of the FCB. The file name and type may be ambiguous; that is, they may contain "?" characters. In this case, the BDOS will open the first file in the directory that matches the ambiguous name in the FCB. If the file name or type is shorter than eight or three characters respectively, then the remaining characters must be filled with blanks.

When the BDOS searches the file directory, it expects to find an *exact* match with each character of the file name and type, including lowercase letters or nongraphic characters. However, the BDOS uses only the least significant seven bits of each character—the most significant bit is used to indicate special file status characteristics, or *attributes*.

By matching the file extent as well as the name and type, you can, if you wish, open the file at some point other than its beginning. For normal sequential access, you would not usually want to do this, but if your program can predict which file extent is required, this is a method of moving directly to it.

It is also possible to open the same file more than once. Each instance requires a separate FCB. The BDOS is not aware that this is happening. It is really only safe to do this when you are reading the file. Each FCB can be used to read the file independently.

Once the file has been found in the directory, the number of records and the allocation blocks used are copied from the directory entry into the FCB (bytes 16 through 31). If the file is to be accessed sequentially from the beginning of the file, the current record (byte 32) must be set to zero by your program.

The value returned in register A is the relative directory entry number of the entry that matched the FCB. As previously explained, the buffer that CP/M uses holds a 128-byte record from the directory with four directory entries numbered 0, 1, 2, and 3. This *directory code* is returned by almost all of the file-related BDOS functions, but under normal circumstances you will be concerned only with whether the value returned in A is 0FFH or not.

Figure 5-16 shows a subroutine that takes a 00H-byte terminated character

string, creates a valid FCB, and then opens the specified file. Shown as part of this example is the subroutine BF (Build FCB). It performs the brunt of the work of converting a string of ASCII characters into an FCB-style disk, file name, and type.

```

;OPENF
;Open File

;Given a pointer to a OOH-byte-terminated file name,
;and an area that can be used for a file control
;block, this subroutine builds a valid file control
;block and attempts to open the file.

;If the file is opened, it returns with the carry flag clear.
;if the file cannot be opened, this subroutine returns
;with the carry flag set.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> 36-byte area for file control block
;      HL -> OOH-byte terminated file name of the
;            form {disk:} Name [.typ]
;            (disk and typ are optional)

;Exit parameters
;      Carry clear : File opened correctly.
;      Carry set   : File not opened.

;Calling Sequence
;      LXI    D,FCB
;      LXI    H,FNAME
;      CALL   OPENF
;      JC    ERROR
;
;where
;FCB:   DS    36          ;Space for file control block
;FNAME: DB    'A:TESTFILE.DAT',0

000F = B$OPEN    EQU    15    ;File Open function code
0005 = BDOS     EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

OPENF:
0000 D5    PUSH   D        ;Preserve pointer to FCB
0001 CDOC00  CALL   BF      ;Build file control block
0004 EOF    MVI    C,B$OPEN
0006 D1    POP    D        ;Recover pointer to FCB
0007 CD0500  CALL   BDOS
000A 17    RAL    A        ;If A=OFFH, carry set
;otherwise carry clear
000B C9    RET

;BF
;Build file control block
;This subroutine formats a OOH-byte-terminated string
;(presumed to be a file name) into an FCB, setting
;the disk and file name and type and clearing the
;remainder of the FCB to 0's.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> file control block (36 Bytes)
;      HL -> file name string (OOH-byte-terminated)

;Exit parameters
;      The built file control block
;Calling sequence
;      LXI    D,FCB
;      LXI    H,FILENAME
;      CALL   BF
;

BF:

```

Figure 5-16. Open file request

```

000C 23      INX    H          ;Check if 2nd char. is ":"  

000D 7E      MOV    A,M       ;Get character from file name  

000E 2B      DCX    H          ;HL -> now back at 1st char.  

000F FE3A      CPI    ','       ;If ":", then disk specified  

0011 C21C00   JNZ    BF$ND     ;No disk  

0014 7E      MOV    A,M       ;Get disk letter  

0015 E61F      ANI    0001$1111B ;A (41H) -> 1, B (42H) -> 2 ...  

0017 23      INX    H          ;Bypass disk letter  

0018 23      INX    H          ;Bypass ":"  

0019 C31B00   JMP    BF$SD     ;Store disk in FCB

        BF$ND: XRA    A          ;No disk present  

001C AF      ;Indicate default disk

        BF$SD: STAX   D          ;Store disk in FCB  

001D 12      INX    D          ;DE -> 1st char. of name in FCB  

001E 13      MVI    C,8       ;File name length  

0021 CD3700   CALL   BF$GT     ;Get token  

                  ;Note -- at this point, BF$GT  

                  ;will have advanced the string  

                  ;pointer to either a "." or  

                  ;00H byte  

0024 FE2E      CPI    ','       ;Check terminating character  

0026 C22A00   JNZ    BF$NT     ;No file type specified  

0029 23      INX    H          ;Bypass "." in file name

        BF$NT: MVI    C,3       ;File type length  

002C CD3700   CALL   BF$GT     ;Get token  

                  ;Note -- if no file type is  

                  ;present BF$GT will merely  

                  ;spacefill the FCB  

002F 0600      MVI    B,0       ;0-fill the remainder of the FCB  

0031 0E18      MVI    C,24      ;36 - 12 (disk, name, type = 12 chars.)  

0033 CD6400   CALL   BF$FT     ;Re-use fill token S/R  

0036 C9      RET

;BF$GT
;Build FCB -- get token

;This subroutine scans a file name string,
;placing characters into a file control block.
;On encountering a terminator character ("." or 00H),
;the remainder of the token is space filled.
;If an "?" is encountered, the remainder of the token
;is filled with "?".  

;  

;Entry Parameters
;    DE -> Into file control block
;    HL -> Into file name string
;    C = Maximum no. of characters in token  

;  

;Exit Parameters
;    File control block contains next token
;    A = Terminating character

        BF$GT: MOV    A,M       ;Get next string character  

0037 7E      ORA    A          ;Check if end of string  

0038 B7      JZ    BF$SFT     ;Yes, space fill token  

0039 CA5700   CPI    '*'      ;Check if ?-fill required  

003C FE2A      JZ    BF$QFT     ;Yes, fill with ?  

003E CA5C00   CPI    ','       ;Assume current token is file  

0041 FE2E      ;name  

                  ;Check if file type coming up  

                  ;(If current token is file  

                  ;type this check is  

                  ;benignly redundant)  

0043 CA5700   JZ    BF$SFT     ;Yes, space fill token  

0046 12      STAX   D          ;None of the above, so store  

                  ;in FCB  

0047 13      INX    D          ;Update FCB pointer  

0048 23      INX    H          ;Update string pointer

```

Figure 5-16. (Continued)

```

0049 0D          DCR    C      ;Countdown on token length
004A C23700      JNZ    BF$GT ;Still more characters to go

        BF$SKIP:
004D 7E          MOV    A,M   ;Skip chars. until "." or 00H
004E B7          ORA    A     ;Get next string character
004F C8          RZ    ;Check if 00H
0050 FE2E          CPI    A..  ;Yes
0052 C8          RZ    ;Check if "."
0053 23          INX    H     ;Yes
0054 C34D00      JMP    BF$SKIP ;Update string pointer (only)
                                ;Try next character

        BF$SFT:
0057 0620          MVI    B,' ' ;Space fill token
0059 C36400      JMP    BF$FT ;Common fill token code
                                ;BF$FT returns to caller

        BF$QFT:
005C 063F          MVI    B,'?' ;Question mark fill token
005E CD6400      CALL   BF$FT ;Common fill token code
0061 C34D00      JMP    BF$SKIP ;Bypass multiple "*" etc.

        BF$FT:
0064 F5          PUSH   PSW   ;Fill token
0065 78          MOV    A,B   ;Save terminating character
                                ;Get fill character

        BF$FTL:
0066 12          STAX   D     ;Inner loop
0067 13          INX    D     ;Store in FCB
0068 0D          DCR    C     ;Update FCB Pointer
0069 C26600      JNZ    BF$FTL ;Downdate residual count
006C F1          POP    PSW   ;Keep going
006D C9          RET    ;Recover terminating character

```

Figure 5-16. (Continued)

## Function 16: Close File

Function Code: C = 10H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

0010 =      B$CLOSE      EQU    16    ;Close File
0005 =      BDOS         EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

0000       FCB:          DS     36    ;File control block

0024 0E10          MVI    C,B$CLOSE ;Function code
0026 110000        LXI    D,FCB   ;DE -> File control block
0029 CD0500          CALL   BDOS   ;A = 0,1,2,3 if successful
                                    ;A = OFFH if file name not
                                    ;in directory

```

**Purpose** This function terminates the processing of a file to which you have written information. Under CP/M you do not need to close a file that you have been reading. However, if you ever intend for your program to function correctly under MP/M (the multi-user version of CP/M) you should close all files regardless of their use.

The Close File function, like Open File, returns a directory code in the A register. Register A will contain 0FFH if the BDOS could not close the file successfully. If A is 0, 1, 2, or 3, then the file has been closed.

**Notes**

When the BDOS closes a file to which data has been written, it writes the current contents of the FCB out to the disk directory, updating an existing directory entry by matching the disk, name, type, and extent number in the same manner that the Open File function does.

Note that the BDOS does not transfer the last record of the file to the disk during the close operation. It merely updates the file directory. You must arrange to flush any partly filled record to the disk. If the file that you have created is a standard CP/M ASCII text file, you must arrange to fill the unused portion of the record with the standard 1AH end-of-file characters as CP/M expects, as explained in the section on the Write Sequential function (code 21).

**Function 17: Search for First Name Match**

Function Code: C = 11H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

**Example**

```

0011 =      B$SEARCHF    EQU   17      ;Search First
0005 =      BDOS        EQU   5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           ;File control block
0000 00  FCB$DISK:     DB    0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C453FFCB$NAME: DB    'FILE????' ;Ambiguous file name
0009 543F50  FCB$TYP:     DB    'T?P'   ;Ambiguous file type
000C 00  FCB$EXTENT:   DB    0       ;Extent
000D 0000  FCB$RESV:    DB    0,0    ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00  FCB$RECUSED:  DB    0       ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000  DB    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00  FCB$SEQREC:   DB    0       ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000  FCB$RANREC: DW    0       ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00  FCB$RANRECO: DB    0       ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 <OE11      MVI   C,B$SEARCHF  ;Function code
0026 110000    LXI   D,FCB    ;DE -> File control block
0029 CD0500    CALL  BDOS   ;A = 0,1,2,3.
                           ;(A * 32) + DMA -> directory
                           ;entry
                           ;A = OFFH if file name not
                           ;found

```

**Purpose**

This function scans down the file directory for the first entry that matches the file name, type, and extent in the FCB addressed by DE. The file name, type, and extent may contain a "?" (ASCII 3FH) in one or more character positions. Where a "?" occurs, the BDOS will match *any* character in the corresponding position in the file directory. This is known as ambiguous file name matching.

The first byte of an FCB normally contains the logical disk number code. A value of 0 indicates the default disk, while 1 means disk A, 2 is B, and so on up to a

possible maximum of 16 for disk P. However, if this byte contains a "?", the BDOS will search the default logical disk and will match the file name and type regardless of the user number. This function is normally used in conjunction with the Search Next function (which is described immediately after this function). Search First, in the process of matching a file, leaves certain variables in the BDOS set, ready for a subsequent Search Next.

Both Search First and Search Next return a directory code in the A register. With Search First, A = 0FFH when no files match the FCB; if a file match is found, A will have a value of 0, 1, 2, or 3.

#### Notes

To locate the particular directory entry that either the Search First or Search Next function matched, multiply the directory code returned in A by the length of a directory entry (32 bytes). This is easily done by adding the A register to itself five times (see the code in Figure 5-17 near the label GNFC). Then add the DMA address to get the actual address where the matched directory entry is stored.

There are many occasions when you may need to write a program that will accept an ambiguous file name and operate on all of the file names that match it. (The DIR and ERA commands built into the CCP are examples that use ambiguous file names.) To do this, you must use several BDOS functions: the Set DMA Address function (code 26, described later in this chapter), this function (Search First), and Search Next (code 18). All of this is shown in the subroutine given in Figure 5-17.

```

;GNF
;This subroutine returns an FCB setup with either the
;first file matched by an ambiguous file name, or (if
;specified by entry parameter) the next file name.

;Note : this subroutine is context sensitive. You must
;       not have more than one ambiguous file name
;       sequence in process at any given time.

;>>> Warning : This subroutine changes the DMA address
;>>>           inside the BDOS.

;Entry parameters
;       DE -> Possibly ambiguous file name
;             (00-byte terminated)
;             (Only needed for FIRST request)
;       HL -> File control block
;       A = 0 : Return FIRST file name that matches
;             = NZ : Return NEXT file name that matches

;Exit parameters
;Carry set : A = FF, no file name matches
;            A not = 0FFH, error in input file name
;Carry clear : FCB setup with next name
;              HL -> Directory entry returned
;                    by Search First/Next

;Calling sequence
;       LXI      D,FILENAME
;       LXI      H,FCB

```

**Figure 5-17.** Search first/next calls for ambiguous file name

	MVI	A,0	for MVI A,1 for NEXT
	CALL	GNF	
0011 =	B\$SEARCHF	EQU	17 ;Search for first file name
0012 =	B\$SEARCHN	EQU	18 ;Search for next file name
001A =	B\$SETDMA	EQU	26 ;Set up DMA address
0005 =	BDOS	EQU	5 ;BDOS entry point
0080 =	GNFDMA	EQU	80H ;Default DMA address
000D =	GNFSVL	EQU	13 ;Save length (no. of chars to move)
0024 =	GNFFCL	EQU	36 ;File control block length
0000	GNFSV:	DS	GNFSVL ;Save area for file name/type
GNF:			
000D E5	PUSH	H	;Save FCB pointer
000E D5	PUSH	D	;Save file name pointer
000F F5	PUSH	PSW	;Save first/next flag
0010 118000	LXI	D,GNFDMA	;Set DMA to known address
0013 OE1A	MVI	C,B\$SETDMA	;Function code
0015 CD0500	CALL	BDOS	
0018 F1	POP	PSW	;Recover first/next flag
0019 E1	POP	H	;Recover file name pointer
001A D1	POP	D	;Recover FCB pointer
001B D5	PUSH	D	;Resave FCB pointer
001C B7	ORA	A	;Check if FIRST or NEXT
001D C23E00	JNZ	GNFN	;NEXT
0020 CD9300	CALL	BF	;Build file control block
0023 E1	POP	H	;Recover FCB pointer (to balance stack)
0024 D8	RC		;Return if error in file name
0025 E5	PUSH	H	;Resave FCB pointer
;Move ambiguous file name to ;save area ;HL -> FCB			
0026 110000	LXI	D,GNFSV	;DE -> save area
0029 0E0D	MVI	C,GNFSVL	;Get save length
002B CD8A00	MOVE		
002E D1	POP	D	;Recover FCB pointer
002F D5	PUSH	D	;and resave
0030 OE11	MVI	C,B\$SEARCHF	;Search FIRST
0032 CD0500	CALL	BDOS	
0035 E1	POP	H	;Recover FCB pointer
0036 FEFF	CPI	OFFH	;Check for error
0038 CA7D00	JZ	GNFEX	;Error exit
003B C35D00	JMP	GNFC	;Common code
GNFN:			
;Execute search FIRST to re-establish contact with ;previous file ;User's FCB still has ;name/type in it			
003E CD7F00	CALL	GNZF	;Zero-fill all but file name/type
0041 D1	POP	D	;Recover FCB address
0042 D5	PUSH	D	;and resave
0043 OE11	MVI	C,B\$SEARCHF	;Re-find the file
0045 CD0500	CALL	BDOS	
0048 D1	POP	D	;Recover FCB pointer
0049 D5	PUSH	D	;and resave
004A 210000	LXI	H,GNFSV	;Move file name from save area ;into FCB
004D OE0D	MVI	C,GNFSVL	;Save area length
004F CD8A00	CALL	MOVE	
0052 OE12	MVI	C,B\$SEARCHN	;Search NEXT
0054 CD0500	CALL	BDOS	
0057 E1	POP	H	;Recover FCB address
0058 FEFF	CPI	OFFH	;Check for error
005A CA7D00	JZ	GNFEX	;Error exit
GNFC:			
005D E5	PUSH	H	;Save FCB address
005E 87	ADD	A	;Multiply BDOS return code * 32

Figure 5-17. (Continued)

```

005F 87      ADD    A          ;* 4
0060 87      ADD    A          ;* 8
0061 87      ADD    A          ;* 16
0062 87      ADD    A          ;* 32
0063 218000   LXI    H,GNFDMA ;HL -> DMA address
0066 5F      MOV    E,A        ;Make (code * 32) a word value
                                ;in DE
0067 1600   MVI    D,O        ;HL -> file's directory entry
0069 19      DAD    D          ;Move file name into FCB
                                ;Recover FCB address
006A D1      POP    D          ;Save directory entry pointer
006B E5      PUSH   H          ;and resave
006C D5      PUSH   D
006D 0E0D   MVI    C,GNFSVL ;Length of save area
006F CDBA00   CALL   MOVE
0072 3A0000   LDA    GNFSVL ;Get disk from save area
0075 D1      POP    D          ;Recover FCB address
0076 12      STAX   D          ;Overwrite user number in FCB
                                ;Set up to zero-fill tail end
                                ;of FCB
0077 CD7F00   CALL   GNFZF
007A E1      POP    H          ;Zero-fill
                                ;Recover directory entry
007B AF      XRA    A          ;pointer
007C C9      RET
                                ;Clear carry

:GNFEXI:
007D 37      STC
007E C9      RET          ;Set carry to indicate error

:GNFZF:
;Get next file -- zero fill
;This subroutine zero-fills the bytes that follow the
;file name and type in an FCB.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> file control block

:GNFZF:
007F 210D00   LXI    H,GNFSVL ;Bypass area that holds file name
0082 19      DAD    D          ;HL -> FCB + GNFSVL
0083 54      MOV    D,H        ;DE -> FCB + GNFSVL
0084 5D      MOV    E,L        ;DE -> FCB + GNFSVL + 1
0085 13      INX    D
0086 3600   MVI    M,0        ;FCB + GNFSVL = 0
0088 0E17   MVI    C,GNFFCL-GNFSVL ;Remainder of file control block

;Drop into MOVE
;Spread 0's through remainder
;of FCB

:MOVE:
;MOVE
;This subroutine moves C bytes from HL to DE.

:MOVE:
008A 7E      MOV    A,M        ;Get source byte
008B 12      STAX   D          ;Save destination byte
008C 13      INX    D          ;Increment destination pointer
008D 23      INX    H          ;Increment source pointer
008E 0D      DCR    C          ;Decrement count
008F C28A00   JNZ    MOVE      ;Go back for more
0092 C9      RET

:BF:
;Build file control block

;This subroutine formats a 00H-byte terminated string
;(presumed to be a file name) into an FCB, setting the
;disk and file name and type, and clearing the
;remainder of the FCB to 0's.

```

Figure 5-17. (Continued)

```

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> File control block (36 bytes)
;      HL -> File name string (00H-byte-terminated)

;Exit parameters
;      The built file control block

;This subroutine is shown in full in Figure 5-16

0093 C9    BF:     RET          ;Dummy subroutine for this example

```

**Figure 5-17.** (Continued)

## Function 18: Search for Next Name Match

Function Code: C = 12H

Entry Parameters: None (assumes previous Search First call)

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

0012 =      B$SEARCHN      EQU      18      ;Search Next
0005 =      BDOS           EQU      5       ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E12      MVI      C,B$SEARCHN      ;Function code
                                                ;Note: No FCB pointer
                                                ;You must precede this call
                                                ;with a call to Search First
0002 CD0500      CALL     BDOS           ;A = 0,1,2,3
                                                ;(A * 32) + DMA -> directory
                                                ;entry
                                                ;A = OFFH if file name not
                                                ;found

```

**Purpose** This function searches down the file directory for the *next* file name, type, and extent that match the FCB specified in a previous Search First function call.

Search First and Search Next are the only BDOS functions that must be used together. As you can see, the Search Next function does not require an FCB address as an input parameter—all the necessary information will have been left in the BDOS on the Search First call.

Like Search First, Search Next returns a directory code in the A register; in this case, if A = OFFH, it means that there are no *more* files that match the file control block. If A is not OFFH, it will be a value of 0, 1, 2, or 3, indicating the relative directory entry number.

**Notes** There are two ways of using the Search First/Next calls. Consider a simple file copying program that takes as input an ambiguous file name. You could scan the file directory, matching all of the possible file names, possibly displaying them on the console, and storing the names of the files to be copied in a table inside your program. This would have the advantage of enabling you to present the file names

to the operator before any copying occurred. You could even arrange for the operator to select which files to copy on a file-by-file basis. One disadvantage would be that you could not accurately predict how many files might be selected. On some hard disk systems you might have to accommodate several thousand file names.

The alternative way of handling the problem would be to match one file name, copy it, then match the next file name, copy it, and so on. If you gave the operator the choice of selecting which files to copy, this person would have to wait at the terminal as each file was being copied, but the program would not need to have large table areas set aside to hold file names. This solution to the problem is slightly more complicated, as you can see from the logic in Figure 5-17.

The subroutine in Figure 5-17, Get Next File (GNF), contains all of the necessary logic to search down a directory for both alternatives described. It does require that you indicate *on entry* whether it should search for the first or next file match, by setting A to zero or some nonzero value respectively.

You can see from Figure 5-17 that whenever the subroutine is called to get the *next* file, you must execute a Search First function to re-find the previous file. Only then can a Search Next be issued.

As with all functions that return a directory code in A, if this value is not 0FFH, it will be the relative directory entry number in the directory record currently in memory. This directory record will have been read into memory at whatever address was specified at the last Set DMA Address function call (code 26, 1AH). Notwithstanding its odd name, the DMA Address is simply the address into which any record input from disk will be placed. If the Set DMA Address function has not been used to change the value, then the CP/M default DMA address, location 0080H, will be used to hold the directory record.

The actual code for locating the address of the particular directory entry matched by the Search First/Next functions is shown in Figure 5-17 near the label GNFC. The method involves multiplying the directory code by 32 and then adding this product to the current DMA address.

### Function 19: Erase (Delete) File

Function Code: C = 13H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

#### Example

```

0013 =      B$ERASE      EQU    19      ;Erase File
0005 =      BDOS         EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           DB      0       ;File control block
          FCB$DISK:       DB      0       ;Search on default disk drive
          0001 3F3F4C454EFCB$NAME:   DB      '??LENAME' ;Ambiguous file name
          0009 3F5950      FCB$TYP:     DB      '?YP'   ;Ambiguous file type
          000C 00          FCB$EXTENT:  DB      0       ;Extent

```

```

000D 0000    FCB$RESV:    DB      0,0      ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00    FCB$REUSED:   DB      0      ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000    DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00    FCB$SEQREC:   DB      0      ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000    FCB$RANREC:  DW      0      ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00    FCB$RANRECO:  DB      0      ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 0E13        MVI      C,B$ERASE    ;Function code
0026 110000    LXI      D,FCB      ;DE -> file control block
0029 CD0500        CALL     BDOS      ;A = OFFH if file not found

```

**Purpose** This function logically deletes from the file directory files that match the FCB addressed by DE. It does so by replacing the first byte of each relevant directory entry (remember, a single file can have several entries, one for each extent) by the value 0E5H. This flags the directory entry as being available for use.

**Notes** Like the previous two functions, Search First and Search Next, this function can take an ambiguous file name and type as part of the file control block, but unlike those functions, the logical disk select code cannot be a "?".

This function returns a directory code in A in the same way as the previous file operations.

## Function 20: Read Sequential

Function Code: C = 14H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

0014 =      B$READSEQ    EQU      20      ;Read Sequential
0005 =      BDOS          EQU      5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           DB      0      ;File control block
0000 00    FCB$DISK:    DB      0      ;Search on default disk drive.
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB      'FILENAME' ;file name
0009 545950    FCB$TYP:    DB      'TYP'   ;File type
000C                      DS      24      ;Set by file open

                                              ;Record will be read into
                                              ;address set by prior SETDMA
                                              ;call
0024 0E14        MVI      C,B$READSEQ  ;Function code
0026 110000    LXI      D,FCB      ;DE -> File control block
0029 CD0500        CALL     BDOS      ;A = 00 if operation successful
                                              ;A = nonzero if no data in
                                              ;file

```

**Purpose** This function reads the next record (128-byte sector) from the designated file into memory at the address set by the last Set DMA function call (code 26, 1AH). The record read is specified by the FCB's sequential record field (FCB\$SEQREC in the example listing for the Open File function, code 15). This field is incremented by 1 so that a subsequent call to Read Sequential will get the next record from the file. If the end of the current extent is reached, then the BDOS will

```

;GETC
;This subroutine gets the next character from a
;sequential disk file. It assumes that the file has
;already been opened.

;>>> Note : this subroutine changes CP/M's DMA address.

;Entry parameters
; DE -> file control block

;Exit parameters
; A = next character from file
;      (= OFFH on physical end of file)
;      Note : 1AH is normal EOF character for
;              ASCII Files.

;Calling sequence
; LXI DEX,FCB
; CALL GETC
; CPI 1AH
; JZ EOFCHAR
; CPI OFFH
; JZ ACTUALEOF

0014 = B$READSEQ EQU 20 ;Read sequential
001A = B$SETDMA EQU 26 ;Set DMA address
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

0080 = GETCBS EQU 128 ;Buffer size
0000 GETCBF: DS GETCBS ;Declare buffer
0080 00 GETCCC: DB 0 ;Char. count (initially
;                      ;"empty")

        GETC:
0081 3A8000 LDA GETCCC ;Check if buffer is empty
0084 B7 ORA A
0085 CA9900 JZ GETCFB ;Yes, fill buffer

        GETCRE:
0088 3D DCR A ;Re-entry point after buffer filled
0089 328000 STA GETCCC ;No, downdate count
;Save downdated count

008C 47 MOV B,A ;Compute offset of next
;character
008D 3E7F MVI A,BETCBS-1 ;By subtracting
008F 90 SUB B ;(buffer size -- downdated count)
0090 5F MOV E,A ;Make result into word value
0091 1600 MVI D,O
0093 210000 LXI H,GETCBF ;HL -> base of buffer
0096 19 DAD D ;HL -> next character in buffer
0097 7E MOV A,M ;Get next character
0098 C9 RET

        GETCFB:
0099 D5 PUSH D ;Fill buffer
009A 110000 LXI D,GETCBF ;Save FCB pointer
009D 0E1A MVI C,B$SETDMA ;Set DMA address to buffer
009F CD0500 CALL BDOS ;function code

00A2 D1 POP D ;Recover FCB pointer
00A3 0E14 MVI C,B$READSEQ ;Read sequential "record" (sector)
00A5 CD0500 CALL BDOS
00A8 B7 ORA A ;Check if read unsuccessful (A = NZ)
00A9 C2B400 JNZ GETCX ;Yes
00AC 3E80 MVI A,GETCBS ;Reset count
00AE 328000 STA GETCCC ;Re-enter subroutine
00B1 C38800 JMP GETCRE

        GETCX:
00B4 3EFF MVI A,OFFH ;Physical end of file
00B6 C9 RET ;Indicate such

```

Figure 5-18. Read next character from sequential disk file

automatically open the next extent and reset the sequential record field to 0, ready for the next Read function call.

The file specified in the FCB must have been readied for input by issuing an Open File (code 15, 0FH) or a Create File (code 22, 16H) BDOS call.

The value 00H is returned in A to indicate a successful Read Sequential operation, while a nonzero value shows that the Read could not be completed because there was no data in the next record, as at the end of file.

### Notes

Although it is not immediately obvious, you can change the sequential record number, FCB\$SEQREC, and within a given extent, read a record at random. If you want to access any given record within a file, you must compute which extent that record would be in and set the extent field in the file control block (FCB\$EXTENT) before you open the file. Thus, although the function name implies sequential access, in practice you can use it to perform a simple type of random access. If you need to do true random access, look ahead to the Random Read function (code 33), which takes care of opening the correct extent automatically.

Figure 5-18 shows an example of a subroutine that returns the data from a sequential file byte-by-byte, reading in records from the file as necessary. This subroutine, GETC, is useful as a low-level "primitive" on which you can build more sophisticated functions, such as those that read a fixed number of characters or read characters up to a CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED combination.

When you read data from a CP/M text file, the normal convention is to fill the last record of the file with 1AH characters (CONTROL-Z). Therefore, two possible conditions can indicate end-of-file: either encountering a 1AH, or receiving a return code from the BDOS function (in the A register) of 0FFH. However, if the file that you are reading is not an ASCII text file, then a 1AH character has no special meaning—it is just a normal data byte in the body of the file.

## Function 21: Write Sequential

Function Code: C = 15H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

0015 =     B$WRITESEQ    EQU   21      ;Write Sequential
0005 =     BDOS          EQU   5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           DB     0       ;File control block
          FCB$DISK:       DB     0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB     'FILENAME' ;file name
0009 545950  FCB$TYP:      DB     'TYP'   ;File type
000C          DS     24      ;Set by Open or Create File

          ;Record must be in address
          ;set by prior SETDMA call
          ;Function code
          ;DE -> File control block
          ;A = 00H if operation
          ;successful
          ;A = nonzero if disk full

0024 0E15      MVI    C,B$WRITESEQ
0026 110000    LXI    D,FCB
0029 CD0500    CALL   BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function writes a record from the address specified in the last Set DMA (code 26, 1AH) function call to the file defined in the FCB. The sequential record number in the FCB (FCB\$SEQREC) is updated by 1 so that the next call to Write Sequential will write to the next record position in the file. If necessary, a new extent will be opened to receive the new record.

This function is directly analogous to the Read Sequential function, writing instead of reading. The file specified in the FCB must first be activated by an Open File (code 15, 0FH) or create File call (code 22, 16H).

A directory code of 00H is returned in A to indicate that the Write was successful; a nonzero value is returned if the Write could not be completed because the disk was full.

**Notes** As with the Read Sequential function (code 20, 14H), you can achieve a simple form of random writing to the file by manipulating the sequential record number (FCB\$SEQREC). However, you can only overwrite *existing* records in the file, and if you want to move to another extent, you must close the file and reopen it with the FCB\$EXTENT field set to the correct value. For true random writing to the file, look ahead to the Write Random function (code 34, 22H). This takes care of opening or creating the correct extent of the file automatically.

The only logical error condition that can occur when writing to a file is insufficient room on the disk to accommodate the next extent of the file. Any hardware errors detected will be handled by the disk driver built into the BIOS or BDOS.

Figure 5-19 shows a subroutine, PUTC, to which you can pass data a byte at a time. It assembles this data into a buffer, making a call to Write Sequential whenever the buffer becomes full. You can see that provision is made in the entry parameters (by setting register B to a nonzero value) for the subroutine to fill the remaining unused characters of the buffer with 1AH characters. You must do this to denote the end of an ASCII text file.

## Function 22: Create (Make) File

Function Code: C = 16H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

### Example

```

0016 =      B$CREATE      EQU    22      ;File Create
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
                                ;File control block
0000 00      FCB:          DB     0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME:   DB     'FILENAME'      ;file name
0009 545950    FCB$TYP:      DB     'TYP'        ;File type
000C 00      FCB$EXTENT:    DB     0       ;Extent

```

```

000D 0000    FCB$RESV:    DB      0,0      ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00    FCB$RECUSED:  DB      0      ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED:  DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000    DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00    FCB$SEQREC:   DB      0      ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000    FCB$RANREC:  DW      0      ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00    FCB$RANRECO:  DB      0      ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

                                                ;Note : file to be created
                                                ;must not already exist....
0024 0E16    MVI     C,B$CREATE
0026 110000    LXI     D,FCB
0029 CD0500    CALL    BDOS
                                                ;DE -> file control block
                                                ;A = 0,1,2,3 if operation
                                                ;successful
                                                ;A = OFFH if directory full

```

```

;PUTC
;This subroutine either puts the next character out
;to a sequential file, writing out completed "records"
;(128-byte sectors) or, if requested to, will fill the
;remainder of the current "record" with 1AH's to
;indicate end of file to CP/M.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> File control block
;      B = 0, A = next data character to be output
;      B /= 0, fill the current "record" with 1AH's

;Exit parameters
;      none.

;Calling sequence
;      LXI     D,FCB
;      MVI     B,0      ;Not end of file
;      LDA     CHAR
;      CALL    PUTC
;      or
;      LXI     D,FCB
;      MVI     B,1      ;Indicate end of file
;      CALL    PUTC

0015 = B$WRITESEQ EQU 21      ;Write sequential
001A = B$SETDMA EQU 26      ;Set DMA address
0005 = BDOS EQU 5          ;BDOS entry point

0080 = PUTCBS EQU 128      ;Buffer size
0000 = PUTCBF: DS PUTCBS
0080 00 = PUTCCC: DB 0       ;Char. count (initially "empty")

PUTC:
0081 D5    PUSH   D        ;Save FCB address
0082 F5    PUSH   PSW      ;Save data character
0083 78    MOV    A,B      ;Check if end of file requested
0084 B7    ORA    A
0085 C29900 JNZ    PUTCEF
0088 CDC300 CALL   PUTCGA
                                ;Yes
                                ;No, get address of next free byte
                                ;HL -> next free byte
                                ;E = Current char. count (as
                                ;well as A)
008B F1    POP    PSW      ;Recover data character
008C 77    MOV    M,A      ;Save in buffer
008D 7B    MOV    A,E      ;Get current character count
008E 3C    INR    A
008F FE80  CPI    PUTCBS
0091 CAA900 JZ    PUTCWB
0094 328000 STA    PUTCCC
0097 D1    POP    D
0098 C9    RET

```

Figure 5-19. Write next character to sequential disk file

				PUTCEF:
0099 F1	POP	PSW		;End of file
009A CDC300	CALL	PUTCGA		;Dump data character
				;HL -> next free byte
				;A = current character count
				PUTCCE:
009D FE80	CPI	PUTCBS		;Copy EOF character
009F CAA900	JZ	PUTCWB		;Check for end of buffer
00A2 361A	MVI	M, 1AH		;Yes, write out the buffer
00A4 3C	INR	A		;No, store EOF in buffer
00A5 23	INX	H		;Update count
00A6 C39B00	JMP	PUTCCE		;Update buffer pointer
				;Continue until end of buffer
				PUTCWB:
00A9 AF	XRA	A		;Write buffer
00AA 328000	STA	PUTCCC		;Reset character count to 0
00AD 110000	LXI	D, PUTCBF		;DE -> buffer
00B0 0E1A	MVI	C, B\$SETDMA		;Set DMA address -> buffer
00B2 CD0500	CALL	BDOS		
00B5 D1	POP	D		
00B6 0E15	MVI	C, B\$WRITESEQ		;Recover FCB address
00B8 CD0500	CALL	BDOS		;Write sequential record
00BB B7	ORA	A		
00BC C2C000	JNZ	PUTCX		;Check if error
00BF C9	RET			;Yes if A = NZ
				;No, return to caller
				PUTCX:
00C0 3EFF	MVI	A, OFFH		;Error exit
00C2 C9	RET			;Indicate such
				PUTCGA:
				;Return with HL -> next free char.
00C3 3A8000	LDA	PUTCCC		;and A = current char. count
00C6 5F	MOV	E, A		;Get current character count
00C7 1600	MVI	D, 0		;Make word value in DE
00C9 210000	LXI	H, PUTCBF		;HL -> Base of buffer
00CC 19	DAD	D		;HL -> next free character
00CD C9	RET			

Figure 5-19. Write next character to sequential disk file (continued)

**Purpose** This function creates a new file of the specified name and type. You must first ensure that no file of the same name and type already exists on the same logical disk, either by trying to open the file (if this succeeds, the file already exists) or by unconditionally erasing the file.

In addition to creating the file and its associated file directory entry, this function also effectively opens the file so that it is ready for records to be written to it.

This function returns a normal directory code if the file creation has completed successfully or a value of 0FFH if there is insufficient disk or directory space.

**Notes** Under some circumstances, you may want to create a file that is slightly more "secure" than normal CP/M files. You can do this by using either lowercase letters or nongraphic ASCII characters such as ASCII NUL (00H) in the file name or type. Neither of these classes of characters can be generated from the keyboard; in the first case, the CCP changes all lowercase characters to uppercase, and in the second, it rejects names with odd characters in them. Thus, computer operators

cannot erase such a file because there is no way that they can create the same file name from the CCP.

The converse is also true; the only way that you can erase these files is by using a program that *can* set the exact file name into an FCB and then issue an Erase File function call.

Note that this function cannot accept an ambiguous file name in the FCB.

Figure 5-20 shows a subroutine that creates a file only after it has erased any existing files of the same name.

### Function 23: Rename File

Function Code: C = 17H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

#### Example

```

0017 =      B$RENAME      EQU    23      ;Rename file
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
          FCB:
0000 00      DB     0       ;File control block
0001 4F4C444E41  DB     'OLDNAME'   ;File name
0009 545950  DB     'TYP'      ;File type
000C 00000000  DB     0,0,0,0

```

```

;CF
;Create file
;This subroutine creates a file. It erases any
;Previous file before creating the new one.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> File control block for new file

;Exit parameters
;      Carry clear if operation successful
;      (A = 0,1,2,3)
;      Carry set if error (A = OFFH)

;Calling sequence
;      LXI  D,FCB
;      CALL CF
;      JC   ERROR

0013 =      B$ERASE      EQU    19      ;Erase file
0016 =      B$CREATE     EQU    22      ;Create file
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

CF:
0000 D5      PUSH   D       ;Preserve FCB pointer
0001 0E13    MVI    C,B$ERASE   ;Erase any existing file
0003 CD0500  CALL   BDOS
0006 D1      POP    D       ;Recover FCB pointer
0007 0E16    MVI    C,B$CREATE ;Create (and open new file)
0009 CD0500  CALL   BDOS
000C FFFF    CPI    OFFH    ;Carry set if OK, clear if error
000E 3F      CMC
000F C9      RET

```

Figure 5-20. Create file request

```

0010 00          DB      0           ;FCB + 16
0011 4E45574E41 DB      'NEWNAME'   ;File name
0019 545950      DB      'TYP'       ;File type
001C 00000000    DB      0,0,0,0

0020 0E17          MVI    C,B$RENAME   ;Function code
0022 110000        LXI    D,FCB        ;DE -> file control block
0025 CD0500        CALL   BDOS        ;A = 00H if operation successful
                                         ;A = OFFH if file not found

```

**Purpose** This function renames an existing file name and type to a new name and type. It is unusual in that it uses a single FCB to store both the old file name and type (in the first 16 bytes) and the new file name and type (in the second 16 bytes). This function returns a normal directory code if the file rename was completed successfully or a value of 0FFH if the old file name could not be found.

**Notes** The Rename File function only checks that the old file name and type exist; it makes no check to ensure that the new name and type combination does not already exist. Therefore, you should try to open the new file name and type. If you succeed, do not attempt the rename operation. CP/M will create more than one file of the same name and type, and you stand to lose the information in both files as you attempt to sort out the problem.

For security, you can also use lowercase letters and nongraphic characters in the file name and type, as described under the File Create function (code 22, 16H) above.

Never use ambiguous file names in a rename operation; it produces strange effects and may result in files being irreparably damaged. This function will change *all* occurrences of the old file name to the new name.

Figure 5-21 shows a subroutine that will accept an existing file name and type and a new name and type and rename the old to the new. It checks to make sure that the new file name does not already exist, returning an error code if it does.

## Function 24: Get Active Disks (Login Vector)

Function Code: C = 18H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: HL = Active disk map (login vector)

### Example

```

0018 =     B$GETACTDSK    EQU    24    ;Get Active Disks
0005 =     BDOS           EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E18          MVI    C,B$GETACTDSK   ;Example of getting active
0002 CD0500        CALL   BDOS           ;disk function code
                                         ;HL = active disk bit map
                                         ;Bits are = 1 if disk active
                                         ;Bits 15 14 13 ... 2 1 0
                                         ;Disk P O N ... C B A

```

**Purpose** This function returns a bit map, called the *login vector*, in register pair HL, indicating which logical disk drives have been selected since the last warm boot or

```

;RF
;Rename file
;This subroutine renames a file.
;It uses the BF (build FCB) subroutine shown in Figure 5.16

;Entry Parameters
;    *** No case-folding of file names occurs ***
;    HL -> old file name (00-byte terminated)
;    DE -> new file name (00-byte terminated)

;Exit parameters
;    Carry clear if operation successful
;        (A = 0,1,2,3)
;    Carry set if error
;        A = OFEH if new file name already exists
;        A = OFFH if old file name does not exist
;        ;|:
;Calling sequence
;    LXI    H,OLDNAME      ;HL -> old name
;    LXI    D,NEWNAME      ;DE -> new name
;    CALL   RF
;    JC    ERROR
;        ;|:

000F =     B$OPEN      EQU    15      ;Open file
0017 =     B$RENAME    EQU    23      ;Rename file
0005 =     BDOS       EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

0000 00000000RFFCB: DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;1 1/2 FCB's long
0010 000000000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 000000000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0030 000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0

RF:
0036 D5      PUSH   D      ;Save new name pointer
0037 110000  LXI    D,RFFCB  ;Build old name FCB
                            ;HL already -> old name
003A CD5D00  CALL   BF

003B E1      POP    H      ;Recover new name pointer
003E 111000  LXI    D,RFFCB+16 ;Build new name in second part of file
0041 CD5D00  CALL   BF ;control block

0044 111000  LXI    D,RFFCB+16 ;Experimentally try
0047 0EOF    MVI    C,B$OPEN  ;to open the new file
0049 CD0500  CALL   BDOS   ;to ensure it does
004C FFFF    CPI    OFFH   ;not already exist
004E 3EFE    MVI    A,OFEH  ;Assume error (flags unchanged)
0050 D8      RC    ;Carry set if A was 0,1,2,3

0051 110000  LXI    D,RFFCB  ;Rename the file
0054 0E17    MVI    C,B$RENAME
0056 CD0500  CALL   BDOS
0059 FFFF    CPI    OFFH   ;Carry set if OK, clear if error
005B 3F      CMC    ;Invert to use carry, set if error
005C C9      RET

;BF
;Build file control block
;This subroutine formats a 00H-byte terminated string
;(presumed to be a file name) into an FCB, setting the
;disk and the file name and type, and clearing the
;remainder of the FCB to 0's.

;Entry Parameters
;    DE -> file control block (36 bytes)
;    HL -> file name string (00H-byte terminated)

;Exit Parameters
;    The built file control block.

;Calling sequence
;    LXI    D,FCB
;    LXI    H,FILENAME
;    CALL   BF

005D C9      RET      ;Dummy subroutine & see Figure 5.16.

```

Figure 5-21. Rename file request

Reset Disk function (code 13, 0DH). The least significant bit of L corresponds to disk A, while the highest order bit in H maps disk P. The bit corresponding to the specific logical disk is set to 1 if the disk has been selected or to 0 if the disk is not currently on-line.

Logical disks can be selected programmatically through any file operation that sets the drive field to a nonzero value, through the Select Disk function (code 14, 0EH), or by the operator entering an "X:" command where "X" is equal to A, B, ..., P.

#### **Notes**

This function is intended for programs that need to know which logical disks are currently active in the system—that is, those logical disks which have been selected.

### **Function 25: Get Current Default Disk**

Function Code: C = 19H

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: A = Current disk

(0 = A, 1 = B, ..., F = P)

#### **Example**

```
0019 =      B$GETCURDSK    EQU    25      ;Get Current Disk
0005 =      BDOS           EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
0000 0E19      MVI     C,B$GETCURDSK  ;Function code
0002 CD0500      CALL    BDOS           ;A = 0 if A:, 1 if B: ...
```

#### **Purpose**

This function returns the current default disk set by the last Select Disk function call (code 14, 0EH) or by the operator entering the "X:" command (where "X" is A, B, ..., P) to the CCP.

#### **Notes**

This function returns the current default disk in coded form. Register A = 0 if drive A is the current drive, 1 if drive B, and so on. If you need to convert this to the corresponding ASCII character, simply add 41H to register A.

Use this function when you convert a file name and type in an FCB to an ASCII string in order to display it. If the first byte of the FCB is 00H, the current default drive is to be used. You must therefore use this function to determine the logical disk letter for the default drive.

### **Function 26: Set DMA (Read/Write) Address**

Function Code: C = 1AH

Entry Parameters: DE = DMA (read/write) address

Exit Parameters: None

#### **Example**

```
001A =      B$SETDMA     EQU    26      ;Set DMA Address
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
```

```

0000      SECBUFF:    DS     128    ;Sector buffer
0080 0E1A          MVI    C,B$SETDMA   ;Function code
0082 110000        LXI    D,SECBUFF   ;Pointer to buffer
0085 CD0500        CALL   BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function sets the BDOS's direct memory access (DMA) address to a new value. The name is an historic relic dating back to the Intel Development System on which CP/M was originally developed. This machine, by virtue of its hardware, could read data from a diskette directly into memory or write data to a diskette directly from memory. The name *DMA address* now applies to the address of the buffer to and from which data is transferred whenever a diskette Read, Write, or directory operation is performed.

Whenever CP/M first starts up (cold boot) or a warm boot or Reset Disk operation occurs, the DMA address is reset to its default value of 0080H.

**Notes** No function call can tell you the current value of the DMA address. All you can do is make a Set DMA function call to ensure that it is where you want it.

Once you have set the DMA address to the correct place for your program, it will remain set there until another Set DMA call, Reset Disk, or warm boot occurs.

The Read and Write Sequential and Random operations use the current setting of the DMA address, as do the directory operations Search First and Search Next.

## Function 27: Get Allocation Vector

Function Code: C = 1BH

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: HL = Address of allocation vector

### Example

```

001B =      B$GETALVEC    EQU    27    ;Get Allocation Vector Address
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point
0000 0E1B          MVI    C,B$GETALVEC   ;Function code
0002 CD0500        CALL   BDOS         ;HL -> Base address of
                                         ;           allocation vector

```

**Purpose** This function returns the base, or starting, address of the allocation vector for the currently selected logical disk. This information, indicating which parts of the disk are assigned, is used by utility programs and the BDOS itself to determine how much unused space is on the logical disk, to locate an unused allocation block in order to extend a file, or to relinquish an allocation block when a file is deleted.

**Notes** Digital Research considers the actual layout of the allocation vector to be proprietary information.

## Function 28: Set Logical Disk to Read-Only Status

Function Code: C = 1CH

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: None

### Example

```

001C =      B$SETDSKRO    EQU    28      ;Set disk to Read Only
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
                                                ;Sets disk selected by prior
                                                ;Select disk function call
0000 0E1C          MVI    C.B$SETDSKRO   ;Function code
0002 CD0500          CALL   BDOS

```

### Purpose

This function logically sets the currently selected disk to a Read-Only state. Any attempts to execute a Write Sequential or Write Random function to the selected disk will be intercepted by the BDOS, and the following message will appear on the console:

**BDOS Err on X: R/O**

where X: is the selected disk.

### Notes

Once you have requested Read-Only status for the currently selected logical disk, this status will persist even if you proceed to select other logical disks. In fact, it will remain in force until the next warm boot or Reset Disk System function call.

Digital Research documentation refers to this function code as Disk Write Protect. The Read-Only description is used here because it corresponds to the error message produced if your program attempts to write on the disk.

## Function 29: Get Read-Only Disks

Function Code: C = 1DH

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: HL = Read-Only disk map

### Example

```

001D =      B$GETRODSKS   EQU    29      ;Get Read Only disks
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
                                                ;Function code
0000 0E19          MVI    C.B$GETRODSKS ;HL = Read Only disk bit map
0002 CD0500          CALL   BDOS        ;Bits are = 1 if disk Read Only
                                         ;Bits 15 14 13 ... 2 1 0
                                         ;Disk P O N ... C B A

```

### Purpose

This function returns a bit map in registers H and L showing which logical disks in the system have been set to Read-Only status, either by the Set Logical

Disk to Read-Only function call (code 28, 1CH), or by the BDOS itself, because it detected that a diskette had been changed.

The least significant bit of L corresponds to logical disk A, while the most significant bit of H corresponds to disk P. The bit corresponding to the specific logical disk is set to 1 if the disk has been set to Read-Only status.

### Function 30: Set File Attributes

Function Code: C = 1EH

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of FCB

Exit Parameters: A = Directory code

#### Example

```

001E =      B$SETFAT      EQU    30      ;Set File Attribute
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

        FCB:                      ;File control block
0000 00  FCB$DISK:           DB     0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME:   DB     'FILENAME'   ;File name
0009 D4  FCB$TYP:           DB     'T'+80H   ;Type with R/O
                                         ; attribute
000A 5950          DB     'YP'
000C 0000000000          DW     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
                                         ;MS bits set in file name/type
                                         ;A = OFFH if file not found

0022 0E1E          MVI    C,B$SETFAT      ;Function code
0024 110000        LXI    D,FCB         ;DE -> file control block
0027 CD0500          CALL   BDOS         ;BDOS
                                         ;A = OFFH if file not found

```

**Purpose** This function sets the bits that describe attributes of a file in the relevant directory entries for the specified file. Each file can be assigned up to 11 file attributes. Of these 11, two have predefined meanings, four others are available for you to use, and the remaining five are reserved for future use by CP/M.

Each attribute consists of a single bit. The most significant bit of each byte of the file name and type is used to store the attributes. The file attributes are known by a code consisting of the letter "f" (for file name) or "t" (for file type), followed by the number of the character position and a single quotation mark. For example, the Read-Only attribute is t1'.

The significance of the attributes is as follows:

- f1' to f4' Available for you to use
- f5' to f8' Reserved for future CP/M use
- t1' Read-Only File attribute
- t2' System File attribute
- t3' Reserved for future CP/M use

Attributes are set by presenting this function with an FCB in which the unambiguous file name has been preset with the most significant bits set appropriately. This function then searches the directory for a match and changes the matched entries to contain the attributes which have been set in the FCB.

The BDOS will intercept any attempt to write on a file that has the Read-Only attribute set. The DIR command in the CCP does not display any file with System status.

### Notes

You can use the four attributes available to you to set up a file security system, or perhaps to flag certain files that must be backed up to other disks. The Search First and Search Next functions allow you to view the complete file directory entry, so your programs can test the attributes easily.

The example subroutines in Figures 5-22 and 5-23 show how to set file attributes (SFA) and get file attributes (GFA), respectively. They both use a bit map in which the most significant 11 bits of the HL register pair are used to indicate the corresponding high bits of the 11 characters of the file name/type combination. You will also see some equates that have been declared to make it easier to manipulate the attributes in this bit map.

```

;SFA
;Set file attributes
;This subroutine takes a compressed bit map of all the
;file attribute bits, expands them into an existing
;file control block and then requests CP/M to set
;the attributes in the file directory.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> file control block
;      HL = bit map. Only the most significant 11
;            bits are used. These correspond directly
;            with the possible attribute bytes.

;Exit parameters
;      Carry clear if operation successful (A = 0,1,2,3)
;      Carry set if error (A = OFFH)

;Calling sequence
;      LXI    D,FCB
;      LXI    H,000$0000$1100$0000B ;Bit Map
;      CALL   SFA
;      JC    ERROR

;File Attribute Equates

8000 =     FA$F1 EQU 1000$0000$0000$0000B ;F1' - F4'
4000 =     FA$F2 EQU 0100$0000$0000$0000B ;Available for use by
2000 =     FA$F3 EQU 0010$0000$0000$0000B ; application programs
1000 =     FA$F4 EQU 0001$0000$0000$0000B

0800 =     FA$F5 EQU 0000$1000$0000$0000B ;F5' - F8'
0400 =     FA$F6 EQU 0000$0100$0000$0000B ;Reserved for CP/M
0200 =     FA$F7 EQU 0000$0010$0000$0000B
0100 =     FA$F8 EQU 0000$0001$0000$0000B

0080 =     FA$T1 EQU 0000$0000$1000$0000B ;T1' -- read-only file
0080 =     FA$RO EQU FA$T1
0040 =     FA$T2 EQU 0000$0000$0100$0000B ;T2' -- system files
0040 =     FA$SYS EQU FA$T2
0020 =     FA$T3 EQU 0000$0000$0010$0000B ;T3' -- reserved for CP/M

001E =     B$SETFAT    EQU 30      ;Set file attributes
0005 =     BDOS      EQU 5       ;BDOS entry point

```

Figure 5-22. Set file attributes

```

SFA:
0000 D5      PUSH   D          ;Save FCB pointer
0001 13      INX    D          ;HL -> 1st character of file name
0002 0E0B      MVI    C,8+3    ;Loop count for file name and type

SFAL:
0004 AF      XRA    A          ;Main processing loop
0005 29      DAD    H          ;Clear carry and A
0006 CE00      ACI    0          ;Shift next MS bit into carry
0008 OF      RRC    A          ;A = 0 or 1 depending on carry
0009 47      MOV    B,A        ;Rotate LS bit of A into MS bit
000A EB      XCHG   B,A        ;Save result (00H or 80H)
000B 7E      MOV    A,M        ;Get FCB character
000C E67F      ANI    7FH        ;Isolate all but attribute bit
000E B0      ORA    B          ;Set attribute with result
000F 77      MOV    M,A        ;and store back into FCB
0010 EB      XCHG   B,A        ;DE -> FCB, HL = remaining bit map
0011 13      INX    D          ;DE -> next character in FCB
0012 0D      DCR    C          ;Downdate character count
0013 C20400    JNZ    SFAL      ;Loop back for next character
0016 0E1E      MVI    C,B$SETFAT  ;Set file attribute function code
0018 B1      POP    D          ;Recover FCB pointer
0019 CD0500    CALL   BDOS      ;Call DOS
001C FEFF      CPI    OFFH      ;Carry set if OK, clear if error
001E 3F      CMC    C          ;Invert to use carry set if error
001F C9      RET

```

Figure 5-22. Set file attributes (continued)

```

;GFA
;Get file attributes
;This subroutine finds the appropriate file using a
;search for First Name Match function rather than opening
;the file. It then builds a bit map of the file attribute
;bits in the file name and type. This bit map is then ANDed
;with the input bit map, and the result is returned in the
;zero flag. The actual bit map built is also returned in case
;more complex check is required.

;>>> Note: This subroutine changes the CP/M DMA address.

;Entry parameters
;      DE -> File control block
;      HL = Bit map mask to be ANDed with attribute
;            results

;Exit parameters
;      Carry clear, operation successful
;      Nonzero status set to result of AND between
;      input mask and attribute bits set.
;      HL = Unmasked attribute bytes set.
;      Carry set, file could not be found

001A =     B$SETDMA    EQU    26    ;Set DMA address
0011 =     B$SEARCHF   EQU    17    ;Search for first entry to match
0005 =     BDOS       EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point
0080 =     GFADMA    EQU    80H    ;Default DMA address

;Calling sequence
;      LXI    D,FCB
;      LXI    H,0000$0000$1100$0000B ;Bit map
;      CALL   GFA
;      JC    ERROR

;File attribute equates

8000 =     FA$F1    EQU    1000$0000$0000$0000B ;F1' - F5'
4000 =     FA$F2    EQU    0100$0000$0000$0000B ;Available for use by

```

Figure 5-23. Get file attributes

```

2000 = FA$F3 EQU 0010$0000$0000$000B ;Application programs
1000 = FA$F4 EQU 0001$0000$0000$000B

0800 = FA$F5 EQU 0000$1000$0000$000B ;F6' - F8'
0400 = FA$F6 EQU 0000$0100$0000$000B ;Reserved for CP/M
0200 = FA$F7 EQU 0000$0010$0000$000B
0100 = FA$F8 EQU 0000$0001$0000$000B

0080 = FA$T1 EQU 0000$0000$1000$000B ;T1' -- read-only file
0080 = FA$R0 EQU FA$T1
0040 = FA$T2 EQU 0000$0000$0100$000B ;T2' -- system files
0040 = FA$SYS EQU FA$T2
0020 = FA$T3 EQU 0000$0000$0010$000B ;T3' -- reserved for CP/M

GFA:
0000 E5 PUSH H ;Save AND-mask
0001 D5 PUSH D ;Save FCB pointer
0002 OE1A MVI C,B$SETDMA ;Set DMA to default address
0004 118000 LXI D,GFADMA ;DE -> DMA address
0007 CD0500 CALL BDOS

000A D1 POP D ;Recover FCB pointer
000B OE11 MVI C,B$SEARCHF ;Search for match with name
000D CD0500 CALL BDOS
0010 FFFF CPI OFFH ;Carry set if OK, clear if error
0012 3F CMC ;Invert to use set carry if error
0013 DA4100 JC GFAX ;Return if error
;Multiply by 32 to get offset into DMA buffer
0016 87 ADD A ;* 2
0017 87 ADD A ;* 4
0018 87 ADD A ;* 8
0019 87 ADD A ;* 16
001A 87 ADD A ;* 32
001B 5F MOV E,A ;Make into a word value
001C 1600 MVI D,0
001E 218000 LXI H,GFADMA ;HL -> DMA address
0021 19 DAD D ;HL -> Directory entry in DMA buffer
0022 23 INX H ;HL -> 1st character of file name
0023 EB XCHG H ;DE -> 1st character of file name

0024 OE0B MVI C,8+3 ;Count of characters in file name and type
0026 210000 LXI H,0 ;Clear bit map

GFAL:
0029 1A LDAX D ;Main loop
002A E680 ANI 80H ;Get next character of file name
002C 07 RLC ;Isolate attribute bit
002D B5 ORA L ;Move MS bit into LS bit
002E 6F MOV L,A ;OR in any previous set bits
002F 29 DAD H ;Save result
0030 13 INX D ;Shift HL left one bit for next time
0031 0D DCR C ;DE -> next character in file name, type
0032 C22900 JNZ GFAL ;Downdade count
;Go back for next character

0035 29 DAD H ;Left justify attribute bits in HL
0036 29 DAD H ;MS attribute bit will already be in
0037 29 DAD H ;bit 11 of HL, so only 4 shifts are
0038 29 DAD H ;necessary

0039 D1 POP D ;Recover AND-mask
003A 7A MOV A,D ;Get MS byte of mask
003B A4 ANA H ;AND with MS byte of result
003C 47 MOV B,A ;Save interim result
003D 7B MOV A,E ;Get LS byte of mask
003E A5 ANA L ;AND with LS byte of result
003F B0 ORA B ;Combine two results to set Z flag

0040 C9 RET

GFAX:
0041 E1 POP H ;Error exit
0042 C9 RET ;Balance stack

```

Figure 5-23. Get file attributes (continued)

**Function 31: Get Disk Parameter Block Address**

Function Code: C = 1FH

Entry Parameters: None

Exit Parameters: HL = Address of DPB

**Example**

```

001F =      B$GETDPB    EQU    31      ;Get Disk Parameter Block
          ; Address
0005 =      BDOS       EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point
          ; Returns DPB address of
          ; logical disk previously
          ; selected with a Select
          ; Disk function.
0000 0E1F      MVI     C,B$GETDPB
0002 CD0500      CALL    BDOS      ;HL -> Base address of current
          ; disk's parameter block

```

**Purpose** This function returns the address of the disk parameter block (DPB) for the last selected logical disk. The DPB, explained in Chapter 3, describes the physical characteristics of a specific logical disk—information mainly of interest for system utility programs.

**Notes** The subroutines shown in Figure 5-24 deal with two major problems. First, given a track and sector number, what allocation block will they fall into? Conversely, given an allocation block, what is its starting track and sector?

These subroutines are normally used by system utilities. They first get the DPB address using this BDOS function. Then they switch to using direct BIOS calls to perform their other functions, such as selecting disks, tracks, and sectors and reading and writing the disk.

The first subroutine, GTAS (Get Track and Sector), in Figure 5-24, takes an allocation block number and converts it to give you the starting track and sector number. GMTAS (Get Maximum Track and Sector) returns the maximum track and sector number for the specified disk. GDTAS (Get Directory Track and Sector) tells you not only the starting track and sector for the file directory, but also the number of 128-byte sectors in the directory.

Note that whenever a track number is used as an entry or an exit parameter, it is an absolute track number. That is, the number of reserved tracks on the disk before the directory has already been added to it.

GN TAS (Get Next Track and Sector) helps you read sectors sequentially. It adds 1 to the sector number, and when you reach the end of a track, updates the track number by 1 and resets the sector number to 1.

GAB (Get Allocation Block) is the converse of GTAS (Get Track and Sector). It returns the allocation block number, given a track and sector.

Finally, Figure 5-24 includes several useful 16-bit subroutines to divide the HL register pair by DE (DIVHL), to multiply HL by DE (MULHL), to subtract DE from HL (SUBHL —this can also be used as a 16-bit compare), and to shift HL right one bit (SHLR). The divide and multiply subroutines are somewhat primitive, using iterative subtraction and addition, respectively. Nevertheless, they do perform their role as supporting subroutines.

```

:Useful subroutines for accessing the data in the
:disk parameter block

000E = B$SELDISK EQU 14 ;Select Disk function code
001F = B$GETDPB EQU 31 ;Get DPB address
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point

;It makes for easier, more compact code to copy the
;specific disk parameter block into local variables
;while manipulating the information.
;Here are those variables --

        DPB:           ;Disk parameter block
0000 0000 DPBSPT: DW 0 ;128-byte sectors per track
0002 00 DPBBS: DB 0 ;Block shift
0003 00 DPBBM: DB 0 ;Block mask
0004 00 DPBEM: DB 0 ;Extent mask
0005 0000 DPBMAB: DW 0 ;Maximum allocation block number
0007 0000 DPBNOD: DW 0 ;Number of directory entries - 1
0009 0000 DPBDAB: DW 0 ;Directory allocation blocks
000B 0000 DPBCBS: DW 0 ;Check buffer size
000D 0000 DPBTBD: DW 0 ;Tracks before directory (reserved tracks)

000F = DPBSZ EQU $-DPB ;Disk parameter block size

;GETDPB
;Gets disk parameter block
;This subroutine copies the DPB for the specified
;logical disk into the local DPB variables above.

;Entry Parameters
;      A = Logical disk number (A: = 0, B: = 1...)
;Exit Parameters
;      Local variables contain DPB

GETDPB:
000F 5F MOV E,A ;Get disk code for select disk
0010 0E0E MVI C,B$SELDISK ;Select the disk
0012 CD0500 CALL BDOS
0015 0EIF MVI C,B$GETDPB ;Get the disk parameter base address
0017 CD0500 CALL BDOS ;HL -> DPB
001A 0EOF MVI C,DPBSZ ;Set count
001C 110000 LXI D,DPB ;Get base address of local variables

        GDPBL:           ;Copy DPB into local variables
001F 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from DPB
0020 12 STAX D ;Store into local variable
0021 13 INX D ;Update local variable pointer
0022 23 INX H ;Update DPB pointer
0023 0D DCR C ;Downdate count
0024 C21F00 JNZ GDPBL ;Loop back for next byte
0027 C9 RET

;GTAS
;Get track and sector (given allocation block number)

;This subroutine converts an allocation block into a
;track and sector number -- note that this is based on
;128-byte sectors.

;>>>> Note: You must call GETDPB before
;>>>> you call this subroutine

;Entry Parameters
;      HL = allocation block number

;Exit Parameters
;      HL = track number
;      DE = sector number

;Method :
;In mathematical terms, the track can be derived from:
;Trk = ((allocation block * sec. per all. block) / sec. per trk)
;      + tracks before directory

```

**Figure 5-24.** Accessing disk parameter block data

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;The sector is derived from:
;Sec = ((allocation block * sec. per all. block) modulo/
;      ;sec. per trk) + 1

GTAS:
0028 3A0200    LDA    DPBBS      ;Get block shift -- this will be 3 to
                                ;7 depending on allocation block size
                                ;It will be used as a count for shifting

GTASS:
002B 29        DAD    H          ;Shift allocation block left one place
002C 3D        DCR    A          ;Decrement block shift count
002D C22B00    JNZ    GTASS     ;More shifts required
0030 EB        XCHG   H          ;DE = all. block * sec. per block
                                ;i.e. DE = total number of sectors
0031 2A0000    LHLD   DPBSPT    ;Get sectors per track
0032 EB        XCHG   H          ;HL = sec. per trk, DE = tot. no. of sec.
0033 CDBF00    CALL   DIVHL     ;BC = HL/DE, HL = remainder
                                ;BC = track, HL = sector
0038 23        INX    H          ;Sector numbering starts from 1
0039 EB        XCHG   H          ;DE = sector, HL = track
003A 2A0D00    LHLD   DPBTBD    ;Tracks before directory
003D 09        DAD    B          ;DE = sector, HL = absolute track
003E C9        RET

;GMTAS
;Get maximum track and sector

;This is just a call to GTAS with the maximum
;allocation block as the input parameter

;>>>> Note: You must call GETDPB before
;           you call this subroutine

;Entry parameters: none

;Exit parameters:
;   HL = maximum track number
;   DE = maximum sector

GMTAS:
003F 2A0500    LHLD   DPBMAB    ;Get maximum allocation block
0042 C32B00    JMP    GTAS      ;Return from GTAS with parameters in HL and DE

;GDTAS
;Get directory track and sector

;This returns the START track and sector for the
;file directory, along with the number of sectors
;in the directory.

;>>>> Note: You must call GETDPB before
;           you call this subroutine

;Entry parameters: none

;Exit parameters:
;   BC = number of sectors in directory
;   DE = directory start sector
;   HL = directory start track

GDTAS:
0045 2A0700    LHLD   DPBNOD    ;Get number of directory entries - 1
0048 23        INX    H          ;Make true number of entries
                                ;Each entry is 32 bytes long, so to
                                ;convert to 128 byte sectors, divide by 4
                                ;/ 2 (by shifting HL right one bit)
                                ;/ 4
0049 CDD000    CALL   SHLR      ;Save number of sectors
004C CDD000    CALL   SHLR
004F E5        PUSH   H          ;Directory starts in allocation block 0
0050 210000    LXI    H,O
0053 C2B000    CALL   GTAS      ;HL = track, DE = sector
0056 C1        POP    B          ;Recover number of sectors
0057 C9        RET

```

**Figure 5-24.** (Continued)

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;GNTAS
;Get NEXT track and sector

;This subroutine updates the input track and sector
;by one, incrementing the track and resetting the
;sector number as required.

;>>>> Note: You must call GETDPB before
;>>>> you call this subroutine

; Note: you must check for end of disk by comparing
;       the track number returned by this subroutine
;       to that returned by by GNTAS + 1. When
;       equality occurs, the end of disk has been reached.

;Entry parameters
;       HL = current track number
;       DE = current sector number

;Exit parameters
;       HL = updated track number
;       DE = updated sector number

GNTAS:

0058 E5      PUSH    H          ;Save track
0059 13      INX     D          ;Update sector
005A 2A0000   LHLD    DPBSPT   ;Get sectors per track
005D CDC900   CALL    SUBHL   ;HL = HL - DE
0060 E1      POP     H          ;Recover current track
0061 D0      RNC     H          ;Return if updated sector <= sec. per trk.
0062 23      INX     H          ;Update track if upd. sec > sec. per trk.
0063 110100   LXI    D,1       ;Reset sector to 1
0066 C9      RET

;GAB
;Get allocation block

;This subroutine returns an allocation block number
;given a specific track and sector. It also returns
;the offset down the allocation block at which the
;sector will be found. This offset is in units of
;128-byte sectors.

;>>>> Note: You must call GETDPB before
;>>>> you call this subroutine

;Entry parameters
;       HL = track number
;       DE = sector number

;Exit parameters
;       HL = allocation block number

;Method
;The allocation block is formed from:
;AB = (sector + ((track - tracks before directory)
;                  * sectors per track)) / log2 (sectors per all. block)

;The sector offset within allocation block is formed from:
;Offset = (sector + ((track - tracks before directory)
;                  * sectors per track)) / AND (sectors per all. block - 1)

GAB:

0067 D5      PUSH    D          ;Save sector
0068 EB      XCHG
0069 2A0D00   LHLD    DPBTBD   ;Get no. of tracks before directory
006C EB      XCHG
006D CDC900   CALL    SUBHL   ;DE = no. of tracks before dir. HL = track
                                ;HL = HL - DE
                                ;HL = relative track within logical disk
0070 EB      XCHG
0071 2A0000   LHLD    DPBSPT   ;DE = relative track
0074 CDA400   CALL    MULHL   ;Get sectors per track
                                ;HL = HL * DE
                                ;HL = number of sectors
0077 EB      XCHG
                                ;DE = number of sectors

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Figure 5-24. (Continued)

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0078 E1      POP   H          ;Recover sector
0079 2B      DCX   H          ;Make relative to 0
007A 19      DAD   D          ;HL = relative sector
007B 3A0300  LDA   DPBBM     ;Get block mask
007E 47      MOV   B,A        ;Ready for AND operation
007F 7D      MOV   A,L        ;Get LS byte of relative sector
0080 A0      ANA   B          ;AND with block mask
0081 F5      PUSH  PSW       ;A = sector displacement
0082 3A0200  LDA   DPBBS     ;Get block shift
0085 4F      MOV   C,A        ;Make into counter

GABS:          CALL  SHLR      ;Shift loop
0086 CDD000  DCR   C          ;HL shifted right (divided by 2)
0089 0D      JNZ   GABS      ;Count down
008A C28600  POP   PSW       ;Shift again if necessary
008D F1      RET
008E C9

;Utility subroutines
;These perform 16-bit arithmetic on the HL register pair.

;DIVHL
;Divides HL by DE using an iterative subtract.
;In practice, it uses an iterative ADD of the complemented divisor.

;Entry parameters
;    HL = dividend
;    DE = divisor

;Exit parameters
;    BC = quotient
;    HL = remainder

DIVHL:         PUSH  D          ;Save divisor
008F D5      MOV   A,E        ;Note : 2's complement is formed by
0090 7B      CMA             ;inverting all bits and adding 1.
0091 2F      .MOV  E,A        ;Complement divisor (for iterative
0092 5F      MOV   A,D        ;ADD later on)
0093 7A      CMA             ;Get MS byte
0094 2F      MOV   D,A        ;Complement it
0095 57      MOV   INX        ;Make 2's complement
0096 13      D, A           ;Now, subtract negative divisor until
                           ;dividend goes negative, counting the number
                           ;of times the subtract occurs
                           ;Initialize quotient
0097 010000  LXI   B,0        ;Subtract loop
009A 03      DIVHLS:      INX   B           ;Add 1 to quotient
009B 19      DAD   D           ;"Subtract" divisor
009C DA9A00  JC    DIVHLS     ;Dividend not yet negative
                           ;Dividend now negative, quotient 1 too large
009F 0B      DCX   B           ;Correct quotient
                           ;Compute correct remainder
00A0 EB      XCHG  H           ;DE = remainder - divisor
00A1 E1      POP   H           ;Recover positive divisor
00A2 19      DAD   D           ;HL = remainder
00A3 C9      RET

;MULHL
;Multiply HL * DE using iterative ADD.

;Entry parameters
;    HL = multiplicand
;    DE = multiplier

;Exit parameters
;    HL = product
;    DE = multiplier

MULHL:         PUSH  B          ;Save user register
00A4 C5      MULHL:      PUSH  B           ;Check if either multiplicand
                           ;or multiplier is 0

```

Figure 5-24. (Continued)

```

00A5 7C      MOV    A,H
00A6 B5      ORA    L
00A7 CAC400   JZ     MULHLZ ;Yes, fake product
00AA 7A      MOV    A,D
00AB B3      ORA    E
00AC CAC400   JZ     MULHLZ ;Yes, fake product

;This routine will be faster if
;the smaller value is in DE
;Get MS byte of current DE value
;Check which is smaller
;C set if D < H, so no exchange

00AF 7A      MOV    A,B
00B0 BC      CMP    H
00B1 DAB500   JC    MULHLN ;C set if D < H, so no exchange
00B4 EB      XCHG

MULHLN:
00B5 42      MOV    B,D ;BC = multiplier
00B6 4B      MOV    C,E
00B7 54      MOV    D,H ;DE = HL = multiplicand
00B8 5D      MOV    E,L
00B9 0B      DCX

;Adjust count as
;i * multiplicand = multiplicand

MULHLA:
00BA 78      MOV    A,B ;ADD loop
00BB B1      ORA    C
00BC CAC700   JZ     MULHLX ;Check if all iterations completed
00BF 19      DAD    D ;Yes, exit
00C0 0B      DCX    B ;HL = multiplicand + multiplicand
00C1 C3BA00   JMP    MULHLA ;Countdown on multiplier - 1
                           ;Loop back until all ADDs done

MULHLZ:
00C4 210000  LXI    H,0 ;Fake product as either multiplicand
                           ;or multiplier is 0

MULHLX:
00C7 C1      POP    B ;Recover user register
00C8 C9      RET

;SUBHL
;Subtract HL - DE

;Entry parameters
;       HL = subtrahend
;       DE = subtractor

;Exit parameters
;       HL = difference

SUBHL:
00C9 7D      MOV    A,L ;Get LS byte
00CA 93      SUB    E ;Subtract without regard to carry
00CB 6F      MOV    L,A ;Put back into difference
00CC 7C      MOV    A,H ;Get MS byte
00CD 9A      SBB    D ;Subtract including carry
00CE 67      MOV    H,A ;Move back into difference
00CF C9      RET

;SHLR
;Shift HL right one place (dividing HL by 2)

;Entry parameters
;       HL = value to be shifted

;Exit parameters
;       HL = value/2

SHLR:
00D0 B7      ORA    A ;Clear carry
00D1 7C      MOV    A,H ;Get MS byte
00D2 1F      RAR    ;Bit 7 set from previous carry,
                   ;bit 0 goes into carry
00D3 67      MOV    H,A ;Put shift MS byte back
00D4 7D      MOV    A,L ;Get LS byte
00D5 1F      RAR    ;Bit 7 = bit 0 of MS byte
00D6 6F      MOV    L,A ;Put back into result
00D7 C9      RET

```

Figure 5-24. (Continued)

**Function 32: Set/Get User Number**

Function Code: C = 20H  
 Entry Parameters: E = 0FFH to get user number, or  
                   E = 0 to 15 to set user number  
 Exit Parameters: A = Current user number if E was 0FFH

**Example**

```

0020 =      B$SETGETUN    EQU    32    ;Set/Get User Number
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

0000 0E20    MVI    C,B$SETGETUN    ;To set user number
0002 1EOF    MVI    E,15          ;Function code
0004 CD0500  CALL   BDOS          ;Required user number
0007 0E20    MVI    C,B$SETGETUN    ;To get user number
0009 1EFF    MVI    E,0FFH        ;Function code
000B CD0500  CALL   BDOS          ;Indicate request to GET
                                  ;A = Current user no. (0 -- 15)

```

**Purpose** This subroutine either sets or gets the current user number. The current user number determines which file directory entries are matched during all disk file operations.

When you call this function, the contents of the E register specify what action is to be taken. If E=0FFH, then the function will return the current user number in the A register. If you set E to a number in the range 0 to 15 (that is, a valid user number), the function will set the current user number to this value.

**Notes** You can use this function to share files with other users. You can locate a file by attempting to open a file and switching through all of the user numbers. Or you can share a file in another user number by setting to that number, operating on the file, and then reverting back to the original user number.

If you do change the current user number, make provisions in your program to return to the original number before your program terminates. It is disconcerting for computer operators to find that they are in a different user number after a program. Files can easily be damaged or accidentally erased this way.

**Function 33: Read Random**

Function Code: C = 21H  
 Entry Parameters: DE = Address of FCB  
 Exit Parameters: A = Return code

**Example**

```

0021 =      B$READRAN    EQU    33    ;Read Random
0005 =      BDOS          EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:           ;File control block
0000 00    FCB$DISK:    DB     0     ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EF    FCB$NAME:  DB     'FILENAME'    ;File name
0009 545950  FCB$TYP:   DB     'TYP'   ;File type

```

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000C 00      FCB$EXTENT:    DB      0      ;Extent
000D 0000    FCB$RESV:     DB      0,0    ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00      FCB$RECUSED:   DB      0      ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000
0020 00      FCB$SEQREC:    DB      0      ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000    FCB$RANREC:    DW      0      ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00      FCB$RANRECO:   DB      0      ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 D204    RANRECNO:     DW      1234   ;Example random record number

                                                ;Record will be read into
                                                ;address set by prior
                                                ;SETDMA call
0026 2A2400    LHLD    RANRECNO ;Get random record number
0029 222100    SHLD    FCB$RANREC ;Set up file control block
002C 0E21      MVI     C,B$READRAN ;Function code
002E 110000    LXI     D,FCB   ;DE -> file control block
0031 CD0500    CALL    BDOS   ;A = 00 if operation successful
                                ;A = nonzero if no data in
                                ;file specifically:
                                ;A = 01 -- attempt to read
                                ;      unwritten record
                                ;A = 03 -- CP/M could not
                                ;      close current extent
                                ;A = 04 -- attempt to read
                                ;      unwritten extent
                                ;A = 06 -- attempt to read
                                ;      beyond end of disk

```

**Purpose**

This function reads a specific CP/M record (128 bytes) from a random file—that is, a file in which records can be accessed directly. It assumes that you have already opened the file, set the DMA address using the BDOS Set DMA function, and set the specific record to be read into the random record number in the FCB. This function computes the extent of the specified record number and attempts to open it and read the correct CP/M record into the DMA address.

The random record number in the FCB is three bytes long (at relative bytes 33, 34, and 35). Byte 33 is the least significant byte, 34 is the middle byte, and 35 the most significant. CP/M uses only the most significant byte (35) for computing the overall file size (function 35). You must set this byte to 0 when setting up the FCB. Bytes 33 and 34 are used together for the Read Random, so you can access from record 0 to 65535 (a maximum file size of 8,388,480 bytes).

This function returns with A set to 0 to indicate that the operation has been completed successfully, or A set to a nonzero value if an error has occurred. The error codes are as follows:

- A = 01 (attempt to read unwritten record)
- A = 03 (CP/M could not close current extent)
- A = 04 (attempt to read unwritten extent)
- A = 06 (attempt to read beyond end of disk)

Unlike the Read Sequential BDOS function (code 20, 14H), which updates the current (sequential) record number in the FCB, the Read Random function leaves the record number unchanged, so that a subsequent Write Random will replace the record just read.

You can follow a Read Random with a Write Sequential (code 21, 15H). This

will rewrite the record just read, but will then update the sequential record number. Or you may choose to use a Read Sequential after the Read Random. In this case, the same record will be reread and the sequential record number will be incremented. In short, the file can be sequentially read or written once the Read Random has been used to position to the required place in the file.

## Notes

To use the Read Random function, you must first open the *base extent* of the file, that is, extent 0. Even though there may be no actual data records in this extent, opening permits the file to be processed correctly.

One problem that is not immediately obvious with random files is that they can easily be created with gaps in the file. If you were to create the file with record number 0 and record number 5000, there would be no intervening file extents. Should you attempt to read or copy the file sequentially, even using CP/M's file copy utility, only the first extent (and in this case, record 0) would get copied. A Read Sequential function would return an "end of file" error after reading record 0. You must therefore be conscious of the type of the file that you try and read.

See Figure 5-26 for an example subroutine that performs Random File Reads and Writes. It reads or writes records of sizes other than 128 bytes, where necessary reading or writing several CP/M records, prereading them into its own buffer when the record being written occupies only part of a CP/M record. It also contains subroutines to produce a 32-bit product from multiplying HL by DE (MLDL—Multiply double length) and a right bit shift for DE, HL (SDLR—Shift double length right).

### Function 34: Write Random

Function Code: C = 22H  
Entry Parameters: DE = Address of file control block  
Exit Parameters: A = Return code

## Example

```

0022 =     B$WRITERAN    EQU    34    ;Write Random
0005 =     BDOS      EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point

                                FCB:          ;File control block
0000 00     FCB$DISK:        DB     0      ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME:   DB     'FILENAME'      ;File name
0009 545950     FCB$TYP:       DB     'TYP'        ;File type
000C 00     FCB$EXTENT:     DB     0      ;Extent
000D 0000     FCB$RESV:      DB     0,0      ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00     FCB$RECUSED:    DB     0      ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000     FCB:          DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00     FCB$SEQREC:     DB     0      ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000     FCB$RANREC:    DW     0      ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00     FCB$RANRECO:   DB     0      ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 D204     RANRECO:      DW     1234    ;Example random record number

                                ;Record will be written from
                                ;address set by prior
                                ;SETDMA call

```

```

0026 2A2400      LHLD    RANRECNO ;Get random record number
0029 222100      SHLD    FCB$RANREC ;Set up file control block
002C 0E22         MVI     C,B$WRITERAN ;Function code
002E 110000       LXI     D,FCB   ;DE -> file control block
0031 CD0500       CALL    BDOS    ;A = 00 if operation successful
                                ;A = nonzero if no data in file
                                ; specifically:
                                ;A = 03 -- CP/M could not
                                ;      close current extent
                                ;      05 -- directory full
                                ;      06 -- attempt to write
                                ;      beyond end of disk
;
```

**Purpose** This function writes a specific CP/M record (128 bytes) into a random file. It is initiated in much the same way as the companion function, Read Random (code 33, 21 H). It assumes that you have already opened the file, set the DMA address to the address in memory containing the record to be written to disk, and set the random record number in the FCB to the specified record being written. This function also computes the extent in which the specified record number lies and opens the extent (creating it if it does not already exist). The error codes returned in A by this call are the same as those for Read Random, with the addition of error code 05, which indicates a full directory.

Like the Read Random (but unlike the Write Sequential), this function does not update the logical extent and sequential (current) record number in the FCB. Therefore, any subsequent sequential operation will access the record just written by the Read Random call, but these functions will update the sequential record number. The Write Random can therefore be used to position to the required place in the file, which can then be accessed sequentially.

**Notes** In order to use the Write Random, you must first open the base extent (extent 0) of the file. Even though there may be no data records in this extent, opening permits the file to be processed correctly.

As explained in the notes for the Read Random function, you can easily create a random file with gaps in it. If you were to create a file with record number 0 and record number 5000, there would be no intervening file extents.

Figure 5-25 shows an example subroutine that creates a random file (CRF) but avoids this problem. You specify the number of 128-byte CP/M records in the file. The subroutine creates the file and then writes zero-filled records throughout. This makes it easier to process the file and permits standard CP/M utility programs to copy the file because there is a data record in every logical record position in the file. It is no longer a "sparse" file.

Figure 5-26 shows a subroutine that ties the Read and Write Random functions together. It performs Random Operations (RO). Unlike the standard BDOS functions that operate on 128-byte CP/M records, RO can handle arbitrary record size from one to several thousand bytes. You specify the relative record number of your record, not the CP/M record number (RO computes this). RO also prereads a CP/M record when your logical record occupies part of a 128-byte record, either because your record is less than 128 bytes or because it spans more than one

```

;CRF
;Create random file
;This subroutine creates a random file. It erases any previous
;file before creating the new one, and then writes 0-filled
;records throughout the entire file.

;Entry parameters
;    DE -> file control block for new file
;    HL = Number of 128-byte CP/M records to be
;          zero-filled.

;Exit parameters
;    Carry clear if operation successful (A = 0,1,2,3)
;    Carry set if error (A = OFFH)

;Calling sequence
;    LXI    D,FCB
;    CALL   CRF
;    JC     ERROR

0013 = B$ERASE      EQU    19      ;Erase file
0016 = B$CREATE     EQU    22      ;Create file
001A = B$SETDMA    EQU    26      ;Set DMA address
0015 = B$WRITESEQ  EQU    21      ;Write sequential record
0005 = BDOS         EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

        CRFBUF:           ;Zero-filled buffer
0000 0000000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,
                           0,0,0
0032 0000000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,
                           0,0,0
0064 0000000000 DW    0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
                           0,0,0

0080 0000 CRFRFC: DW    0       ;Record count

        CRF:               ;Save record count
0082 228000 SHLD   CRFRC   ;Preserve FCB pointer
0085 D5 PUSH   D
0086 0E13 MVI    C,B$ERASE ;Erase any existing file
0088 CD0500 CALL   BDOS
008B D1 POP    D
008C D5 PUSH   D
008D 0E16 MVI    C,B$CREATE ;Create (and open new file)
008F CD0500 CALL   BDOS
0092 FEFF CPI    OFFH    ;Carry set if OK, clear if error
0094 3F CMC
0095 D1 POP    D
0096 D8 RC
0097 D5 PUSH   D
                           ;Return if error
                           ;Resave FCB pointer

0098 0E1A MVI    C,B$SETDMA ;Set DMA address to 0-buffer
009A 110000 LXI    D,CRFBUF
009D CD0500 CALL   BDOS
00A0 D1 POP    D
                           ;Recover FCB pointer

        CRFL:              ;Get record count
00A1 2A8000 LHLD   CRFRC   ;Check if count now zero
00A4 7D MOV    A,L
00A5 B4 ORA    H
00A6 C8 RZ
00A7 2B DCX    H
00A8 228000 SHLD   CRFRC   ;Save count
00AB D5 PUSH   D
00AC 0E15 MVI    C,B$WRITESEQ ;Resave FCB address
00AE CD0500 CALL   BDOS
                           ;Write sequentially

00B1 D1 POP    D
00B2 C3A100 JMP    CRFL   ;Recover FCB
                           ;Write next record

```

Figure 5-25. Create random file

128-byte sector. The subroutine suppresses this preread if you happen to use a record size that is some multiple of 128 bytes. In this case, your records will fit exactly onto a 128-byte record, so there will never be some partially occupied 128-byte sector.

This example also contains subroutines to produce a 32-bit product from multiplying HL by DE (MLDL—Multiply double length) and a right bit shift for DE, HL (SDLR—Shift double length right).

```

;RO
;Random operation (read or write)

;This subroutine reads or writes a random record from a file.
;The record length can be other than 128-bytes. This
;subroutine computes the start CP/M record (which
;is 128 bytes), and, if reading, performs a random read
;and moves the user-specified record into a user buffer.
;If necessary, more CP/M records will be read until the complete
;user-specified record has been input.
;For writing, if the size of the user-specified record is not an exact
;multiple of CP/M records, the appropriate sectors will be preread.
;It is not necessary to preread when the user-specified record
;is an exact CP/M record, nor when subroutine is processing
;CP/M records entirely spanned by a user-specified record.

;Entry parameters
;      HL -> parameter block of the form:
;      DB    0    ;OFFH when reading, 00H for write
;      DW    FCB    ;Pointer to FCB
;      DW    RECNO  ;User record number
;      DW    RECSZ  ;User record size
;      DW    BUFFER  ;Pointer to buffer of
;                      ; RECSZ bytes in length

;Exit parameters
;      A = 0 if operation completed (and user record
;            copied into user buffer)
;      1 if attempt to read unwritten CP/M record
;      3 if CP/M could not close an extent
;      4 if attempt to read unwritten extent
;      5 if CP/M could not create a new extent
;      6 if attempt to read beyond end of disk

;Calling sequence
;      LXI   H,PARAMS      ;HL -> parameter block
;      CALL  RO
;      ORA   A               ;Check if error
;      JNZ   ERROR

0021 =     FCBE$RANREC EQU  33    ;Offset of random record no. in FCB
001A =     B$SETDMA  EQU  26    ;Set the DMA address
0021 =     B$READRAN EQU  33    ;Read random record
0028 =     B$WRITERANZ EQU  40    ;Write random record with zero-fill
;                                ; previously unallocated allocation
;                                ; blocks
0005 =     BDOS      EQU  5     ;BDOS entry point

ROPB:
0000 00  ROREAD: DB   0        ;Parameter block image
0001 0000  ROFCB: DW   0        ;NZ when reading, Z when writing
0003 0000  ROURN: DW   0        ;Pointer to FCB
0005 0000  ROURL: DW   0        ;User record number
0007 0000  ROUB:  DW   0        ;User record length
0009 =     ROPBL:  EQU  $-ROPB  ;Pointer to user buffer
;                                ;Parameter block length
0009 0000  ROFRP: DW   0        ;Pointer to start of user record fragment
;                                ; in first CP/M-record read in

```

Figure 5-26. Read/Write variable length records randomly

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000B 00      ROFRL: DB    0          ;Fragment length
000C 0000    RORNP: DW    0          ;Record number pointer (in user FCB)
000E 00      ROWECR: DB   0          ;NZ when writing user records that are an
                                    ;exact super-multiple of CP/M-record (and
                                    ;therefore no preread is required)

000F      ROBUF: DS     128         ;Buffer for CP/M record

RO:
008F 110000  LXI    D,ROPB        ;DE -> local parameter block
0092 0E09    MVI    C,ROPBL       ;Parameter block length
0094 CDFE01  CALL   MOVE          ;Move C bytes from HL to DE

;To compute offset of user record in CP/M record,
;compute the relative BYTE offset of the start
;of the user record within the file (i.e.
;user record number * record size). The least
;significant 7 bits of this product give the
;byte offset of the start of the user record.
;The product / 128 (shifted left 7 bits) gives the
;CP/M record number of the start of the user record.

0097 2A0500  LHLD   ROURL        ;Get user record length
009A 7D      MOV    A,L          ;Get LS bytes of user rec. length
009B E67F    ANI    7FH          ;Check if exact multiple of 128
009D B7      ORA    A           ;(i.e. exact CP/M records)
009E 3E00    MVI    A,0          ;A = 0, flags unchanged
00A0 C2A400  JNZ    RONE          ;Not exact CP/M records
00A3 3D      DCR    A           ;A = FF

RONE:
00A4 320E00  STA    ROWECR       ;Set write-exact-CP/M-records flag
00A7 EB      XCHG   R0E00        ;DE = user record length
00A8 2A0300  LHLD   R0URN        ;Get user record number
00AB CDB801  CALL   MLDL          ;DE,HL = HL * DE
00AE D5      PUSH   D           ;DE,HL = user-record byte offset in file
00AF E5      PUSH   H           ;Save user-record byte offset
00B0 7D      MOV    A,L          ;Get LS byte of product
00B1 E67F    ANI    7FH          ;Isolate byte offset within

00B3 4F      MOV    C,A          ;CP/M record
00B4 0600    MVI    B,0          ;Make into word value
00B6 210F00  LXI    H,ROBUF       ;Get base address of local buffer
00B9 09      DAD    B           ;HL -> Start of fragment in buffer
00B8 220900  SHLD   ROFRP        ;Save fragment pointer

;Compute maximum fragment length that could reside in
;remainder of CP/M record, based on the offset in the
;CP/M record where the fragment starts.

00BD 47      MOV    B,A          ;Take copy of offset in CP/M record
00BE 3E80    MVI    A,128         ;CP/M record size
00C0 90      SUB    B           ;Compute 128 - offset
00C1 320B00  STA    ROFRL        ;Assume this is the fragment length

;If the user record length is less than the assumed
;fragment length, use it in place of the result above

00C4 47      MOV    B,A          ;Get copy of assume frag. length
00C5 3A0600  LDA    ROURL+1       ;Get MS byte of user record length
00C8 B7      ORA    A           ;If NZ, rec. len. must be > 128
00C9 C2D600  JNZ    ROFL0K       ;So fragment length is OK
00CC 3A0500  LDA    ROURL        ;Still a chance that rec. len.
00CF B8      CMP    B           ;less than fragment len.
00D0 D2D600  JNC    ROFL0K       ;NC if user rec. len. => frag. len.
00D3 320B00  STA    ROFRL        ;User rec. len. < frag. len. so
                                    ;reset fragment length to smaller

ROFL0K:
00D6 3A0E00  LDA    ROWECR       ;Get exact CP/M record flag
00D9 47      MOV    B,A          ;for ANDing with READ flag
00DA 3A0000  LDA    R0READ        ;Get read operation flag
00DD 2F      CMA          ;Invert so NZ when writing

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Figure 5-26. (Continued)

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00DE A0          ANA    B           ;Form logical AND
00DF 320E00      STA    ROWECR     ;Save back in flag

;Recover the double length byte offset within the file
;of the start of the user record. Shift 7 places right
;to divide by 128 and get the CP/M record number for
;the start of the user record.

00E2 E1          POP    H           ;Recover user rec. byte offset
00E3 D1          POP    D           ;Divide by 128
00E4 0E07          MVI   C,7         ;Count for shift right

ROS:             CALL   SDLR        ;DE,HL = DE,HL / 2
00E6 CDF101      DCR    C           ;Get pointer to FCB
00E9 0D          JNZ    ROS         ;Offset of random record no. in FCB
00EA C2E600

00ED 7A          MOV    A,D        ;Error if DE still NZ after
00EE B3          ORA    E           ;division by 128.
00EF C2AC01      JNZ    ROERO      ;Store LS byte

00F2 EB          XCHG   B,FCB       ;Set CP/M record number in FCB
00F3 2A0100      LHLD   ROFCB      ;DE = CP/M record number
00F6 012100      LXI    B,FCB$RANREC ;Get pointer to FCB
00F9 09          DAD    B           ;Offset of random record no. in FCB
00FA 220C00      SHLD   RORNP      ;Save record number pointer
00FD 73          MOV    M,E        ;Store MS byte
00FE 23          INX    H           ;Store LS byte
00FF 72          MOV    M,D        ;Store MS byte

0100 0E1A          MVI   C,B$SETDMA ;Set DMA address to local buffer
0102 110F00      LXI    D,ROBUF    ;Get pointer to user buffer
0105 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;DMA transfer

0108 3A0E00          LDA   'ROWECR  ;Bypass preread if exact sector write
010B B7          ORA    A           ;DE -> FCB
010C C21F01      JNZ    ROMNF      ;Read random function

010F 2A0100          LHLD   ROFCB      ;Get pointer to FCB
0112 EB          XCHG   B,FCB       ;DE -> FCB
0113 0E21          MVI    C,B$READRAN ;Read random function
0115 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;DMA transfer

0118 FE05          CPI    5           ;Check if error code < 5
011A DCAFO1      CC    ROCIE      ;Yes, check if ignorable error
; (i.e. error reading unwritten part
; of file for write operation preread)
011D B7          ORA    A           ;Check if error
011E C0          RNZ    A           ;Yes

ROMNF:            LHLD   ROUB        ;Move next fragment
011F 2A0700      XCHG   B,ROUB      ;Get pointer to user buffer
0122 EB          LHLD   ROFRP      ;DE -> user buffer
0123 2A0900      LDA    ROFRL      ;HL -> start of user rec. in local buffer
0126 3A0B00      MOV    C,A        ;Get fragment length
0129 4F          MOVL   C,A        ;Ready for MOVE

012A 3A0000          LDA   ROREAD    ;Check if reading
012D B7          ORA    A           ;Yes, so leave DE, HL unchanged
012E C23201      JNZ    RORD1      ;Writing, so swap source and destination
0131 EB          XCHG   B,ROUB      ;DE -> start of user rec. in local buffer
;HL -> user buffer

RORD1:            CALL   MOVE        ;Reading - fragment local -> user buffer
0132 CDFE01      LDA    ROREAD    ;Writing - fragment user -> local buffer
0135 3A0000          LDA   ROREAD    ;Check if writing
0138 B7          ORA    A           ;Writing, so leave HL -> user buffer
0139 CA3D01      JZ    ROWR1      ;HL -> next byte in user buffer
013C EB          XCHG   B,ROUB      ;Save updated user buffer pointer

ROWR1:            SHLD   ROUB        ;Save updated user buffer pointer
013D 220700      LDA    ROREAD    ;Check if reading
0140 3A0000

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Figure 5-26. (Continued)

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0143 B7          ORA    A
0144 C25001      JNZ    R0RD3      ;Yes, bypass write code

0147 0E28        MVI    C,B$WRITERANZ   ;Write random
0149 2A0100      LHLD   ROFCB       ;Get address of FCB
014C EB          XCHG   DE           ;DE -> FCB
014D CD0500      CALL   BDOS

R0RD3:          ;Compute residual length of user record as yet unmoved.
                ;If necessary (because more data needs to be transferred)
                ;more CP/M records will be read. In this case
                ;the start of the fragment will be offset 0. The fragment
                ;length depends on whether the user record finishes within
                ;the next sector or spans it. If the residual length of the
                ;user record is > 128, the fragment length will be set to
                ;128.

0150 2A0500      LHLD   ROURL      ;Get residual user rec. length
0153 3A0B00      LDA    ROFRL       ;Get fragment length just moved
0156 5F          MOV    E,A         ;Make into a word value
0157 1600        MVI    D,0
0159 CDEA01      CALL   SUBHL      ;Compute ROURL - ROFRL
015C 7C          MOV    A,H         ;Check if result 0
015D B5          ORA    L
015E C8          RZ

015F 220500      SHLD   ROURL      ;Save downdated residual rec. length
0162 4D          MOV    C,L         ;Assume residual length < 128
0163 118000      LXI    D,128      ;Check if residual length is < 128
0166 CDEA01      CALL   SUBHL      ;HL = HL - DE
0169 FA5E01      JM    R0LT128    ;negative if < 128
016C 0E80        MVI    C,128      ;=> 128, so set frag.length to 128

R0LT128:
016E 79          MOV    A,C
016F 320B00      STA    ROFRL      ;Fragment length now is either 128
                                    ;if more than 128 bytes left to input
                                    ;in user record, or just the right
                                    ;number of bytes (< 128) to complete
                                    ;the user record.

0172 210F00      LXI    H,ROBUF    ;All subsequent CP/M records will start
0175 220900      SHLD   ROFRP      ;at beginning of buffer

0178 2A0C00      LHLD   R0RN#      ;Update random record number in FCB
017B 5E          MOV    E,M         ;HL -> random record number in user FCB
017C 23          INX    H
017D 56          MOV    D,M         ;Increment the random record number
017E 13          INX    D
017F 7A          MOV    A,D         ;Get MS byte
0180 B3          ORA    E
0181 C28701      JNZ    ROSRN      ;Update record number itself
0184 3E06        MVI    A,6         ;Check if record now 0
0186 C9          RET

ROSRN:
0187 72          MOV    M,D         ;Save record number
0188 2B          DCX    H           ;HL -> LS byte
0189 73          MOV    M,E

018A 3A0E00      LDA    ROWECR     ;If writing, check if preread required
018D B7          ORA    A
018E C21F01      JNZ    ROMNF      ;Check if exact CP/M record write
                                    ;Yes, go move next fragment

0191 3A0000      LDA    R0READ     ;If reading, perform read unconditionally
0194 B7          ORA    A
0195 C2A001      JNZ    R0RD2

0198 3A0B00      LDA    ROFRL      ;For writes, bypass preread if
019B FE80        CPI    128         ;whole CP/M-record is to be overwritten
019D CA1F01      JZ    ROMNF      ;(fragment length = 128)

R0RD2:
01A0 0E21        MVI    C,B$READRAN   ;Read the next CP/M record
01A2 2A0100      LHLD   ROFCB      ;in sequence

```

Figure 5-26. (Continued)

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01A5 EB      XCHG   'B00S          ;DE -> FCB
01A6 CD0500   CALL   ROMNF        ;Go back to move next fragment
01A9 C31F01   JMP

ROERO:                                ;Error because user record number
                                         ;* User record length / 128 gives
                                         ;a CP/M record number > 65535.
                                         ;Indicate "attempt to read unwritten
                                         ;extent"

ROCIE:                                ;Check ignorable error (preread
                                         ;for write operation)
                                         ;Save original error code
                                         ;Check if read operation

01AF 47      MOV     B,A          ;Restore original error code but
01B0 3A0000   LDA     ROREAD       ;leave flags unchanged
01B3 B7      ORA     A            ;Return if reading
01B4 78      MOV     A,B          ;Fake "no error" indicator
01B5 C0      RNZ
01B6 AF      XRA     A
01B7 C9      RET

;MLDL
;Multiply HL * DE using iterative ADD with product
;returned in DE,HL.

;Entry parameters
;    HL = multiplicand
;    DE = multiplier

;Exit parameters
;    DE,HL = product
;    DE = multiplier

MLDL:                                ;Put 0 on top of stack
01BB 010000  LXI    B,0          ;to act as MS byte of product
01BB C5      PUSH   B           ;Check if either multiplicand
                                 ;or multiplier is 0

01BC 7C      MOV     A,H          ;Yes, fake product
01BD B5      ORA     L
01BE CAE501   JZ     MLDLZ
01C1 7A      MOV     A,D          ;Yes, fake product
01C2 B3      ORA     E
01C3 CAE501   JZ     MLDLZ

                                         ;This routine will be faster if
                                         ;the smaller value is in DE
01C6 7A      MOV     A,D          ;Get MS byte of current DE value
01C7 BC      CMP     H           ;Check which is smaller
01C8 DACC01   JC     MLDLNX      ;C set if D < H, so no exchange
01CB EB      XCHG

MLDLNX:                               ;BC = multiplier
01CC 42      MOV     B,D
01CD 4B      MOV     C,E

01CE 54      MOV     D,H          ;DE = HL = multiplicand
01CF 5D      MOV     E,L

01D0 0B      DCX    B           ;Adjust count as
                                 ;1 * multiplicand = multiplicand
                                 ;ADD loop
MLDLA:                                ;Check if all iterations completed
01D1 78      MOV     A,B          ;Yes, exit
01D2 B1      ORA     C
01D3 CAE801   JZ     MLDLX      ;HL = multiplicand + multiplicand
01D6 19      DAD    D           ;HL = MS bytes of result, TOS = part prod.
01D7 E3      XTHL
01D8 7D      MOV     A,L          ;Get LS byte of top half of product
01D9 CE00   ACI     O           ;Add one if carry set
01DB 6F      MOV     L,A          ;Replace
01DC 7C      MOV     A,H          ;Repeat for MS byte
01DD CE00   ACI     O
01DF 67      MOV     H,A

01E0 E3      XTHL
01E1 0B      DCX    B           ;Countdown on multiplier - 1
01E2 C3D101   JMP    MLDLA      ;Loop back until all ADDs done

```

Figure 5-26. (Continued)

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MLDLZ:
01E5 210000    LXI    H,0      ;Fake product as either multiplicand
                                ; or multiplier is 0

MLDLX:
01E8 D1        POP    D      ;Recover MS part of product
01E9 C9        RET

;SUBHL
;Subtract HL - DE.

;Entry Parameters
;      HL = subtrahend
;      DE = subtractor

;Exit parameters
;      HL = difference

SUBHL:
01EA 7D        MOV    A,L      ;Get LS byte
01EB 93        SUB    E       ;Subtract without regard to carry
01EC 6F        MOV    L,A      ;Put back into difference
01ED 7C        MOV    A,H      ;Get MS byte
01EE 9A        SBB    D       ;Subtract including carry
01EF 67        MOV    H,A      ;Move back into difference
01F0 C9        RET

;SDLR
;Shift DE,HL right one place (dividing DE,HL by 2)

;Entry parameters
;      DE,HL = value to be shifted

;Exit parameters
;      DE,HL = value / 2

SDLR:
01F1 B7        ORA    A       ;Clear carry
01F2 EB        XCHG   A       ;Shift DE first
01F3 CDF701    CALL   SDLR2  ;Now shift HL
01F6 EB        XCHG   A

                                ;Drop into SDLR2 with carry
                                ; set correctly from LS bit
                                ; of DE
                                ;Shift HL right one place

SDLR2:
01F7 7C        MOV    A,H      ;Get MS byte
01F8 1F        RAR    A       ;Bit 7 set from previous carry,
                                ;Bit 0 goes into carry
01F9 67        MOV    H,A      ;Put shift MS byte back
01FA 7D        MOV    A,L      ;Get LS byte
01FB 1F        RAR    A       ;Bit 7 = bit 0 of MS byte
01FC 6F        MOV    L,A      ;Put back into result
01FD C9        RET

;MOVE
;Moves C bytes from HL to DE

MOVE:
01FE 7E        MOV    A,M      ;Get source byte
01FF 12        STAX   D      ;Store in destination
0200 13        INX    D      ;Update destination pointer
0201 23        INX    H      ;Update source pointer
0202 0D        DCR    C      ;Downdate count
0203 C2FE01    JNZ    MOVE   ;Get next byte
0206 C9        RET

```

Figure 5-26. (Continued)

## Function 35: Get File Size

Function Code: C = 23H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of FCB

Exit Parameters: Random record field set in FCB

### Example

```

0023 =     B$GETFSIZ      EQU    35   ;Get Random File LOGICAL size
0005 =     BDOS          EQU    5    ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:              ;File control block
0000 00   FCB$DISK:       DB     0    ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB     'FILENAME' ;File name
0009 545950 FCB$TYP:       DB     'TYP' ;File type
000C 00   FCB$EXTENT:     DB     0    ;Extent
000D 0000 FCB$RESV:      DB     0,0  ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00   FCB$RECUSED:   DB     0    ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000           DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00   FCB$SEQREC:     DB     0    ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000 FCB$RANREC:    DW     0    ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00   FCB$RANRECO:   DB     0    ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 0E23          MVI   C,B$GETFSIZ  ;Function code
0026 110000        LXI   D,FCB      ;DE -> file control block
0029 C00500        CALL  BDOS      ;Get random record number
002C 2A2100        LHLD  FCB$RANREC ;HL = LOGICAL file size
                                      ; i.e. the record number of the
                                      ; last record

```

### Purpose

This function returns the virtual size of the specified file. It does so by setting the random record number (bytes 33-35) in the specified FCB to the maximum 128-byte record number in the file. The virtual file size is calculated from the record address of the record following the end of the file. Bytes 33 and 34 form a 16-bit value that contains the record number, with overflow indicated in byte 35. If byte 35 is 01, this means that the file has the maximum record count of 65,536.

If the function cannot find the file specified by the FCB, it returns with the random record field set to 0.

You can use this function when you want to add data to the end of an existing file. By calling this function first, the random record bytes will be set to the end of file. Subsequent Write Random calls will write out records to this preset address.

### Notes

Do not confuse the virtual file size with the actual file size. In a random file, if you write just a single CP/M record to record number 1000 and then call this function, it will return with the random record number field set in the FCB to 1000—even though only a single record exists in the file.

For sequential files, this function returns the number of records in the file. In this case, the virtual and actual file sizes coincide.

## Function 36: Set Random Record Number

Function Code: C = 24H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of FCB

Exit Parameters: Random record field set in FCB

**Example**

```

0024 =      B$SETRANREC    EQU    36    ;Set Random Record Number
0005 =      BDOS           EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:                   ;File control block
0000 00   FCB$DISK:        DB     0     ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME:  DB     'FILENAME' ;File name
0009 545950  FCB$TYP:       DB     'TYP'  ;File type
000C 00   FCB$EXTENT:     DB     0     ;Extent
000D 0000  FCB$RESV:      DB     0     ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00   FCB$REUSED:     DB     0     ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000             DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00   FCB$SEQREC:     DB     0     ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000  FCB$RANREC:    DW     0     ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00   FCB$RANRECO:   DB     0     ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

                                ;... file opened and read
                                ; or written sequentially...

0024 0E24      MVI    C,B$SETRANREC ;Function code
0026 110000    LXI    D,FCB       ;DE -> file control block
0029 CD0500    CALL   BDOS      ;Get random record number
002C 2A2100    LHLD   FCB$RANREC ;HL = random record number
                                ; that corresponds to the
                                ; sequential progress down
                                ; the file.

```

**Purpose** This function sets the random record number in the FCB to the correct value for the last record read or written sequentially to the file.

**Notes** This function provides you with a convenient way to build an index file so that you can randomly access a sequential file. Open the sequential file, and as you read each record, extract the appropriate key field from the data record. Make the BDOS Set Random Record request and create a new data record with just the key field and the random record number. Write the new data record out to the index file.

Once you have done this for each record in the file, your index file provides a convenient method, given a search key value, of finding the appropriate CP/M record in which the data lies.

You can also use this function as a means of finding out where you are currently positioned in a sequential file—either to relate a CP/M record number to the position, or simply as a place-marker to allow a repositioning to the same place later.

**Function 37: Reset Logical Disk Drive**

Function Code: C = 25H

Entry Parameters: DE = Logical drive bit map

Exit Parameters: A = 00H

**Example**

```

0025 =      B$RESETD    EQU    37    ;Reset Logical Disks
0005 =      BDOS       EQU    5     ;BDOS entry point

```

```

;DE = Bit map of disks to be
;reset
;Bits are = 1 if disk to be
;reset
;Bits 15 14 13 ... 2 1 0
;Disk P O N ... C B A

0000 110200      LXI    D,0000$0000$0000$0010B ;Reset drive B:
0003 0E25      MVI    C,B$RESETD    ;Function code
0005 CD0500      CALL   BDOS

```

**Purpose** This function resets individual disk drives. It is a more precise version of the Reset Disk System function (code 13,ODH), in that you can set specific logical disks rather than all of them.

The bit map in DE shows which disks are to be reset. The least significant bit of E represents disk A, and the most significant bit of D, disk P. The bits set to 1 indicate the disks to be reset.

Note that this function returns a zero value in A in order to maintain compatibility with MP/M.

**Notes** Use this function when only specific diskettes need to be changed. Changing a diskette without requesting CP/M to log it in will cause the BDOS to assume that an error has occurred and to set the new diskette to Read-Only status as a protective measure.

### Function 40: Write Random with Zero-fill

Function Code: C = 28H

Entry Parameters: DE = Address of FCB

Exit Parameters: A = Return Code

#### Example

```

0028 =     B$WRITERANZ    EQU    40      ;Write Random with Zero-Fill
0005 =     BDOS            EQU    5       ;BDOS entry point

          FCB:                  ;File control block
0000 00  FCB$DISK:        DB     0       ;Search on default disk drive
0001 46494C454EFCB$NAME: DB     'FILENAME' ;File name
0009 545950  FCB$TYP:      DB     'TYP'   ;File type
000C 00  FCB$EXTENT:     DB     0       ;Extent
000F 00  FCB$RESV:       DB     0,0     ;Reserved for CP/M
000F 00  FCB$REUSED:     DB     0       ;Records used in this extent
0010 0000000000FCB$ABUSED: DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 ;Allocation blocks used
0018 0000000000          DB     0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0020 00  FCB$SEQREC:     DB     0       ;Sequential rec. to read/write
0021 0000  FCB$RANREC:    DW     0       ;Random rec. to read/write
0023 00  FCB$RANRECO:   DB     0       ;Random rec. overflow byte (MS)

0024 D204      RANRECNO:    DW     1234   ;Example random record number
                                              ;Record will be written from
                                              ;address set by prior
                                              ;SETDMA call
0026 2A2400      LHLD   RANRECNO    ;Get random record number
0029 222100      SHLD   FCB$RANREC  ;Set up file control block
002C 0E28      MVI    C,B$WRITERANZ ;Function code
002E 110000      LXI    D,FCB      ;DE -> file control block
0031 CD0500      CALL   BDOS      ;A = 00 if operation successful

```

```
;A = nonzero if no data in file  
; specifically:  
;A = 03 -- CP/M could not  
;      close current extent  
;      05 -- directory full  
;      06 -- attempt to write  
;      beyond end of disk
```

**Purpose** This function is an extension to the Write Random function described previously. In addition to performing the Write Random, it will also fill each new allocation block with 00H's. Digital Research added this function to assist Microsoft with the production of its COBOL compiler—it makes the logic of the file handling code easier. It also is an economical way to completely fill a random file with 00H's. You need only write one record per allocation block; the BDOS will clear the rest of the block for you.

**Notes** Refer to the description of the Write Random function (code 34).

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## The Basic Input/Output System

This chapter takes a closer look at the Basic Input/Output System (BIOS). The BIOS provides the software link between the Console Command Processor (CCP), the Basic Disk Operating System (BDOS), and the physical hardware of your computer system. The CCP and BDOS interact with the parts of your computer system only as logical devices. They can therefore remain unchanged from one computer system to the next. The BIOS, however, is customized for your particular type of computer and disk drives. The only predictable part of the BIOS is the way in which it interfaces to the CCP and BDOS. This must remain the same no matter what special features are built into the BIOS.

## The BIOS Components

A standard BIOS consists of low-level subroutines that drive four types of physical devices:

- Console: CP/M communicates with the outside world via the console. Normally this will be a video terminal or a hard-copy terminal.
- “Reader” and “punch”: These devices are normally used to communicate between computer systems—the names “reader” and “punch” are just historical relics from the early days of CP/M.
- List: This is a hard-copy printer, either letter-quality or dot-matrix.
- Disk drives: These can be anything from the industry standard single-sided, single-density, 8-inch floppy diskette drives to hard disk drives with capacities of several hundred megabytes.

## The BIOS Entry Points

The first few instructions of the BIOS are all jump (JMP) instructions. They transfer control to the 17 different subroutines in the BIOS. The CCP and the BDOS, when making a specific request of the BIOS, do so by transferring control to the appropriate JMP instruction in this BIOS *jump table* or *jump vector*. The BIOS jump vector always starts at the beginning of a 256-byte page, so the address of the first jump instruction is always of the form xx00H, where “xx” is the page address. Location 0000H to 0002H has a jump instruction to the second entry of the BIOS jump vector—so you can always find the page address of the jump vector by looking in location 0002H.

Figure 6-1 shows the contents of the BIOS jump vector along with the page-relative address of each jump. The labels used in the jump instructions have been adopted by convention.

The following sections describe the functions of each of the BIOS's main subroutines. You should also refer to Digital Research's manual *CP/M 2.0 Alteration Guide* for their description of the BIOS routines.

## Bootstrap Functions

There are two bootstrap functions. The cold bootstrap loads the entire CP/M operating system when the system is either first turned on or reset. The warm bootstrap reloads the CCP whenever a program branches to location 0000H.

xx00H	JMP	BOOT	; "Cold" (first time) bootstrap
xx03H	JMP	WBOOT	; "Warm" bootstrap
xx06H	JMP	CONST	;Console input status
xx09H	JMP	CONIN	;Console input
xx0CH	JMP	CONDOUT	;Console output
xx0FH	JMP	LIST	;List output
xx12H	JMP	PUNCH	; "Punch" output
xx15H	JMP	READER	; "Reader" input
xx18H	JMP	HOME	;Home disk heads (to track 0)
xx1BH	JMP	SELDSK	;Select logical disk
xx1EH	JMP	SETTRK	;Set track number
xx21H	JMP	SETSEC	;Set sector number
xx24H	JMP	SETDMA	;Set DMA address
xx27H	JMP	READ	;Read (128-Byte) sector
xx2AH	JMP	WRITE	;Write (128-byte) sector
xx2DH	JMP	LISTST	;List device output status
xx30H	JMP	SECTRAN	;Sector translate

Figure 6-1. Layout of the standard BIOS jump vector

## BOOT: "Cold" Bootstrap

The BOOT jump instruction is the first instruction executed in CP/M. The bootstrap sequence must transfer control to the BOOT entry point in order to bring up CP/M. In general, a PROM receives control either when power is first applied or after you press the RESET button on the computer. This reads in the CP/M loader on the first sector of the physical disk drive chosen to be logical disk A. This CP/M loader program reads the binary image of the CCP, BDOS, and BIOS into memory at some predetermined address. Then it transfers control to the BOOT entry point in the BIOS jump vector.

This BOOT routine must initialize all of the required computer hardware. It sets up the baud rates for the physical console (if this has not already been done during the bootstrap sequence), the "reader," "punch," and list devices, and the disk controller. It must also set up the base page of memory so that there is a jump at location 0000H to the warm boot entry point in the BIOS jump vector (at xx03H) and a jump at location 0005H to the BDOS entry point.

Most BOOT routines sign on by displaying a short message on the console, indicating the current version of CP/M and the computer hardware that this BIOS can support.

The BOOT routine terminates by transferring control to the start of the CCP + 6 bytes (the CCP has its own small jump vector at the beginning). Just before the BOOT routine jumps into the CCP, it sets the C register to 0 to indicate that logical disk A is to be the default disk drive. This is what causes "A>" to be the CCP's initial prompt.

The actual CCP entry point is derived from the base address of the BIOS. The CCP and BDOS together require 1E00H bytes of code, so the first instruction of the CCP starts at BIOS - 1E00H.

## WBOOT: "Warm" Bootstrap

Unlike the "cold" bootstrap entry point, which executes only once, the WBOOT or warm boot routine will be executed every time a program terminates by jumping to location 0000H, or whenever you type a CONTROL-C on the console as the first character of an input line.

The WBOOT routine is responsible for reloading the CCP into memory. Programs often use all of memory up to the starting point of the BDOS, overwriting the CCP in the process. The underlying philosophy is that while a program is executing, the CCP is not needed, so the program can use the memory previously occupied by the CCP. The CCP occupies 800H (2048) bytes of memory—and this is frequently just enough to make the difference between a program that cannot run and one that can.

A few programs that are self-contained and do not require the BDOS's facilities will also overwrite the BDOS to get another 1600H (5632) bytes of memory. Therefore, to be really safe, the WBOOT routine should read in both the CCP and the BDOS. It also needs to set up the two JMPs at location 0000H (to WBOOT itself) and at location 0005H (to the BDOS). Location 0003H should be set to the initial value of the IOBYTE if this is implemented in the BIOS.

As its last act, the WBOOT routine sets register C to indicate which logical disk is to be selected (C = 0 for A, 1 for B, and so on). It then transfers control into the CCP at the first instruction in order to restart the CCP. Again, the actual address is computed based on the knowledge that the CCP starts 1E00H bytes lower in memory than the base address of the BIOS.

## Character Input/Output Functions

Character input/output functions deal with logical devices: the console, "reader," "punch," and list devices. Because these logical devices can in practice be connected by software to one of several physical character I/O devices, many BIOS's use CP/M's IOBYTE features to assign logical devices to physical ones.

In this case, each of the BIOS functions must check the appropriate bit fields of the IOBYTE (see Figure 4-2 and Table 4-1) to transfer control to the correct physical device *driver* (program that controls a physical device).

### CONST: Console Input Status

CONST simply returns an indicator showing whether there is an incoming character from the console device. The convention is that A = 0FFH if a character is waiting to be processed, A = 0 if one is not. Note that the zero flag need not be set to reflect the contents of the A register—it is the contents that are important.

CONST is called by the CCP whenever the CCP is in the middle of an operation that can be interrupted by pressing a keyboard character.

The BDOS will call CONST if a program makes a Read Console Status function call (B\$CONST, code 11, 0BH). It is also called by the console input BIOS routine, CONIN (described next).

### **CONIN: Console Input**

CONIN reads the next character from the console to the A register and sets the most significant (parity) bit to 0.

Normally, CONIN will call the CONST routine until it detects A = 0FFH. Only then will it input the data character and mask off the parity bit.

CONIN is called by the CCP and by the BDOS when a program executes a Read Console Byte function (B\$CONIN, code 1).

### **CONOUT: Console Output**

CONOUT outputs the character (in ASCII) in register C to the console. The most significant (parity) bit of the character will always be 0.

CONOUT must first check that the console device is ready to receive more data, delaying if necessary until it is, and only then sending the character to the device.

CONOUT is called by the CCP and by the BDOS when a program executes a Write Console Byte function (B\$CONOUT, code 2).

### **LIST: List Output**

LIST is similar to CONOUT except that it sends the character in register C to the list device. It too checks first that the list device is ready to receive the character.

LIST is called by the CCP in response to the CONTROL-P toggle for printer echo of console output, and by the BDOS when a program makes a Write Printer Byte or Display String call (B\$LISTOUT and B\$PRINTS, codes 5 and 9).

### **PUNCH: "Punch" Output**

PUNCH sends the character in register C to the "punch" device. As mentioned earlier, the "punch" is rarely a real paper tape punch. In most BIOS's, the PUNCH entry point either returns immediately and is effectively a null routine, or it outputs the character to a communications device, such as a modem, on your computer.

PUNCH must check that the "punch" device is indeed ready to accept another character for output, and must wait if it is not.

Digital Research's documentation states that the character to be output will always have its most significant bit set to 0. This is not true. The BDOS simply transfers control over to the PUNCH entry point in the BIOS; the setting of the most significant bit will be determined by the program making the BDOS function request (B\$PUNOUT, code 4). This is important because the requirement of a zero

would preclude being able to send pure binary data via the BIOS PUNCH function.

## READER: "Reader" Input

As with the PUNCH entry point, the READER entry point rarely connects to a real paper tape reader.

The READER function must return the next character from the reader device in the A register, waiting, if need be, until there is a character.

Digital Research's documentation again says that the most significant bit of the A register must be 0, but this is not the case if you wish to receive pure binary information via this function.

READER is called whenever a program makes a Read "Reader" Byte function request (B\$READIN, code 3).

## Disk Functions

All of the disk functions that follow were originally designed to operate on the 128-byte sectors used on single-sided, single-density, 8-inch floppy diskettes that were standard in the industry at the time. Now that CP/M runs on many different types of disks, some of the BIOS disk functions seem strange because most of the new disk drives use sector sizes other than 128 bytes.

To handle larger sector sizes, the BIOS has some additional code that makes the BDOS respond as if it were still handling 128-byte sectors. This code is referred to as the *blocking/deblocking* code. As its name implies, it blocks together several 128-byte "sectors" and only writes to the disk when a complete *physical* sector has been assembled. When reading, it reads in a physical sector and then deblocks it, handing back several 128-byte "sectors" to the BDOS.

To do all of this, the blocking/deblocking code uses a special buffer area of the same size as the physical sectors on the disk. This is known as the host disk buffer or HSTBUF. Physical sectors are read into this buffer and written to the disk from it.

In order to optimize this blocking/deblocking routine, the BIOS has code in it to reduce the number of times that an actual disk read or write occurs. A side effect is that at any given moment, several 128-byte "sectors" may be stored in the HSTBUF, waiting to be written out to the disk when HSTBUF becomes full. This sometimes complicates the logic of the BIOS disk functions. You cannot simply select a new disk drive, for example, when the HSTBUF contains data destined for another disk drive. You will see this complication in the BIOS only in the form of added logical operations; the BIOS disk functions rarely trigger immediate physical operations. It is easier to understand these BIOS functions if you consider that

they make *requests*—and that these requests are satisfied only when it makes sense to do so, taking into account the blocking/deblocking logic.

### **HOME: Home Disk**

HOME sets the requested track and sector to 0.

### **SELDSK: Select Disk**

SELDSK does not do what its name implies. It does not (and must not) physically select a logical disk. Instead, it returns a pointer in the HL register pair to the disk parameter header for the logical disk specified in register C on entry. C = 0 for drive A, 1 for drive B, and so on. SELDSK also stores this code for the requested disk to be used later in the READ and WRITE functions.

If the logical disk code in register C refers to a nonexistent disk or to one for which no disk parameter header exists, then SELDSK must return with HL set to 0000H. Then the BDOS will output a message of the form

**"BDOS Err on X: Select"**

Note that SELDSK not only does not select the disk, but also does not indicate whether or not the requested disk is physically present—merely whether or not there are disk tables present for the disk.

SELDSK is called by the BDOS either during disk file operations or by a program issuing a Select Disk request (B\$SELDSK, code 14).

### **SETTRK: Set Track**

SETTRK saves the requested disk track that is in the BC register pair when SETTRK gets control. Note that this is an absolute track number; that is, the number of reserved tracks before the file directory will have been added to the track number relative to the start of the logical disk.

The number of the requested track will be used in the next BIOS READ or WRITE function (described later in this chapter).

SETTRK is called by the BDOS when it needs to read or write a 128-byte sector. Legitimate track numbers are from 0 to 0FFFFH (65,535).

### **SETSEC: Set Sector**

SETSEC is similar to SETTRK in that it stores the requested sector number for later use in BIOS READ or WRITE functions. The requested sector number is handed to SETSEC in the A register; legitimate values are from 0 to 0FFH (255).

The sector number is a logical sector number. It does not take into account any sector skewing that might be used to improve disk performance.

SETSEC is called by the BDOS when it needs to read or write a 128-byte sector.

## SETDMA: Set DMA Address

SETDMA saves the address in the BC register pair in the requested DMA address. The next BIOS READ or WRITE function will use the DMA address as a pointer to the 128-byte sector buffer into which data will be read or from which data will be written.

The default DMA address is 0080H. SETDMA is called by the BDOS when it needs to READ or WRITE a 128-byte sector.

## READ: Read Sector

READ reads in a 128-byte sector provided that there have been previous BIOS function calls to

SELDSK—"select" the disk

SETDMA—set the DMA address

SETTRK—set the track number

SETSEC—set the sector number.

Because of the blocking/deblocking code in the BIOS, there are frequent occasions when the requested sector will already be in the host buffer (HSTBUF), so that a physical disk read is not required. All that is then required is for the BIOS to move the appropriate 128 bytes from the HSTBUF into the buffer pointed at by the DMA address.

Only during the READ function will the BIOS normally communicate with the physical disk drive, selecting it and seeking to read the requested track and sector. During this process, the READ function must also handle any hardware errors that occur, trying an operation again if a "soft," or recoverable, error occurs.

The READ function must return with the A register set to 00H if the read operation is completed successfully. If the READ function returns with the A register set to 01H, the BDOS will display an error message of the form

### **BDOS Err on X: Bad Sector**

Under these circumstances, you have only two choices. You can enter a CARRIAGE RETURN, ignore the fact that there was an error, and attempt to make sense of the data in the DMA buffer. Or you can type a CONTROL-C to abort the operation, perform a warm boot, and return control to the CCP.

As you can see, CP/M's error handling is not particularly helpful, so most BIOS writers add more sophisticated error recovery right in the disk driver. This can include some interaction with the console so that a more determined effort can be made to correct errors or, if nothing else, give you more information as to what has gone wrong. Such error handling is discussed in Chapter 9.

If you are working with a hard disk system, the BIOS driver must also handle the management of bad sectors. You cannot simply replace a hard disk drive if one or two sectors become unreadable. This bad sector management normally requires

that a directory of “spare” sectors be put on the hard disk before it is used to store data. Then, when a sector is found to be bad, one of the spare sectors is substituted in its place. This is also discussed in Chapter 9.

## **WRITE: Write Sector**

WRITE is similar to READ but with the obvious difference that data is transferred from the DMA buffer to the specified 128-byte sector. Like READ, this function requires that the following function calls have already been made:

- SELDSK—“select” the disk
- SETDMA—set the DMA address
- SETTRK—set the track number
- SETSEC—set the sector number.

Again, it is only in the WRITE routine that the driver will start to talk directly to the physical hardware, selecting the disk unit, track, and sector, and transferring the data to the disk.

With the blocking/deblocking code, the BDOS optimizes the number of disk writes that are needed by indicating in register C the type of disk write that is to be performed:

- 0 = normal sector write
- 1 = write to file directory sector
- 2 = write to sector of previously unused allocation block.

Type 0 occurs whenever the BDOS is writing to a data sector in an already used allocation block. Under these circumstances, the disk driver must preread the appropriate host sector because there may be previously stored information on it.

Type 1 occurs whenever the BDOS is writing to a file directory sector—in this case, the BIOS must not defer writing the sector to the disk, as the information is too valuable to hold in memory until the HSTBUF is full. The longer the information resides in the HSTBUF, the greater the chance of a power failure or glitch, making file data already physically written to the disk inaccessible because the file directory is out of date.

Type 2 occurs whenever the BDOS needs to write to the first sector of a previously unused allocation block. Unused, in this context, includes an allocation block that has become available as a result of a file being erased. In this case, there is no need for the disk driver to preread an entire host-sized sector into the HSTBUF, as there is no data of value in the physical sector.

As with the READ routine, the WRITE function returns with A set to 00H if the operation has been completed successfully. If the WRITE function returns with A set to 01H, then the BDOS will display the *same* message as for READ:

**BDOS Err on X: Bad Sector**

You can see now why most BIOS writers add extensive error-recovery and user-interaction routines to their disk drivers.

For hard disk systems, some disk drivers are written so that they automatically "spare out" a failing sector, writing the data to one of the spare sectors on the disk.

### **LISTST: List Status**

As you can tell from its position in the list of BIOS functions, the LISTST function was a latecomer. It was added when CP/M was upgraded from version 1.4 to version 2.0.

This function returns the current status of the list device, using the IOBYTE if necessary to select the correct physical device. It sets the A register to 0FFH if the list device can accept another character for output or to 00H if it is not ready.

Digital Research's documentation states that this function is used by the DESPOOL utility program (which allows you to print a file "simultaneously" with other operations) to improve console response during its operation, and that it is acceptable for the routine always to return 00H if you choose not to implement it fully.

Unfortunately, this statement is wrong. Many other programs use the LISTST function to "poll" the list device to make sure it is ready, and if it fails to come ready after a predetermined time, to output a message to the console indicating that the printer is not ready. If you ever make a call to the BDOS list output functions, Write Printer Byte and Print String (codes 5 and 9), and the printer is not ready, then CP/M will wait forever — and your program will have lost control so it cannot even detect that the problem has occurred. If LISTST always returns a 00H, then the printer will always appear not to be ready. Not only does this make nonsense out of the LISTST function, but it also causes a stream of false "Printer not Ready" error messages to appear on the console.

### **SECTRAN: Sector Translate**

SECTRAN, given a logical sector number, locates the correct physical sector number in the sector translate table for the previously selected (via SELDSK) logical disk drive.

Note that both logical and physical sector numbers are 128-byte sectors, so if you are working with a hard disk system, it is not too efficient to impose a sector interlace at the 128-byte sector level. It is better to impose the sector interlace right inside the hard disk driver, if at all; in general, hard disks spin so rapidly that CP/M simply cannot take advantage of sector interlace.

The BDOS hands over the logical sector number in the BC register pair, with the address of the sector translate table in the DE register pair. SECTRAN must return the physical sector number in HL.

If SECTRAN is to be a null routine, it must move the contents of BC to HL and return.

## Calling the BIOS Functions Directly

As a general rule, you should not make direct calls to the BIOS. To do so makes your programs less transportable from one CP/M system to the next. It precludes being able to run these programs under MP/M, which has a different form of BIOS called an extended I/O system, or XIOS.

There are one or two problems, however, that can only be solved by making direct BIOS calls. These occur in utility programs that, for example, need to make direct access to the CP/M file directory, or need to access some "private" jump instructions which have been added to the standard BIOS jump vector.

If you really do need direct access to the BIOS, Figure 6-2 shows an example subroutine that does this. It requires that the A register contain a BIOS function code indicating the offset in the jump vector of the jump instruction to which control is to be passed.

```

;      Equates for use with BIOS subroutine
;
0003 =    WBOOT   EQU     03H    ;Warm boot
0006 =    CONST   EQU     06H    ;Console status
0009 =    CONIN   EQU     09H    ;Console input
000C =    CONOUT  EQU     0CH    ;Console output
000F =    LIST    EQU     0FH    ;Output to list device
0012 =    PUNCH   EQU     12H    ;Output to punch device
0015 =    READER  EQU     15H    ;Input from reader
0018 =    HOME    EQU     18H    ;Home selected disk to track 0
001B =    SELDSK  EQU     1BH    ;Select disk
001E =    SETTRK  EQU     1EH    ;Set track
0021 =    SETSEC  EQU     21H    ;Set sector
0024 =    SETDMA  EQU     24H    ;Set DMA address
0027 =    READ    EQU     27H    ;Read 128-byte sector
002A =    WRITE   EQU     2AH    ;Write 128-byte sector
002D =    LISTST  EQU     2DH    ;Return list status
0030 =    SECTRAN EQU     30H    ;Sector translate
;
;          Add further "private" BIOS codes here
;
;      BIOS
;      This subroutine transfers control to the appropriate
;      entry in the BIOS Jump Vector, based on a code number
;      handed to it in the L register.
;
;      Entry parameters
;
;      L = Code number (which is in fact the page-relative
;           address of the correct JMP instruction within
;           the jump vector)
;      All other registers are preserved and handed over to
;           the BIOS routine intact.
;
;      Exit parameters
;
```

Figure 6-2. BIOS equates

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; This routine does not CALL the BIOS routine, therefore
; when the BIOS routine RETurns, it will do so directly
; to this routine's caller.
;
; Calling sequence
;
;          MVI      L,Code$Number
;          CALL    BIOS
;
; BIOS:
0000 F5      PUSH   PSW     ;Save user's A register
0001 3A0200    LDA    0002H   ;Get BIOS JMP vector page from
                           ; warm boot JMP
0004 67      MOV     H,A     ;HL -> BIOS JMP vector entry
0005 F1      POP     PSW     ;Recover user's A register
0006 E9      PCHL   BIOS    ;Transfer control into the BIOS routine

```

Figure 6-2. BIOS equates (continued)

Line Numbers	Functional Component or Routine
0072-0116	BIOS Jump Vector
0120-0270	Initialization Code
0275-0286	Display Message
0289-0310	Enter CP/M
0333-0364	CONST - Console Status
0369-0393	CONIN - Console Input
0397-0410	CONOUT - Console Output
0414-0451	LISTST - List Status
0456-0471	LIST - List Output
0476-0492	PUNCH - Punch Output
0496-0511	READER - Reader Input
0516-0536	IOBYTE Driver Select
0540-0584	Device Control Tables
0589-0744	Low-level Drivers for Console, List,etc.
0769-0824	Disk Parameter Header Tables
0831-0878	Disk Parameter Blocks
0881-0907	Other Disk data areas
0910-0955	SELDSK - Select Disk
0958-0964	SETTRK - Set Track
0967-0973	SETSEC - Set Sector
0978-0984	SETDMA - Set DMA Address
0987-1025	Sector Skew Tables
1028-1037	SECTRAN - Logical to Physical Sector translation
1041-1056	HOME - Home to Track 0
1059-1154	Deblocking Algorithm data areas
1157-1183	READ - Read 128-byte sector
1185-1204	WRITE - Write 128-byte sector
1206-1378	Deblocking Algorithm
1381-1432	Buffer Move
1435-1478	Deblocking subroutines
1481-1590	8" Floppy Physical Read/Write
1595-1681	5 1/4" Floppy Physical Read/Write
1685-1764	WBOOT - Warm Boot

Figure 6-3. Functional Index to Figure 6-4

## Example BIOS

The remainder of this chapter is devoted to an example BIOS listing. This actual working BIOS shows the overall structure and interface to the individual BIOS subroutines.

Unlike most BIOS's, this one has been written specifically to be understood easily. The variable names are uncharacteristically long and descriptive, and each block of code has commentary to put it into context.

Each source line has been sequentially numbered (an infrequently used option that Digital Research's Assembler, ASM, permits). Figure 6-3 contains a functional index to the BIOS as a whole so that you can find particular functions in the listing in Figure 6-4 by line number.

```

0001 <-- Line Number ; Figure 6-4.
0002 ;
0003 ;*****
0004 ;*
0005 ;*      Simple BIOS Listing      *
0006 ;*
0007 ;*****
0008 ;
0009 ;
0010 3030 = VERSION      EQU    '00' ;Equates used in the sign on message
0011 3730 = MONTH        EQU    '07'
0012 3531 = DAY          EQU    '15'
0013 3238 = YEAR         EQU    '82'
0014 ;
0015 ;*****
0016 ;*
0017 ;* This BIOS is for a computer system with the following      *
0018 ;* hardware configuration :                                     *
0019 ;*
0020 ;*      - 8080 CPU                                         *
0021 ;*      - 64KBytes of RAM                                     *
0022 ;*      - CRT/keyboard controller that transfers data       *
0023 ;*          as though it were a serial port (but requires   *
0024 ;*          no baud rate generator or USART programming)   *
0025 ;*      - A serial port, used for both list and "reader"/  *
0026 ;*          "punch" devices. The serial port chip is an     *
0027 ;*          Intel 8251A with an 8253 baud rate generator.   *
0028 ;*      - Two 5 1/4" mini-floppy, double-sided, double-   *
0029 ;*          density drives. These drives use 512-byte sectors. *
0030 ;*      These are used as logical disks A: and B:.           *
0031 ;*      - Two 8" standard diskette drives (128-byte sectors). *
0032 ;*      These are used as logical disks C: and D:.           *
0033 ;*
0034 ;*      Two intelligent disk controllers are used, one for   *
0035 ;*      each diskette type. These controllers access memory   *
0036 ;*      directly, both to read the details of the             *
0037 ;*      operations they are to perform and also to read     *
0038 ;*      and write data from and to the diskettes.           *
0039 ;*
0040 ;*
0041 ;*****
0042 ;
0043 ;
0044 ; Equates for defining memory size and the base address and
0045 ; length of the system components.

```

**Figure 6-4.** Simple BIOS listing

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0046      ;Memory$Size      EQU    64      ;Number of Kbytes of RAM
0047 0040 = 
0048      ;
0049      ; The BIOS Length must be determined by inspection.
0050      ; Comment out the ORG BIOS$Entry line below by changing the first
0051      ; character to a semicolon. (This will make the Assembler start
0052      ; the BIOS at location 0.) Then assemble the BIOS and round up to
0053      ; the nearest 100H the address displayed on the console at the end
0054      ; of the assembly.
0055      ;
0056 0900 = BIOS$Length      EQU    0900H
0057      ;
0058 0800 = CCP$Length      EQU    0800H ;Constant
0059 0E00 = BDOS$Length     EQU    0E00H ;Constant
0060      ;
0061 0008 = Overall$Length  EQU    ((CCP$Length + BDOS$Length + BIOS$Length) / 1024) + 1
0062      ;
0063 E000 = CCP$Entry      EQU    (Memory$Size - Overall$Length) * 1024
0064 EB06 = BDOS$Entry     EQU    CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + 6
0065 F600 = BIOS$Entry     EQU    CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + BDOS$Length
0066      ;
0067      ;
0068      ;
0069      ;
0070 F600      ORG    BIOS$Entry      ;Assemble code at BIOS address
0071      ;
0072      ; BIOS jump vector
0073      ; Control will be transferred to the appropriate entry point
0074      ; from the CCP or the BDOS, both of which compute the relative
0075      ; address of the BIOS jump vector in order to locate it.
0076      ; Transient programs can also make direct BIOS calls transferring
0077      ; control to location xx00H, where xx is the value in location
0078      ; 0002H.
0079      ;
0080 F600 C3F9F6      JMP    BOOT      ;Cold boot -- entered from CP/M bootstrap loader
0081      ; Labelled so that the initialization code can
0082      ; put the warm boot entry address down in location
0083      ; 0001H and 0002H of the base page
0084 F603 C329FE      JMP    WBOOT      ;Warm boot -- entered by jumping to location 0000H.
0085      ; Reloads the CCP which could have been
0086      ; overwritten by previous program in transient
0087      ; program area
0088 F606 C362F8      JMP    CONST      ;Console status -- returns A = OFFH if there is a
0089      ; console keyboard character waiting
0090 F609 C378F8      JMP    CONIN      ;Console input -- returns the next console keyboard
0091      ; character in A
0092 F60C C386F8      JMP    CONOUT     ;Console output -- outputs the character in C to
0093      ; the console device
0094 F60F C3ACF8      JMP    LIST       ;List output -- outputs the character in C to the
0095      ; list device
0096 F612 C3BCF8      JMP    PUNCH      ;Punch output -- outputs the character in C to the
0097      ; logical punch device
0098 F615 C3CDF8      JMP    READER     ;Reader input -- returns the next input character from
0099      ; the logical reader device in A
0100 F618 C3D3FB      JMP    HOME       ;Homes the currently selected disk to track 0
0101 F61B C32BFB      JMP    SELDSK     ;Selects the disk drive specified in register C and
0102      ; returns the address of the disk parameter header
0103 F61E C358FB      JMP    SETTRK     ;Sets the track for the next read or write operation
0104      ; from the BC register pair
0105 F621 C35EFB      JMP    SETSEC     ;Sets the sector for the next read or write operation
0106      ; from the A register
0107 F624 C365FB      JMP    SETDMA     ;Sets the direct memory address (disk read/write)
0108      ; address for the next read or write operation
0109      ; from the DE register pair
0110 F627 C3FBFB      JMP    READ       ;Reads the previously specified track and sector from
0111      ; the selected disk into the DMA address
0112 F62A C315FC      JMP    WRITE      ;Writes the previously specified track and sector onto
0113      ; the selected disk from the DMA address
0114 F62D C394F8      JMP    LISTST     ;Returns A = OFFH if the list device can accept
0115      ; another output character
0116 F630 C3CDFB      JMP    SECTRAN    ;Translates a logical sector into a physical one
0117      ;
0118      ;
0119      ;
0120      ; The cold boot initialization code is only needed once.

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0121 ; It can be overwritten once it has been executed.
0122 ; Therefore, it is "hidden" inside the main disk buffer.
0123 ; When control is transferred to the BOOT entry point, this
0124 ; code will be executed, only being overwritten by data from
0125 ; the disk once the initialization procedure is complete.
0126 ;
0127 ; To hide code in the buffer, the buffer is first declared
0128 ; normally. Then the value of the location counter following
0129 ; the buffer is noted. Then, using an ORG (ORigin) statement, the
0130 ; location counter is "wound back" to the start of the buffer
0131 ; again and the initialization code written normally.
0132 ; At the end of this code, another ORG statement is used to
0133 ; set the location counter back as it was after the buffer had
0134 ; been declared.
0135 ;
0136 ;
0137 0200 = Physical$Sector$Size EQU 512 ;This is the actual sector size
0138 ;for the 5 1/4" mini-floppy diskettes.
0139 ;The 8" diskettes use 128-byte sectors.
0140 ;Declare the physical disk buffer for the
0141 ;5 1/4" diskettes
0142 F633 Disk$buffer: DS Physical$Sector$Size
0143 ;
0144 ;Save the location counter
0145 F833 = After$Disk$Buffer EQU $ ;$ = Current value of location counter
0146 ;
0147 F633 ORG Disk$Buffer ;Wind the location counter back
0148 ;
0149 Initialize$Stream: ;This stream of data is used by the
0150 ;initialize subroutine. It has the following
0151 ;formats
0152 ;
0153 ; DB Port number to be initialized
0154 ; DB Number of bytes to be output
0155 ; DB xx,xx,xx,xx data to be output
0156 ;
0157 ;
0158 ; DB Port number of 00H terminator
0159 ;
0160 ;Note : On this machine, the console port does
0161 ; not need to be initialized. This has
0162 ; already been done by the PROM bootstrap code.
0163 ;
0164 ;Initialize the 8251A USART used for
0165 ; the list and communications devices.
0166 F633 ED DB Communication$Status$Port ;Port number
0167 F634 06 DB 6 ;Number of bytes
0168 F635 00 DB 0 ;Get chip ready to be programmed by
0169 F636 00 DB 0 ; sending dummy data out to it
0170 F637 00 DB 0
0171 F638 42 DB 0100$0010B ;Reset and raise data terminal ready
0172 F639 6E DB 01$10$11$10B ;1 stop bit, no parity, 8 bits per character
0173 ; baud rate divide factor of 16,
0174 F63A 25 DB 0010$0101B ;Raise request to send, and enable
0175 ; transmit and receive.
0176 ;
0177 ;Initialize the 8253 programmable interval
0178 ; timer used to generate the baud rate for
0179 ; the 8251A USART
0180 F63B DF DB Communication$Baud$Mode ;Port number
0181 F63C 01 DB 1 ;Number of bytes
0182 F63D B6 DB 10$11$01$10B ;Select counter 2, load LS byte first,
0183 ; Mode 3 (for baud rates), binary count.
0184 ;
0185 F63E DE DB Communication$Baud$Rate ;Port number
0186 F63F 02 DB 2 ;Number of bytes
0187 F640 3800 DW 0038H ;1200 baud (based on 16X divide-down selected
0188 ; in the 8251A USART)
0189 ;
0190 F642 00 DB 0 ;Port number of 0 terminates
0191 ;
0192 ;
0193 ; Equates for the sign-on message
0194 ;
0195 000D = CR EQU 0DH ;Carriage return

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0196 000A =      LF EQU    OAH          ;Line feed
0197          ;
0198          Signon$Message:           ;Main sign-on message
0199 F643 43502F4D20 DB    'CP/M 2.2.'   ;Current version number
0200 F64C 3030 DW    VERSION           ;Current date
0201 F64E 20 DB    /
0202 F64F 3037 DW    MONTH            ;Current date
0203 F651 2F DB    /
0204 F652 3135 DW    DAY              ;Day of month
0205 F654 2F DB    /
0206 F655 3832 DW    YEAR             ;Year
0207 F657 0D0A0A DB    CR,LF,LF
0208 F65A 53496D706C DB    'Simple BIOS',CR,LF,LF
0209 F668 4469736B20 DB    'Disk configuration :',CR,LF,LF
0210 F67F 2020202020 DB    /'A: 0.35 Mbyte 5" Floppy',CR,LF
0211 F69D 2020202020 DB    /'B: 0.35 Mbyte 5" Floppy',CR,LF,LF
0212 F6BC 2020202020 DB    /'C: 0.24 Mbyte 8" Floppy',CR,LF
0213 F6DA 2020202020 DB    /'D: 0.24 Mbyte 8" Floppy',CR,LF
0214          ;
0215 F6F8 00 DB    0
0216          ;
0217 0004 =      Default$Disk     EQU    0004H  ;Default disk in base page
0218          ;
0219          BOOT:   ;Entered directly from the BIOS JMP vector.
0220          ;Control will be transferred here by the CP/M
0221          ; bootstrap loader.
0222          ;The initialization state of the computer system
0223          ; will be determined by the
0224          ; PROM bootstrap and the CP/M loader setup.
0225          ;
0226          ;Initialize system.
0227          ;This routine uses the Initialize$Stream
0228          ; declared above.
0229 F6F9 F3      DI          ;Disable interrupts to prevent any
0230          ; side effects during initialization.
0231 F6FA 2133F6 LXI    H,Initialize$Stream ;HL -> Data stream
0232          ;
0233          Initialize$Loop:
0234 F6FD 7E      MOV     A,M          ;Get port number
0235 F6FE B7      ORA     A            ;If 00H, then initialization complete
0236 F6FF CA13F7 JZ     Initialize$Complete
0237 F702 320AF7 STA    Initialize$Port ;Set up OUT instruction
0238 F705 23      INX     H            ;HL -> Count of number of bytes to output
0239 F706 4E      MOV     C,M          ;Get byte count
0240          ;
0241          Initialize$Next$Byte:
0242 F707 23      INX     H            ;HL -> Next data byte
0243 F708 7E      MOV     A,M          ;Get next data byte
0244 F709 D3      DB     OUT           ;Output to correct port
0245          Initialize$Port:
0246 F70A 00      DB     0            ;<- Set above
0247 F70B 0D      DCR     C            ;Count down
0248 F70C C207F7 JNZ    Initialize$Next$Byte ;Go back if more bytes
0249 F70F 23      INX     H            ;HL -> Next port number
0250 F710 C3FDF6 JMP    Initialize$Loop ;Go back for next port initialization
0251          ;
0252          Initialize$Complete:
0253          ;
0254          ;
0255 F713 3E01 MVI    A,00$00$00$01B ;Set IOBYTE to indicate terminal
0256 F715 320300 STA    IOBYTE          ; is to act as console
0257          ;
0258 F718 2143F6 LXI    H,Signon$Message ;Display sign-on message on console
0259 F71B C033F8 CALL   Display$Message
0260          ;
0261          ;
0262 F71E AF      XRA    A            ;Set default disk drive to A:
0263 F71F 320400 STA    Default$Disk
0264 F722 FB      EI               ;Interrupts can now be enabled
0265          ;
0266 F723 C340F8 JMP    Enter$CPM   ;Complete initialization and enter
0267          ; CP/M by going to the Console Command
0268          ; Processor.
0269          ;
0270          ; End of cold boot initialization code
0271          ;

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0272 F833          ORG    After$Disk$Buffer      ;Reset location counter
0273 ;
0274 ;
0275     Display$Message; ;Displays the specified message on the console.
0276 ;           ;On entry, HL points to a stream of bytes to be
0277 ;           ;output. A 00H-byte terminates the message.
0278 F833 7E          MOV    A,M      ;Get next message byte
0279 F834 B7          ORA    A       ;Check if terminator
0280 F835 C8          RZ     ;Yes, return to caller
0281 F836 4F          MOV    C,A      ;Prepare for output
0282 F837 E5          PUSH   H       ;Save message pointer
0283 F839 CD86FB     CALL   CONOUT ;Go to main console output routine
0284 F83B E1          POP    H       ;Recover message pointer
0285 F83C 23          INX    H       ;Move to next byte of message
0286 F83D C333FB     JMP    Display$Message ;Loop until complete message output
0287 ;
0288 ;
0289     Enter$CPM: ;This routine is entered either from the cold or warm
0290 ;           ;boot code. It sets up the JMP instructions in the
0291 ;           ;base page, and also sets the high-level disk driver's
0292 ;           ;input/output address (also known as the DMA address).
0293 ;
0294 F840 3EC3          MVI    A,JMP    ;Get machine code for JMP
0295 F842 320000        STA    0000H    ;Set up JMP at location 0000H
0296 F845 320500        STA    0005H    ;and at location 0005H
0297 ;
0298 F848 2103F6        LXI    H,Warm$Boot$Entry ;Get BIOS vector address
0299 F84B 220100        SHLD   0001H    ;Put address at location 0001H
0300 ;
0301 F84E 2106E8        LXI    H,BDOS$Entry ;Get BDOS entry point address
0302 F851 220600        SHLD   6       ;Put address at location 0005H
0303 ;
0304 F854 018000        LXI    B,80H    ;Set disk I/O address to default
0305 F857 CD65FB        CALL   SETDMA ;Use normal BIOS routine
0306 ;
0307 F85A FB            EI     ;Ensure interrupts are enabled
0308 F85B 3A0400        LDA    Default$Disk ;Transfer current default disk to
0309 F85E 4F            MOV    C,A      ;Console Command Processor
0310 F85F C300E0        JMP    CCP$Entry ;Transfer to CCP
0311 ;
0312 ;
0313 ;           Serial input/output drivers
0314 ;
0315 ;           These drivers all look at the IOBYTE at location
0316 ;           0003H, which will have been set by the cold boot routine.
0317 ;           The IOBYTE can be modified by the STAT utility, by
0318 ;           BDOS calls, or by a program that puts a value directly
0319 ;           into location 0003H.
0320 ;
0321 ;           All of the routines make use of a subroutine, Select$Routine,
0322 ;           that takes the least significant two bits of the A register
0323 ;           and uses them to transfer control to one of the routines whose
0324 ;           address immediately follows the call to Select$Routine.
0325 ;           A second entry point, Select$Routine#21, uses bits
0326 ;           2 and 1 to do the same job -- this saves some space
0327 ;           by avoiding an unnecessary instruction.
0328 ;
0329 0003 =             IOBYTE  EQU    0003H ;I/O redirection byte
0330 ;
0331 ;
0332 ;
0333 CONST:              ;Get console status
0334 ;           ;Entered directly from the BIOS JMP vector
0335 ;           ;and returns a parameter that reflects whether
0336 ;           ;there is incoming data from the console.
0337 ;
0338 ;           ;A = 00H (zero flag set) if no data
0339 ;           ;A = OFFH (zero flag clear) if data
0340 ;
0341 ;           ;CONST will be called by programs that
0342 ;           ;make periodic checks to see if the computer
0343 ;           ;operator has pressed any keys -- for example,
0344 ;           ;to interrupt an executing program.
0345 ;
0346 F862 CD6AF8        CALL   Get$Console>Status ;Return A = zero or nonzero
0347 ;           ;According to status, then convert

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0348          ; to return parameter convention.
0349 F865 B7      ORA    A      ;Set flags to reflect status
0350 F866 C8      RZ     ;If 0, no incoming data
0351 F867 3EFF    MVI    A,OFFH ;Otherwise return A = OFFH to
0352 F869 C9      RET     ; indicate incoming data
0353 ;
0354 Get$Console>Status:
0355 F86A 3A0300  LDA    IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0356                      ;Console is selected according to
0357                      ; bits 1,0 of IOBYTE
0358 F86D CDDCF8  CALL   Select$Routine ;Select appropriate routine
0359                      ;These routines return to the caller
0360                      ; of Get$Console>Status.
0361 F870 F6F8    DW     Teletype$In$Status ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0362 F872 FCF8    DW     Terminal$In$Status ;01
0363 F874 02F9    DW     Communications$In$Status ;10
0364 F876 08F9    DW     Dummy$In$Status  ;11
0365 ;
0366 ;
0367 ;
0368 ;
0369 CONIN:        ;Get console input character
0370                      ;Entered directly from the BIOS JMP vector;
0371                      ; returns the next data character from the
0372                      ; Console in the A register. The most significant
0373                      ; bit of the data character will be 0, except
0374                      ; when "reader" (communication port) input has
0375                      ; been selected. In this case, the full eight bits
0376                      ; of data are returned to permit binary data to be
0377                      ; received.
0378 ;
0379                      ;Normally, this routine will be called after
0380                      ; a call to CONST has indicated that a data character
0381                      ; is ready, but whenever the CCP or the BDOS can
0382                      ; proceed no further until console input occurs,
0383                      ; then CONIN will be called without a preceding
0384                      ; CONST call.
0385 ;
0386 F878 3A0300  LDA    IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0387 F87B CDDCF8  CALL   Select$Routine ;Select correct CONIN routine
0388                      ;These routines return directly
0389                      ; to CONIN's caller.
0390 F87E 20F9    DW     Teletype$Input ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0391 F880 26F9    DW     Terminal$Input ;01
0392 F882 2FF9    DW     Communication$Input ;10
0393 F884 35F9    DW     Dummy$Input  ;11
0394 ;
0395 ;
0396 ;
0397 CONOUT:       ;Console output
0398                      ;Entered directly from BIOS JMP vector;
0399                      ; outputs the data character in the C register
0400                      ; to the appropriate device according to bits
0401                      ; 1,0 of IOBYTE
0402 ;
0403 F886 3A0300  LDA    IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0404 F889 CDDCF8  CALL   Select$Routine ;Select correct CONOUT routine
0405                      ;These routines return directly
0406                      ; to CONOUT's caller.
0407 F88C 38F9    DW     Teletype$Output ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0408 F88E 3EF9    DW     Terminal$Output ;01
0409 F890 44F9    DW     Communication$Output ;10
0410 F892 4AF9    DW     Dummy$Output  ;11
0411 ;
0412 ;
0413 ;
0414 LISTST:       ;List device (output) status
0415                      ;Entered directly from the BIOS JMP vector;
0416                      ; returns in A list device status that
0417                      ; indicates whether the list device can accept
0418                      ; another output character. The IOBYTE's bits
0419                      ; 7,6 determine the physical device used.
0420 ;
0421                      ;A = 00H (zero flag set): cannot accept data
0422                      ;A = OFFH (zero flag clear): can accept data
0423 ;

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0424 ;Digital Research's documentation indicates
0425 ; that you can always return with A = 00H
0426 ; ("Cannot accept data") if you do not wish to
0427 ; implement the LIST$T routine. This is NOT TRUE.
0428 ;If you do not wish to implement the LIST$T routine
0429 ; always return with A = OFFH ("Can accept data").
0430 ;The LIST driver will then take care of things rather
0431 ; than potentially hanging the system.
0432 ;
0433 F894 CD9CF8 CALL Get$List$Status ;Return A = zero or nonzero
0434 ; according to status, then convert
0435 ; to return parameter convention
0436 F897 B7 ORA A ;Set flags to reflect status
0437 F898 C8 RZ ;If 0, cannot accept data for output
0438 F899 3EFF MVI A,OFFH ;Otherwise return A = OFFH to
0439 F89B C9 RET ; indicate can accept data for output
0440 ;
0441 Get$List$Status:
0442 F89C 3A0300 LDA IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0443 F89F 07 RLC ;Move bits 7,6 to 1,0
0444 F8A0 07 RLC
0445 F8A1 CDDCF8 CALL Select$Routine ;Select appropriate routine
0446 ;These routines return directly
0447 ; to Get$List$Status's caller.
0448 F8A4 0BF9 DW Teletype$Out$Status ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0449 F8A6 11F9 DW Terminal$Out$Status ;01
0450 F8A8 17F9 DW Communication$Out$Status ;10
0451 F8AA 1DF9 DW Dummy$Out$Status ;11
0452 ;
0453 ;
0454 ;
0455 ;
0456 LIST: ;List output
0457 ;Entered directly from BIOS JMP vector;
0458 ; outputs the data character in the C register
0459 ; to the appropriate device according to bits
0460 ; 7,6 of IOBYTE
0461 ;
0462 F8AC 3A0300 LDA IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0463 F8AF 07 RLC ;Move bits 7,6 to 1,0
0464 F8B0 07 RLC
0465 F8B1 CDDCF8 CALL Select$Routine ;Select correct LIST routine
0466 ;These routines return directly
0467 ; to LIST's caller.
0468 F8B4 3BF9 DW Teletype$Output ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0469 F8B6 3EF9 DW Terminal$Output ;01
0470 F8B8 44F9 DW Communication$Output ;10
0471 F8BA 4AF9 DW Dummy$Output ;11
0472 ;
0473 ;
0474 ;
0475 ;
0476 PUNCH: ;Punch output
0477 ;Entered directly from BIOS JMP vector;
0478 ; outputs the data character in the C register
0479 ; to the appropriate device according to bits
0480 ; 5,4 of IOBYTE
0481 ;
0482 F8BC 3A0300 LDA IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0483 F8BF OF RRC ;Move bits 5,4 to 2,1
0484 F8C0 OF RRC
0485 F8C1 OF RRC
0486 F8C2 CDDDF8 CALL Select$Routine$21 ;Select correct PUNCH routine
0487 ;These routines return directly
0488 ; to PUNCH's caller.
0489 F8C5 3BF9 DW Teletype$Output ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0490 F8C7 4AF9 DW Dummy$Output ;01
0491 F8C9 44F9 DW Communication$Output ;10
0492 F8CB 3EF9 DW Terminal$Output ;11
0493 ;
0494 ;
0495 ;
0496 READER: ;Reader input
0497 ;Entered directly from BIOS JMP vector;
0498 ; inputs the next data character from the
0499 ; reader device into the A register

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0500 ;The appropriate device is selected according
0501 ; to bits 3,2 of IOBYTE.
0502 ;
0503 F8CD 3A0300 LDA IOBYTE ;Get I/O redirection byte
0504 F8D0 0F RRC ;Move bits 3,2 to 2,1
0505 F8D1 CDDDF8 CALL Select$Routine$21 ;Select correct READER routine
0506 ;These routines return directly
0507 ; to READER's caller.
0508 F8D4 38F9 DW Teletype$Output ;00 <- IOBYTE bits 1,0
0509 F8D6 4AF9 DW Dummy$Output ;01
0510 F8D8 44F9 DW Communication$Output ;10
0511 F8DA 3EF9 DW Terminal$Output ;11
0512
0513 ;
0514 ;
0515 ;
0516 Select$Routine: ;Transfers control to a specified address
0517 ; following its calling address according to
0518 ; the value of bits 1,0 in A.
0519 F8DC 07 RLC ;Shift select values into bits 2,1
0520 ; in order to do word arithmetic
0521 ;
0522 Select$Routine$21: ;Entry point to select routine selection bits
0523 ; are already in bits 2,1
0524 F8DD E606 ANI 0000$0110B ;Isolate just bits 2,1
0525 F8DF E3 XTHL ;HL -> first word of addresses after
0526 ; CALL instruction
0527 F8E0 5F MOV E,A ;Add on selection value to address table
0528 F8E1 1600 MVI D,0 ;base
0529 F8E3 19 DAD D ;HL -> selected routine address
0530 ;Get routine address into HL
0531 F8E4 7E MOV A,M ;LS byte
0532 F8E5 23 INX H ;HL -> MS byte
0533 F8E6 66 MOV H,M ;MS byte
0534 F8E7 6F MOV L,A ;HL -> routine
0535 F8E8 E3 XTHL ;Top of stack -> routine
0536 F8E9 C9 RET ;Transfer to selected routine
0537 ;
0538 ;
0539 ;
0540 ; Input/Output Equates
0541 ;
0542 00ED = Teletype>Status$Port EQU 0EDH
0543 00EC = Teletype>Data$Port EQU 0ECH ;Status mask
0544 0001 = Teletype$Output$Ready EQU 0000$0001B ;Status mask
0545 0002 = Teletype$Input$Ready EQU 0000$0010B ;Status mask
0546 ;
0547 0001 = Terminal>Status$Port EQU 01H
0548 0002 = Terminal>Data$Port EQU 02H ;Status mask
0549 0001 = Terminal$Output$Ready EQU 0000$0001B ;Status mask
0550 0002 = Terminal$Input$Ready EQU 0000$0010B ;Status mask
0551 ;
0552 00ED = Communication>Status$Port EQU 0EDH
0553 00EC = Communication>Data$Port EQU 0ECH ;Status mask
0554 0001 = Communication$Output$Ready EQU 0000$0001B ;Status mask
0555 0002 = Communication$Input$Ready EQU 0000$0010B ;Status mask
0556 ;
0557 00DF = Communication$Baud$Mode EQU 0DFH ;Mode Select
0558 00DE = Communication$Baud$Rate EQU 0DEH ;Rate Select
0559 ;
0560 ;
0561 ; Serial device control tables
0562 ;
0563 ; In order to reduce the amount of executable code,
0564 ; the same low-level driver code is used for all serial ports.
0565 ; On entry to the low-level driver, HL points to the
0566 ; appropriate control table.
0567 ;
0568 Teletype$Table:
0569 F8EA ED DB Teletype>Status$Port
0570 F8EB EC DB Teletype>Data$Port
0571 F8EC 01 DB Teletype$Output$Ready
0572 F8ED 02 DB Teletype$Input$Ready
0573 ;
0574 Terminal$Table:
0575 F8EE 01 DB Terminal>Status$Port

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0576 F0EF 02      DB      Terminal$Data$Port
0577 FBF0 01      DB      Terminal$Output$Ready
0578 FBF1 02      DB      Terminal$Input$Ready
0579 ;
0580 Communication$Table:
0581 FBF2 ED      DB      Communication>Status$Port
0582 FBF3 EC      DB      Communication>Data$Port
0583 FBF4 01      DB      Communication$Output$Ready
0584 FBF5 02      DB      Communication$Input$Ready
0585 ;
0586 ;
0587 ;
0588 ;
0589 ; The following routines are "called" by Select$Routine
0590 ; to perform the low-level input/output
0591 ;
0592 Teletype$In$Status:
0593 FBF6 21EAFF  LXI    H,Teletype$Table   ;HL -> control table
0594 FBF9 C34BF9  JMP    Input$Status        ;Note use of JMP. Input$Status
0595 ; will execute the RETurn.
0596 ;
0597 Terminal$In$Status:
0598 FBF0C 21EEF8 LXI    H,Terminal$Table   ;HL -> control table
0599 FBF9 C34BF9  JMP    Input$Status        ;Note use of JMP. Input$Status
0600 ; will execute the RETurn.
0601 ;
0602 Communication$In$Status:
0603 F902 21F2F8  LXI    H,Communication$Table ;HL -> control table
0604 F905 C34BF9  JMP    Input$Status        ;Note use of JMP. Input$Status
0605 ; will execute the RETurn.
0606 ;
0607 Dummy$In$Status:
0608 F908 3EFF    MVI    A,OFFH           ;Dummy status, always returns
0609 F90A C9      RET                 ; indicating incoming data is ready
0610 ;
0611 ;
0612 Teletype$Out$Status:
0613 F90B 21EAFF  LXI    H,Teletype$Table   ;HL -> control table
0614 F90E C356F9  JMP    Output$Status       ;Note use of JMP. Output$Status
0615 ; will execute the RETurn.
0616 ;
0617 Terminal$Out$Status:
0618 F911 21EEF8 LXI    H,Terminal$Table   ;HL -> control table
0619 F914 C356F9  JMP    Output$Status       ;Note use of JMP. Output$Status
0620 ; will execute the RETurn.
0621 ;
0622 Communication$Out$Status:
0623 F917 21F2F8  LXI    H,Communication$Table ;HL -> control table
0624 F91A C356F9  JMP    Output$Status       ;Note use of JMP. Output$Status
0625 ; will execute the RETurn.
0626 ;
0627 Dummy$Out$Status:
0628 F91D 3EFF    MVI    A,OFFH           ;Dummy status, always returns
0629 F91F C9      RET                 ; indicating ready for output
0630 ;
0631 ;
0632 Teletype$Input:
0633 F920 21EAFF  LXI    H,Teletype$Table   ;HL -> control table
0634 F923 C360F9  JMP    Input$Data         ;Note use of JMP. Input$Data
0635 ; will execute the RETurn.
0636 ;
0637 Terminal$Input:
0638 F926 21EEF8 LXI    H,Terminal$Table   ;HL -> control table
0639 ; will execute the RETurn.
0640 F929 CD60F9  CALL   Input$Data         ;** Special case **
0641 ; Input$Data will return here
0642 F92C E67F    ANI    7FH              ; so that parity bit can be set 0
0643 F92E C9      RET                 ;
0644 ;
0645 Communication$Input:
0646 F92F 21F2F8  LXI    H,Communication$Table ;HL -> control table
0647 F932 C360F9  JMP    Input$Data         ;Note use of JMP. Input$Data
0648 ; will execute the RETurn.
0649 ;
0650 Dummy$Input:
0651 F935 3E1A    MVI    A,1AH            ;Dummy input, always returns
0652 ; indicating CP/M end of file

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0652 F937 C9      RET
0653 ;
0654 ;
0655 ;
0656 ;
0657 Teletype$Output:
0658 F938 21EAF8  LXI    H,Teletype$Table   ;HL -> control table
0659 F93B C370F9  JMP    Output$Data        ;Note use of JMP. Output$Data
0660 ;
0661 ;
0662 Terminal$Output:
0663 F93E 21EEF8  LXI    H,Terminal$Table   ;HL -> control table
0664 ;
0665 F941 C370F9  JMP    Output$Data        ;will execute the RETurn.
0666 ;
0667 ;
0668 Communication$Output:
0669 F944 21F2F8  LXI    H,Communication$Table ;HL -> control table
0670 F947 C370F9  JMP    Output$Data        ;Note use of JMP. Output$Data
0671 ;
0672 ;
0673 Dummy$Output:
0674 F94A C9      RET    ;Dummy output, always discards
0675 ;
0676 ;
0677 ;
0678 ;
0679 ; These are the general purpose low-level drivers.
0680 ; On entry, HL points to the appropriate control table.
0681 ; For output, the C register contains the data to be output.
0682 ;
0683 Input>Status:    ;Return with A = 00H if no incoming data,
0684 ; otherwise A = nonzero.
0685 F94B 7E      MOV    A,M    ;Get status port
0686 F94C 3250F9  STA    Input>Status$Port   ;*** Self-modifying code ***
0687 F94F DB      DB    IN    ;Input to A from correct status port
0688 ;
0689 Input>Status$Port:
0690 F950 00      DB    00    ;<- Set above
0691 F951 23      INX    H     ;Move HL to point to input data mask
0692 F952 23      INX    H
0693 F953 23      INX    H
0694 F954 A6      ANA    M     ;Mask with input status
0695 F955 C9      RET
0696 ;
0697 ;
0698 Output>Status:    ;Return with A = 00H if not ready for output
0699 ; otherwise A = nonzero.
0700 F956 7E      MOV    A,M    ;Get status port
0701 F957 325BF9  STA    Output>Status$Port ;*** Self-modifying code ***
0702 F95A DB      DB    IN    ;Input to A from correct status port
0703 ;
0704 Output>Status$Port:
0705 F95B 00      DB    00    ;<- Set above
0706 F95C 23      INX    H     ;Move HL to point to output data mask
0707 F95D 23      INX    H
0708 F95E A6      ANA    M     ;Mask with output status
0709 F95F C9      RET
0710 ;
0711 ;
0712 Input>Data:    ;Return with next data character in A.
0713 ;Wait for status routine to indicate
0714 ; incoming data.
0715 F960 E5      PUSH   H     ;Save control table pointer
0716 F961 CD4BF9  CALL   Input>Status   ;Get input status in zero flag
0717 F964 E1      POP    H     ;Recover control table pointer
0718 F965 CA60F9  JZ    Input>Data    ;Wait until incoming data
0719 F968 23      INX    H     ;HL -> data port
0720 F969 7E      MOV    A,M    ;Get data port
0721 F96A 326EF9  STA    Input>Data$Port ;*** Self-modifying code ***
0722 F96D DB      DB    IN    ;Input to A from correct data port
0723 ;
0724 Input>Data$Port:
0725 F96E 00      DB    0     ;<- Set above
0726 F96F C9      RET
0727 ;

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0728      ; Output$Data:           ;Output the data character in the C register.
0729      ;                   ;Wait for status routine to indicate device
0730      ;                   ; ready to accept another character
0731      ; Save control table pointer
0732 F970 E5      PUSH   H      ;Get output status in zero flag
0733 F971 CD56F9      CALL   Output$Status ;Recover control table pointer
0734 F974 E1      POP    H      ;Wait until ready for output
0735 F975 CA70F9      JZ    Output$Data ;HL -> output port
0736 F978 23      INX    H      ;Get output port
0737 F979 7E      MOV    A,M   ;Output$Data$Port ;*** Self-modifying code ***
0738 F97A 927FF9      STA   Output$Data$Port ;Get data character to be output
0739 F97D 79      MOV    A,C   ;Output data to correct port
0740 F97E D3      DB    OUT   ;Output$Data$Port:           ;Output the data character in the C register.
0741      ;                   ;Wait for status routine to indicate device
0742      ;                   ; ready to accept another character
0743 F97F 00      DB    0      ;<- Set above
0744 F980 C9      RET
0745 ;
0746 ;
0747 ; High level diskette drivers
0748 ;
0749 ; These drivers perform the following functions:
0750 ;
0751 ; SELDSK Select a specified disk and return the address of
0752 ;       the appropriate disk parameter header
0753 ; SETTRK Set the track number for the next read or write
0754 ; SETSEC Set the sector number for the next read or write
0755 ; SETDMA Set the DMA (read/write) address for the next read or write.
0756 ; SECTRAN Translate a logical sector number into a physical
0757 ; HOME Set the track to 0 so that the next read or write will
0758 ;       be on Track 0
0759 ;
0760 ; In addition, the high-level drivers are responsible for making
0761 ;       the 5 1/4" floppy diskettes that use a 512-byte sector appear
0762 ;       to CP/M as though they used a 128-byte sector. They do this
0763 ;       by using what is called blocking/deblocking code,
0764 ;       described in more detail later in this listing,
0765 ;       just prior to the code itself.
0766 ;
0767 ;
0768 ;
0769 ; Disk parameter tables
0770 ;
0771 ; As discussed in Chapter 3, these describe the physical
0772 ;       characteristics of the disk drives. In this example BIOS,
0773 ;       there are two types of disk drives: standard single-sided,
0774 ;       single-density 8", and double-sided, double-density 5 1/4"
0775 ;       diskettes.
0776 ;
0777 ; The standard 8" diskettes do not need to use the blocking/
0778 ;       deblocking code, but the 5 1/4" drives do. Therefore an additional
0779 ;       byte has been prefixed to the disk parameter block to
0780 ;       tell the disk drivers each logical disk's physical
0781 ;       diskette type, and whether or not it needs deblocking.
0782 ;
0783 ;
0784 ; Disk definition tables
0785 ;
0786 ; These consist of disk parameter headers, with one entry
0787 ;       per logical disk driver, and disk parameter blocks, with
0788 ;       either one parameter block per logical disk or the same
0789 ;       parameter block for several logical disks.
0790 ;
0791 ;
0792 Disk$Parameter$Headers:           ;Described in Chapter 3
0793 ;
0794 ;Logical Disk A: (5 1/4" Diskette)
0795 F981 6BF8      DW    Floppy$5$Skewtable ;5 1/4" skew table
0796 F983 0000000000  DW    0,0,0   ;Reserved for CP/M
0797 F989 C1F9      DW    Directory$Buffer
0798 F98B 42FA      DW    Floppy$5$Parameter$Block
0799 F98D 61FA      DW    Disk$A$Workarea
0800 F98F C1FA      DW    Disk$A$Allocations$Vector
0801 ;
0802 ;Logical Disk B: (5 1/4" Diskette)
0803 F991 6BF8      DW    Floppy$5$Skewtable ;Shares same skew table as A:

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0804 F993 0000000000 DW 0,0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
0805 F999 C1F9 DW Directory$Buffer ;Share same buffer as A:
0806 F99B 42FA DW Floppy$8$Parameter$Block ;Same DPB as A:
0807 F99D 81FA DW Disk$B$Workarea ;Private work area
0808 F99F D7FA DW Disk$B$Allocation$Vector ;Private allocation vector
0809 ;
0810 F9A1 B3FB DW Floppy$8$Skewtable ;Logical Disk C: (8" Floppy)
0812 F9A3 0000000000 DW 0,0,0 ;8" skew table
0813 F9A9 C1F9 DW Directory$Buffer ;Reserved for CP/M
0814 F9AB 52FA DW Floppy$8$Parameter$Block ;Share same buffer as A:
0815 F9AD A1FA DW Disk$C$Workarea ;Private work area
0816 F9AF EDF4 DW Disk$C$Allocation$Vector ;Private allocation vector
0817 ;
0818 F9B1 6BFB DW Floppy$5$Skewtable ;Logical Disk D: (8" Floppy)
0820 F9B3 0000000000 DW 0,0,0 ;Shares same skew table as A:
0821 F9B9 C1F9 DW Directory$Buffer ;Reserved for CP/M
0822 F9BB 52FA DW Floppy$8$Parameter$Block ;Share same buffer as A:
0823 F9BD B1FA DW Disk$D$Workarea ;Same DPB as C:
0824 F9BF OCFB DW Disk$D$Allocation$Vector ;Private work area
0825 ;
0826 ;
0827 F9C1 Directory$Buffer: DS 128
0828 ;
0829 ;
0830 ;
0831 ;
0832 ;
0833 ; Disk Types
0834 ;
0835 0001 = Floppy$5 EQU 1 ;5 1/4" mini floppy
0836 0002 = Floppy$8 EQU 2 ;8" floppy (SS SD)
0837 ;
0838 ; Blocking/deblocking indicator
0839 ;
0840 0080 = Need$Deblocking EQU 1000$0000B ;Sector size > 128 bytes
0841 ;
0842 ;
0843 ; Disk parameter blocks
0844 ;
0845 ; 5 1/4" mini floppy
0846 ;
0847 ;Extra byte prefixed to indicate
0848 ; disk type and blocking required
0849 FA41 81 DB Floppy$5 + Need$Deblocking
0850 Floppy$5$Parameter$Block:
0851 FA42 4800 DW 72 ;128-byte sectors per track
0852 FA44 04 DB 4 ;Block shift
0853 FA45 0F DB 15 ;Block mask
0854 FA46 01 DB 1 ;Extent mask
0855 FA47 AE00 DW 174 ;Maximum allocation block number
0856 FA49 7F00 DW 127 ;Number of directory entries - 1
0857 FA4B C0 DB 1100$0000B ;Bit map for reserving 1 alloc. block
0858 FA4C 00 DB 0000$0000B ; for file directory
0859 FA4D 2000 DW 32 ;Disk changed work area size
0860 FA4F 0100 DW 1 ;Number of tracks before directory
0861 ;
0862 ;
0863 ; Standard 8" Floppy
0864 ;Extra byte prefixed to DPB for
0865 ;this version of the BIOS
0866 FA51 02 DB Floppy$8 ;Indicates disk type and the fact
0867 ;that no deblocking is required
0868 Floppy$8$Parameter$Block:
0869 FA52 1A00 DW 26 ;Sectors per track
0870 FA54 03 DB 3 ;Block shift
0871 FA55 07 DB 7 ;Block mask
0872 FA56 00 DB 0 ;Extent mask
0873 FA57 F200 DW 242 ;Maximum allocation block number
0874 FA59 3F00 DW 63 ;Number of directory entries - 1
0875 FA5B C0 DB 1100$0000B ;Bit map for reserving 2 alloc. blocks
0876 FA5C 00 DB 0000$0000B ; for file directory
0877 FA5D 1000 DW 16 ;Disk changed work area size
0878 FA5F 0200 DW 2 ;Number of tracks before directory
0879 ;
0880 ;

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0881 ; Disk work areas
0882 ;
0883 ; These are used by the BDOS to detect any unexpected
0884 ; change of diskettes. The BDOS will automatically set
0885 ; such a changed diskette to read-only status.
0886 ;
0887 FA61 Disk$A$Workarea: DS 32 ; A:
0888 FA81 Disk$B$Workarea: DS 32 ; B:
0889 FAA1 Disk$C$Workarea: DS 16 ; C:
0890 FAB1 Disk$D$Workarea: DS 16 ; D:
0891 ;
0892 ;
0893 ; Disk allocation vectors
0894 ;
0895 ; These are used by the BDOS to maintain a bit map of
0896 ; which allocation blocks are used and which are free.
0897 ; One byte is used for eight allocation blocks, hence the
0898 ; expression of the form (allocation blocks/8)+1.
0899 ;
0900 FAC1 Disk$A$Allocation$Vector DS (174/8)+1 ; A:
0901 FAD7 Disk$B$Allocation$Vector DS (174/8)+1 ; B:
0902 ;
0903 FAED Disk$C$Allocation$Vector DS (242/8)+1 ; C:
0904 FB0C Disk$D$Allocation$Vector DS (242/8)+1 ; D:
0905 ;
0906 ;
0907 0004 = Number$of$Logical$Disks EQU 4
0908 ;
0909 ;
0910 SELDSK: ;Select disk in C
0911 ;C = 0 for drive A, 1 for B, etc.
0912 ;Return the address of the appropriate
0913 ;disk parameter header in HL, or 0000H
0914 ;if the selected disk does not exist.
0915 ;
0916 FB2B 210000 LXI H,O ;Assume an error
0917 FB2E 79 MOV A,C ;Check if requested disk valid
0918 FB2F FE04 CPI Number$of$Logical$Disks
0919 FB31 D0 RNC ;Return if > maximum number of disks
0920 ;
0921 FB32 32EAFB STA Selected$Disk ;Save selected disk number
0922 ;Set up to return DPH address
0923 FB35 6F MOV L,A ;Make disk into word value
0924 FB36 2600 MVI H,O
0925 ;Compute offset down disk parameter
0926 ;header table by multiplying by
0927 ;parameter header length (16 bytes)
0928 FB38 29 DAD H ;*2
0929 FB39 29 DAD H ;*4
0930 FB3A 29 DAD H ;*8
0931 FB3B 29 DAD H ;*16
0932 FB3C 1181F9 LXI D,Disk$Parameter$Headers ;Get base address
0933 FB3F 19 DAD D ;DE -> Appropriate DPH
0934 FB40 E5 PUSH H ;Save DPH address
0935 ;
0936 ;Access disk parameter block
0937 ;to extract special prefix byte that
0938 ;identifies disk type and whether
0939 ;deblocking is required
0940 ;
0941 FB41 110A00 LXI D,10 ;Get DPB pointer offset in DPH
0942 FB44 19 DAD D ;DE -> DPB address in DPH
0943 FB45 5E MOV E,M ;Get DPB address in DE
0944 FB46 23 INX H
0945 FB47 56 MOV D,M
0946 FB48 EB XCHG ;DE -> DPB
0947 FB49 2B DCX H ;DE -> prefix byte
0948 FB4A 7E MOV A,M ;Get prefix byte
0949 FB4B E60F ANI OFH ;Isolate disk type
0950 FB4D 32FAFB STA Disk$Type ;Save for use in low-level driver
0951 FB50 7E MOV A,M ;Get another copy of prefix byte
0952 FB51 E680 ANI Need$Deblocking ;Isolate deblocking flag
0953 FB53 32F9FB STA Deblocking$Required ;Save for use in low-level driver
0954 FB56 E1 POP H ;Recover DPH pointer
0955 FB57 C9 RET
0956 ;

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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0957 ; Set logical track for next read or write
0958 ; 
0959 ;
0960 SETTRK:
0961 FB58 60      MOV    H,B          ;Selected track in BC on entry
0962 FB59 69      MOV    L,C          ;
0963 FB5A 22EBFB   SHLD   Selected$Track ;Save for low-level driver
0964 FB5D C9      RET
0965 ;
0966 ;
0967 ; Set logical sector for next read or write
0968 ;
0969 ;
0970 SETSEC:           Logical sector in C on entry
0971 FB5E 79      MOV    A,C          ;
0972 FB5F 32EDFB   STA    Selected$Sector ;Save for low-level driver
0973 FB62 C9      RET
0974 ;
0975 ;
0976 ; Set disk DMA (input/output) address for next read or write
0977 ;
0978 FB63 0000   DMA$Address:     DW     0          ;DMA address
0979 ;
0980 SETDMA:           Address in BC on entry
0981 FB65 69      MOV    L,C          ;Move to HL to save
0982 FB66 60      MOV    H,B          ;
0983 FB67 2263FB   SHLD   DMA$Address ;Save for low-level driver
0984 FB6A C9      RET
0985 ;
0986 ;
0987 ; Translate logical sector number to physical
0988 ;
0989 ; Sector translation tables
0990 ; These tables are indexed using the logical sector number,
0991 ; and contain the corresponding physical sector number.
0992 ;
0993 Floppy$5$Skewtable: ;Each physical sector contains four
0994 ; 128-byte sectors.
0995 ; Physical 128b Logical 128b Physical 512-byte
0996 FB6B 00010203   DB    00,01,02,03 ;00,01,02,03 0 )
0997 FB6F 10111213   DB    16,17,18,19 ;04,05,06,07 4 )
0998 FB73 20212223   DB    32,33,34,35 ;08,09,10,11 8 )
0999 FB77 0C0D0EOF   DB    12,13,14,15 ;12,13,14,15 3 ) Head
1000 FB7B 1C1D1E1F   DB    28,29,30,31 ;16,17,18,19 7 ) 0
1001 FB7F 08090AOB   DB    08,09,10,11 ;20,21,22,23 2 )
1002 FB83 16191A1B   DB    24,25,26,27 ;24,25,26,27 6 )
1003 FB87 04050607   DB    04,05,06,07 ;28,29,30,31 1 )
1004 FB8B 14151617   DB    20,21,22,23 ;32,33,34,35 5 )
1005 ;
1006 FB8F 24252627   DB    36,37,38,39 ;36,37,38,39 0 ]
1007 FB93 34353637   DB    52,53,54,55 ;40,41,42,43 4 ]
1008 FB97 44454647   DB    68,69,70,71 ;44,45,46,47 8 ]
1009 FB9B 30313233   DB    48,49,50,51 ;48,49,50,51 3 ] Head
1010 FB9F 40414243   DB    64,65,66,67 ;52,53,54,55 7 ] 1
1011 FBAA 2C2D2E2F   DB    44,45,46,47 ;56,57,58,59 2 ]
1012 FBAB 3C3D3E3F   DB    60,61,62,63 ;60,61,62,63 6 ]
1013 FBAC 26292A2B   DB    40,41,42,43 ;64,65,66,67 1 ]
1014 FBAD 38393A3B   DB    56,57,58,59 ;68,69,70,71 5 ]
1015 ;
1016 ;
1017 Floppy$8$Skewtable: ;Standard 8" Driver
1018 ; 01,02,03,04,05,06,07,08,09,10 Logical sectors
1019 FBB3 01070D1319   DB    01,07,13,19,25,05,11,17,23,03 ;Physical sectors
1020 ;
1021 ; 11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20 Logical sectors
1022 FBBD 090F150208   DB    09,15,21,02,08,14,20,26,06,12 ;Physical sectors
1023 ;
1024 ; 21,22,23,24,25,26 Logical sectors
1025 FBC7 1218040A10   DB    18,24,04,10,16,22 ;Physical sectors
1026 ;
1027 ;
1028 SECTRAN:           ;Translate logical sector into physical
1029 ;On entry, BC = logical sector number
1030 ;           DE -> appropriate skew table
1031 ;
1032 ;on exit, HL = physical sector number

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1033 FBCD EB      XCHG          ;HL -> skew table base
1034 FBCE 09      DAD   B       ;Add on logical sector number
1035 FBCF 6E      MOV   L,M     ;Get physical sector number
1036 FBDD 2600    MVI   H,O     ;Make into a 16-bit value
1037 FBDD2 C9     RET
1038 ;
1039 ;
1040 ;
1041 HOME:          ;Home the selected logical disk to track 0.
1042 ;Before doing this, a check must be made to see
1043 ; if the physical disk buffer has information
1044 ; that must be written out. This is indicated by
1045 ; a flag, Must$Write$Buffer, set in the
1046 ; deblocking code.
1047 ;
1048 FBD3 3AE9FB    LDA   Must$Write$Buffer  ;Check if physical buffer must
1049 FBD6 B7      ORA   A       ; be written out to disk
1050 FBD7 C2DDFB    JNZ   HOME$No$Write
1051 FBDA 32E9FB    STA   Data$In$Disk$Buffer  ;No, so indicate that buffer
1052 ; is now unoccupied.
1053 HOME$No$Write:
1054 FBDD 0E00    MVI   C,0     ;Set to track 0 (logically --
1055 FBDF CD56FB    CALL  SETTRK   ; no actual disk operation occurs)
1056 FBE2 C9     RET
1057 ;
1058 ;
1059 ; Data written to or read from the mini-floppy drive is transferred
1060 ; via a physical buffer that is actually 512 bytes long (it was
1061 ; declared at the front of the BIOS and holds the "one-time"
1062 ; initialization code used for the cold boot procedure).
1063 ;
1064 ; The blocking/deblocking code attempts to minimize the amount
1065 ; of actual disk I/O by storing the disk, track, and physical sector
1066 ; currently residing in the Physical Buffer. If a read request is for
1067 ; a 128-byte CP/M "sector" that already is in the physical buffer,
1068 ; then no disk access occurs.
1069 ;
1070 ;
1071 0B00 = Allocation$Block$Size    EQU  2048
1072 0012 = Physical$Sec$Per$Track EQU  18
1073 0004 = CPM$Sec$Per$Physical   EQU  Physical$Sector$Size/128
1074 0048 = CPM$Sec$Per$Track     EQU  CPM$Sec$Per$Physical*Physical$Sec$Per$Track
1075 0003 = Sector$Mask           EQU  CPM$Sec$Per$Physical-1
1076 0002 = Sector$Bit$Shift      EQU  2      ;LOG2(CPM$Sec$Per$Physical)
1077 ;
1078 ;These are the values handed over by the BDOS
1079 ; when it calls the WRITE operation.
1080 ;The allocated/unallocated indicates whether the
1081 ; BDOS is set to write to an unallocated allocation
1082 ; block (it only indicates this for the first
1083 ; 128-byte sector write) or to an allocation block
1084 ; that has already been allocated to a file.
1085 ;The BDOS also indicates if it is set to write to
1086 ; the file directory.
1087 ;
1088 0000 = Write$Allocated        EQU  0
1089 0001 = Write$Directory       EQU  1
1090 0002 = Write$Unallocated     EQU  2
1091 ;
1092 FBE3 00      Write$type:      DB   0      ;Contains the type of write
1093 ; indicated by the BDOS.
1094 ;
1095 ;
1096 In$Buffer$Dk$Trk$Sec:        ;Variables for physical sector
1097 ; currently in Disk$Buffer in memory
1098 FBE4 00      In$Buffer$Disk:    DB   0      ;These are moved and compared
1099 FBE5 0000    In$Buffer$Track:  DW   0      ;as a group, so do not alter
1100 FBE7 00      In$Buffer$Sector: DB   0      ;these lines.
1101 ;
1102 FBE8 00      Data$In$Disk$Buffer: DB   0      ;When nonzero, the disk buffer has
1103 ; data from the disk in it.
1104 FBE9 00      Must$Write$Buffer: DB   0      ;Nonzero when data has been
1105 ; written into Disk$Buffer but
1106 ; not yet written out to disk
1107 ;
1108 Selected$Dk$Trk$Sec:        ;Variables for selected disk, track, and sector

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1109          ; (Selected by SELDSK, SETTRK, and SETSEC)
1110 FBEA 00    Selected$Disk:           DB   0      ; These are moved and
1111 FBEB 0000  Selected$Track:        DW   0      ; compared as a group so
1112 FBED 00    Selected$Sector:       DB   0      ; do not alter order.
1113
1114 FBEE 00    Selected$Physical$Sector: DB   0      ;Selected physical sector derived
1115                                         ; from selected (CP/M) sector by
1116                                         ; shifting it right the number of
1117                                         ; of bits specified by
1118                                         ; Sector$Bit$Shift
1119
1120 FBF0 00    Selected$Disk$Type:     DB   0      ;Set by SELDSK to indicate either
1121                                         ; "8" or 5 1/4" floppy
1122 FBF0 00    Selected$Disk$Deblock:   DB   0      ;Set by SELDSK to indicate whether
1123                                         ; deblocking is required.
1124
1125
1126 Unallocated$Dk$Trk$Sec:          ;Parameters for writing to a previously
1127                                         ; unallocated allocation block.
1128 FBF1 00    Unallocated$Disk:        DB   0      ; These are moved and compared
1129 FBF2 0000  Unallocated$Track:      DW   0      ; as a group so do not alter
1130 FBF4 00    Unallocated$Sector:     DB   0      ; these lines.
1131
1132 FBF5 00    Unallocated$Record$Count: DB   0      ;Number of unallocated "records"
1133                                         ; in current previously unallocated
1134                                         ; allocation block.
1135
1136 FBF6 00    Disk$Error$Flag:       DB   0      ;Nonzero to indicate an error
1137                                         ; that could not be recovered
1138                                         ; by the disk drivers. BDOS will
1139                                         ; output a "bad sector" message.
1140
1141 ;Flags used inside the deblocking code
1142
1143 FBF7 00    Must$Preread$Sector:   DB   0      ;Nonzero if a physical sector must
1144                                         ; be read into the disk buffer
1145                                         ; either before a write to an
1146                                         ; allocated block can occur, or
1147                                         ; for a normal CP/M 128-byte
1148                                         ; sector read
1149 FBF8 00    Read$Operation:        DB   0      ;Nonzero when a CP/M 128-byte
1150                                         ; sector is to be read
1151 FBF9 00    Deblocking$Required:    DB   0      ;Nonzero when the selected disk
1152                                         ; needs deblocking (set in SELDSK)
1153 FBFA 00    Disk$Type:            DB   0      ;Indicates 8" or 5 1/4" floppy
1154                                         ; selected (set in SELDSK).
1155
1156
1157 ; Read in the 128-byte CP/M sector specified by previous calls
1158 ; to select disk and to set track and sector. The sector will be read
1159 ; into the address specified in the previous call to set DMA address.
1160
1161 ; If reading from a disk drive using sectors larger than 128 bytes,
1162 ; deblocking code will be used to "unpack" a 128-byte sector from
1163 ; the physical sector.
1164 READ:
1165 FBF8 3AF9FB  LDA   Deblocking$Required ;Check if deblocking needed
1166 FBF8 B7      ORA   A                 ;(flag was set in SELDSK call)
1167 FBFF CA52FD  JZ    Read$No$Deblock ;No, use normal nondeblocked
1168
1169
1170 ;The deblocking algorithm used is such
1171 ; that a read operation can be viewed
1172 ; up until the actual data transfer as
1173 ; though it was the first write to an
1174 ; unallocated allocation block.
1175 FC02 AF      XRA   A                 ;Set the record count to 0
1176 FC03 32F5FB  STA   Unallocated$Record$Count ; for first "write"
1177 FC06 3C      INR   A                 ;Indicate that it is really a read
1178 FC07 32F8FB  STA   Read$Operation ; that is to be performed
1179 FCOA 32F7FB  STA   Must$Preread$Sector ; and force a preread of the sector
1180 FC0D 3E02      MVI   A,Write$Unallocated ;Fake deblocking code into responding
1181 FCOF 32E3FB  STA   Write$Type    ; as if this is the first write to an
1182                                         ; unallocated allocation block.
1183 FC12 C36EFC  JMP   Perform$Read$Write ;Use common code to execute read

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1184 ; Write a 128-byte sector from the current DMA address to
1185 ; the previously selected disk, track, and sector.
1186 ;
1187 ;
1188 ; On arrival here, the BDOS will have set register C to indicate
1189 ; whether this write operation is to an already allocated allocation
1190 ; block (which means a preread of the sector may be needed),
1191 ; to the directory (in which case the data will be written to the
1192 ; disk immediately), or to the first 128-byte sector of a previously
1193 ; unallocated allocation block (in which case no preread is required).
1194 ;
1195 ; Only writes to the directory take place immediately. In all other
1196 ; cases, the data will be moved from the DMA address into the disk
1197 ; buffer, and only written out when circumstances force the
1198 ; transfer. The number of physical disk operations can therefore
1199 ; be reduced considerably.
1200 ;
1201 WRITE:
1202 FC15 3AF9FB LDA Deblocking$Required ;Check if deblocking is required
1203 FC18 B7 ORA A ;(flag set in SELDSK call)
1204 FC19 CA4DFD JZ Write$No$Deblock
1205 ;
1206 FC1C AF XRA A ;Indicate that a write operation
1207 FC1D 32FBFB STA Read$Operation ; is required (i.e. NOT a read)
1208 FC20 79 MOV A,C ;Save the BDOS write type
1209 FC21 32E3FB STA Write$Type
1210 FC24 FE02 CPI Write$Unallocated ;Check if the first write to an
1211 FC26 C237FC JNZ Check$Unallocated$Block ;unallocated allocation block
1212 ;No, check if in the middle of
1213 ; writing to an unallocated block
1214 ;Yes, first write to unallocated
1215 ; allocation block -- initialize
1216 ; variables associated with
1217 ; unallocated writes.
1218 FC29 3E10 MVI A,Allocation$Block$Size/128 ;Get number of 128-byte
1219 ; sectors and
1220 FC2B 32F5FB STA Unallocated$Record$Count ; set up a count.
1221 ;
1222 FC2E 21EAFB LXI H,Selected$Dk$Trk$Sec ;Copy disk, track, and sector
1223 FC31 11F1FB LXI D,Unallocated$Dk$Trk$Sec ; into unallocated variables
1224 FC34 CD35FD CALL Move$Dk$Trk$Sec
1225 ;
1226 ; Check if this is not the first write to an unallocated
1227 ; allocation block -- if it is, the unallocated record count
1228 ; has just been set to the number of 128-byte sectors in the
1229 ; allocation block.
1230 ;
1231 Check$Unallocated$Block:
1232 FC37 3AF5FB LDA Unallocated$Record$Count
1233 FC3A B7 ORA A
1234 FC3B CA66FC JZ Request$Preread ;No, this is a write to an
1235 ; allocated block
1236 ;Yes, this is a write to an
1237 ; unallocated block
1238 FC3E 3D DCR A ;Count down on number of 128-byte sectors
1239 FC3F 32F5FB STA Unallocated$Record$Count ; left unwritten to in allocation block
1240 ; and store back new value.
1241 ;
1242 FC42 21EAFB LXI H,Selected$Dk$Trk$Sec ;Check if the selected disk, track,
1243 FC45 11F1FB LXI D,Unallocated$Dk$Trk$Sec ; and sector are the same as for
1244 FC48 CD29FD CALL Compare$Dk$Trk$Sec ; those in the unallocated block.
1245 FC4B C266FC JNZ Request$Preread ;No, a preread is required
1246 ;Yes, no preread is needed.
1247 ;Now is a convenient time to
1248 ; update the current sector and see
1249 ; if the track also needs updating.
1250 ;
1251 ; By design, Compare$Dk$Trk$Sec
1252 ; returns with
1253 ; DE -> Unallocated$Sector
1254 FC4E EB XCHG M ; HL -> Unallocated$Sector
1255 FC4F 34 INR M ;Update Unallocated$Sector
1256 FC50 7E MOV A,M ;Check if sector now > maximum
1257 FC51 FE48 CPI CPM$Sec$Per$Track ; on a track
1258 FC53 DA5FFC JC No$Track$Change ;No (A < M)
1259 ;Yes,

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1260 FC56 3600 MVI M,0 ;Reset sector to 0
1261 FC58 2AF2FB LHLD Unallocated$Track ;Increase track by 1
1262 FC5B 23 INX H
1263 FC5C 22F2FB SHLD Unallocated$Track
1264 ;
1265 No$Track$Change: ;Indicate to later code that
1266 ; no preread is needed.
1267
1268 FC5F AF XRA A
1269 FC60 32F7FB STA Must$Preread$Sector ;Must$Preread$Sector=0
1270 FC63 C36EFC JMP Perform$Read$Write
1271 ;
1272 Request$Preread: ;Indicate that this is not a write
1273 FC66 AF XRA A ;into an unallocated block.
1274 FC67 32F5FB STA Unallocated$Record$Count ;Must$Preread$Sector
1275 FC6A 3C INR A
1276 FC6B 32F7FB STA Must$Preread$Sector ;Indicate that a preread of the
1277 ; physical sector is required.
1278 ;
1279 ;
1280 Perform$Read$Write: ;Common code to execute both reads and
1281 ; writes of 128-byte sectors.
1282 FC6E AF XRA A ;Assume that no disk errors will
1283 FC6F 32F6FB STA Disk$Error$Flag ; occur
1284
1285 FC72 3AE0FB LDA Selected$Sector ;Convert selected 128-byte sector
1286 FC75 1F RAR ; into physical sector by dividing by 4
1287 FC76 1F RAR
1288 FC77 E63F ANI 3FH ;Remove any unwanted bits
1289 FC79 32EEFB STA Selected$Physical$Sector
1290
1291 FC7C 21E0FB LXI H,Data$In$Disk$Buffer ;Check if disk buffer already has
1292 FC7F 7E MOV A,M ; data in it.
1293 FC80 3601 MVI M,1 ;(Unconditionally indicate that
1294 ; the buffer now has data in it)
1295 FC82 B7 ORA A ;Did it indeed have data in it?
1296 FC83 CAA3FC JZ Read$Sector$into$Buffer ;No, proceed to read a physical
1297 ; sector into the buffer.
1298 ;
1299 ;The buffer does have a physical sector
1300 ; in it.
1301 ; Note: The disk, track, and PHYSICAL
1302 ; sector in the buffer need to be
1303 ; checked, hence the use of the
1304 ; Compare$Dk$Trk subroutine.
1305
1306 FC86 11E4FB LXI D,In$Buffer$Dk$Trk$Sec ;Check if sector in buffer is the
1307 FC89 21EAFB LXI H,Selected$Dk$Trk$Sec ; same as that selected earlier
1308 FC8C CD24FD CALL Compare$Dk$Trk ;Compare ONLY disk and track
1309 FC8F C29CF0 JNZ Sector$Not$In$Buffer ;No, it must be read in
1310
1311 FC92 3AE7FB LDA In$Buffer$Sector ;Get physical sector in buffer
1312 FC95 21EEFB LXI H,Selected$Physical$Sector
1313 FC98 BE CMP M ;Check if correct physical sector
1314 FC99 CAB1FC JZ Sector$In$Buffer ;Yes, it is already in memory
1315 ;
1316 Sector$Not$In$Buffer: ;No, it will have to be read in
1317 ; over current contents of buffer
1318
1319 FC9C 3AE9FB LDA Must$Write$Buffer ;Check if buffer has data in that
1320 FC9F B7 ORA A ; must be written out first
1321 FCA0 C495FD CNZ Write$Physical ;Yes, write it out
1322 ;
1323 Read$Sector$into$Buffer: ;Set in buffer variables from
1324 FCA3 CD11FD CALL Set$In$Buffer$Dk$Trk$Sec ; selected disk, track, and sector
1325 ; to reflect which sector is in the
1326 ; buffer now
1327
1328 FCA6 3AF7FB LDA Must$Preread$Sector ;In practice, the sector need only
1329 FCA9 B7 ORA A ; be physically read in if a preread
1330 ; is required
1331 FCAA C49AFD CNZ Read$Physical ;Yes, preread the sector
1332 FCAD AF XRA A ;Reset the flag to reflect buffer
1333 FCAC 32E9FB STA Must$Write$Buffer ; contents.
1334 ;
1335 Sector$In$Buffer: ;Selected sector on correct track and

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1336 ; disk is already in the buffer.
1337 ;Convert the selected CP/M (128-byte)
1338 ; sector into a relative address down
1339 ; the buffer.
1340 FCB1 3AEDFB LDA Selected$Sector ;Get selected sector number
1341 FCB4 E603 ANI Sector$Mask ;Mask off only the least significant bits
1342 FCB6 6F MOV L,A ;Multiply by 128 by shifting 16-bit value
1343 FCB7 2600 MVI H,0 ; left 7 bits
1344 FCB9 29 DAD H ;* 2
1345 FCBA 29 DAD H ;* 4
1346 FCBB 29 DAD H ;* 8
1347 FCBC 29 DAD H ;* 16
1348 FCBD 29 DAD H ;* 32
1349 FCBE 29 DAD H ;* 64
1350 FCBF 29 DAD H ;* 128
1351 ;
1352 FCC0 1133F6 LXI D,Disk$Buffer ;Get base address of disk buffer
1353 FCC3 19 DAD D ;Add on sector number * 128
1354 ;HL -> 128-byte sector number start
1355 ; address in disk buffer
1356 FCC4 EB XCHG ;DE -> sector in disk buffer
1357 FCC5 2463FB LHLD DMA$Address ;Get DMA address set in SETDMA call
1358 FCC8 EB XCHG ;Assume a read operation, so
1359 ; DE -> DMA address
1360 ; HL -> sector in disk buffer
1361 FCC9 0E10 MVI C,128/8 ;Because of the faster method used
1362 ; to move data in and out of the
1363 ; disk buffer, (eight bytes moved per
1364 ; loop iteration) the count need only
1365 ; be 1/8th of normal.
1366 ;At this point -
1367 ; C = loop count
1368 ; DE -> DMA address
1369 ; HL -> sector in disk buffer
1370 FCCB 3AF8FB LDA Read$Operation ;Determine whether data is to be moved
1371 FCCE B7 ORA A ;out of the buffer (read) or into the
1372 FCCF C2D7FC JNZ Buffer$Move ;buffer (write)
1373 ;Writing into buffer
1374 ;(A must be 0 get here)
1375 FCD2 3C INR A ;Set flag to force a write
1376 FCD3 32E9FB STA Must$Write$Buffer ;of the disk buffer later on.
1377 FCD6 EB XCHG ;Make DE -> sector in disk buffer
1378 ; HL -> DMA address
1379 ;
1380 ;
1381 Buffer$Move: ;The following move loop moves eight bytes
1382 ; at a time from (HL) to (DE), C contains
1383 ; the loop count.
1384 FCD7 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1385 FCD8 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1386 FCD9 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1387 FCDA 23 INX H
1388 FCD8 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1389 FCDC 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1390 FCDD 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1391 FCDE 23 INX H
1392 FCFD 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1393 FCE0 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1394 FCE1 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1395 FCE2 23 INX H
1396 FCE3 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1397 FCE4 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1398 FCE5 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1399 FCE6 23 INX H
1400 FCE7 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1401 FCE8 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1402 FCE9 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1403 FCEA 23 INX H
1404 FCEB 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1405 FCEC 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1406 FCED 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1407 FCEE 23 INX H
1408 FCEF 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from source
1409 FCF0 12 STAX D ;Put into destination
1410 FCF1 13 INX D ;Update pointers

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1411 FCF2 23      INX   H
1412 FCF3 7E      MOV   A,M      ;Get byte from source
1413 FCF4 12      STAX  D      ;Put into destination
1414 FCF5 13      INX   D      ;Update pointers
1415 FCF6 23      INX   H
1416
1417 FCF7 0D      DCR   C      ;Count down on loop counter
1418 FCF8 C2D7FC  JNZ   Buffer$Move ;Repeat until CP/M sector moved
1419
1420 FCFB 3AE3FB  LDA   Write$Type ;If write to directory, write out
1421 FCFE FE01      CPI   ;Write$Directory ; buffer immediately
1422 FD00 3AF6FB  LDA   Disk$Error$Flag ;Get error flag in case delayed write or read
1423 FD03 C0      RNZ   ;
1424
1425 FD04 B7      ORA   A      ;Check if any disk errors have occurred
1426 FD05 C0      RNZ   ;Yes, abandon attempt to write to directory
1427
1428 FD06 AF      XRA   A      ;Clear flag that indicates buffer must be
1429 FD07 32E9FB  STA   Must$Write$Buffer ; written out
1430 FD0A CD95FD  CALL  Write$Physical ;Write buffer out to physical sector
1431 FD0D 3AF6FB  LDA   Disk$Error$Flag ;Return error flag to caller
1432 FD10 C9      RET
1433
1434
1435 Set$In$Buffer$Dk$Trk$Sec: ;Indicate selected disk, track, and
1436 ;    sector now residing in buffer
1437 FD11 3AEAFB  LDA   Selected$Disk
1438 FD14 32E4FB  STA   In$Buffer$Disk
1439
1440 FD17 2AEFBF  LHLD  Selected$Track
1441 FD1A 22E5FB  SHLD  In$Buffer$Track
1442
1443 FD1D 3AEEFB  LDA   Selected$Physical$Sector
1444 FD20 32E7FB  STA   In$Buffer$Sector
1445
1446 FD23 C9      RET
1447
1448 Compare$Dk$Trk: ;Compares just the disk and track
1449 ;    pointed to by DE and HL
1450 FD24 0E03      MVI   C,3      ;Disk (1), track (2)
1451 FD26 C32BFD  JMP   Compare$Dk$Trk$Sec$Loop ;Use common code
1452
1453 Compare$Dk$Trk$Sec: ;Compares the disk, track, and sector
1454 ;    variables pointed to by DE and HL
1455 FD29 0E04      MVI   C,4      ;Disk (1), track (2), and sector (1)
1456
1457 FD2B 1A      LDAX  D      ;Get comparitor
1458 FD2C BE      CMP   M      ;Compare with comparand
1459 FD2D C0      RNZ   ;Abandon comparison if inequality found
1460 FD2E 13      INX   D      ;Update comparitor pointer
1461 FD2F 23      INX   H      ;Update comparand pointer
1462 FD30 0D      DCR   C      ;Count down on loop count
1463 FD31 C8      RZ
1464 FD32 C32BFD  JMP   Compare$Dk$Trk$Sec$Loop ;Return (with zero flag set)
1465
1466
1467 Move$Dk$Trk$Sec: ;Moves the disk, track, and sector
1468 ;    variables pointed at by HL to
1469 ;    those pointed at by DE
1470 FD35 0E04      MVI   C,4      ;Disk (1), track (2), and sector (1)
1471
1472 FD37 7E      MOV   A,M      ;Get source byte
1473 FD38 12      STAX  D      ;Store in destination
1474 FD39 13      INX   D      ;Update pointers
1475 FD3A 23      INX   H
1476 FD3B 0D      DCR   C      ;Count down on byte count
1477 FD3C C8      RZ
1478 FD3D C337FD  JMP   Move$Dk$Trk$Sec$Loop ;Return if all bytes moved
1479
1480
1481
1482
1483 ; There are two "smart" disk controllers on this system, one
1484 ; for the 8" floppy diskette drives, and one for the 5 1/4"
1485 ; mini-diskette drives.
1486
1487 ; The controllers are "hard-wired" to monitor certain locations

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1488 ; in memory to detect when they are to perform some disk
1489 ; operation. The 8" controller monitors location 0040H, and
1490 ; the 5 1/4" controller monitors location 0045H. These are
1491 ; called their disk control bytes. If the most significant
1492 ; bit of a disk control byte is set, the controller will
1493 ; look at the word following the respective control bytes.
1494 ; This word must contain the address of a valid disk control
1495 ; table that specifies the exact disk operation to be performed.
1496 ;
1497 ; Once the operation has been completed, the controller resets
1498 ; its disk control byte to 00H. This indicates completion
1499 ; to the disk driver code.
1500 ;
1501 ; The controller also sets a return code in a disk status block --
1502 ; both controllers use the SAME location for this: 0043H.
1503 ; If the first byte of this status block is less than 80H, then
1504 ; a disk error has occurred. For this simple BIOS, no further details
1505 ; of the status settings are relevant. Note that the disk controller
1506 ; has built-in retry logic -- reads and writes are attempted ten
1507 ; times before the controller returns an error.
1508 ;
1509 ; The disk control table layout is shown below. Note that the
1510 ; controllers have the capability for control tables to be
1511 ; chained together so that a sequence of disk operations can
1512 ; be initiated. In this BIOS this feature is not used. However,
1513 ; the controller requires that the chain pointers in the
1514 ; disk control tables be pointed back to the main control bytes
1515 ; in order to indicate the end of the chain.
1516 ;
1517 0040 = Disk$Control$8 EQU 40H ;8" control byte
1518 0041 = Command$Block$8 EQU 41H ;Control table pointer
1519 ;
1520 0043 = Disk$Status$Block EQU 43H ;8" AND 5 1/4" status block
1521 ;
1522 0045 = Disk$Control$5 EQU 45H ;5 1/4" control byte
1523 0046 = Command$Block$5 EQU 46H ;Control table pointer
1524 ;
1525 ;
1526 ; Floppy Disk Control Tables
1527 ;
1528 FD40 00 Floppy$Command: DB 0 ;Command
1529 0001 = Floppy$Read$Code EQU 01H
1530 0002 = Floppy$Write$Code EQU 02H
1531 FD41 00 Floppy$Unit: DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number = 0 or 1
1532 FD42 00 Floppy$Head: DB 0 ;Head number = 0 or 1
1533 FD43 00 Floppy$Track: DB 0 ;Track number
1534 FD44 00 Floppy$Sector: DB 0 ;Sector number
1535 FD45 0000 Floppy$Bytes$Count: DW 0 ;Number of bytes to read/write
1536 FD47 0000 Floppy$DMA$Address: DW 0 ;Transfer address
1537 FD49 0000 Floppy$Next$Status$Block: DW 0 ;Pointer to next status block
1538 ; if commands are chained.
1539 FD4B 0000 Floppy$Next$Control$Location: DW 0 ;Pointer to next control byte
1540 ; if commands are chained.
1541 ;
1542 ;
1543 ;
1544 Write$No$Deblock: ;Write contents of disk buffer to
1545 ; correct sector.
1546 FD4D 3E02 MVI A,Floppy$Write$Code ;Get write function code
1547 FD4F C354FD JMP Common$No$Deblock ;Go to common code
1548 Read$No$Deblock: ;Read previously selected sector
1549 ; into disk buffer.
1550 FD52 3E01 MVI A,Floppy$Read$Code ;Get read function code
1551 Common$No$Deblock:
1552 FD54 3240FD STA Floppy$Command ;Set command function code
1553 ;Set up nondeblocked command table
1554 FD57 218000 LXI H,128 ;Bytes per sector
1555 FD5A 2245FD SHLD Floppy$Byte$Count
1556 FD5D AF XRA A ;8" floppy only has head 0
1557 FD5E 3242FD STA Floppy$Head
1558 ;
1559 FD61 3AEAFB LDA Selected$Disk ;8" Floppy controller only has information
1560 ; on units 0 and 1 so Selected$Disk must
1561 ; be converted
1562 FD64 E601 ANI 01H ;Turn into 0 or 1
1563 FD66 3241FD STA Floppy$Unit ;Set unit number

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1564 FD69 3AEBFB LDA Selected$Track ;
1565 FD6C 3243FD STA Floppy$Track ;Set track number
1566 ;
1567 FD6F 3AEDFB LDA Selected$Sector ;
1568 FD72 3244FD STA Floppy$Sector ;Set sector number
1569 ;
1570 FD75 2A63FB LHLD DMA$Address ;Transfer directly between DMA address
1571 FD78 2247FD SHLD Floppy$DMA$Address ;and 8" controller.
1572 ;
1573 ;
1574 ;The disk controller can accept chained
1575 ;disk control tables, but in this case,
1576 ;they are not used, so the "Next" pointers
1577 ;must be pointed back at the initial
1578 ;control bytes in the base page.
1579 FD7B 214300 LXI H,Disk$Status$Block ;Point next status back at
1580 FD7E 2249FD SHLD Floppy$Next$Status$Block ; main status block
1581 ;
1582 FD81 214000 LXI H,Disk$Control$8 ;Point next control byte
1583 FD84 224BFD SHLD Floppy$Next$Controls$Location ; back at main control byte
1584 ;
1585 FD87 2140FD LXI H,Floppy$Command ;Point controller at control table
1586 FD8A 224100 SHLD Command$Block$8 ;
1587 ;
1588 FD8D 214000 LXI H,Disk$Control$8 ;Activate controller to perform
1589 FD90 3680 MVI M,B0H ; operation.
1590 FD92 C3F7FD JMP Wait$For$Disk$Complete
1591 ;
1592 ;
1593 ;
1594 Write$Physical: ;Write contents of disk buffer to
1595 ; correct sector.
1596 FD95 3E02 MVI A,Floppy$Write$Code ;Get write function code
1597 FD97 C39CFD JMP Common$Physical ;Go to common code
1598 Read$Physical: ;Read previously selected sector
1599 ; into disk buffer.
1600 ;Get read function code
1601 FD9A 3E01 MVI A,Floppy$Read$Code
1602 ;Common$Physical:
1603 STA Floppy$Command ;Set command table
1604 FD9C 3240FD
1605 ;
1606 ;Get disk type (set in SELDSK)
1607 FD9F 3AFAFB LDA Disk$Type ;Confirm it is a 5 1/4" Floppy
1608 FDA2 FE01 CPI Floppy$5 ;Yes
1609 FDA4 CAADFD JZ Correct$Disk$Type ;No, indicate disk error
1610 FDA7 3E01 MVI A,1
1611 FDA9 32F6FB STA Disk$Error$Flag
1612 FDAC C9 RET
1613 Correct$Disk$Type: ;Set up disk control table
1614 ;Convert disk number to 0 or 1
1615 FDAD 3AE4FB LDA In$Buffer$Disk ; for disk controller
1616 FD80 E601 ANI 1
1617 FDB2 3241FD STA Floppy$Unit
1618 ;
1619 FD85 2AE5FB LHLD In$Buffer$Track ;Set up track number
1620 FD88 7D MOV A,L ;Note: This is single byte value
1621 FD89 3243FD STA Floppy$Track ; for the controller.
1622 ;
1623 ;The sector must be converted into a
1624 ; head number and sector number.
1625 ; Sectors 0 - 8 are head 0, 9 - 17
1626 ; are head 1
1627 FD8C 0600 MVI B,0 ;Assume head 0
1628 FD8E 3AE7FB LDA In$Buffer$Sector ;Get physical sector number
1629 FDC1 4F MOV C,A ;Save copy in case it is head 0
1630 FDC2 FE09 CPI 9 ;Check if < 9
1631 FDC4 DACBF0 JC Head$0 ;Yes it is < 9
1632 FDC7 D609 SUI 9 ;No, modify sector number back
1633 ; in the 0 - 8 range.
1634 FDC9 4F MOV C,A ;Put sector in B
1635 FDCA 04 INR B ;Set to head 1
1636 Head$0: Head$0: ;Set head number
1637 FD8B 78 MOV A,B
1638 FDCC 3242FD STA Floppy$Head ;Set sector number
1639 FD8C 79 MOV A,C

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Figure 6-4. (Continued)

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1640 FDD0 3C INR A ; (physical sectors start at 1)
1641 FDD1 3244FD STA Floppy$Sector
1642
1643 FDD4 210002 LXI H,Physical$Sector$Size ;Set byte count
1644 FDD7 2245FD SHLD Floppy$Byte$Count
1645
1646 FDDA 2133F6 LXI H,Disk$Buffer ;Set transfer address to be
1647 FDDD 2247FD SHLD Floppy$DMA$Address disk buffer
1648
1649 ;As only one control table is in
1650 ; use, close the status and busy
1651 ; chain pointers back to the
1652 ; main control bytes.
1653 FDE0 214300 LXI H,Disk$Status$Block
1654 FDE3 2249FD SHLD Floppy$Next$Status$Block
1655 FDE6 214500 LXI H,Disk$Control$5
1656 FDE9 224BFD SHLD Floppy$Next$Control$Location
1657
1658 FDEC 2140FD LXI H,Floppy$Command ;Set up command block pointer
1659 FDEF 224600 SHLD Command$Block$5
1660
1661 FDF2 214500 LXI H,Disk$Control$5 ;Activate 5 1/4" disk controller
1662 FDF5 3680 MVI M,80H
1663 ;Wait$For$Disk$Complete: ;Wait until Disk Status Block indicates
1664 ; operation complete, then check
1665 ; if any errors occurred.
1666 ;On entry HL -> disk control byte
1667
1668 FDF7 7E MOV A,M ;Get control byte
1669 FDF8 B7 ORA A
1670 FDF9 C2F7FD JNZ Wait$For$Disk$Complete ;Operation still not yet done
1671
1672 FDFC 3A4300 LDA Disk$Status$Block ;Complete -- now check status
1673 FDFD FE80 CPI BOH ;Check if any errors occurred
1674 FE01 DA09FE JC Disk$Error ;Yes
1675 FE04 AF XRA A ;No
1676 FE05 32F6FB STA Disk$Error$Flag ;Clear error flag
1677 FE08 C9 RET
1678 Disk$Error:
1679 FE09 3E01 MVI A,1 ;Set disk-error flag nonzero
1680 FE0B 32F6FB STA Disk$Error$Flag
1681 FE0E C9 RET
1682 ;
1683 ;
1684 ;
1685 ; Disk control table images for warm boot
1686 ;
1687 Boot$Control$Part$1:
1688 FEOF 01 DB 1 ;Read function
1689 FE10 00 DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number
1690 FE11 00 DB 0 ;Head number
1691 FE12 00 DB 0 ;Track number
1692 FE13 02 DB 2 ;Starting sector number
1693 FE14 0010 DW 8#512 ;Number of bytes to read
1694 FE16 00E0 DW CCP$Entry ;Read into this address
1695 FE18 4300 DW Disk$Status$Block ;Pointer to next status block
1696 FE1A 4500 DW Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control table
1697 Boot$Control$Part$2:
1698 FE1C 01 DB 1 ;Read function
1699 FE1D 00 DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number
1700 FE1E 01 DB 1 ;Head number
1701 FE1F 00 DB 0 ;Track number
1702 FE20 01 DB 1 ;Starting sector number
1703 FE21 0006 DW 3#512 ;Number of bytes to read
1704 FE23 00F0 DW CCP$Entry + (8#512) ;Read into this address
1705 FE25 4300 DW Disk$Status$Block ;Pointer to next status block
1706 FE27 4500 DW Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control table
1707
1708 ;
1709 ;
1710 ;
1711 WBOOT: ;Warm boot entry
1712 ;On warm boot, the CCP and BDOS must be reloaded
1713 ; into memory. In this BIOS, only the 5 1/4"
1714 ; diskettes will be used. Therefore this code

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**Figure 6-4.** (Continued)

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1715 ; is hardware specific to the controller. Two
1716 ; prefabricated control tables are used.
1717 FE29 319000 LXI SP,80H
1718 FE2C 110FFE LXI D,Boot$Control$Part1 ;Execute first read of warm boot
1719 FE2F CD3BF8 CALL Warm$Boot$Read ;Load drive 0, track 0,
1720 ; head 0, sectors 2 to 8
1721 FE32 111CFE LXI D,Boot$Control$Part2 ;Execute second read
1722 FE35 CD3BF8 CALL Warm$Boot$Read ;Load drive 0, track 0,
1723 ; head 1, sectors 1 - 3
1724 FE38 C340F8 JMP Enter$CPM ;Set up base page and enter CCP
1725 ;
1726 ;Warm$Boot$Read: ;On entry, DE -> control table image
1727 ;This control table is moved into
1728 ; the main disk control table and
1729 ; then the controller activated.
1730 FE3B 2140FD LXI H,Floppy$Command
1731 FE3E 224600 SHLD Command$Block$5 ;Tell the controller its address
1732 ;
1733 ;
1734 FE41 0E0D MVI C,13 ;Move the control table image
1735 Warm$Boot$Move: ;into the control table itself
1736 FE43 1A LDAX D ;Set byte count
1737 FE44 77 MOV M,A ;Get image byte
1738 FE45 23 INX H ;Store into actual control table
1739 FE46 13 INX D ;Update pointers
1740 FE47 0D DCR C ;Count down on byte count
1741 FE48 C243FE JNZ Warm$Boot$Move ;Continue until all bytes moved
1742 ;
1743 FE4B 214500 LXI H,Disk$Control$5 ;Activate controller
1744 FE4E 3680 MVI M,80H
1745 Wait$For$Boot$Complete: ;Wait for controller to finish
1746 FE50 7E MOV A,M ;Get status byte
1747 FE51 B7 ORA A ;Check if complete
1748 FE52 C250FE JNZ Wait$For$Boot$Complete ;No
1749 ;Yes, check for errors
1750 FE55 3A4300 LDA Disk>Status$Block
1751 FE58 FE80 CPI 80H
1752 FE5A DA5EF8 JC Warm$Boot$Error ;Yes, an error occurred
1753 FE5D C9 RET
1754 ;
1755 Warm$Boot$Error: ;Error handling
1756 FE5E 2167FE LXI H,Warm$Boot$Error$Message
1757 FE61 CD33F8 CALL Display$Message ;Display error message
1758 FE64 C329FE JMP WBOOT ;Restart warm boot
1759 ;
1760 ;Warm$Boot$Error$Message: ;Print error message
1761 FE67 0D0A576172 DB CR,LF,'Warm Boot Error - retrying...',CR,LF,0
1762 ;
1763 ;
1764 FE89 END ;Of simple BIOS listing

```

Figure 6-4. (Continued)

# 7

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## Building a New CP/M System

This chapter describes how to build a version of CP/M with your own BIOS built into it. It also shows you how to put CP/M onto a floppy disk and how to write a bootstrap loader to bring CP/M into memory.

The manufacturer of your computer system plays a significant role in building a new CP/M system. Several of CP/M's utility programs may be modified by manufacturers to adapt them to individual computer systems. Unfortunately, not all manufacturers customize these programs. You should therefore invest some time in studying the documentation provided with your system to see what and how much customizing may have already been done. You should also assemble and print out listings of all assembly language source files from your CP/M release diskette.

It is impossible to predict the details of customization and special procedures that the manufacturer may have installed on your particular system. Therefore, this chapter describes first the overall mechanism of building a CP/M system, and

second the details of building a CP/M system around the example BIOS shown in the previous chapter as Figure 6-4.

## The Major Steps

Building a new CP/M system consists of the following major steps:

- Create a new or modified BIOS with the appropriate device drivers in it. Assemble this so that it will execute at the top end of memory (by using an *origin* statement (ORG) to set the location counter).
- Create new versions of the CCP and BDOS with all addresses in the instructions changed so that they will be correctly located in memory just below the new BIOS. Digital Research provides a special utility called MOVCMP to do this.
- Create or modify a CP/M bootstrap loader that will be loaded by the firmware that executes when you first switch on your computer (or press the RESET button). Normally, the CP/M bootstrap loader executes in the low-address end of memory. The exact address and the details of any hardware initialization that it must perform will depend entirely on your particular computer system.
- Using Digital Research standard utility programs, bring the bootstrap loader, the CCP and BDOS, and the BIOS together in the low part of memory. Then write this new version of CP/M onto a disk in the appropriate places. Again, depending on the design of your computer system, you may be able to use the standard utility program, SYSGEN, to write the entire CP/M *image* onto disk. Otherwise you may have to write a special program to do this.

When CP/M is already running on your computer system and you want to add new features to the BIOS, all you need to do is change the BIOS and rebuild the system. The CCP and BDOS will need to be moved down in memory if the changes expand the BIOS significantly. If this happens, you will have to make minor changes in the bootstrap loader so that it reads the new CP/M image into memory at a lower address and transfers control to the correct location (the first instruction of the BIOS jump vector).

## Building Your First System

The first time that you build CP/M, it is a good idea to make no changes to the BIOS at all. Simply reassemble the BIOS source code and proceed with the system build. Then, if the new system does not run, you know that it must be something in the procedure you used rather than any new features or modification to the BIOS

source code. Changes in the BIOS could easily obscure any problems you have with the build procedure itself.

## The Ingredients

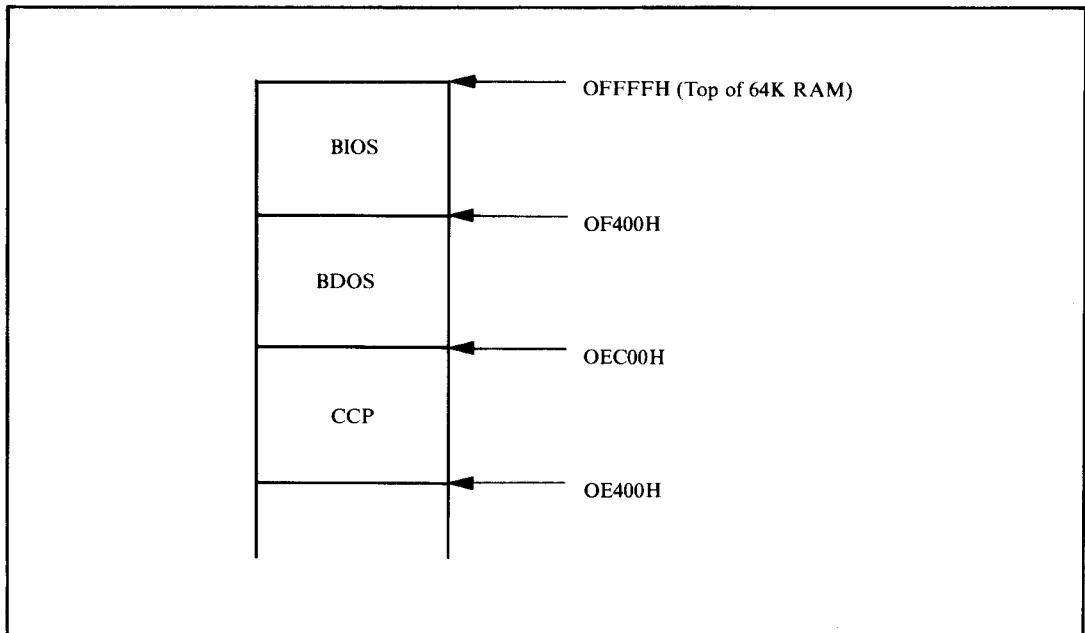
To build CP/M, you will need the following files and utility programs:

- The assembly language source code for your BIOS. Check your CP/M release diskette for a file with a name like CBIOS.ASM (Customized Basic Input/Output System). Some manufacturers do not supply you with the source code for their BIOS; it may be sold separately or not released at all. If you cannot get hold of the source code, the only way that you can add new features to the BIOS is by writing the entire BIOS from scratch.
- The source code for the CP/M bootstrap loader. This too may be on the release diskette or available separately from your computer's manufacturer.
- The Digital Research assembler, which converts source code into machine language in hexadecimal form. This program, called ASM.COM, will be on your CP/M release diskette. Equivalent assemblers, such as Digital Research's macro-assemblers MAC and RMAC or Microsoft's M80, can also be used.
- The Digital Research utility called MOVCMP, which prepares a memory image of the CCP and BDOS with all addresses adjusted to the right values.
- The Digital Research debugging utility, called DDT (Dynamic Debugging Tool), or the more enhanced version for the Z80 CPU chip, ZSID (Z80 Symbolic Interactive Debugger). DDT is used to read in the various program files and piece together a memory image of the CP/M system.
- The Digital Research utility program SYSGEN. This writes the composite memory image of the bootstrap, CCP, BDOS, and BIOS onto the disk. SYSGEN was designed to work on floppy disk systems. If your computer uses a hard disk, you may have a program with a name like PUTCPM or WRITECPM that performs the same function.

## The Ultimate Goal

In Figure 6-4, lines 0044 to 0065, you can see the equates that define the base addresses for the CCP, the BDOS, and the BIOS. Figure 7-1 shows how the top of memory will look when this version of CP/M has been loaded into memory.

Life would be simple if you could build this image in memory at the addresses shown and write the image out to disk. Building this image, however, would probably overwrite the version of CP/M that you were operating since it too lives at the top of memory. Therefore, the goal is to create a replica of this image lower down in memory, but with all the instruction addresses set to *execute* at the addresses shown in Figure 7-1.



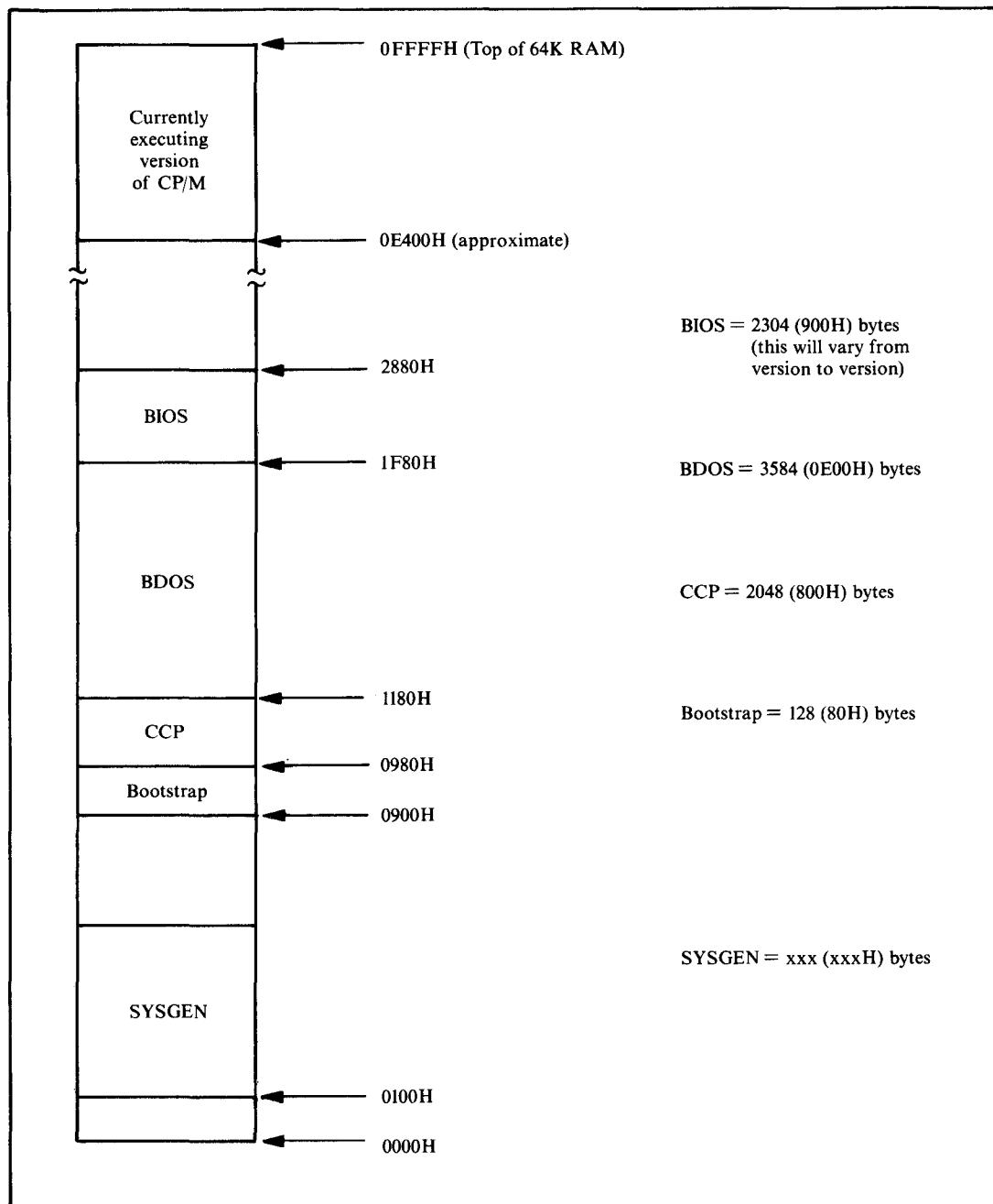
**Figure 7-1.** Memory layout of CP/M

### Using SYSGEN to Write CP/M to Disk

The SYSGEN utility writes a memory image onto a specified logical disk. It can use a memory image that you arrange to be in memory before you invoke SYSGEN, or you can direct SYSGEN to read in a disk file that contains the image. You can also use SYSGEN to transport an existing CP/M system from one diskette to another by directing it to load the CP/M image from one diskette into memory and then to write that image out to another diskette.

Check the documentation supplied by your computer's manufacturer to make sure that you can use SYSGEN on your system. SYSGEN, as released by Digital Research, is constructed to run on 8-inch, single-sided, single-density diskettes. If your system does not use these standard diskettes, SYSGEN must be customized to your disk system.

When SYSGEN loads a CP/M image into memory, it will place the bootstrap, CCP, BDOS, and BIOS at the predetermined addresses shown in Figure 7-2, regardless of where this CP/M originated.



**Figure 7-2.** SYSGEN's memory layout

You can see that the *relative* arrangement between the components has not changed; the whole image has simply been moved down in memory well below the currently executing version of CP/M. The bootstrap has been added to the picture just beneath the CCP.

The SYSGEN utility writes this image onto a floppy diskette starting at sector 1 of track 0 and continuing to sector 26 on track 1. Refer back to Figure 2-2 to see the layout of CP/M on a standard 8-inch, single-sided, single-density diskette.

If you request SYSGEN to read the memory image from a file (which you do by calling SYSGEN with the file name on the same line as the SYSGEN call), then SYSGEN presumes that you have previously created the correct memory image and saved it (with the SAVE command). SYSGEN then skips over the first 16 sectors of the file so as to avoid overwriting itself.

Here is an example of how to use SYSGEN to move the CP/M image from one diskette to another:

```
A>SYSGEN<cr>
SYSGEN VER 2.0
SOURCE DRIVE NAME (OR RETURN TO SKIP) A
SOURCE ON A:, THEN TYPE RETURN <cr>
FUNCTION COMPLETE
DESTINATION DRIVE NAME (OR RETURN TO REBOOT) B
DESTINATION ON B: THEN TYPE RETURN <cr>
FUNCTION COMPLETE
DESTINATION DRIVE NAME (OR RETURN TO REBOOT) <cr>
A>_
```

As you can see, SYSGEN gives you the choice of specifying the source drive name or typing CARRIAGE RETURN. If you enter a CARRIAGE RETURN, SYSGEN assumes that the CP/M image is already in memory. Note that you need to call up SYSGEN only once to write out the same CP/M image to more than one disk.

A larger than standard BIOS can cause difficulties in using SYSGEN. The standard SYSGEN format only allows for six 128-byte sectors to contain the BIOS, so if your BIOS is larger than 768 (300H) bytes, it will be a problem. The CP/M image will not fit on the first two tracks of a standard 8-inch diskette.

Nowadays it is rare to find an 8-inch floppy diskette system where you must load CP/M from a single-sided, single-density diskette. Most systems now use double-sided or double-density diskettes as the normal format, but can switch to single-sided, single-density diskettes to interchange information with other computer systems.

Because there is no "standard" format for 8-inch, double-sided and double-density diskettes, you probably won't be able to read diskettes written on systems of a different make or model. Therefore, you need only be concerned about using a disk layout that will keep your disks compatible with other machines that are exactly the same as yours.

This is also true if you have 5 1/4-inch diskettes. There is no industry standard for these either, so your main consideration is to place the file directory in the same

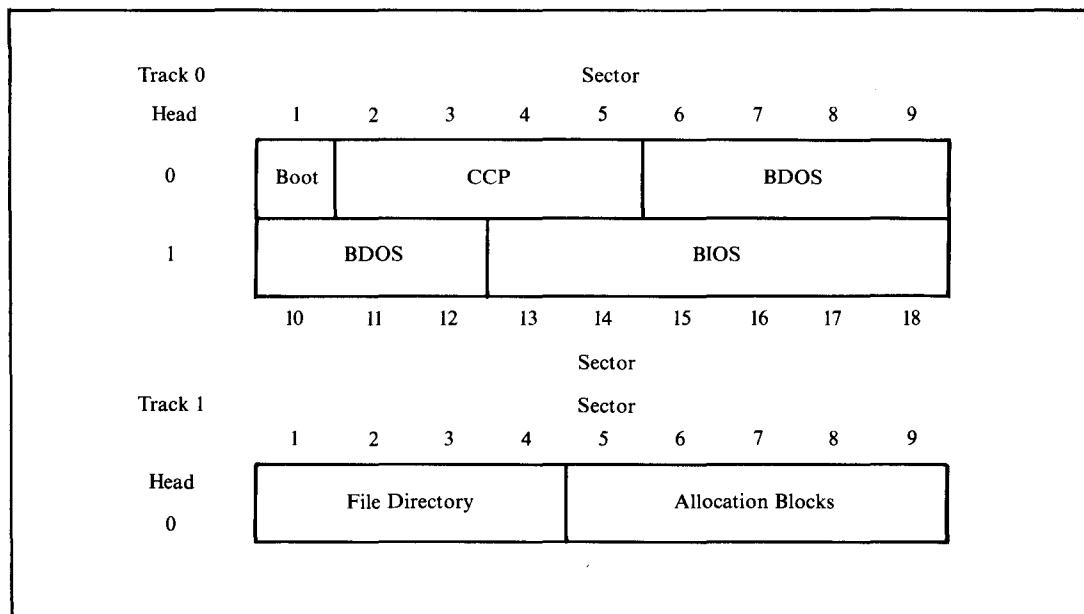
place as it will be on diskettes written by other users of your model of computer. You must also be sure to use the same sector skewing. Otherwise, you will get a garbled version whenever you try to read files originating on other systems.

With the higher capacity diskettes, you can reserve more space to hold the CP/M image on the diskette. For example, in the case of the BIOS shown in Figure 6-4, the CP/M image is written to a 5 1/4-inch, double-sided, double-density diskette using 512-byte sectors. Figure 7-3 shows the layout of this diskette. Note that the bootstrap loader is placed in a 512-byte sector all by itself. Doing so makes the bootstrap code and warm boot code in the BIOS much simpler.

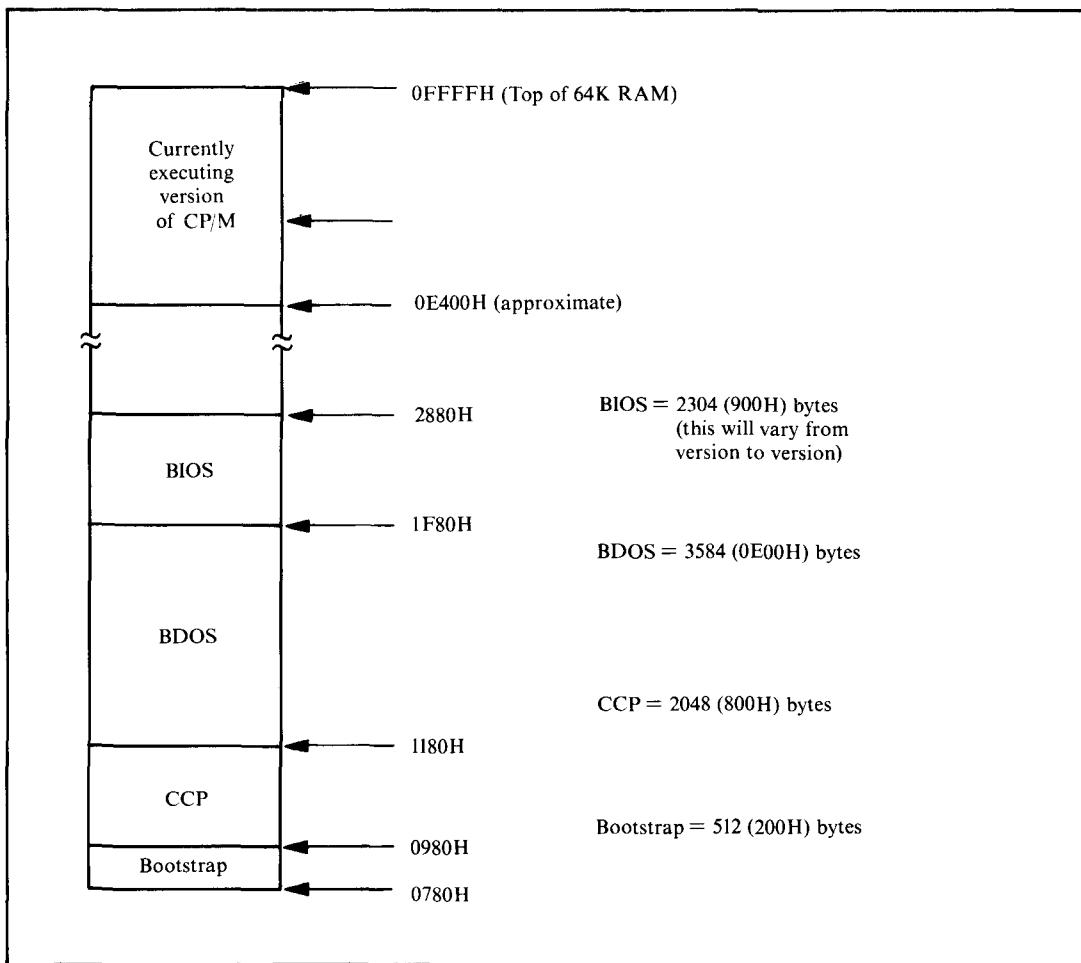
The memory image must be altered to reflect the fact that the bootstrap now occupies an entire 512-byte sector. Rather than change all of the addresses, the bootstrap is loaded into memory 384 (180H) bytes lower, so that it ends at the same address as before. Figure 7-4 shows the revised memory image.

### Writing a PUTCPM Utility

Because the example system uses 5 1/4-inch floppy diskettes with 512-byte sectors, the standard version of SYSGEN cannot be used to write the CP/M image onto a diskette. You will have to use a functional replacement provided by your computer's manufacturer or develop a small utility program to do the job.



**Figure 7-3.** Disk layout for example BIOS on 5 1/4-inch diskettes



**Figure 7-4.** Addresses for example BIOS image

Figure 7-5 shows an example of such a program. It is written in a general-purpose way, so that you may be able to use it for your system by changing the equates at the front of the program to reflect the specifics of your disk drives.

Note that there are two problems to be solved. First, the area of the disk on which the CP/M image resides cannot be accessed by the BDOS, as it is outside the file system area on the disk. Second, it is rare to write the CP/M image onto the disk with any kind of sector skewing; to do so would slow down the loading process. In any case, skewing would be redundant, since the loader is doing no processing other than reading the disk and can therefore read the disk without skewing.

```

;      This program writes out the CP/M cold boot loader,
;      CCP, BDOS, and BIOS to a floppy diskette. It runs
;      under CP/M as a normal transient program.
;
;      Version      EQU      '01'   ;Equates used in the sign-on
;                           ; message
;
3130 = Month      EQU      '07'
3432 = Day       EQU      '24'
3238 = Year      EQU      '82'
;
;
;      The actual PUTCPMF5.COM program consists of this code,
;      plus the BOOTF5.HEX, CCP, BDOS, and BIOS.
;
;      When this program executes, the memory image should
;      look like this:
;
;      Component      Base Address
;      BIOS           1F80H
;      BDOS          1180H
;      CCP            0980H
;      BOOTF5         0780H
;
;      The components are produced as follows:
;
;      BIOS.HEX        By assembling source code
;      BDOS )        From a CPMnn.COM file output
;      CCP )        by MOVCPM and SAVED on disk
;      BOOTF5.HEX     By assembling source code
;
;      The components are pieced together using DDT with the
;      following commands:
;
;      DDT CPMnn.COM
;      IPUTCPMF5.HEX
;      R             (Reads in this program)
;      IBOOTF5.HEX
;      R680          (Reads in BOOT at 0780H)
;      IBIOS.HEX
;      R2900         (Reads in BIOS at 1F80H)
;      GO            (Exit from DDT)
;      SAVE 40 PUTCPMF5.COM  (Create final .COM file)
;
;      The actual layout of the diskette is as follows:
;
;      Track 0          Sector
;      1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9
;      Head +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
;      0   !Boot |<===== CCP =====>|<===== BDOS =====>
;           +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
;      1   !===== BDOS =====>|<===== BIOS =====>|
;           +-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
;           10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17  18
;           Sector
;
;      Equates for defining memory size and the base address and
;      length of the system components
;
0040 = Memory$Size    EQU      64      ;Number of Kbytes of RAM
;
;      The BIOS Length must match that declared in the BIOS.
;
0900 = BIOS$Length    EQU      0900H
;
0200 = Boot$Length    EQU      512
0800 = CCP$Length     EQU      0800H ;Constant
0E00 = BDOS$Length    EQU      0EO0H ;Constant
;
1F00 = Length$In$Bytes EQU      CCP$Length + BDOS$Length + BIOS$Length
;
0780 = Start$Image    EQU      980H - Boot$Length ;Address of CP/M image
2100 = Length$Image   EQU      Length$In$Bytes + Boot$Length
;
;
```

Figure 7-5. Example PUTCPM

```

; Disk characteristics
;
; These equates describe the physical characteristics of
; the floppy diskette so that the program can move from
; one sector to the next, updating the track and resetting
; the sector when necessary.
;
0001 = First$Sector$on$Track EQU 1
0012 = Last$Sector$on$Track EQU 18
0009 = Last$Sector$on$Head$0 EQU 9
0200 = Sector$Size EQU 512
;
; Controller characteristics
;
; On this computer system, the floppy disk controller can write
; multiple sectors in a single command. However, in order
; to produce a more general example it is shown only reading one
; sector at a time.
;
0001 = Sectors$Per$Write EQU 1
;
; Cold boot characteristics
;
0000 = Start$Track EQU 0 ;Initial values for CP/M image
0001 = Start$Sector EQU 1 ;= "
0011 = Sectors$To$Write EQU (Length$image + Sector$Size - 1) / Sector$Size
;
;
0009 = B$PRINTS EQU 9 ;Print string terminated by $
0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point
;
;
`0100 ORG 100H
Put$CPM:
0100 C33F01 JMP Main$Code ;Enter main code body
;For reasons of clarity, the main
; data structures are shown before the
; executable code.
000D = CR EQU 0DH ;Carriage return
000A = LF EQU 0AH ;Line feed
;
Signon$MESSage:
0103 0DOA507574 DB CR,LF,'Put CP/M on Diskette'
0119 0DOA DB CR,LF
011B 5665727369 DB 'Version '
0123 3031 DW Version
0125 20 DB ''
0126 3037 DW Month
0128 2F DB '/'
0129 3234 DW Day
012B 2F DB '/'
012C 3832 DW Year
012E 0DOA24 DB CR,LF,'$'
;
; Disk control tables
;
0045 = Disk$Control$5 EQU 45H ;5 1/4" control byte
0046 = Command$Block$5 EQU 46H ;Control table pointer
0043 = Disk$Status EQU 43H ;Completion status
;
;
; The command table track and DMA$Address can also be used
; as working storage and updated as the load process
; continues. The sector in the command table cannot be
; used directly as the disk controller requires it to be
; the sector number on the specified head (1 -- 9) rather
; than the sector number on track. Hence a separate variable
; must be used.
;
```

Figure 7-5. (Continued)

```

0131 01      Sectors:    DB      Start$Sector
              ;
0132 02      Command$Table: DB      02H      ;Command -- Write
0133 00      Unit:       DB      0          ;Unit (drive) number = 0 or 1
0134 00      Head:       DB      0          ;Head number = 0 or 1
0135 00      Track:      DB      Start$Track   ;Used as working variable
0136 00      Sector$On$head: DB      0          ;Converted by low-level driver
0137 0002      Bytes$Count: DW      Sector$Size * Sectors$Per$Write
0139 8007      DMA$Address: DW      Start$Image
013B 4300      Next$Status: DW      Disk$Status   ;Pointer to next status block
              ; if commands are chained
013D 4500      Next$Control: DW      Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control byte
              ; if commands are chained

Main$Code:
013F 310001    LXI     SP,Put$CPM      ;Stack grows down below code
0142 110301    LXI     D,Signon$Message ;Sign on
0145 0E09      MVI     C,B$PRINTS      ;Print string until $
0147 C0D500      CALL    BDD$S
014A 213201    LXI     H,Command$Table ;Point the disk controller at
014D 224600    SHLD   Command$Block$5 ; the command block
0150 0E11      MVI     C,Sectors$To$Write ;Set sector count
Write$Loop:
0152 CD7C01    CALL    Put$CPM$Write ;Write data onto diskette
0155 0D      DCR    C          ;Downdate sector count
0156 CA0000      JZ     0          ;Warm boot
0159 213101    LXI     H,Sector      ;Update sector number
015C 3E01      MVI     A,Sectors$Per$Write ; by adding on number of sectors
015E 86      ADD    M          ; by controller
015F 77      MOV    M,A        ;Save result
0160 3E13      MVI     A,Last$Sector$On$Track + 1 ;Check if at end of track
0162 BE      CMP    M          ;
0163 C26F01      JNZ    Not$End$Track
0166 3601      MVI     M,First$Sector$On$Track ;Yes, reset to beginning
0168 2A3501    LHLD   Track      ;Update track number
016B 23      INX    H          ;
016C 223501    SHLD   Track      ;
Not$End$Track:
016F 2A3901    LHLD   DMA$Address ;Update DMA address
0172 110002    LXI     D,Sector$Size * Sectors$Per$Write
0175 19      DAD    D          ;
0176 223901    SHLD   DMA$Address ;Write next block
0179 C35201      JMP    Write$Loop
;
Put$CPM$Write:
              ;At this point, the description of the
              ; operation required is in the variables
              ; contained in the command table, along
              ; with the sector variable.
017C CS      PUSH   B          ;Save sector count in C
;
----- Change this routine to match the disk controller in use -----
017D 0600      MVI     B,0        ;Assume head 0
017F 3A3101    LDA     Sector      ;Get requested sector
0182 4F      MOV    C,A        ;Take a copy of it
0183 FEOA      CPI     Last$Sector$On$Head$0+1 ;Check if on head 1
0185 DABC01    JC     Head$0      ;No
0188 D609      SUI     Last$Sector$On$Head$0      ;Bias down for head 1
018A 4F      MOV    C,A        ;Save copy
018B 04      INR    B          ;Set head 1
Head$0:
018C 78      MOV    A,B        ;Get head
018D 323401    STA     Head      ;
0190 79      MOV    A,C        ;Get sector
0191 323601    STA     Sector$On$Head

```

Figure 7-5. (Continued)

```

0194 214500      LXI    H,Disk$Control$5      ;Activate controller
0197 3680      MVI    M,80H

        Wait$For$Boot$Complete:
0199 7E          MOV    A,M                  ;Get status byte
019A B7          ORA    A                  ;Check if complete
019B C29901      JNZ    Wait$For$Boot$Complete ;No
                                         ;Yes, check for errors

019E 3A4300      LDA    Disk$Status
01A1 FE80      CPI    80H
01A3 DAA801      JC     Put$CPM$Error       ;Yes, an error occurred

;----- End of physical write routine -----

01A6 C1          POP    B                  ;Recover sector count in C
01A7 C9          RET

;
Put$CPM$Error:
01AB 11B301      LXI    D,Put$CPM$Error$Message
01AB 0E09      MVI    C,B$PRINTS           ;Print string until $
01AD CD0500      CALL   BDOS               ;Output error message
01B0 C33F01      JMP    Main$Code          ;Restart the loader
;

Put$CPM$Error$Message:
01B3 0D0A457272  DB    CR,LF,'Error in writing CP/M - retrying...',CR,LF,'$'
01DB             END    Put$CPM

```

Figure 7-5. (Continued)

## Using DDT to Build the CP/M Memory Image

DDT, the Digital Research debug program, is used to read files of type ".COM" and ".HEX" into memory. Understanding the internal structure of these file types is important, both to understand what DDT can do and to understand how the MOVCMP utility can effectively change a machine code file so that it can be executed at a new address in memory.

### ".COM" File Structure

A COM file is a memory image. It is a replica of the bit patterns that are to be created when the file is loaded into memory. COM files are normally designed to load at location 100H upwards. No internal structure to the file requires this, however, so if you know what the contents of a COM file are, there is nothing to preclude you from loading it into memory starting at some address other than 100H.

As you may recall from the description of the CCP in Chapter 4, the SAVE command built into the CCP allows you to create a COM file by specifying the number of 256-byte "pages" of memory and the name of the file. The CCP will write out an exact image of memory from location 100H up.

## “.HEX” File Structure

HEX files are output by the assembler. They contain an ASCII character representation of hexadecimal values. For example, the contents of a single byte of memory with the binary value 10101111 would be represented by two ASCII characters, A F, in a HEX file.

The HEX file has a higher level structure than just a series of ASCII characters however. Each line of ASCII characters is terminated by CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED. The overall structure is shown in Figure 7-6.

The most important aspect of a HEX file is that each line contains the address at which the data bytes are loaded. Each line is processed independently, so the load addresses of succeeding lines need not be in order.

DDT can read in a HEX file at an address different from the address where the code must be in order to execute. For example, you can read in the HEX file of the BIOS at the correct place for the memory image (shown in Figure 7-4). There are two ways of using DDT to read in a COM or HEX file. You can specify the name of the file on the same command line with DDT. For example:

```
A>DDT B:XYZ.HEX<cr>      <- Call up DDT with file name
DDT VERS 2.0                 <- DDT signs on
NEXT PC
0180 0100                   <- ... and displays next free byte
                                and entry point address
                                <- ... and prompts for a command
```

The advantage of this method of loading a file is that you can specify which logical disk is to be searched for the file. The second way of using DDT is to load DDT first, and then, when it has given its prompt, specify the file name and request that DDT load it like this:

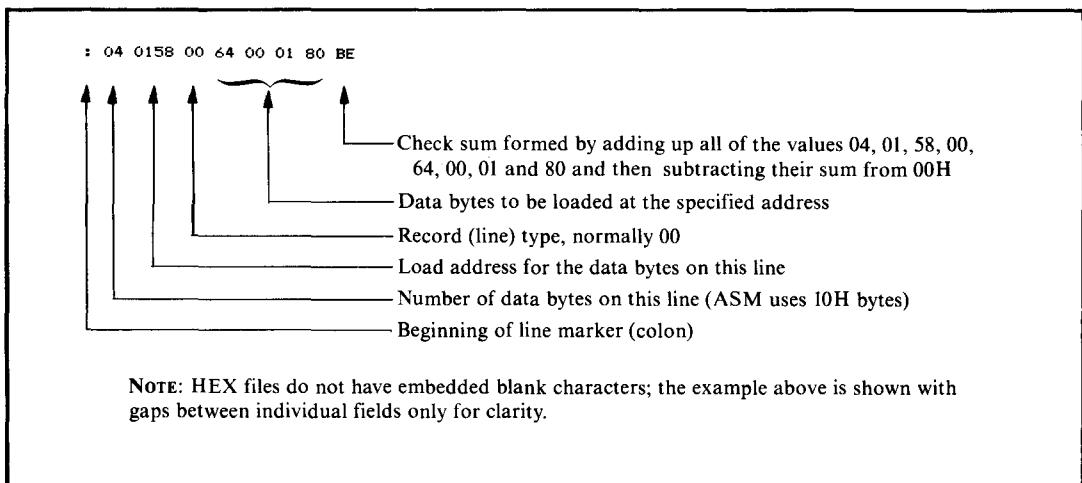
```
-Ifilename.typ<cr>        <- Enter the file name and type
-R<cr>                     <- Read in the file
```

The “I” command initializes the default file control block in the base page (at location 005CH) with the file name and type; it does *not* set up the logical disk. If you need to do this, you must set the first byte of the default FCB manually like this:

```
-Ifilename.typ<cr>        <- Specify file name
-S5C<cr>                  <- "S"et location 5C
005C 00 02<cr>            <- Was 00, you enter 02<cr>
005D 41 .<cr>              <- Enter "." to terminate
-R<cr>                     <- Read in the file
```

Location 005CH should be set to 01H for Drive A, 02H for B, and so on.

The “R” command will read in HEX files to the *execution* addresses specified in each line of the HEX file, so be careful—if you forget to put an ORG (origin)



**Figure 7-6.** Example line from HEX file

statement at the front of the assembly language source code, reading in the resultant HEX file will overwrite location 0000H on up, destroying the contents of the base page. Similarly, if you were trying to read in the HEX file for a BIOS, there is an excellent chance that you will overwrite the currently executing CP/M system.

DDT reacts to the file type you enter as part of the file name. For file types other than .HEX, DDT loads the file starting at location 0100H on up.

The "R" command can also be used to read files into memory at different addresses. You do this by typing a hexadecimal number immediately after the R, with no intervening punctuation. For HEX files, the number that you enter is added to the address in each line of the HEX file and the sum is used as the address into which the data bytes are loaded. The data bytes themselves are not changed, just the load address.

For COM files, the number that you enter is added to 0100H and the sum is used as the starting address for loading the file.

The sum is performed as 16-bit, unsigned arithmetic with any carry ignored, so you can load a BIOS HEX file into low memory by using the "R" command with what is called an "offset value."

If a HEX file has been assembled to execute at address "exec," and you need to use DDT to read in this file to address "load," you need to solve the following equation:

$$\text{offset} = \text{load} - \text{exec.}$$

DDT's "H" command performs hexadecimal arithmetic. It calculates and displays the sum of and difference between two hexadecimal values. For example,

the BIOS in Figure 6-4 has been assembled to *execute* at location 0F600H, but needs to be *loaded* into memory at location 1F80H. Here is how to compute the correct offset for the “R” command:

```
-H1F80,F600<cr>      <- Use the H command  
1580,2980                <- Sum, difference
```

Thus, to read in the BIOS HEX file called FIG6-4.HEX at location 1F80H, you would enter the following commands to DDT:

```
-FIG6-4.HEX<cr>      <- Specify file name and type  
-R2980<cr>            <- Load at 0F600H + 2980H (= 1F80H)
```

In this way, using DDT, you can read in the HEX files for both the BIOS and the bootstrap loader.

## The CP/M Bootstrap Loader

The bootstrap loader is brought into memory by PROM-based firmware in the computer system. It loads in the CCP, BDOS, and BIOS and then transfers control to the cold boot entry point in the BIOS—the first jump instruction in the BIOS jump vector.

The bootstrap loader is a stand-alone program; it cannot make use of any CP/M functions because no part of CP/M is in memory when the bootstrap loader is needed. The firmware in the PROM that loaded the bootstrap may contain some subroutines that can be used by the bootstrap, but this will vary from system to system.

Figure 7-7 shows the bootstrap code for the example BIOS (from Figure 6-4). This code has been written in a general way, so that you can adapt it to your system. The disk controller on the example system can in fact read in multiple sectors from the disk, but for generality the code shown reads in only one sector at a time. This considerably increases the time it takes to load CP/M, but does make the bootstrap loader more general.

Note that almost the first thing that the bootstrap does is to output to the console a sign-on message. Not only does this confirm the version number, but it shows that the bootstrap has been successfully loaded.

The PROM-based code has been designed to load the CP/M bootstrap into location 100H, allowing the code to be debugged as though it were a normal transient program, albeit with minor changes to the address at which it loads the CP/M image from disk. Clearly, this feature is not very helpful if CP/M is being brought up for the first time on a computer system. It helps a great deal, however, if you need to modify the bootstrap or add the capability to boot your system from a new type of disk drive.

```

; Example CP/M cold bootstrap loader
;
; This program is written out to track 0, head 0, sector 1
; by the PUTCPMF5 program.
; It is loaded into memory at location 100H on up by the
; PROM-based bootstrap mechanism that gets control of the
; CPU on power up or system reset.
;
3130 = Version EQU '01' ;Equates used in the sign-on message
3730 = Month EQU '07'
3432 = Day EQU '24'
3236 = Year EQU '82'
;
0000 = Debug EQU 0 ;Set nonzero to debug as normal
; transient program
;
; The actual layout of the diskette is as follows :
;
; Track 0
;   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9
; Head +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
; 0    !Boot !<===== CCP =====>!<===== BDOS =====>
;      +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
; 1    ===== BDOS =====>!<===== BIOS =====>
;      +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+
;          10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17  18
;                                         Sector
;
; Equates for defining memory size and the base address and
; length of the system components.
;
0040 = Memory$Size EQU 64 ;Number of Kbytes of RAM
;
; The BIOS Length must match that declared in the BIOS.
;
0900 = BIOS$Length EQU 0900H
;
0800 = CCP$Length EQU 0800H ;Constant
0E00 = BDOS$Length EQU 0E00H ;Constant
;
0008 = Length$In$K EQU ((CCP$Length + BDOS$Length + BIOS$Length) / 1024) + 1
1F00 = Length$In$Bytes EQU CCP$Length + BDOS$Length + BIOS$Length
;
        IF NOT Debug
E000 = CCP$Entry EQU (Memory$Size - Length$In$K) * 1024
        ENDIF
        IF Debug
CCP$Entry EQU 3980H ;Read into a lower address.
;This address is chosen to be above
;the area into which DDT initially loads
;and the 980H makes the addresses similar
;to the SYSGEN values so that the memory
;image can be checked with DDT.
        ENDIF
;
E806 = BDOS$Entry EQU CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + 6
F600 = BIOS$Entry EQU CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + BDOS$Length
;
;
; Disk characteristics
;
; These equates describe the physical characteristics of
; the floppy diskette so that the program can move from
; one sector to the next, updating the track and resetting
; the sector when necessary.
;
0001 = First$Sector$on$Track EQU 1
0012 = Last$Sector$on$Track EQU 18
0009 = Last$Sector$on$Head$0 EQU 9
0200 = Sector$Size EQU 512
;
;
; Controller characteristics
;

```

Figure 7-7. Example CP/M cold bootstrap loader

```

; On this computer system, the floppy disk controller can read
; multiple sectors in a single command. However, in order to
; produce a more general example it is shown only reading one
; sector at a time.

0001 = Sectors$Per$Read EQU 1
;
;
; Cold boot characteristics
;
0000 = Start$Track EQU 0 ;Initial values for CP/M image
0002 = Start$Sector EQU 2 ;= " =
0010 = Sectors$To$Read EQU (Length$In$Bytes + Sector$Size - 1) / Sector$Size
;
;
;

0100 ORG 100H
0100 C34001 JMP Main$Code ;Enter main code body
;For reasons of clarity, the main
;data structures are shown before the
;executable code.

000D = CR EQU 0DH ;Carriage return
000A = LF EQU 0AH ;Line feed
;
Signon$MESSage:
0103 0D0A43502F DB CR,LF,'CP/M Bootstrap Loader'
IF Debug
DB '(Debug)'
ENDIF
011A 0D0A DB CR,LF
011C 5665727369 DB 'Version '
0124 3031 DW Version
0126 20 DB /
0127 3037 DW Month
0129 2F DB '/'
012A 3234 DW Day
012C 2F DB '/'
012D 3832 DW Year
012F 0D0A00 DB CR,LF,0

;
; Disk Control Tables
;
0045 = Disk$Control$5 EQU 45H ;5 1/4" control byte
0046 = Command$Block$5 EQU 46H ;Control table pointer
0043 = Disk$Status EQU 43H ;Completion status
;
;
; The command table track and DMA$Address can also be used
; as working storage and updated as the load process
; continues. The sector in the command table cannot be
; used directly as the disk controller requires it to be
; the sector number on the specified head (1 -- 9) rather
; than the sector number on track. Hence a separate variable
; must be used.
;
0132 02 Sector: DB Start$Sector
;
0133 01 Command$Table: DB 01H ;Command -- read
0134 00 Unit: DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number = 0 or 1
0135 00 Head: DB 0 ;Head number = 0 or 1
0136 00 Track: DB Start$Track ;Used as working variable
0137 00 Sector$On$head: DB 0 ;Converted by low-level driver
0138 0002 Byte$Count: DW Sector$Size * Sectors$Per$Read
013A 00E0 DMA$Address: DW CCP$Entry
013C 4300 Next$Status: DW Disk$Status ;Pointer to next status block
; ; if commands are chained.
013E 4500 Next$Control: DW Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control byte
; ; if commands are chained.

0140 310001 Main$Code: LXI SP,Cold$Boot$Loader ;Stack grows down below code

```

Figure 7-7. (Continued)

```

0143 210301      LXI    H,Signon$Message        ;Sign on
0146 CDD901      CALL   Display$Message
0149 213301      LXI    H,Command$Table        ;Point the disk controller at
014C 224600      SHLD   Command$Block$5      ; the command block
014F 0E10          MVI    C,Sectors$ToRead     ;Set sector count
Load$Loop:
0151 CD7B01      CALL   Cold$Boot$Read       ;Read data into memory
0154 0D           DCR    C                      ;Downdate sector count
IF             NOT Debug
0155 CA00F6      BIOS$Entry                 ;Enter BIOS when load done
JZ             Debug
ENDIF
IF             0
JZ             ;Warm boot
ENDIF

0158 213201      LXI    H,Sector              ;Update sector number
015B 3E01          MVI    A,Sectors$Per$Read    ; by adding on number of sectors
015D 86           ADD    M                      ; by controller
015E 77           MOV    M,A                  ;Save result
015F 3E13          MVI    A,Last$Sector$On$Track + 1 ;Check if at end of track
0161 BE           CMP    M
0162 C26E01        JNZ    Not$End$Track
;
0165 3601          MVI    M,First$Sector$On$Track ;Yes, reset to beginning
0167 2A3601        LHLD   Track                ;Update track number
016A 23           INX    H
016B 223601        SHLD   Track
;
Not$End$Track:
016E 2A3A01        LHLD   DMA$Address         ;Update DMA Address
0171 110002        LXI    D,Sector$Size * Sectors$Per$Read
0174 19           DAD    D
0175 223A01        SHLD   DMA$Address
0178 C35101        JMP    Load$Loop          ;Read next block
;
Cold$Boot$Read:
;At this point, the description of the
; operation required is in the variables
; contained in the command table, along
; with the sector variable.

017B C5           PUSH   B                  ;Save sector count in C
;
----- Change this routine to match the disk controller in use -----
;
017C 0600          MVI    B,0                ;Assume head 0
017E 3A3201        LDA    Sector            ;Get requested sector
0181 4F           MOV    C,A                ;Take a copy of it
0182 FEOA          CPI    Last$Sector$On$Head$0+1 ;Check if on head 1
0184 DAB001        JC    Head$0            ;No
0187 D609          SU$    Last$Sector$On$Head$0  ;Bias down for head 1
0189 4F           MOV    C,A                ;Save copy
018A 04           INR    B                  ;Set head 1
;
Head$0:
018B 78           MOV    A,B                ;Get head
018C 323501        STA    Head               ;Head
018F 79           MOV    A,C                ;Get sector
0190 323701        STA    Sector$On$Head
;
0193 214500        LXI    H,Disk$Control$5 ;Activate controller
0196 3600          MVI    M,80H
;
Wait$For$Boot$Complete:
0198 7E           MOV    A,M                ;Get status byte
0199 B7           ORA    A                  ;Check if complete
019A C29801        JNZ    Wait$For$Boot$Complete ;No
;Yes, check for errors
;
019D 3A4300        LDA    Disk$Status
01A0 FEB0          CPI    80H
01A2 DAA701        JC    Cold$Boot$Error ;Yes, an error occurred
;
----- End of physical read routine -----

```

Figure 7-7. (Continued)

```

01A5 C1      POP     B          ;Recover sector count in C
01A6 C9      RET

;
;Cold$Boot$Errors:
01A7 21B001    LXI    H,Cold$Boot$Error$Message
01AA CDD901    CALL   Display$Message        ;Output error message
01AD C34001    JMP    Main$Code           ;Restart the loader
;

;
;Cold$Boot$Error$Message:
01B0 0D0A426F6F DB     CR,LF,'Bootstrap Loader Error - retrying...',CR,LF,0
;
;      Equates for Terminal Output
;
0001 = Terminal$Status$Port    EQU    01H
0002 = Terminal$Data$Port     EQU    02H
;
0001 = Terminal$Output$Ready  EQU    0000$0001B
;
;
Display$Message:           ;Displays the specified message on the console.
                           ;On entry, HL points to a stream of bytes to be
                           ;output. A 00H-byte terminates the message.
01D9 7E      MOV    A,M          ;Get next message byte
01DA B7      ORA    A           ;Check if terminator
01DB C8      RZ    ;Yes, return to caller
01DC 4F      MOV    C,A          ;Prepare for output

;
Output$Not$Ready:
01DD DB01    IN     Terminal$Status$Port    ;Check if ready for output
01DF E601    ANI    Terminal$Output$Ready
01E1 CADD01    JZ    Output$Not$Ready       ;No, wait
01E4 79      MOV    A,C          ;Get data character
01E5 D302    OUT   Terminal$Data$Port     ;Output to screen

01E7 23      INX    H             ;Move to next byte of message
01E8 C3D901    JMP   Display$Message       ;Loop until complete message output
;
                           ;The PROM-based bootstrap loader checks
                           ;to see that the characters "CP/M"
                           ;are on the diskette bootstrap sector
                           ;before it transfers control to it.

02E0          ORG    2EOH
02E0 43502F4D DB    'CP/M'
02E4          END   Cold$Boot$Loader

```

**Figure 7-7.** (Continued)

In this case, the bootstrap code must be loaded at location 0780H, not the normal 0980H, because the bootstrap takes a complete 512-byte sector (200H). The same principle applies in determining the offset value to be used with DDT's "R" command to read the bootstrap HEX file, namely:

offset = load address - execution address.

In this case, the values are the following:

$$0680H = 0780H - 0100H$$

### Using MOVCMP to Relocate the CCP and BDOS

MOVCMP builds a CP/M memory image at the correct locations for SYSGEN, but with the instructions modified to execute at a specific address. Inside MOVCMP is not only a complete replica of CP/M, but also enough

information to tell MOVCMP which bytes of which instructions need be changed whenever the execution address of the image needs to be moved.

MOVCMP, as released from Digital Research, contains the bootstrap and BIOS for an Intel MDS-800 computer along with the generic CCP and BDOS. Unless you have an MDS-800, all you use is the CCP and BDOS. Some manufacturers have customized MOVCMP to include the correct bootstrap and BIOS for their own computers; consult their documentation to see if this applies to your computer system.

When you invoke MOVCMP, you have the following options:

- **MOVCMP<cr>**

MOVCMP will relocate its built-in copy of CP/M to the top of available memory and will then transfer control to this new image of CP/M. Unless your manufacturer has included the correct BIOS into MOVCMP, using this option will cause an immediate system crash.

- **MOVCMP nn<cr>**

This is similar to the option above, except that MOVCMP assumes that *nnK* bytes of memory are available and will relocate the CP/M image to the top of that before transferring control. Again, this will crash the system unless the correct BIOS has been installed into MOVCMP.

- **MOVCMP \* \*<cr>**

MOVCMP will adjust all of the internal addresses inside the CP/M image so that the image could execute at the top of available memory, but instead of actually putting this image at the top of memory, MOVCMP will leave it in low memory at the correct place for SYSGEN to write it onto a disk. The SAVE command could also preserve the image on a disk.

- **MOVCMP nn \*<cr>**

MOVCMP proceeds as above for the “\* \*” option except that the CP/M image is modified to execute at the top of *nnK*.

MOVCMP has a fundamental problem. The *nn* value indicates that the top of available memory is computed, assuming that your BIOS is small—less than 890 (380H) bytes. If your BIOS is larger (as is the case with the example in Figure 6-4), then you will have to reduce the value of “*nn*” artificially.

Figure 7-8 shows the relationship between the size of the BIOS and the “*nn*” value to use with MOVCMP. It also shows, for different lengths of BIOS, the BIOS base address, the offset value to be used in DDT to read in the BIOS to location 1F80H (preparatory to using SYSGEN or PUTCPM to write it out), and also the base addresses for the CCP and the BDOS. The base address of the BDOS indicates how much memory is available for loading transient programs, as the CCP can be overwritten if necessary.

The numbers in Figure 7-8 are based on the assumption that you have 64K of memory in your computer system. If this is not the case, then proceed as follows:

1. Convert the amount of memory in your system to hex. Remember that 1K is 1024 bytes.
2. Determine the length of your BIOS in hex.
3. Locate the line in Figure 7-8 that shows a BIOS length equal to or greater than the length of your BIOS.
4. Using the "H" command in DDT, compute the BIOS Base Address using the formula:  
Memory in system - BIOS length from Figure 7-8
5. Find the line in Figure 7-8 that shows the same BIOS Base Address as the result of the computation above. Use this line to derive the other relevant numbers.

It is helpful to use DDT to examine a CP/M image in memory to check that all of the components are correctly placed, and, in the case of the CCP and BDOS, correctly relocated.

Figure 7-9 shows an example console dialog in which DDT is used first to examine the memory image produced by MOVCPM and second to examine the image built into the PUTCPMF utility shown in Figure 7-5.

<b>BIOS Length</b>	<b>BIOS Base</b>	<b>DDT Offset</b>	<b>MOVCPM 'nn'</b>	<b>CCP Base</b>	<b>BDOS Base</b>
600	FA00	2580	64	E400	EC00
A00	F600	2980	63	E000	E800
E00	F200	2D80	62	DC00	E400
1200	EE00	3180	61	D800	E000
1600	EA00	3580	60	D400	DC00
1A00	E600	3980	59	D000	D800
1E00	E200	3D80	58	CC00	D400
2200	DE00	4180	57	C800	D000
2600	DA00	4580	56	C400	CC00
2A00	D600	4980	55	C000	C800
2E00	D200	4D80	54	BC00	C400
3200	CE00	5180	53	B800	C000
3600	CA00	5580	52	B400	BC00
3A00	C600	5980	51	B000	B800
3E00	C200	5D80	50	AC00	B400
4200	BE00	6180	49	A800	B000
4600	BA00	6580	48	A400	AC00
4A00	B600	6980	47	A000	A800
4E00	B200	6D80	46	9C00	A400
5200	AE00	7180	45	9800	A000
5600	AA00	7580	44	9400	9C00
5A00	A600	7980	43	9000	9800
5E00	A200	7D80	42	8C00	9400
6200	9E00	8180	41	8800	9000
6600	9A00	8580	40	8400	8C00
6A00	9600	8980	39	8000	8800

Apart from the MOVCPM 'nn' value all other values are in hexadecimal

**Figure 7-8.** CP/M addresses for different BIOS lengths

```

Call up MOVCPM requesting a '63K' system
and the image to be left in memory.

A>MovCPM 63 <cr>
CONSTRUCTING 63k CP/M vers 2.2
READY FOR "SYSGEN" OR
"SAVE 34 CPM63.COM"

Save the image from location 100H up. By
convention, the file name is CPMnn.COM, so
in this case it will be CPM63.COM

A>Save 34 cpm63.com<cr>

Call up DDT and request that it read in
CPM63.COM

A>ddt cpm63.com<cr>
DDT VERS 2.2
NEXT PC
2300 0100

Display memory to show the first few bytes of
the CCP. Note the two JMP (C3H) instructions,
followed by 7FH, 00H, 20H's, and the Digital
Research Copyright notice. These identify the
code as being the CCP. Note that the first
JMP instruction is to 35CH into the CCP -- you
can therefore infer the base address of the
CCP. In this case the JMP is to location E35C,
therefore this version of the CCP has been
configured to execute based at E000H.

-d980,9cf<cr>
0980 C3 5C E3 C3 58 E3 7F 00 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 ..X...
0990 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 43 4F 50 59 52 49 47 48 COPYRIGHT
09A0 54 20 28 43 29 20 31 39 37 39 2C 20 44 49 47 49 T (C) 1979, DIGI
09B0 54 41 4C 20 52 45 53 45 41 52 43 48 20 20 00 00 TAL RESEARCH ..
09C0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .. .....

Display the first few bytes of the BDOS. Note
the JMP instruction at 1186. This is the
instruction to which control is transferred
by the JMP in location 5.

-d1180,118F<cr>
1180 00 16 00 00 09 85 C3 11 E8 99 E8 A5 E8 AB E8 B1 .. .....

Displaying further up in the BDOS identifies
it unambiguously -- there are some ASCII error
messages.

-d1230,126f<cr>
1230 E8 21 DC E8 CD E5 E8 C3 00 00 42 64 6F 73 20 45 .!.....Bdos E
1240 72 72 20 4F 6E 20 20 3A 20 24 42 61 64 20 53 65 rr On : $Bad Se
1250 63 74 6F 72 24 53 65 63 74 24 46 69 6C 65 ctor$Select$File
1260 20 52 2F 4F 24 E5 CD C9 E9 3A 42 EB C6 41 32 C6 R/O$....:B..A2.

Display the first few bytes of the BIOS.
Notice the BIOS JMP vector -- the series of C3H
instructions. Normally the first instruction
in the vector can be used to infer the base
address of the BIOS; in this case it is
F600H. But there is no rule that says that
the cold boot code must be close to the BIOS
JMP vector -- so this is only a rough guide.

-d1f80<cr>
1F80 C3 B3 F6 C3 C3 F6 C3 61 F7 C3 64 F7 C3 6A F7 C3 .....a..d..j..
1F90 6D F7 C3 72 F7 C3 75 F7 C3 78 F7 C3 7D F7 C3 A7 m...r..u..x..?...
1FA0 F7 C3 AC F7 C3 BB F7 C3 C1 F7 C3 CA F7 C3 70 F7 .....p..
1FB0 C3 B1 F7 82 F6 00 00 00 00 00 00 6E F8 73 F6 0D .....n.s..
1FC0 F9 EE F8 82 F6 00 00 00 00 00 00 6E F8 73 F6 3C .....n.s.<
1FD0 F9 1D F9 82 F6 00 00 00 00 00 00 6E F8 73 F6 6B .....n.s.k
1FE0 F9 4C F9 82 F6 00 00 00 00 00 00 6E F8 73 F6 9A ..L.....n.s..
1FF0 F9 7B F9 1A 00 03 07 00 F2 00 3F 00 C0 00 10 00 ..[.....?....
2000 02 00 01 07 0D 13 19 05 0B 11 17 03 09 0F 15 02 .. .....
2010 08 0E 14 1A 06 0C 12 18 04 0A 10 16 0D 0A 0A 36 .....6
2020 33 6B 20 43 50 2F 4D 20 76 65 72 73 20 32 2E 32 3k CP/M vers 2.2
2030 0D 0A 00 31 00 01 21 9C F6 CD D3 F7 AF 32 04 00 ...1...!....2..
-^C

```

Figure 7-9. Using DDT to check CP/M images

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In contrast, load DDT and request that it
load the PUTCPMF5.COM program.

A>ddt putcpmf5.com<cr>
DDT VERS 2.2
NEXT PC
2900 0100

Display the special bootstrap loader that
starts at location 0780H (compared to the
MDS-800 bootstrap which is at 0980H). Note
the sign-on message.

-d780,7af<cr>
0780 C3 40 01 0D 0A 43 50 2F 4D 20 42 6F 6F 74 73 74 .@...CP/M Bootst
0790 72 61 70 20 4C 6F 61 64 65 72 0D 0A 56 65 72 73 rap Loader..Vers
07A0 69 6F 6E 20 30 31 20 30 37 2F 32 34 2F 38 32 0D ion 01 07/24/82.

Confirm that the CCP is loaded in the correct
place. Check the address of the first JMP
instruction (0E35CH).

-d980,9bf<cr>
0980 C3 5C E3 C3 58 E3 7F 00 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 ..X...
0990 20 20 20 20 20 20 4F 50 59 52 49 47 48 COPYRIGHT
09A0 54 20 28 43 29 20 31 39 37 39 2C 20 44 49 47 49 T (C) 1979, DIGI
09B0 54 41 4C 20 52 45 53 45 41 52 43 48 20 20 00 00 TAL RESEARCH ..

Confirm that the BDOS is also in place.

-d1180,118f<cr>
1180 00 16 00 00 09 85 C3 11 E8 99 E8 A5 E8 AB E8 B1 .....

Confirm that the BIOS has been loaded in the
correct place. Check the first JMP to get
some idea of the BIOS base address. Note the
sign-on message.

-d1f80<cr>
1F80 C3 F9 F6 C3 0C FE C3 62 F8 C3 78 F8 C3 S6 F8 C3 .....b.x.....
1F90 A4 F8 C3 B4 FB C3 C5 F8 C3 B6 FB C3 0E FB C3 3B .....;
1FA0 FB C3 41 FB C3 48 FB C3 DE FB C3 F8 FB C3 94 F8 ..A..H.....
1FB0 C3 B0 FB ED 06 00 00 00 42 6E 25 DF 01 B6 DE 02 .....Bn%.....
1FC0 38 00 00 43 50 2F 40 20 32 2E 32 2E 30 30 20 30 8..CP/M 2.2.00.0
1FD0 37 2F 31 35 2F 38 32 0D 0A 0A 53 69 6D 70 6C 65 7/15/82...Simple
1FE0 20 42 49 4F 53 0D 0A 0A 44 69 73 6B 20 43 6F 6E BIOS...Disk Con
1FF0 66 69 67 75 72 61 74 69 6F 6E 20 3A 0D 0A 0A 20 configuration ...
2000 20 20 20 20 41 3A 20 30 2E 33 35 20 4D 62 79 74 A: 0.35 Mbyte
2010 65 20 35 22 20 46 6C 6F 70 70 79 0D 0A 20 20 20 e 5" Floppy..
2020 20 20 42 3A 20 30 2E 33 35 20 4D 62 79 74 65 20 B: 0.35 Mbyte
2030 35 22 20 46 6C 6F 70 70 79 0D 0A 0A 20 20 20 5" Floppy...
-^C
A>_

```

**Figure 7-9.** Using DDT to check CP/M images (continued)

## Putting it all Together

Figure 7-10 shows an annotated console dialog for the complete generation of a new CP/M system. Note that the following file names appear in the dialog:

<b>BIOS1.ASM</b>	<b>Figure 6-4.</b>
<b>PUTCPMF5.ASM</b>	<b>Figure 7-5.</b>
<b>BOOTF5.ASM</b>	<b>Figure 7-7.</b>

```

Assemble the CP/M Bootstrap Loader,
with the source code and HEX file
on drive C:, no listing output.

C>asm bootf5.ccz<cr>
CP/M ASSEMBLER - VER 2.0
02E4
004H USE FACTOR
END OF ASSEMBLY

Assemble the PUTCPMF5 program (that
writes CP/M onto the disk), with
the source code and HEX file on
drive C:, no listing output.

C>asm putcpmf5.ccz<cr>
CP/M ASSEMBLER - VER 2.0
01DB
003H USE FACTOR
END OF ASSEMBLY

Assemble the BIOS with the source
code and HEX file on drive C:, no
listing output.

C>asm bios1.ccz<cr>
CP/M ASSEMBLER - VER 2.0
FE6C
011H USE FACTOR
END OF ASSEMBLY

Start piecing the CP/M image
together. Load DDT and ask it to
read in the file previously SAVED
after a MOVCPM 63 *.

C>ddt cpm63.com<cr>
DDT VERS 2.2
NEXT PC
2300 0100

Indicate the file name of
PUTCPMF5.HEX, and read in without
any offset (i.e. it will load at
100H because of the ORG 100H it
contains). -iputcpmf5.hex<cr>

-rr<cr>
NEXT PC
2300 0100

Indicate the file name of
BOOTF5.HEX and read in with an
offset of 680H to make it load at
780H on up (it contains ORG 100H
too).

-ibootf5.hex<cr>
-r680<cr>
NEXT PC
2300 0100

Indicate the file name of the BIOS
HEX file, and read it in with an
offset of 2980 such that it will
load at 1F80H (it contains an ORG
0F600H).

-ibios1.hex<cr>
-r2980<cr>
NEXT PC
27EC 0000

Exit from DDT by going to location
0000H and executing a warm boot.

-g0<cr>

Save the complete CP/M image on
disk. Saving 40 256-byte pages from
location 100H to 2900H.

C>save 40 putcpmf5.com<cr>

```

**Figure 7-10.** Console dialog for system build

```
Load and execute the PUTCPMF5
program.

C>putcpmf5<cr>

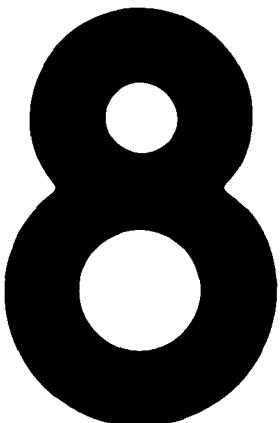
Put CP/M on Diskette
Version 01 07/24/82

PUTCPMF5 signs on
and writes the CP/M image to
disk.

C>
```

**Figure 7-10.** Console dialog for system build (continued)

**BIOS Enhancements**  
**Character Input/Output**  
**Data Structures**  
**Disk Input/Output**  
**Custom Patches to CP/M**  
**An Enhanced BIOS**



## **Writing An Enhanced BIOS**

This chapter describes ways in which you can enhance your BIOS to make CP/M easier to use, faster, and more versatile.

Get a standard BIOS working on your computer system, and then install the additional features. Although you can write an enhanced BIOS from the outset, it will take considerably longer to get it functioning correctly.

A complete listing of an enhanced BIOS is included at the end of this chapter. It is quite large: approximately 4500 lines of source code, with extensive comments and long variable names to make it more understandable.

The sections that follow describe the main concepts embodied in the enhanced BIOS listing.

## BIOS Enhancements

BIOS enhancements fall into two classes: those that add new capabilities and those that extend existing features.

Some enhancements are normally accompanied by utility programs that allow you to select the enhancement option from the console. For example, when the BIOS is enhanced to include a *real time clock*, you need a utility program to set the clock to the correct time. Other enhancements will not require supporting utilities. For example, if the disk drivers are improved to read and write data faster, the enhancement is "transparent." As a user, you are aware of the results of the enhancement but not of the enhancement itself.

Viewed at its simplest, the BIOS deals with two broad classes of input/output:

### *Character input/output*

This includes the console, auxiliary, and list devices.

### *Disk input/output*

This can accommodate several types of floppy and hard disks.

Enhancements in these areas do not fundamentally change the way that the BDOS and CCP interact with these devices. Instead, enhancements improve the way in which the *device drivers* deal with the devices. They can improve the speed of manipulating data, the way of handling external devices, or the user's control over the behavior of the system.

The example enhanced BIOS has capabilities not found in standard CP/M systems. These can be grouped in several main categories:

### *Character input/output*

This area probably benefits most from enhancement. This is partly because such a wide range of peripheral devices needs to be supported and partly because this is the most visible area of interaction between you and your computer. Any improvements here will therefore be immediate and obvious to you as a user.

### *Error handling*

CP/M's error handling is, at best, startling in its simplicity. Enhanced error handling gives you more information about the nature of the failure, and then gives you the options of retrying the operation, ignoring the error, or aborting the program. This topic is covered in detail in Chapter 9.

### *System date and time*

This is the ability to maintain a time-of-day clock and the current date. It allows your programs to set and access the date and time. In addition, your system can react to the passing of time, and you can move certain operations into the time domain. For example, you can set upper limits on the

number of seconds, or milliseconds, that each operation should take, and arrange for emergency action if the operation takes too long.

#### *Logical-to-physical device assignment*

CP/M's logical-to-physical device assignment is primitive. With enhancements, you can use any character input/output device as the system console, and output data to several devices at the same time.

#### *Disk input/output*

CP/M only knows about the 128-byte sector. Even with the deblocking routines shown in Figure 6-4, overall disk performance can be slow. Performance can be improved dramatically by "track buffering" (in which entire tracks are read and written at one time) or by using a *memory disk* (that is, using large areas of RAM as though they were a disk). These have a cost, though, in increased memory requirements.

#### *Public files*

CP/M's user number system needs improvements to function well in conjunction with large hard disks.

## **Preserving User-Settable Options**

A by-product of adding features to the BIOS is that many of these features have options that you can alter, either from the console using a utility program or from within one of your programs.

Each of these options, once set according to your preferences, or to the requirements of your hardware, do not normally change from day to day. Therefore, the BIOS should be designed so that options set by the user can be "frozen" or preserved on the disk by using a utility program, FREEZE. All of the variables recording these options are gathered into a single area and then this area is written out to the disk.

This area is called the *configuration block*. In practice, there are two configuration blocks: one short term and the other long term. The short term block is not preservable—you can set options within it, but they cannot be preserved after you switch your computer off. The system date, for example, is normally set each time you turn your computer on, and therefore is kept in the short term block. The baud rate for your printer, on the other hand, is kept in the long term block so that it can be saved permanently.

An extra BIOS entry point, CB\$Get\$Address, has been built into the enhanced BIOS so that utility programs can locate variables in both configuration blocks. For example, when a utility needs to know where the date is kept in memory, it calls CB\$Get\$Address using a code number (specific for date) in a register. CB\$Get\$Address returns the address of the date in memory. If a new version of the BIOS is produced with the date in a different location, CB\$Get\$Address will still hand the correct, although different, address back to the utility program.

Two other variables that CB\$Get\$Address can access pertain to the configuration block itself. One is the relative address of the start of the long term configuration block. The other is the length of the long term block. These are used by the FREEZE utility when it needs to preserve the long term block on a disk. FREEZE must (1) read in the sectors containing the long term block from the CP/M BIOS image on the reserved area of the disk, (2) copy the current RAM-resident version of the long term block over the disk image version, and then (3) write the sectors back onto the disk.

Figure 8-1 shows how the long term block appears on disk and in memory. The

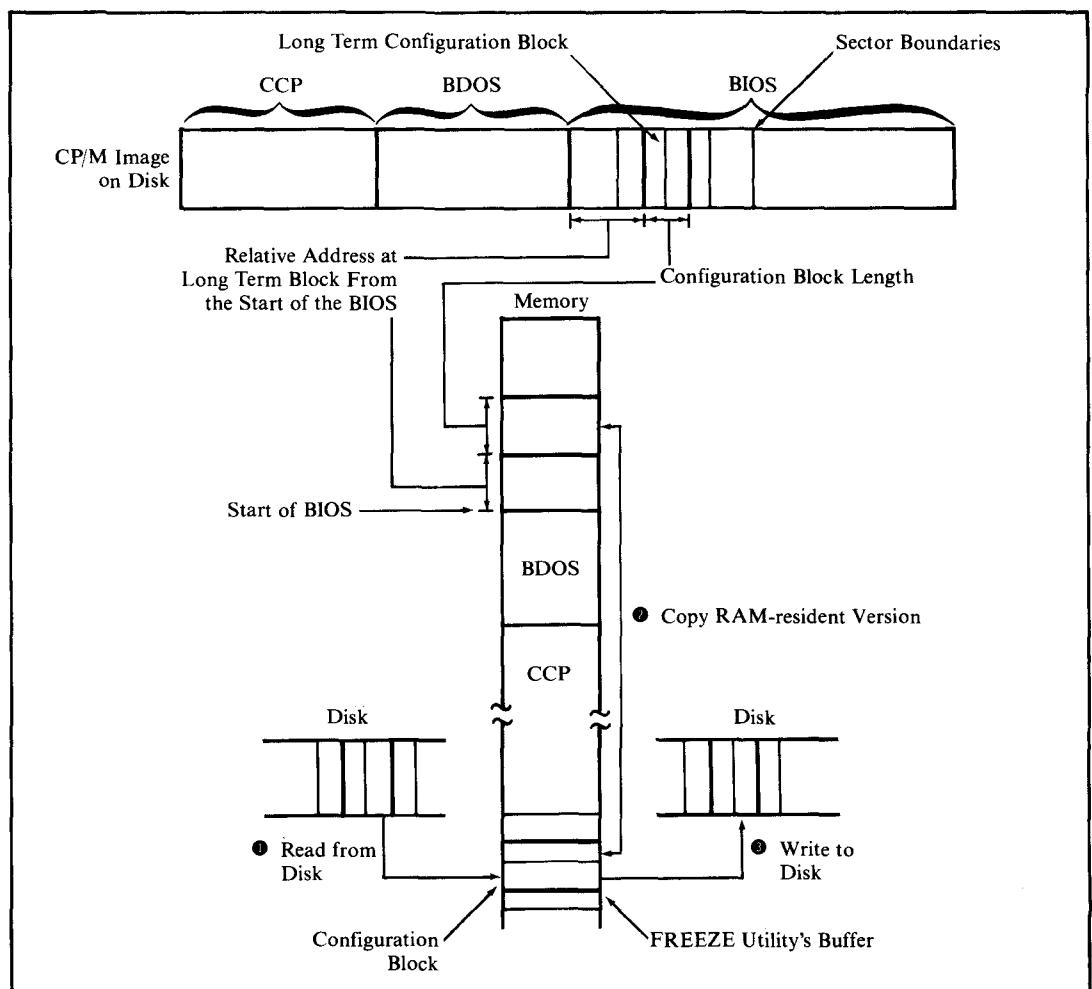


Figure 8-1. Saving the long term configuration block

size of the CCP and BDOS do not change, even if the BIOS does. Therefore, the sector containing the start of the BIOS will not change. The formula (using decimal numbers)

$$\text{BIOS Start Sector} + \text{INT}(\text{Relative LTB Address} / 128)$$

then gives the start sector number to be read in. The number of sectors to read is calculated as follows:

$$(\text{Long Term Block Length} + 127) / 128$$

The relative address and length can be used to locate the long term block in the BIOS executing in RAM.

## Character Input/Output

The character I/O drivers shown in the example BIOS, Figure 8-10, have been enhanced to have the following features:

- A single set of driver subroutines controlling all character devices
- Preservation of option settings
- Flexible redirection of input/output between logical and physical devices
- Interrupt-driven input drivers, to get user “type-ahead” capability
- Support of several different protocols to avoid loss of data during high-speed output to printers or other operations
- Forced input of characters into the console input stream, allowing automatic commands at system start-up
- Conversion of terminal function keys into useful character strings
- Ability to recognize “escape sequences” output to the console and to take special action as a result
- Ability to read the current time and date as though they were typed on the console
- “Timeout” signaling when the printer is busy for too long.

Each of these features is discussed in the following sections, as an introduction to the actual code example.

### Single Set of Driver Subroutines

In the following examples, only a single set of subroutines is used to process the input and output for all of the physical devices in the system.

This is made possible by grouping all of the individual device's characteristics

into a table called the *device table*. For example, in order to get a character from the current console device, the address of its device table will be handed over to the subroutines. These in turn will use the appropriate values from the device table when they need to access a port number or any unique attribute of that device.

In our example, the drivers assume that all of the physical devices use serial input/output. To support a device with parallel input/output, you would need to extend the device table to include a field that would enable the drivers to detect whether they were operating on a serial or parallel device. You would probably also have to add different device initialization and input/output routines more suited to the problems of dealing with a parallel port.

The device table structure consists of a series of equate (EQU) instructions. These define the relative offset of each field in the table. Each definition is expressed by referencing the *preceding* field so that you can insert additional fields without revising the definitions for all the other fields.

Individual instances of device tables are then defined as a series of define byte (DB) and define word (DW) lines. The drivers are given the base address of the device table whenever they need to do something with a device. By adding the base address to the relative address (defined by the equate), the drivers can determine the actual address in memory that contains the required value. The detailed contents of the device table are described later in this chapter.

## Permanent Setting of Options

About the only options that need preserving in the long term configuration block are the values used to initialize the hardware chips. Other options can be set during automatic execution of the command file when CP/M is first loaded.

## Redirection of Input/Output Between Devices

As you recall, the BDOS only "knows about" the *logical* devices console, reader, punch, and list. Using the IOBYTE at location 0003H in conjunction with the STAT utility, you can redirect the BDOS to assign the logical devices to specific physical devices. However, the redirection provided by CP/M is rather primitive. It permits only four physical devices per logical device. Input and output of a logical device must always come from the same physical device. Output data can only be sent to a single destination, or (using the CONTROL-P toggle) to the console and the list device.

The system in Figure 8-10 supports up to 16 physical devices. Any one of these devices can act as the console, reader, punch, or list device. Input can come from any single device. Output can be sent to any or all of the devices. Each logical device's input and output are separate—that is, console input can come from physical device X while the output can be sent to physical devices Y and Z.

Device redirection can be done dynamically, either from within a program or by using a system utility program. For example, if you have some special input

device, your program can momentarily switch over to reading input from this device as though it were the console, and then revert back to reading data from the “real” console.

This redirection scheme is achieved by defining a 16-bit word, called the *redirection word*, in the long term configuration block for each of the following logical devices:

- Console input
- Console output
- Auxiliary (reader/punch) input
- Auxiliary (reader/punch) output
- List input (printers need to send data, too)
- List output.

Each bit in a given redirection word is assigned to a physical device. For input, the drivers use the device corresponding to the first 1 bit that they find in the redirection word. For output, the drivers send the character to be output to all of the devices for which the corresponding bit is set.

The example code does not select a different driver for each bit set—it selects a specific device table and then hands over the base address of this table to the common driver used for all character operations.

## Interrupt-Driven Input Drivers

With a standard CP/M BIOS, character data is read from the hardware chips only when control is transferred to the CONIN or READER subroutines. If this character data arrives faster than the BIOS can handle, data overrun occurs and incoming characters are lost.

By using interrupts, the hardware can transfer control to the appropriate interrupt service routine whenever an incoming character arrives. This routine reads the data character and places it into a buffer area to wait for the next CONIN or READER call, which will get the character from the buffer and feed it into the incoming data stream.

User programs and the CCP are “unaware” of this process, perceiving only that data characters are available. However, users will become aware of the process; they will be able to enter data characters from the keyboard before the program is ready for them. This gives the technique its other name—“type-ahead.” Although this technique does not alter the speed of execution of any programs running under CP/M, it does create the illusion of greater speed, since pauses while a program accepts data vanish completely. The user can enter data at a rate convenient to the tasks or thoughts at hand, without regard to the rate at which the program can accept that data.

The example contains the code necessary to handle arriving characters under interrupt control. In order to be of general applicability, the code assumes a "flat" interrupt structure: that is, all character input interrupts cause control to be transferred to the same address in memory. The address is determined by the actual hardware interrupt architecture.

The simplest interrupt schemes use the restart (RST) instructions built into the 8080 CPU chip. In the RST scheme, the external hardware interrupts what the CPU chip is doing and forces one of the eight RST instructions into the processor. Each RST instruction causes the processor to execute what is, in effect, a CALL instruction to a predetermined address in memory.

In more complicated systems, a specific interrupt controller chip (such as the Intel 8259A) will be used. In addition to providing very sophisticated (and complicated) prioritization of interrupts, the interrupt controller can transfer control to a *different* address depending on which physical device causes the interrupt. It does this by forcing the CPU to execute a CALL instruction to a different address for each device.

In both architectures, it is the responsibility of the BIOS writer to initialize all the hardware chips so that an interrupt occurs under the correct circumstances. The BIOS writer also must plant instructions at the correct places in memory to receive control from an RST instruction or from the fake CALL instruction emitted by the interrupt controller.

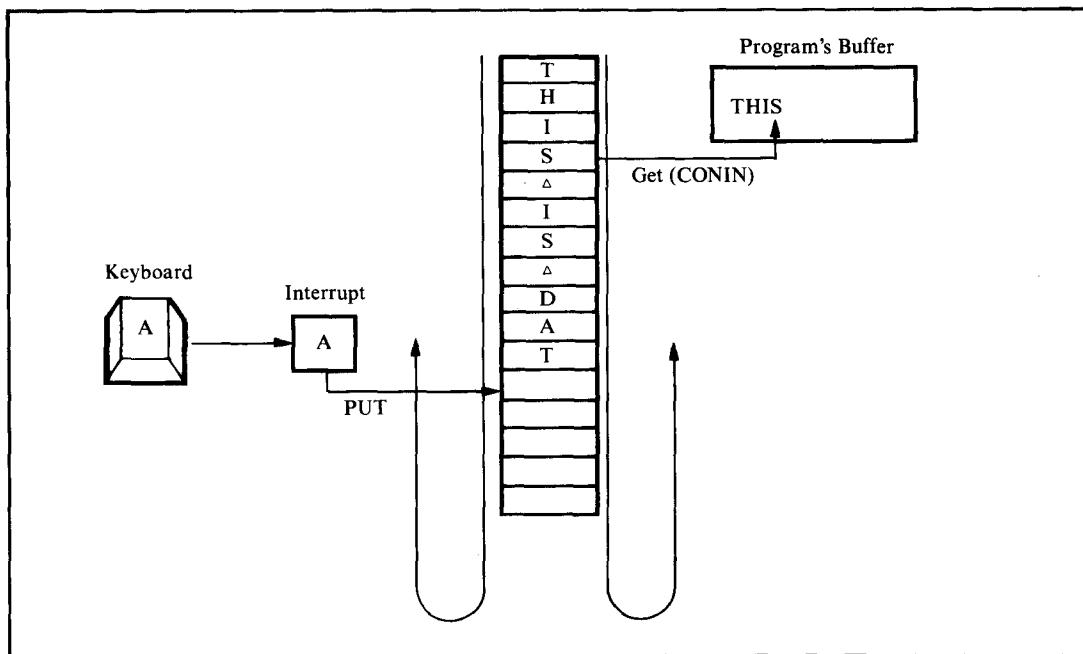
Some hardware requires that the interrupt service subroutine inform it as soon as the interrupt has been serviced and the character has been input. The example drivers provide for this.

This section deals with using interrupts for the *input* drivers, not the output drivers. All of today's microcomputers can output data much faster than external peripherals can handle. After the first few minutes of output, the computer will fill any reasonably sized buffer — and from this point there is no advantage in having a buffered output system. The computer still must slow down to the peripheral's data rate for each character, although now it is waiting to put the character in the output buffer rather than out to the peripheral.

One exception to this is where you have a large amount of "spare" memory and a "slow" printer (which most of them are). Increasing numbers of systems have more than 64K of RAM. The 8080 or Z80 can't address more than this, but a "bank switched" memory system can switch blocks of memory in and out of that 64K address space.

Using this trick, you can access memory "unknown" to CP/M, store some characters in it, switch back to the normal 64K memory, and return control to the caller of the BIOS output routine. When the physical device is ready to accept another output data character from the CPU, it will generate an interrupt. The interrupt service routine then will access the "secret" buffer, output the characters to the device, and switch back to the normal memory.

For example, if you have a printer that prints at 80 characters per second and



**Figure 8-2.** Circular buffer type-ahead

you can afford to use 64K of bank switched memory, you can squirrel away 13 minutes of printing—or even more if you design a scheme to compress blanks, storing them in the hidden buffer as a special control sequence.

From the point of view of software, interrupt-driven input drivers are divided into two major groups: the interrupt service routine that reads the characters and stacks them in a buffer, and the non-interrupt routines that get the characters from the buffer and handle the other BIOS functions such as returning console status.

The input character buffer serves as a transfer mechanism between the two groups of subroutines, although the device table also plays an important role.

The example code uses a circular buffer, as shown in Figure 8-2.

The drivers start putting data into the beginning of the buffer. When the last character in the buffer has been reached, the drivers reset to the beginning of the buffer and start over. This, of course, assumes that the non-interrupt drivers have been getting data from the front of the buffer, thus creating space for additional incoming data.

Each device table contains the address of the input buffer, a “put” pointer (for the interrupt service routine), and a “get” pointer (for the non-interrupt service routine). It also contains two character counts: the total number of characters and the number of control characters in the input buffer. You can see how the put and

get pointers operate asynchronously. The put pointer is used every time an incoming character generates an interrupt. The get pointer is used for each CONIN call.

The get and put pointers are only single-byte values and are more accurately described as "relative offsets." That is, they contain a value which, when converted to a word and added to the base address of the buffer, will point directly to the appropriate position inside the buffer.

By making the buffer a binary number of characters long—32 characters, for example—a programming trick can be used to make the buffer appear circular. The device tables contain a mask value formed from the buffer's length minus one ( $\text{length} - 1$ ). Whenever the get or put pointers are incremented by one (to "point" to the next character position), the updated value is ANDed with this ( $\text{length} - 1$ ) mask. In this example, if the get value goes from 31 (the relative address of the last character in the buffer) to 32 (which would be "off the end"), the masking operation will reset it to zero (the relative address of the first character of the buffer). This avoids having to compare pointers to know when to reset them.

It is also simpler to use a count of the number of characters in the buffer, rather than comparing the get and put pointers, to distinguish between an empty and a full buffer. To support different serial protocols, the driver must be able to react when the buffer is within five characters of being full and when it drops below half empty. Both of these conditions are much easier to detect using a simple count that is incremented as a character is put into the buffer and decremented as a character is retrieved from the buffer.

The count of control characters is used to deal with a class of programs that incessantly "gobble" characters, thereby rendering any type-ahead useless. An example is Microsoft's BASIC interpreter. When it is interpreting a program, you can enter a CONTROL-C from the keyboard and the interpreter will come to an orderly stop. It does this by constantly making calls to CONST (console status). If it ever detects an incoming character, it makes a call to CONIN to input the character. A character that is not CONTROL-C is discarded without further ado. Thus, any characters that are input are consumed, destroying the effect of type-ahead.

To deal with this problem, the CONST routine shown in the example can be told to "lie" about the console's status. In this mode, CONST will only indicate that characters are waiting in the input buffer if a control character is received. It uses the control character count to determine whether there are control characters in the buffer; this count is incremented by the interrupt service routine when it detects one, and decremented by the CONIN routine when it gets a control character from the buffer.

## Protocol Support

In this context, a protocol is a scheme to avoid loss of data that would otherwise occur if a device sent data faster than the receiving device could handle

it. For example, protocols are used to prevent the CPU sending data out to a printer faster than the printer can print the characters and move the paper. The drivers also support input protocols, indicating to a transmitting device when the input buffer gets close to being full.

Two basic methods are used to implement protocols. The first uses the control lines found in the normal RS-232C serial interface cables. For data being output by the computer, the data terminal ready (DTR) signal is used, and for incoming data, the request to send (RTS) signal. These signals conform to the electrical standards for the RS-232C interface; they are considered true when they are at some positive voltage between +3 and +12 volts, and false when they are between -3 and -12 volts.

The second method uses ASCII control characters instead of control signals. Two separate protocols are supported by this method. One uses the ASCII characters XON and XOFF. Before the sending device (the computer or some peripheral device) sends a data character, it checks to see if an XOFF character has been received. If so, the sender will wait for an XON character. The receiving device will only send an XON when it is ready to receive more data.

The second protocol uses the characters ETX (end of transmission) and ACK (acknowledge). This method is normally used only when transmitting data from the computer to a buffered printer. A message length (usually half the printer's buffer size) is defined. When this number of characters has been output, the computer will send an ETX character. No further output will occur until the computer receives an ACK character from the printer.

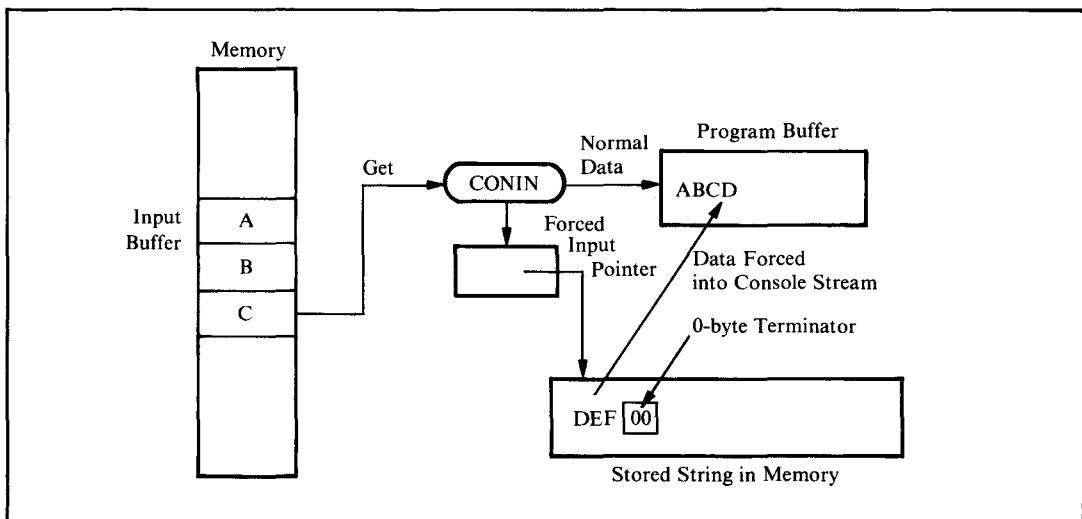
The example drivers support the DTR high-to-send, the XON/XOFF, and the ETX/ACK protocols for output data. For input, they support RTS high-to-receive and XON/XOFF.

The input protocols are invoked when the input buffer gets within five characters of being full. Then the drivers output an XOFF character or lower the RTS signal voltage, or do both. Only when the input buffer has been emptied to 50% capacity will the drivers send XON or raise the RTS line, or both.

As an emergency measure, if the input buffer becomes completely full, notwithstanding protocols, the drivers will output a predetermined character (defined in the device table) each time they discard an incoming character. This is normally the ASCII BEL (bell) character. When you type too far ahead, the terminal will start beeping to tell you that data is being dropped.

## Forced Input into the Console Stream

All application languages provide a means of reading data from the console keyboard. This makes the console input stream a useful gateway to the system. A simple enhancement to the CONIN/CONST routines makes it easy to "fool" the system into acting as if data had been input from the keyboard when in fact the data is coming in from a character string in memory.



**Figure 8-3.** CONIN uses forced input data if pointer points to nonzero byte

In the enhanced BIOS, both CONIN and CONST are extended to check a pointer in the long term configuration block, as shown in Figure 8-3.

If this pointer is pointing at a nonzero byte, then that byte is returned as though it had come from the console keyboard. The forced input pointer is then moved up one byte in memory. The process of forcing input continues until a zero byte is encountered.

Forced input serves several purposes. It can be used to force a command or commands into the system when the system first starts up. In conjunction with a utility program, it can allow the user to enter several CP/M commands on a single command line, injecting the characters as each of the commands is executed. It also makes possible the features described in the next two sections.

## Support of Terminal Function Keys

Many terminals on the market today have special function keys on their keyboards. When you press one of these keys, the terminal will emit several characters, the first of which is normally the ASCII ESC (escape) character. The remaining one or two characters identify the specific function key that was pressed.

For these function keys to be of any practical use, an applications program must detect the incoming escape sequence and take appropriate action. The problem is that not all terminal manufacturers support the ANSI standard escape sequences.

The example drivers avoid this problem by providing a general-purpose method, shown in Figure 8-4, of detecting escape sequences and of substituting a user-defined character string that is injected into the console input stream as though it had been entered from the keyboard.

This scheme permits function keys to be used very flexibly, even for off-the-shelf programs that have not been designed specifically to accept function key input.

There is, however, one stumbling block. When an ESCAPE character is received, the program must detect whether this is the start of a function key sequence or the user pressing the ESCAPE key on the terminal's keyboard. In the former case, the

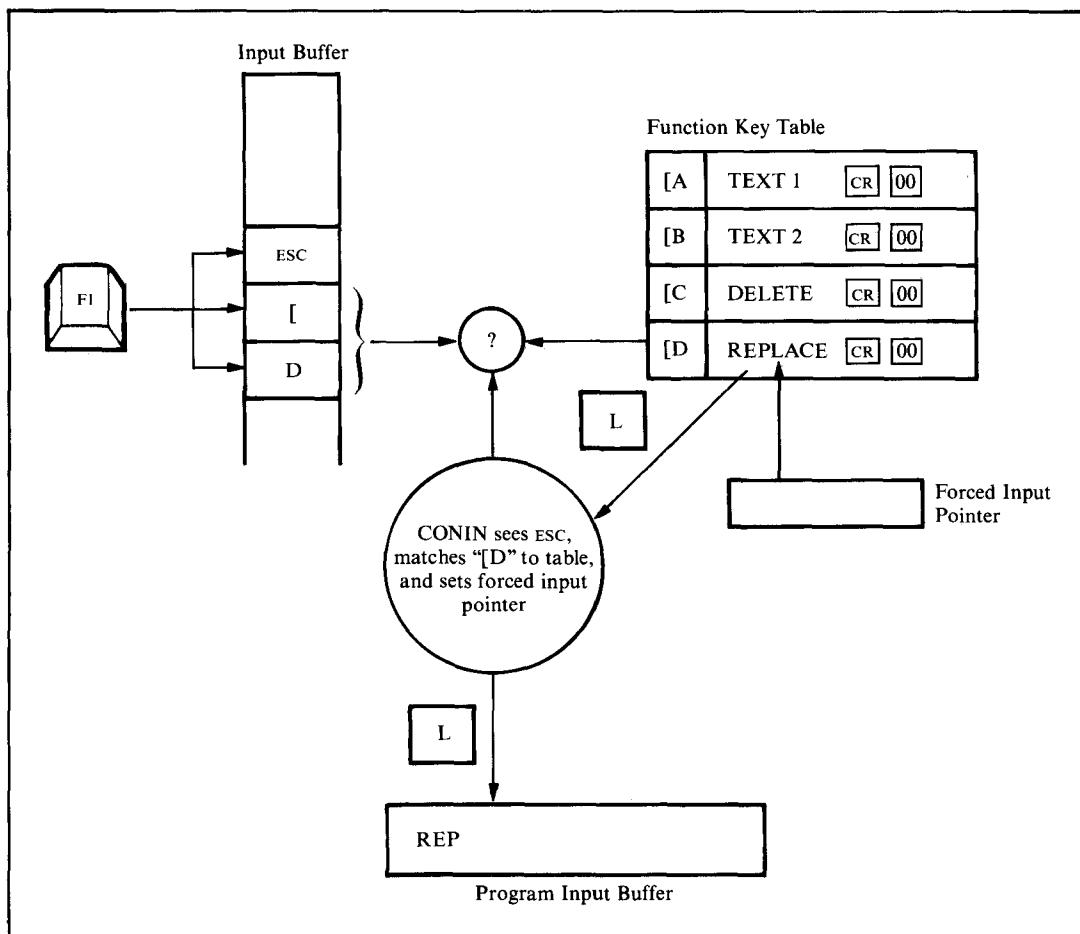


Figure 8-4. CONIN decodes terminal function keys

driver must wait to determine whether a function key string must be substituted for the escape sequence. In the latter case, the driver must input the ESCAPE character as it would other incoming data characters.

This recognition can only be done by moving into the time domain. When the CONIN routine (the non-interrupt routine) gets an ESCAPE character from the input buffer, it delays for approximately 90 milliseconds, enough time for a terminal-generated character sequence to arrive. CONIN then checks the input buffer to see if it contains at least two characters. If it does, the driver checks for a match in a function key table in the long term configuration block. If the characters match a defined function key, then the string associated with the function key will be injected into the console stream by pointing the forced input pointer at it. If the characters do not match anything in the function key table, then the ESCAPE and subsequent characters are handed over as normal data characters.

If after the 90-millisecond delay no further characters have arrived, the ESCAPE character is handed over as a normal character, on the basis that it must have been a manually entered ESCAPE character rather than part of a terminal-generated sequence.

The example drivers show the necessary code and tables for function keys that emit three characters. You could modify them easily for two-character sequences, or, if you are fortunate enough to have a keyboard that uses all eight bits of a byte, to recognize single incoming characters.

## Processing Output Escape Sequences

The output side of the console driver, the CONOUT routine, can also be enhanced to recognize escape sequences. It uses a vectored JMP instruction to keep track of the current state of affairs. The CONOUT driver gets an address from the vector and transfers control to it. Normally this vector is set to direct control to the output byte routine. However, if an ESCAPE character is detected in the output stream, the vector is changed to transfer control to a routine that will recognize the character following the ESCAPE. If recognition does not occur, the driver will output an ESCAPE followed by the character that arrived after it.

If the second character is recognized, then the driver can transfer control to the correct escape-sequence processor. This processor can then take whatever action is appropriate. It must also make sure that when all processing is finished, the console output vector is set to process normal output characters again.

This technique is described in more practical detail in the next section, where it is used to preset and read the date and time. You can easily extend the recognition tables in the long term configuration block to perform any special processing that you need, ranging from altering the I/O redirection words to changing any other variable in the system or programming special hardware in your computer.

Be careful not to embed any pure binary values in the sequence of characters going out to the CONOUT routine. If you attempt to send a value of 09H (the TAB

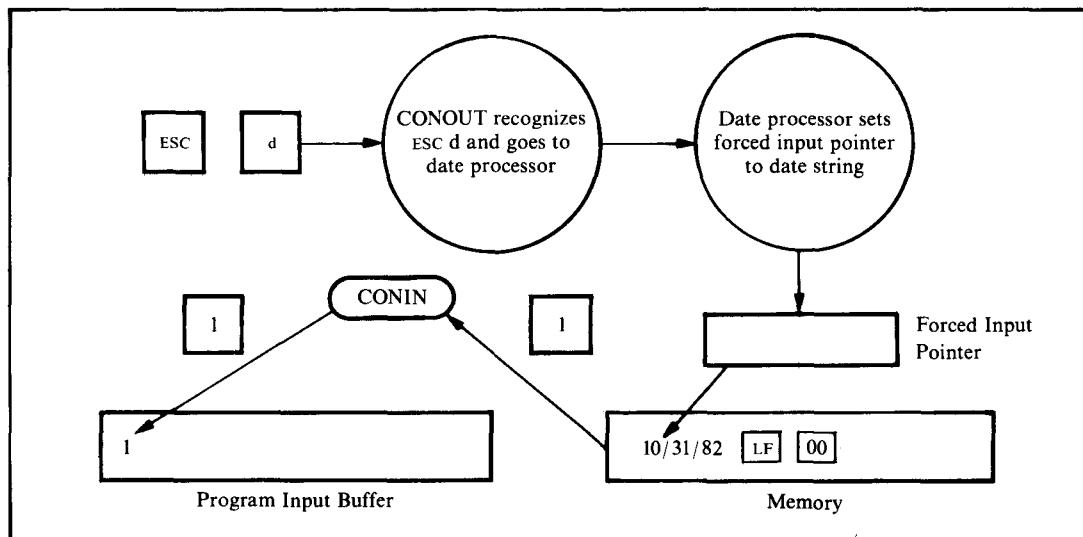
character) out via the BDOS, it will gratuitously expand the tab out to some number of blanks. If you need to send out a bit pattern, such as the I/O redirection word, split it up into a series of 7-bit long values. Then send it out with each byte having the most significant bit set to 1. A value of 09H will then become 89H, preventing the BDOS from expanding it to blanks.

## Reading Date and Time From Console

For the moment, set aside the question of how the date and time get into the system. Since the date and time are stored in the short term configuration block (there being no need to save them from one work session to the next), all that the BIOS needs to be able to do is recognize a request from an applications program to read either the date or the time and then set the forced input pointer to the appropriate string in memory. Both the date and time strings are terminated by a LINE FEED followed by a 00 byte.

This sequence of events is shown in Figure 8-5.

You can see that the characters "ESC d" output to CONOUT cause it to point the forced input pointer at the date in memory. Subsequent calls to CONIN bring the characters in the date into the program as though they were being entered on the keyboard.



**Figure 8-5.** Escape sequences sent to CONOUT allow the date to be read by CONIN

## "Watchdog" Timeout on Printer

There is no provision in CP/M to deal with a hardware device that for one reason or another is permanently unavailable. Unless special steps are taken in the drivers, the system will screech to a halt in a loop, reading status and testing for the peripheral to be ready.

The example enhancement code shows a scheme, using a real time clock, that can detect when a device such as a printer fails to come ready for more than 30 seconds. On detecting this situation, the code outputs a message to all of the console devices that are not also being used as printers. This type of output is needed to avoid "deadly embraces" where a printer not being ready generates a message that cannot be output because the printer is not ready.

The code that performs the timing function is known as a *watchdog timer*. Each time the real time clock "ticks," the interrupt service routine checks the watchdog count. If the count is nonzero, it is decremented. If the watchdog timer reaches zero, exceeding the time allowed, the drivers will display a message on the console indicating that the printer has been busy for too long. The user then has the option of making the printer ready and trying again to output data, ignoring the error and carrying on, or aborting the program by doing a BDOS System Reset (function 0).

Although sending an error message to the console sounds simple, it is complicated if console output is directed to the offending printer itself. The drivers attempt to solve this problem by sending the message only to those devices being used as consoles and *not* as printers. If all consoles are being used as printer devices as well, the driver will send the message to device 0 — normally the main console.

## Keeping Time and Date

CP/M does not have provision for keeping the current time and date in the system. The example enhancement shows how to keep the time of day and the current date in the short term configuration block by using escape sequences output to the console (1) to set them to the correct values and (2) to "read" them from the console input stream.

The example presupposes that the system has a hardware chip that can be programmed to generate an interrupt every 1/60th of a second (16.666 milliseconds). This provides a divide-down counter to measure seconds elapsed. Of course, if your computer has a *true* real time clock that you can read and get the current time in hours, minutes, and seconds, your code will be very simple. You still will need to have the clock generate a periodic interrupt, however, in order to use the watchdog feature for timing printer and disk operations.

Actual time is kept as ASCII characters, using another ASCII control table to determine when "carry and reset to zero" should occur. By changing two bytes in this table, the time can be kept in 12- or 24-hour format.

The date is simply stored as a string. The example code does not attempt to make sure that the date is valid, nor to update when midnight rolls around. This could be done easily by the BIOS — but it would take a fairly large amount of code.

## Watchdog Timer

Having a periodic source of interrupts also opens the door to building in an emergency or watchdog timer. This is nothing more than a 16-bit counter. Each time the real time clock interrupts, or ticks, the interrupt service routine checks the watchdog count. If it is already at zero, nothing more happens — the watchdog is not in use. If it is nonzero, the routine decrements the count by one. If this results in a zero value, the interrupt service routine CALLs a predetermined address. This will be the address of some emergency interrupt service routine that can then take special action, such as investigating the cause of the timeout.

The watchdog routine has a non-interrupt-level subroutine associated with it. Calling this set watchdog subroutine provides a means of setting the count to a predetermined number of real time clock “ticks” and setting the address to which control should be transferred if the count reaches zero.

Having called the set watchdog subroutine, the driver can then sit in a status loop, with interrupts enabled, waiting for some event to occur. If the event happens before the watchdog count hits zero, the driver must call the set watchdog routine again to set the count back to zero, thereby disabling the watchdog mechanism.

The watchdog timer can be used to detect printers that are busy for too long or disk drives that take too long to complete an action either because of a hardware failure or because the user has not loaded the disk into the drive.

## Data Structures

As already stated, each character I/O device has its own device table that describes all of its unique characteristics.

The other major data structure is the configuration blocks — both short and long term.

This section describes each field in these data structures.

### Device Table

Figure 8-6 shows the contents of a device table. More correctly, it shows a series of equates that define the offsets of each field in the device table. The drivers are given the base address of a specific device table. They then access each field by adding the required offset to this base address.

The first part of the device table is devoted to the physical aspect of the device, defining which port numbers are to be used to communicate with it. The drivers need to know several different port numbers since each one is used for a particular

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;      The drivers use a device table for each
;      physical device they service. The equates that follow
;      are used to access the various fields within the
;      device table.
;
;      Port numbers and status bits
0000 = DT$Status$Port          EQU    0      ;Device status port number
0001 = DT$Data$Port           EQU    DT$Status$Port+1
;
0002 = DT$Output$Ready        EQU    DT$DataPort+1
;                                ;Output ready status mask
0003 = DT$Input$Ready         EQU    DT$Output$Ready+1
;                                ;Input ready status mask
0004 = DT$DTR$Ready          EQU    DT$Input$Ready+1
;                                ;DTR ready to send mask
0005 = DT$Reset$Int$Port     EQU    DT$DTR$Ready+1
;                                ;Port number used to reset an
;                                ;  interrupt
0006 = DT$Reset$Int$Value    EQU    DT$Reset$Int$Port+1
;                                ;Value output to reset interrupt
0007 = DT$Detect$Error$Port   EQU    DT$Reset$Int$Value+1
;                                ;Port number for error detect
0008 = DT$Detect$Error$Value  EQU    DT$Detect$Error$Port+1
;                                ;Mask for detecting error (parity etc.)
0009 = DT$Reset$Error$Port   EQU    DT$Detect$Error$Value+1
;                                ;Output to port to reset error
000A = DT$Reset$Error$Value  EQU    DT$Reset$Error$Port+1
;                                ;Value to output to reset error
000B = DT$RTS$Control$Port   EQU    DT$Reset$Error$Value+1
;                                ;Control port for lowering RTS
000C = DT$Drop$RTS$Value     EQU    DT$RTS$Control$Port+1
;                                ;Value, when output, to drop RTS
000D = DT$Raise$RTS$Value     EQU    DT$Drop$RTS$Value+1
;                                ;Value, when output, to raise RTS
;
;      Device logical status (incl. protocols)
000E = DT$Status              EQU    DT$Raise$RTS$Value+1
;                                ;Status bits
0001 = DT$Output$Suspend     EQU    0000$0001B
;                                ;Output suspended pending
0002 = DT$Input$Suspend       EQU    0000$0010B
;                                ;Input suspended until
;                                ;  buffer empties
0004 = DT$Output$DTR          EQU    0000$0100B
;                                ;Output uses DTR-high-to-send
0008 = DT$Output$Xon          EQU    0000$1000B
;                                ;Output uses Xon/Xoff
0010 = DT$Output$Etx          EQU    0001$0000B
;                                ;Output uses Etx/Ack
0020 = DT$Output$Timeout     EQU    0010$0000B
;                                ;Output uses Timeout
0040 = DT$Input$RTS           EQU    0100$0000B
;                                ;Input uses RTS-high-to-receive
0080 = DT$Input$Xon           EQU    1000$0000B
;                                ;Input uses Xon/Xoff
;
000F = DT$Status$2            EQU    DT$Status+1
0001 = DT$Fake$Typeahead     EQU    0000$0001B
;                                ;Requests Input$Status to
;                                ;  return "Data Ready" when
;                                ;  control characters are in
;                                ;  input buffer
;
0010 = DT$Etx$Count          EQU    DT$Status$2+1
;                                ;No. of chars. sent in Etx protocol
0012 = DT$Etx$Message$Length EQU    DT$Etx$Count+2
;                                ;Specified message length
;
0014 = DT$Buffer$Base         EQU    DT$Etx$Message$Length+2
;                                ;Address of input buffer
0016 = DT$Put$Offset          EQU    DT$Buffer$Base+2
;                                ;Offset for putting chars. into buffer
0017 = DT$Get$Offset          EQU    DT$Put$Offset+1
;                                ;Offset for getting chars. from buffer
0018 = DT$Buffer$Length$Mask  EQU    DT$Get$Offset+1
;                                ;Length of buffer - 1
;Note: Buffer length must always be
;a binary number; e.g. 32, 64, or 128,
;This mask then becomes:
;  32 -> 31 (0001$1111B)
;  64 -> 63 (0011$1111B)
; 128 -> 127 (0111$1111B)

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Figure 8-6. Device table equates

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;After the get/put offset has been
;incremented it is ANDed with the mask
;to reset it to zero when the end of
;the buffer has been reached.

0019 = DT$Character$Count EQU DT$Buffer$Length$Mask+1
;Count of the number of characters
;currently in the buffer

001A = DT$Stop$Input$Count EQU DT$Character$Count+1
;Stop input when the count reaches
;this value

001B = DT$Resume$Input$Count EQU DT$Stop$Input$Count+1
;Resume input when the count reaches
;this value

001C = DT$Control$Count EQU DT$Resume$Input$Count+1
;Count of the number of control
;characters in the buffer

001D = DT$Function$Delay EQU DT$Control$Count+1
;Number of clock ticks to delay to
;allow all characters after function
;key lead-in to arrive

001E = DT$Initialize$Stream EQU DT$Function$Delay+1
;Address of byte stream necessary to
;initialize this device

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**Figure 8-6.** Device table equates (continued)

function. Depending upon your hardware, each port number could be different; however, with standard Intel or Zilog chips, you will often find that the same port number is used for several functions. The drivers also need to know what bit patterns to expect when they read some ports and what values to output to ports in order to obtain particular results.

The layout of the device table and the manner in which the equates are declared are designed to make it easy for you to change the contents of the table to meet your own special requirements. The fields in this first section of the device table are discussed in the sections that follow.

**DT\$Status\$Port** The driver reads this port to determine whether the hardware chip has incoming data ready to be input to the computer or whether the chip is capable of accepting another data character for output to the physical device.

**DT\$Data\$Port** The driver reads from this port to access the next data character from the physical device. The driver also writes to this port to output the next data character to the device.

If your computer hardware requires that the input data port be a different number from the output data port, you will have to alter the coding in the device table equates as well as make the necessary changes in the input and output subroutines in the body of the code.

**DT\$Output\$Ready** This is the bit mask that the driver will AND with the current device status (obtained by reading the DT\$Status\$Port) to see whether the device is ready to accept another output character. It assumes that the device is ready if the result of the AND instruction is nonzero. You may have to change some JNZ (jump

nonzero) instructions to JZ (jump zero) instructions if your hardware device uses inverted logic, with bits in the status byte set to 0 to indicate that the device can accept another character for output.

Note that this status check relates only to the output chip—it is completely separate from the question of whether the peripheral itself is ready to accept data.

**DT\$Input\$Ready** This is the bit mask that the driver will AND with the current device status to see if there is an incoming data character. The drivers again presume that if the result of the AND is nonzero, then an incoming data character is waiting to be read from the data port. You will need to make changes similar to those for the output subroutines described in the previous section if your hardware uses inverted logic (0 bit means incoming data).

**DT\$DTR\$Ready** DTR stands for *data terminal ready*. It refers to one of the control lines connected from the actual peripheral device to the I/O chip (via several other integrated circuits). The drivers, as an option, will only output data to the device when the DTR signal is at a positive voltage. If the peripheral, in order to stop the flow of data characters being output to it, lowers the DTR signal to a negative voltage, the drivers will wait. Once DTR goes positive again, the drivers will resume sending data. Many hard-copy devices use this scheme to give themselves a chance to print out data received from the computer. They may have to lower DTR for several seconds, while they perform paper movement, for example.

The value in this field is a bit mask that the drivers use on the device status to determine the state of the data-terminal-ready control signal.

**DT\$Reset\$Int\$Port** Since the input side of the drivers uses interrupts, when an incoming character is ready to be input by the CPU, the hardware generates an interrupt signal, and control is transferred to the interrupt service routine. This routine “services” the interrupt by reading the incoming data character, saving it in memory, and then transferring control back to whatever was being executed when the interrupt occurred.

The more complicated interrupt controller chips (such as the Intel 8259A) must be told as soon as a given interrupt has been serviced so that they can permit servicing of any lower priority interrupts that may be waiting.

This field contains the port number that will be used to “reset” the interrupt, or more correctly, to indicate the end of the previous interrupt’s servicing.

**DT\$Reset\$Int\$Value** This is the value that will be output to the DT\$Reset\$Int\$Port to tell the hardware that the previous interrupt service has been completed.

**DT\$Detect\$Error\$Port** Before the driver attempts to read any incoming data from the DT\$Data\$Port, it checks to see if any hardware errors have occurred. It does so by reading status from this port.

**DT\$Detect\$Error\$Value** The status byte that is input from the DT\$Detect\$Error\$Port is ANDed with this value. If the result is nonzero, the driver assumes that an error has occurred.

**DT\$Reset\$Error\$Port** If an error has occurred, the driver outputs an error reset value to this port number.

**DT\$Reset\$Error\$Value** This is the value that will be output to the DT\$Reset\$Error\$Port to reset an error.

**DT\$RTS\$Control\$Port** The drivers use this port number to control the request-to-send line if the RTS protocol option is selected.

**DT\$Drop\$RTS\$Value** This value is output to the RTS control port to lower the RTS line so that some external device will stop sending data to the computer.

**DT\$Raise\$RTS\$Value** This value is output to raise the RTS line so that the external device will resume sending data to the computer.

**DT\$Status** This is the first of two status bytes. It contains bit flags that are set to a 1 bit to indicate the following conditions:

*DT\$Output\$Suspend*

Because of protocol, the device is currently suspended from receiving any further output characters.

*DT\$Input\$Suspend*

Because of protocol, the device has been requested not to send any more input characters.

*DT\$Output\$DTR*

The driver will maintain DTR-high-to-send protocol for output data.

*DT\$Output\$Xon*

The driver will maintain XON/XOFF protocol for output data.

*DT\$Output\$Etx*

The driver will maintain ETX/ACK protocol for output data.

*DT\$Input\$RTS*

The driver will maintain RTS-high-to-receive protocol for input data.

*DT\$Input\$Xon*

The driver will maintain XON/XOFF protocol for input data.

**DT\$Status\$2** This is another status byte, also with the following bit flag:

*DT\$Fake\$typeahead*

CONST will “lie” about the availability of incoming console characters. It

will only indicate that data is waiting if there are control characters other than CARRIAGE RETURN, LINE FEED, or TAB in the input buffer.

**DT\$Etx\$Count** This value is only used for ETX/ACK protocol. It is a count of the number of characters sent in the current message. When this count reaches the defined message length, then the driver will send an ETX character and suspend any further output.

**DT\$Etx\$Message\$Length** This value is the defined message length for the ETX/ACK protocol. It is used to reset the DT\$Etx\$Count.

**DT\$Buffer\$Base** This is the address of the first byte of the device's input buffer.

**DT\$Put\$Offset** This *byte* contains the relative offset indicating where the next incoming character is to be "put" in the input buffer. This byte must then be converted into a word value and added to the DT\$Buffer\$Base address to get the absolute memory location.

**DT\$Get\$Offset** This byte contains the relative offset indicating where the next character is to be "got" in the input buffer.

**DT\$Buffer\$Length\$Mask** This byte contains the length of the buffer minus one. The length of the buffer must always be a binary number (8, 16, 32, 64...). Therefore, one less than the length forms a mask value. Both the get and put offsets, after being incremented, are masked with this value. When the offset reaches the end of the buffer, this masking operation will "automatically" reset the offset to zero.

**DT\$Character\$Count** This is a count of the total number of characters in the buffer. It is incremented by the interrupt service routine each time a character is placed in the buffer, and decremented by the CONIN routine each time it gets a character from the buffer.

CONST uses this value to determine whether any characters are available for input.

**DT\$Stop\$Input\$Count** When the interrupt service routines detect that the DT\$Character\$Count is equal to this value (normally buffer length minus five), the drivers will invoke the selected input protocol, lowering RTS or sending XOFF, to shut off the incoming data stream.

**DT\$Resume\$Input\$Count** When the CONIN routine detects that the DT\$Character\$Count has become equal to this value, the drivers will again invoke the selected input protocol, either raising RTS or sending XON to resume receiving input data.

**DT\$Control\$Count** This is a count of the number of control characters in the input buffer. CARRIAGE RETURN, LINE FEED, and TAB characters are not included in this count.

It is incremented by the interrupt service routine and decremented by CONIN. CONST uses the count when the DT\$Fake\$Typeahead mode is active; it will only indicate that characters are waiting in the input buffer if the control count is nonzero.

**DT\$Function\$Delay** This is the number of clock ticks that should be allowed to elapse after the first character of an incoming escape sequence has been detected. It allows time for the remaining characters in the escape sequence to arrive, assuming that these are being emitted by a terminal at maximum baud rate. Normally, this will correspond to a delay of approximately 90 milliseconds.

**DT\$Initialize\$Stream** This is the address of the first byte of a string. This string has the following format:

DB ppH	Port number
DB nnH	Number of bytes to be output
DB vvH,vvH...	Initialization bytes to be output to the specified port number

This sequence can be repeated as many times as is necessary, with a “port” number of 00H acting as a terminator.

## Disk Input/Output

The example drivers show three main disk I/O enhancements:

- Full track buffering
- Using memory as an ultra-fast disk
- Improved error handling.

### Full Track Buffering

The 5 1/4" diskettes used in the example system are double-sided. Each side has a separate read/write head in the disk drive. The disk controller is fast enough that, if so commanded, it can read in a complete track's worth of data from one side of the diskette in a single revolution of the diskette.

The drivers have been modified to do just this. The main disk buffer has been dramatically enlarged to accommodate nine 512-byte sectors.

In the earlier standard BIOS, CP/M was configured for tracks of 18 512-byte sectors. The data from each head on a given track was laid “end-to-end” to create the illusion of a single surface with twice as much data on it. For track buffering, performance would be reduced if each read required two revolutions of the diskette, and so in this BIOS the tables and the low-level driver logic have been changed. Each surface is separated, with even numbered tracks on head 0, odd on head 1.

*What's?*

The track number given to the low-level drivers serves two purposes. The least significant bit identifies the head number. When the track number is shifted one bit right, the result is the *physical* track number to which the head assembly must be positioned.

The deblocking algorithm has also been modified by deleting references to sectors. The code is now concerned only with whether the correct disk and track are in the buffer. If this is true, the correct sector must, by definition, be in the buffer.

The deblocking code no longer takes any note when the BDOS indicates that it is writing to an unallocated allocation block—knowledge it used to bypass a sector preread in the standard BIOS. The track size in this enhanced BIOS is much larger than an allocation block, and so the question is meaningless; the whole track must be preread to write just a single sector.

This enhancement really excels when the BDOS is doing directory operations, which always involve a series of sequential reads. The entire directory can be brought into memory, updated, and written back in just two disk revolutions.

One point to watch out for is what is known as “deferred writes.” Imagine a program instructed to write on a sector on track 20. The drivers will read in track 20, copy the contents of the designated sector into the track buffer, and return to the program *without* actually writing the data to the disk. The program could “write” to all of the sectors on this track without any actual disk writes. During all this time, this data would exist only in memory and not on the disk drive, so if a power failure occurred, several thousand bytes of data would be lost. Writing to the directory is an exception. The drivers always physically write to the disk when the BDOS indicates that it is writing to a directory sector.

In reality, the increased risk is small. Most programs are constantly reading and writing files, so that the track buffer will be written out frequently in order to read in another track. When programs end, they close output files. This in turn triggers directory writes that force data tracks onto the disk.

If high security is a requirement for your computer, you could extend the watchdog routine to include another separate timer. You could preset this timer for, say, a ten-second delay each time you write into the track buffer but do not write the buffer to the disk. When the count expires, it would set a flag that could be tested by all of the BIOS entry points. If set, they would initiate a write of the track buffer to the disk.

## Using Memory as an Ultra-Fast Disk

As you can see from the preceding section, increased performance tends to go hand in hand with increased memory requirements. This is certainly true with a “memory disk,” commonly called a RAM-disk or M-disk. In fact, to have an M-disk with reasonable storage capacity, your computer must have at least 128K bytes of additional memory.

Since the 8080 or Z80 can only address 64K of memory at one time, to get access to any of this additional memory, some part of your computer's "normal" memory must be removed from the 64K address space and the additional memory must be switched in. This is known as bank-switched memory.

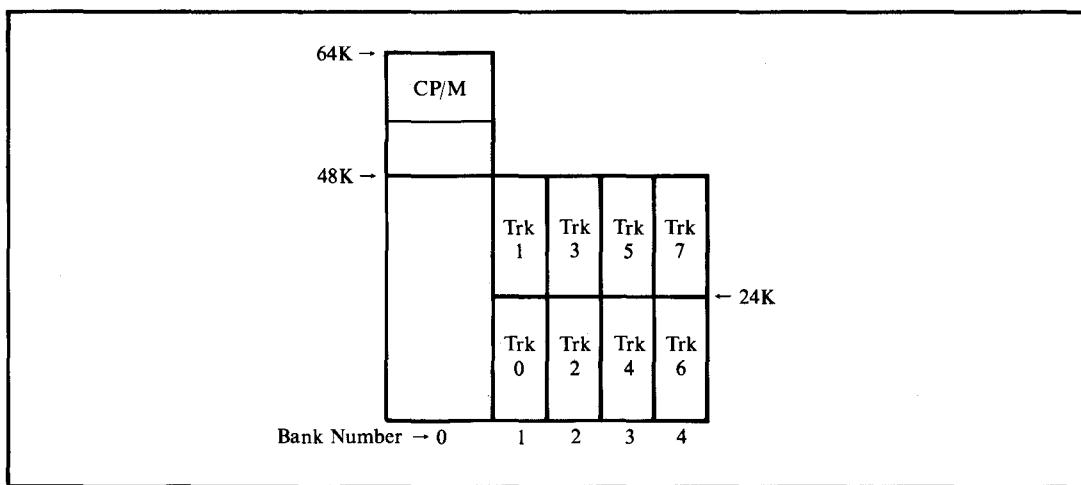
Figure 8-7 shows the memory organization that is supported by the example M-disk drivers.

You can see that the system has a total of 256K bytes of RAM, organized with the top 16K, from 64K down to 48K, being "common"—that is, switched into the address space all the time. The lower 48K can be selected from five banks, numbered 0 to 4. Bank 0 is switched in for normal CP/M operations.

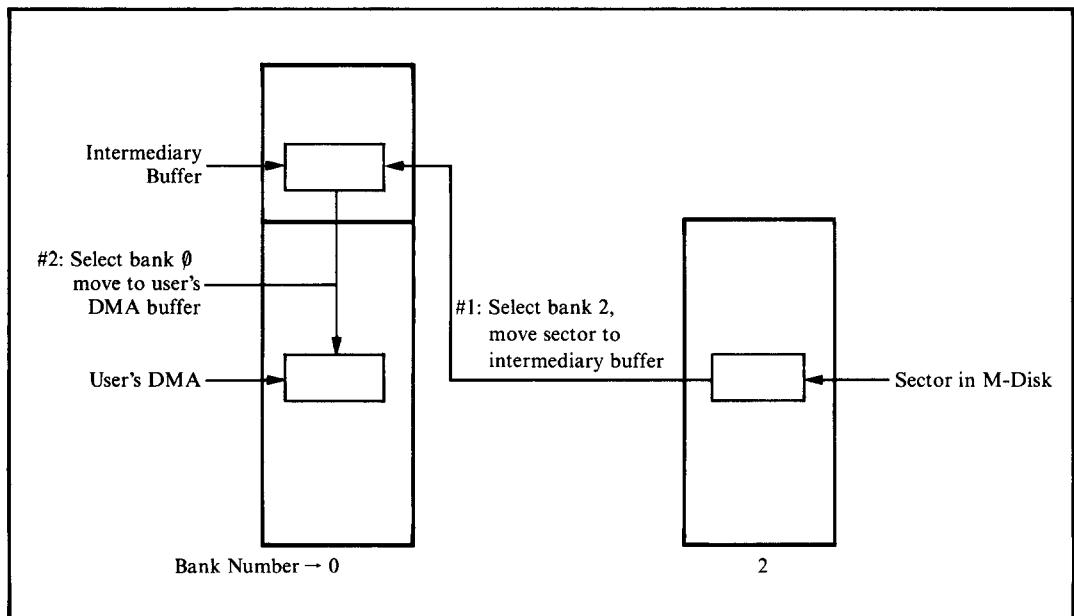
The M-disk parameter blocks describe a disk with eight "tracks," numbered 0 to 7. The least significant bit of the track number determines whether the base address of the track will be 0000H or 6000H. Shifting the track number right one bit gives the bank number. Each track consists of 192 sectors. To get the relative address of a sector within its "track," shift the sector number eight bits left, thus multiplying it by 128.

The M-disk is referenced by logical disk M:. A few special-case instructions are required to return the special M-disk parameter header in SELDSK.

One problem, fortunately easily solved, is that the user's DMA address coexists in the address space with the M-disk image itself. There is no direct way to move data between bank 0 and any other bank. The M-disk uses an intermediary buffer in common memory (above 48K), moving data into this, switching banks, and then moving the data down again. Figure 8-8 shows an example of this sequence, as used when reading from the M-disk.



**Figure 8-7.** Memory organization for M-disk



**Figure 8-8.** Reading a sector from the M-disk image

During cold boot initialization, the M-disk driver checks the very first directory entry (in bank 1) to see if it matches a dummy entry for a file called "M\$Disk." If this entry is present, the M-disk is assumed to contain valid information. If the entry is absent, the initialization code makes this special directory entry and fills the remainder of the directory with 0E5H, making it appear empty. The dummy entry makes it appear that the "M\$Disk" file is in user 15, marked System status and Read-Only—all of which are designed to prevent its accidental erasure.

### Custom Patches to CP/M

Two features shown in the enhanced BIOS, one in the CCP and one in the BDOS, require changes to CP/M itself. These features are implemented by modifying the CCP and BDOS to transfer control to the BIOS at specific points, execute a few instructions in the BIOS, and then return to CP/M. The patches could be made by modifying the MOVCMP program to install the changes permanently. The changed version of MOVCMP, however, *must* be used with a specific version of the BIOS. Therefore, patching CP/M "on the fly" ensures that there will be no mismatch between the BIOS and the rest of CP/M.

Both of these patches were produced with the assistance of Digital Research.

## User 0 Files Made Public

The first change permits files created in user area 0 to be accessible from all other user numbers. This feature comes into its own only with hard disk systems. On a hard disk, user numbers can partition the disk, but the frequently used utilities must then be duplicated in each user area. Allowing files in user area 0 to be public means that these files will be accessible from all the other user numbers. Hence the files need not be copied into each user area.

The public files feature alters the way that the BDOS performs the Search Next function, allowing access to files declared in user area 0 even when the current user number is not 0. However, the feature is a double-edged sword—user 0 files can be accidentally erased or damaged as well as accessed. Therefore, user 0 files should be declared as System status and Read-Only to protect them. As an additional precaution, public files can be turned off by a control flag in the long term configuration block. This flag is set to an initial state that disables public files.

## Modified User Prompt

This modification makes the CCP display the current user number as well as the default disk. For example,

3B>

indicates that you are currently in user number 3, with disk B: as the default. In addition, if you have enabled public files, the prompt is preceded by the letter "P" to serve as a reminder:

P3B>

## An Enhanced BIOS

The remainder of this chapter consists of the assembly language source code for the enhanced BIOS described here. It is rather a daunting listing, but will be well worth your study. The copious commentary has been written to make this study easier, and emphasis has been placed on explaining *why* as well as *what* things are done.

As with the standard BIOS, each line is numbered so that you can use the functional index in Figure 8-9 to find areas of interest in the listing. Note that the line numbers are not contiguous. They jump several hundred at the start of each major section or subroutine. This facilitates minor changes in the listing without revision of the functional index. The full listing is given in Figure 8-10.

Start Line	Functional Component or Routine
00001	Introductory Comments and Equates
00200	BIOS Jump Table with Additional Private Entries
00400	Long Term Configuration Block
00800	Interrupt Vector
00900	Device Port Numbers and Other Equates
01100	Display\$Message Subroutine
01200	Enter\$CPM Setup
01300	Device Table Equates
01500	Device Table Declarations
01700	General Device Initialization
01800	Specific Device Initialization
02000	Output Byte Stream
02100	CONST Routine
02200	CONIN Routine with Function Key Processing
02500	Console Output
02700	CONOUT Routine with Escape Sequence Processing
02900	AUXIST—Auxiliary Input Status Routine
03000	AUXOST—Auxiliary Output Status Routine
03100	AUXIN—Auxiliary Input Routine
03200	AUXOUT—Auxiliary Output Routine
03300	LISTST—List Status Routine
03400	LIST—List Output Routine
03500	Request User Choice—Request Action After Error
03600	Output Error Message
03656	Get Composite Status from Selected Output Devices
03800	Multiple Output of Byte to All Output Devices
04000	Check Output Device Logically (Protocol) Ready
04200	Process ETX/ACK Protocol
04400	Select Device Table from I/O Redirection Bit Map
04600	Get Input Character from Input Buffer
04800	Introductory Comments for Interrupt-Driven Drivers
04900	Character Interrupt Service Routine
05000	Service Device—Puts Character into Input Buffer
05300	Get Address of Character in Input Buffer
05400	Check if Control Character (not CR, LF, TAB)
05500	Output Data Byte
05700	Input Status Routine
05900	Set Watchdog Timer Routine
06000	Real Time Clock Interrupt Service Routine
06200	Shift HL Right One Bit Routine
06300	Introductory Comments for High-Level Disk Drivers
06400	Disk Parameter Headers
06600	Disk Parameter Blocks
06800	SELDSK—Select Disk Routine
07000	SETTRK—Set Track Routine
07100	SETSEC—Set Sector Routine

Figure 8-9. Functional index for listing in Figure 8-10

07200	SETDMA—Set DMA Routine
07300	Skew Tables for Sector Translation
07400	SECTRAN—Sector Translation Routine
07500	HOME—Home Disk to Track and Sector 0
07600	Equates for Physical Disk and Deblocking Variables
07800	READ—Sector Read Routine
07900	WRITE—Sector Write Routine
08000	Common Read/Write Code with Deblocking Algorithm
08300	Move\$8 Routine—Moves Memory in 8-Byte Blocks
08500	Introductory Comments for Disk Controllers
08700	Nondeblocked Read and Write
08900	M-Disk Driver
09100	Select Memory Bank Routine
09200	Physical Read/Write to Deblocked Disks
09400	Disk Error Handling Routines
09700	Disk Control Tables for Warm Boot
09800	WBOOT—Warm Boot Routine
10000	Ghost Interrupt Service
10100	Patch CP/M for Public Files and Prompt Changes
10300	Get Configuration Block Addresses
10400	Addresses of Objects in Configuration Blocks
10500	Short Term Configuration Block
10700	Note on Why Uninitialized Buffers are at End of BIOS
10800	Cold Boot Initialization Hidden in Disk Buffer Followed by All Uninitialized Buffers

FIGURE 8-9. Functional index for listing in Figure 8-10 (continued)

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00001 : This is a skeletal example of an enhanced BIOS.
00010 :
00011 :
00012 :
00013 :
00014 :
00015 :
00016 :
00017 :< -- NOTE: The line numbers at the left are included
00018 : to allow reference to the code from the text.
00019 : There are deliberate discontinuities in the
00020 : numbers to allow space for expansion.
00021 :
00022 VERSION EQU '00' ;Equates used in the sign-on message
3230 = 00023 MONTH EQU '02'
3632 = 00024 DAY EQU '26'
3338 = 00025 YEAR EQU '83'
00026 :
00027 ****
00028 ;*
00029 ;* This BIOS is for a computer system with the following *
00030 ;* hardware configuration :
00031 ;*
00032 ;* -- 8080 CPU
00033 ;* -- 64K bytes of RAM
00034 ;* -- 3 serial I/O ports (using signetics 2651) for:
00035 ;*   console, communications and list
00036 ;* -- Two 5 1/4" mini floppy, double-sided, double-
00037 ;*   density drives. These drives use 512-byte sectors.
00038 ;*   These are used as logical disks A: and B:.
00039 ;*   Full track buffering is supported.

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Figure 8-10. Enhanced BIOS listing

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00040 ;*          -- Two 8" standard diskette drives (128-byte sectors) *
00041 ;*          These are used as logical disks C: and D:.
00042 ;*          -- A memory-based disk (M-disk) is supported. *
00043 ;*
00044 ;*          Two intelligent disk controllers are used, one for   *
00045 ;*          each diskette type. These controllers access memory   *
00046 ;*          directly, both to read the details of the           *
00047 ;*          operations they are to perform and also to read   *
00048 ;*          and write data from and to the diskettes.        *
00049 ;*
00050 ;*
00051 ;*****                                                 ****
00052
00053
00054 ;      Equates for characters in the ASCII character set
00055 ;
0011 = 00056 XON    EQU    11H    ;Reenables transmission of data
0013 = 00057 XOFF   EQU    13H    ;Disables transmission of data
0003 = 00058 ETX    EQU    03H    ;End of transmission
0006 = 00059 ACK    EQU    06H    ;Acknowledge
000D = 00060 CR     EQU    0DH    ;Carriage return
000A = 00061 LF     EQU    0AH    ;Line feed
0009 = 00062 TAB    EQU    09H    ;Horizontal tab
0007 = 00063 BELL   EQU    07H    ;Sound terminal's bell
00064 ;
00065 ;
00066 ;      Equates for defining memory size and the base address and
00067 ;      length of the system components
00068 ;
0040 = 00069 Memory$Size   EQU    64    ;Number of Kbytes of RAM
00070 ;
00071 ;      The BIOS length must be determined by inspection.
00072 ;      Comment out the ORG BIOS$Entry line below by changing the first
00073 ;      character to a semicolon (this will make the assembler start
00074 ;      the BIOS at location 0). Then assemble the BIOS and round up to
00075 ;      the nearest 100H the address displayed on the console at the end
00076 ;      of the assembly.
00077 ;
2500 = 00078 BIOS$Length  EQU    2500H  ;-- Revised to an approximate value
00079 ;          ; to reflect enhancements
00080 ;
0800 = 00081 CCP$Length  EQU    0800H  ;Constant
0E00 = 00082 BDOS$Length EQU    0E00H  ;Constant
000F = 00083 ;
00084 Overall$Length EQU    (CCP$Length + BDOS$Length + BIOS$Length + 1023) / 1024
00085 ;
C400 = 00086 CCP$Entry   EQU    (Memory$Size - Overall$Length) * 1024
CC06 = 00087 BDOS$Entry  EQU    CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + 6
DA00 = 00088 BIOS$Entry  EQU    CCP$Entry + CCP$Length + BDOS$Length
00089 ;
00090 BDOS   EQU    0005H  ;BDOS entry point (used for making
00091 ;          ; system reset requests)
00092 ;
00200 ;#
00201 ;      ORG    BIOS$Entry   ;Assemble code at BIOS address
00202 ;
00203 ;      BIOS jump vector
0000 C31311 00204 ;
00205 JMP    BOOT   ;Cold boot -- entered from CP/M bootstrap loader
Warm$Boot$Entry: ;Labelled so that the initialization code can
00206 ;          put the warm boot entry address in location
00207 ;          0001H and 0002H of the base page
00208 ;
0003 C3750E 00209 JMP    WBOOT  ;Warm boot -- entered by jumping to location 0000H
00210 ;          Reloads the CCP, which could have been
00211 ;          overwritten by previous program in transient
00212 ;          program area
0006 C32B03 00213 JMP    CONST  ;Console status -- returns A = OFFH if there is a
00214 ;          console keyboard character waiting
0009 C33A03 00215 JMP    CONIN  ;Console input -- returns the next console keyboard
00216 ;          character in A
000C C3D703 00217 JMP    CONOUT ;Console output -- outputs the character in C to
00218 ;          the console device
000F C3F504 00219 JMP    LIST   ;List output -- outputs the character in C to the
00220 ;          list device
0012 C3CE04 00221 JMP    AUXOUT ;Auxiliary output -- outputs the character in C to the
00222 ;          logical auxiliary device

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0015 C3A104 00223    JMP   AUXIN ;Auxiliary input -- returns the next input character from
00224          ; the logical auxiliary device in A
0018 C3160A 00225    JMP   HOME  ;Homes the currently selected disk to track 0
001B C36309 00226    JMP   SELDSK ;Selects the disk drive specified in register C and
00227          ; returns the address of the disk parameter header
001E C39B09 00228    JMP   SETTRK ;Sets the track for the next read or write operation
00229          ; from the BC register pair
0021 C3A109 00230    JMP   SETSEC ;Sets the sector for the next read or write operation
00231          ; from the A register
0024 C3A809 00232    JMP   SETDMA ;Sets the direct memory address (disk read/write)
00233          ; address for the next read or write operation
00234          ; from the DE register pair
0027 C3370A 00235    JMP   READ   ;Reads the previously specified track and sector from
00236          ; the selected disk into the DMA address
002A C34B0A 00237    JMP   WRITE  ;Writes the previously specified track and sector onto
00238          ; the selected disk from the DMA address
002D C3D704 00239    JMP   LISTST ;Returns A = OFFH if the list device(s) are
00240          ; logically ready to accept another output byte
0030 C3100A 00241    JMP   SECTRAN ;Translates a logical sector into a physical one
00242          ;
00243          ; Additional "private" BIOS entry points
00244          ;
0033 C38F04 00245    JMP   AUXIST ;Returns A = OFFH if there is input data for
00246          ; the logical auxiliary device
0036 C39B04 00247    JMP   AUXDST ;Returns A = OFFH if the auxiliary device(s) are
00248          ; logically ready to accept another output byte
0039 C3FA02 00249    JMP   Specific$CIO$Initialization
00250          ;Initializes character device whose device
00251          ; number is in register A on entry
003C C36D08 00252    JMP   Set$Watchdog
00253          ;Sets up watchdog timer to CALL address specified
00254          ; in HL, after BC clock ticks have elapsed
003F C33C0F 00255    JMP   CB$Get$Address
00256          ;Configuration block get address
00257          ; Returns address in HL of data element whose
00258          ; code number is specified in C
00259          ;
00400          ;#
00401          ; Long term configuration block
00402          ;
00403          ;LongTerm$CB:
00404          ;
00405          ;
00406          ; Public files (files in user 0 accessible from all
00407          ; other user numbers) enabled when this flag is set
00408          ; nonzero.
00409          ;
00410 00        CB$Public$Files:     DB      0      ;Default is OFF
00411          ;
00412          ;
00413          ; The forced input pointer is initialized to point to the
00414          ; following string of characters. These are injected into
00415          ; the console input stream on system start-up.
00416          ;
00417 0043 5355424D4900417 CB$Startup:      DB      'SUBMIT STARTUP',LF,0,0,0,0,0,0
00418          ;
00419          ; Logical to physical device redirection
00420          ;
00421          ; Each logical device has a 16-bit word associated
00422          ; with it. Each bit in the word is assigned to a
00423          ; specific physical device. For input, only one bit
00424          ; can be set -- input will be read from the
00425          ; corresponding physical device. Output can be
00426          ; directed to several devices, so more than one
00427          ; bit can be set.
00428          ;
00429          ; The following equates are used to indicate
00430          ; specific physical devices.
00431          ;
00432          ;           1111 11      )
00433          ;           5432 1098 7654 3210 )<- Device number
0001 = 00434 Devices$0 EQU 0000$0000$0000$0001B
0002 = 00435 Devices$1 EQU 0000$0000$0000$0010B
0004 = 00436 Devices$2 EQU 0000$0000$0000$0100B
00437          ;
00438          ; The following words are tested by the logical
00439          ; device drivers to transfer control to

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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00A1 3800 00517 D1$Baud$Rate$Constant:           ;1200 baud (based on 16x divider)
00A3 00    00518 DW    0038H                   ;Port number of 00 terminates stream
          00519 DB    0
          00520
00A4 DD    00521 D2$Initialize$Stream:          ;Example data for an 8251A chip
          00522 DB    0DDH                   ;Port number for 8251A
00A5 06    00523 DB    6                     ;Number of bytes
00A6 000000 00524 DB    0,0,0                 ;Dummy bytes to get chip ready
00A9 42    00525 DB    0100$0010B            ;Reset and raise DTR
00AA 6E    00526 DB    01$10$11$10B            ;1 stop, no parity, 8 bits/char,
          00527                                     ; divide down of 16
00AB 25    00528 DB    0010$0101B            ;RTS high, enable Tx/Rx
          00529
          00530                                     ;Example data for an 8253 chip
00AC DF    00531 DB    0DFH                   ;Port number for 8253 mode
00AD 01    00532 DB    1                     ;Number of bytes to output
00AE F6    00533 DB    11$11$011$0B           ;Select:
          00534                                     ; Counter 3
          00535                                     ; Load LS byte first
          00536                                     ; Mode 3, binary count
00AF DE    00537 DB    0DEH                   ;Port number for counter
00B0 02    00538 DB    2                     ;Number of bytes to output
          00539 D2$Baud$Rate$Constant:           ;1200 baud (based on 16x divider)
00B1 3800 00540 DW    0038H                   ;Port number of 00 terminates stream
00B3 00    00541 DB    0
          00542
          00543 :
          00544 ; This following table is used to determine the maximum
          00545 ; value for each character position in the ASCII time
          00546 ; value above (except the ":"). Note -- this table is
          00547 ; in the long term configuration block so that the clock
          00548 ; can be set "permanently" to either 12 or 24 hour format.
          00549 ;
          00550 ; NOTE: The table is processed backwards -- to correspond
          00551 ; with the ASCII time.
          00552 ; Each character represents the value for the corresponding
          00553 ; character in the ASCII time at which a carry-and-reset-to-zero
          00554 ; should occur.
          00555 ;
00B4 00    00556 DB    0                     ;"Terminator"
00B5 3334 00557 CB$12$24$Clock:             ;Change to '23' for a 12-hour clock
          00558 DB    '34'                  ;Skip" character
          00559 DB    OFFH                  ;Maximum minutes are 59
00B8 363A 00560 DB    '61'                  ;Skip" character
          00561 DB    OFFH                  ;Maximum seconds are 59
00BA FF    00562 DB    '6:'                  ;Used when updating the time
          00563 Update$Time$End:
          00564 ;
          00565 ;
          00566 ; Variables for the real time clock and watchdog
          00567 ; timer
          00568 ;
00BD 3C    00569 RTC$Ticks$per$Second   DB    60      ;Number of real time clock
          00570                                     ; ticks per elapsed second
00BE 3C    00571 RTC$Tick$Count     DB    60      ;Residual count before next
          00572                                     ; second will elapse
00BF 0000  00573 RTC$Watchdog$Count DW    0       ;Watchdog timer tick count
          00574                                     ;(0 = no watchdog timer set)
00C1 0000  00575 RTC$Watchdog$Address DW    0       ;Address to which control
          00576                                     ; will be transferred if the
          00577                                     ; watchdog count hits 0
          00578
          00579 ;
          00580 ; Function key table
          00581 ;
          00582 ; This table consists of a series of entries, each one having the
          00583 ; following structure:
          00584 ;
          00585 ;           DB    Second character of sequence emitted by
          00586 ;           terminal's function key
          00587 ;           (   DB    Third character of sequence -- NOTE: this
          00588 ;           field will not be present if the source code
          00589 ;           has been configured to accept only two characters
          00590 ;           (   in function key sequences.
          00591 ;           (   NOTE: Adjust the equates for:
          00592 ;           (   Function$Key$Length
          00593 ;           (   Three$Character$Function

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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0224 65    00671   DB    'e'           ;Set current date
0225 404   00672   DW    CONOUT$Set$Date
0227 00    00673   DB    0              ;Terminator
0227 00    00674   DB    0              ;Terminator
0227 00    00675   ;Long$Term$CB$End:
0227 00    00676   ;
0227 00    00677   ;
0227 00    00678   ;#
0227 00    00679   ;#
0227 00    00680   ;#
0227 00    00681   ;#
0227 00    00682   ;     Interrupt vector
0227 00    00683   ;
0227 00    00684   ;     Control is transferred here by the programmable interrupt
0227 00    00685   ;     controller -- an Intel 8259A.
0227 00    00686   ;
0227 00    00687   ;     NOTE: The interrupt controller chip requires that the
0227 00    00688   ;     interrupt vector table start on a paragraph
0227 00    00689   ;     boundary. This is achieved by the following ORG line
0240 00    00690   ORG   ($ AND OFFEOH) + 20H
0240 00    00691   Interrupt$Vector:
0240 00    00692   ;Interrupt number
0240 C37808 00693   JMP   RTC$Interrupt      ;0 -- clock
0243 00    00694   DB    0              ;Skip a byte
0244 C3E806 00695   JMP   Character$Interrupt ;1 -- character I/O
0247 00    00696   DB    0
0248 C3D80E 00697   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;2 -- not used
024B 00    00698   DB    0
024C C3D80E 00699   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;3 -- not used
024F 00    00700   DB    0
0250 C3D80E 00701   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;4 -- not used
0253 00    00702   DB    0
0254 C3D80E 00703   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;5 -- not used
0257 00    00704   DB    0
0258 C3D80E 00705   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;6 -- not used
025B 00    00706   DB    0
025C C3D80E 00707   JMP   Ghost$Interrupt  ;7 -- not used
025C C3D80E 00708   ;
025C C3D80E 00709   ;
025C C3D80E 00710   ;
025C C3D80E 00711   ;
025C C3D80E 00712   ;
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025C C3D80E 00899   ;
025C C3D80E 00900   ;
025C C3D80E 00901   ;
025C C3D80E 00902   ;
025C C3D80E 00903   ;
025C C3D80E 00904   CIO$Base$Port EQU 80H      ;Base port number
025C C3D80E 00905   ;
025C C3D80E 00906   D0$Base$Port EQU CIO$Base$Port      ;Device 0
025C C3D80E 00907   D0$Data$Port EQU D0$Base$Port
025C C3D80E 00908   D0>Status$Port EQU D0$Base$Port + 1
025C C3D80E 00909   D0$Mode$Port EQU D0$Base$Port + 2
025C C3D80E 00910   D0$Command$Port EQU D0$Base$Port + 3
025C C3D80E 00911   ;
025C C3D80E 00912   ;
025C C3D80E 00913   D1$Base$Port EQU CIO$Base$Port + 4      ;Device 1
025C C3D80E 00914   D1$Data$Port EQU D1$Base$Port
025C C3D80E 00915   D1>Status$Port EQU D1$Base$Port + 1
025C C3D80E 00916   D1$Mode$Port EQU D1$Base$Port + 2
025C C3D80E 00917   D1$Command$Port EQU D1$Base$Port + 3
025C C3D80E 00918   ;
025C C3D80E 00919   D2$Base$Port EQU CIO$Base$Port + 8      ;Device 2
025C C3D80E 00920   D2$Data$Port EQU D2$Base$Port
025C C3D80E 00921   D2>Status$Port EQU D2$Base$Port + 1
025C C3D80E 00922   D2$Mode$Port EQU D2$Base$Port + 2
025C C3D80E 00923   D2$Command$Port EQU D2$Base$Port + 3
025C C3D80E 00924   ;
025C C3D80E 00925   D$Mode$Value$1 EQU 01$00$11$10B
025C C3D80E 00926   ;1 stop bit, no parity
025C C3D80E 00927   ;8 bits, Async. 16x rate
025C C3D80E 00928   D$Mode$Value$2 EQU 00$11$11$00B
025C C3D80E 00929   ;Tx/Rx on internal clock
025C C3D80E 00930   ;9600 baud
025C C3D80E 00931   D$Command$Value EQU 00$10$01$11B
025C C3D80E 00932   ;Normal mode
025C C3D80E 00933   ;Enable Tx/Rx
025C C3D80E 00934   ;RTS and DTR active
025C C3D80E 00935   D$Error EQU 0011$1000B
025C C3D80E 00936   D$Error$Reset EQU 00$11$01$11B
025C C3D80E 00937   ;Same as command value plus error reset
025C C3D80E 00938   D$Output$Ready EQU 0000$0001B
025C C3D80E 00939   D$Input$Ready EQU 0000$0010B
025C C3D80E 00940   D$DTR$High EQU 1000$0000B
025C C3D80E 00941   ;Notes: this is actually the

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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00941 ; data-set-ready pin
00942 ; on the chip. It is connected
00943 ; to the DTR pin on the cable
0027 = 00944 D$Raise$RTS EQU 00$1$00111B ;Raise RTS, Tx/Rx enable
0007 = 00945 D$Drop$RTS EQU 00$0$00111B ;Drop RTS, Tx/Rx enable
00946 ;
00947 ;
00948 ; Interrupt controller ports (Intel 8259A)
00949 ;
00950 ; Note : these equates are placed here so that they
00951 ; follow the definition of the interrupt vector
00952 ; and thus avoid 'P' (phase) errors in ASM.
00953 ;
00D9 = 00954 IC$OCW1#Port EQU 0D9H ;Operational control word 1
00D8 = 00955 IC$OCW2#Port EQU 0DBH ;Operational control word 2
00D8 = 00956 IC$OCW3#Port EQU 0DBH ;Operational control word 3
00D8 = 00957 IC$ICW1#Port EQU 0DBH ;Initialization control word 1
00D9 = 00958 IC$ICW2#Port EQU 0D9H ;Initialization control word 2
00959 ;
0020 = 00960 IC$EOI EQU 20H ;Nonspecific end of interrupt
00961 ;
0056 = 00962 IC$ICW1 EQU (Interrupt$Vector AND 1110$0000B) + 000$10110B
00963 ;Sets the A7 - A5 bits of the interrupt
00964 ; vector address plus:
00965 ; Edge triggered
00966 ; 4-byte interval
00967 ; Single 8259 in system
00968 ; No ICW4 needed
0002 = 00969 IC$ICW2 EQU Interrupt$Vector SHR 8
00970 ;Address bits A15 - A8 of the interrupt
00971 ; vector address. Note the interrupt
00972 ; vector is the first structure in
00973 ; the long term configuration block
00974 ;
00FC = 00975 IC$OCW1 EQU 1111$1100B ;Interrupt mask
00976 ;Interrupt 0 (clock) enabled
00977 ;Interrupt 1 (character input) enabled
00978 ;
01100 ;#
01101 ;
01102 ;
01103 Display$Message: ;Displays the specified message on the console.
01104 ;On entry, HL points to a stream of bytes to be
01105 ;output. A 00H-byte terminates the message.
025F 7E 01106 MOV A,M ;Get next message byte
0260 B7 01107 ORA A ;Check if terminator
0261 C8 01108 RZ ;Yes, return to caller
0262 4F 01109 MOV C,A ;Prepare for output
0263 E5 01110 PUSH H ;Save message pointer
0264 CDD703 01111 CALL CONOUT ;Go to main console output routine
0267 E1 01112 POP H ;Recover message pointer
0268 23 01113 INX H ;Move to next byte of message
0269 C35F02 01114 JMP Display$Message ;Loop until complete message output
01115 ;
01200 ;#
01201 ;
01202 Enter$CPM: ;This routine is entered either from the cold or warm
01203 ; boot code. It sets up the JMP instructions in the
01204 ; base page, and also sets the high-level disk driver's
01205 ; input/output address (the DMA address).
01206 ;
026C 3EC3 01207 MVI A,JMP ;Get machine code for JMP
026E 320000 01208 STA 0000H ;Set up JMP at location 0000H
0271 320500 01209 STA 0005H ;and at location 0005H
01210 ;
0274 210300 01211 LXI H,Warm$Boot$Entry ;Get BIOS vector address
0277 220100 01212 SHLD 0001H ;Put address at location 0001H
01213 ;
027A 2106CC 01214 LXI H,BDOS$Entry ;Get BDOS entry point address
027D 220600 01215 SHLD 6 ;Put address at location 0005H
01216 ;
0280 018000 01217 LXI B,SOH ;Set disk I/O address to default
0283 CDA809 01218 CALL SETDMA ;Use normal BIOS routine
01219 ;
0286 FB 01220 EI ;Ensure interrupts are enabled
0287 3A0400 01221 LDA Default$Disk ;Handover current default disk to
028A 4F 01222 MOV C,A ;console command processor

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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0288 C300C4 01223    JMP    CCP$Entry      ;Transfer to CCP
01224    ;
01300    ;#
01301    ;
01302    ; Device table equates
01303    ; The drivers use a device table for each
01304    ; physical device they service. The equates that follow
01305    ; are used to access the various fields within the
01306    ; device table.
01307    ;
01308    ; Port numbers and status bits
0000 = 01309 DT$Status$Port    EQU    0           ;Device status port number
0001 = 01310 DT$Data$Port     EQU    DT$Status$Port+1
01311    ;Device data port number
0002 = 01312 DT$Output$Ready   EQU    DT$DataPort+1
01313    ;Output ready status mask
0003 = 01314 DT$Input$Ready    EQU    DT$Output$Ready+1
01315    ;Input ready status mask
0004 = 01316 DT$DTR$Ready     EQU    DT$Input$Ready+1
01317    ;DTR ready to send mask
0005 = 01318 DT$Reset$Int$Port  EQU    DT$DTR$Ready+1
01319    ;Port number used to reset an
01320    ; interrupt
0006 = 01321 DT$Reset$Int$Value  EQU    DT$Reset$Int$Port+1
01322    ;Value output to reset interrupt
0007 = 01323 DT$Detect$Error$Port EQU    DT$Reset$Int$Value+1
01324    ;Port number for detecting error
0008 = 01325 DT$Detect$Error$Value EQU    DT$Detect$Error$Port+1
01326    ;Mask for detecting error (parity etc.)
0009 = 01327 DT$Reset$Error$Port  EQU    DT$Detect$Error$Value+1
01328    ;Output to port to reset error
000A = 01329 DT$Reset$Error$Value  EQU    DT$Reset$Error$Port+1
01330    ;Value to output to reset error
000B = 01331 DT$RTS$Control$Port  EQU    DT$Reset$Error$Value+1
01332    ;Control port for lowering RTS
000C = 01333 DT$Drop$RTS$Value    EQU    DT$RTS$Control$Port+1
01334    ;Value, when output, to drop RTS
000D = 01335 DT$Raise$RTS$Value    EQU    DT$Drop$RTS$Value+1
01336    ;Value, when output, to raise RTS
01337    ;
01338    ; Device logical status (incl. protocols)
01339 DT$Status    EQU    DT$Raise$RTS$Value+1
01340    ;Status bits
0001 = 01341 DT$Output$Suspend   EQU    0000$0001B  ;Output suspended pending
01342    ; protocol action
0002 = 01343 DT$Input$Suspend   EQU    0000$0010B  ;Input suspended until
01344    ; buffer empties
0004 = 01345 DT$Output$DTR     EQU    0000$0100B  ;Output uses DTR-high-to-send
0008 = 01346 DT$Output$Xon     EQU    0000$1000B  ;Output uses XON/XOFF
0010 = 01347 DT$Output$Etx     EQU    0001$0000B  ;Output uses ETX/ACK
0020 = 01348 DT$Output$Timeout  EQU    0010$0000B  ;Output uses timeout
0040 = 01349 DT$Input$RTS     EQU    0100$0000B  ;Input uses RTS-high-to-receive
0080 = 01350 DT$Input$Xon     EQU    1000$0g00B  ;Input uses XON/XOFF
01351    ;
000F = 01352 DT$Status$2      EQU    DT$Status+1  ;Secondary status byte
0001 = 01353 DT$Fake$Typeahead EQU    0000$0001B  ;Requests Input$Status to
01354    ; return "Data Ready" when
01355    ; control characters are in
01356    ; input buffer
01357    ;
0010 = 01358 DT$Etx$Count     EQU    DT$Status$2+1
01359    ;No. of chars. sent in Etx protocol
0012 = 01360 DT$Etx$Message$Length EQU    DT$Etx$Count+2
01361    ;Specified message length
01362    ;
01363    ; Input buffer values
0014 = 01364 DT$Buffer$Base    EQU    DT$Etx$Message$Length+2
01365    ;Address of Input buffer
0016 = 01366 DT$Put$Offset     EQU    DT$Buffer$Base+2
01367    ;Offset for putting chars. into buffer
0017 = 01368 DT$Get$Offset     EQU    DT$Put$Offset+1
01369    ;Offset for getting chars. from buffer
0018 = 01370 DT$Buffer$Length$Mask EQU    DT$Get$Offset+1
01371    ;Length of buffer - 1
01372    ;Note: Buffer length must always be
01373    ; a binary number; e.g. 32, 64 or 128

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

				;This mask then becomes:
				; 32 -> 31 (0001\$1111B)
				; 64 -> 63 (0011\$1111B)
				; 128 -> 127 (0111\$1111B)
				;After the get/put offset has been
				; incremented, it is ANDed with the mask
				; to reset it to zero when the end of
				; the buffer has been reached
0019 =	01382	DT\$Character\$Count	EQU	DT\$Buffer\$Length\$Mask+1
	01383			;Count of the number of characters
	01384			; currently in the buffer
001A =	01385	DT\$Stop\$Input\$Count	EQU	DT\$Character\$Count+1
	01386			;Stop input when the count reaches
	01387			; this value
001B =	01388	DT\$Resume\$Input\$Count	EQU	DT\$Stop\$Input\$Count+1
	01389			;Resume input when the count reaches
	01390			; this value
001C =	01391	DT\$Control\$Count	EQU	DT\$Resume\$Input\$Count+1
	01392			;Count of the number of control
	01393			; characters in the buffer
001D =	01394	DT\$Function\$Delay	EQU	DT\$Control\$Count+1
	01395			;Number of clock ticks to delay to
	01396			; allow all characters after function
	01397			; key lead-in to arrive
001E =	01398	DT\$Initialize\$Stream	EQU	DT\$Function\$Delay+1
	01399			;Address of byte stream necessary to
	01400			; initialize this device
	01401			
	01500	;#		
	01501	;		
	01502	; Device tables		
	01503	;		
	01504	DT\$O:		
028E 81	01505	DB	D0>Status\$Port	;Status port (8251A chip)
028F 80	01506	DB	D0>Data\$Port	;Data port
0290 01	01507	DB	D\$Output\$Ready	;Output data ready
0291 02	01508	DB	D\$Input\$Ready	;Input data ready
0292 80	01509	DB	D\$TRSHigh	;DTR ready to send
0293 D8	01510	DB	IC\$OCW2\$Port	;Reset interrupt port (00H is an unused port)
0294 20	01511	DB	IC\$EOI	;Reset interrupt value (nonspecific EOI)
0295 81	01512	DB	D0>Status\$Port	;Detect error port
0296 38	01513	DB	D\$Error	;Mask: framing, overrun, parity errors
0297 83	01514	DB	D\$Command\$Port	;Reset error port
0298 37	01515	DB	D\$Error\$Reset	;Reset error: RTS high, reset, Tx/Rx enable
0299 83	01516	DB	D\$Command\$Port	;Drop/raise RTS port
029A 07	01517	DB	D\$Drop\$RTS	;Drop RTS Value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
029B 27	01518	DB	D\$Raise\$RTS	;Raise RTS Value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
029C C0	01519	DB	D\$Input\$Xon + DT\$Input\$RTS	;Protocol and status
029D 00	01520	DB	0	;Status #2
029E 0004	01521	DW	1024	;Tx/Ack message count
02A0 0004	01522	DW	1024	;Tx/Ack message length
02A2 2422	01523	DW	D0\$Buffer	;Input buffer
02A4 00	01524	DB	0	;Put offset into buffer
02A5 00	01525	DB	0	;Get offset into buffer
02A6 1F	01526	DB	D0\$Buffer\$Length	-1 ;Buffer length mask
02A7 00	01527	DB	0	;Count of characters in buffer
02A8 1B	01528	DB	D0\$Buffer\$Length - 5	;Stop input when count hits this value
02A9 10	01529	DB	D0\$Buffer\$Length / 2	;Resume input when count hits this value
02AA 00	01530	DB	0	;Count of control characters in buffer
02AB 06	01531	DB	6	;Number of 16.66ms ticks to allow function
	01532			; key sequence to arrive (approx. 90ms)
02AC 8400	01533	DW	DO\$Initialize\$Stream	;Address of initialization stream
	01534			
	01535	;		
DT\$1:		DB	D1>Status\$Port	;Status port (8251A chip)
02AE 85	01536	DB	D1>Data\$Port	;Data port
02AF 84	01537	DB	D\$Outputs\$Ready	;Output data ready
02B0 01	01538	DB	D\$Input\$Ready	;Input data ready
02B1 02	01539	DB	D\$TRSHigh	;DTR ready to send
02B2 80	01540	DB	IC\$OCW2\$Port	;Reset interrupt port (00H is an unused port)
02B3 D8	01541	DB	IC\$EOI	;Reset interrupt value (nonspecific EOI)
02B4 20	01542	DB	D1>Status\$Port	;Detect error port
02B5 85	01543	DB	D\$Error\$Reset	;Reset error: RTS high, reset, Tx/Rx enable
02B6 38	01544	DB	D\$Command\$Port	;Drop/raise RTS port
02B7 87	01545	DB	D\$Drop\$RTS	;Drop RTS value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
02B8 37	01546	DB	D\$Error\$Reset	
02B9 87	01547	DB	D\$Command\$Port	
02BA 07	01548	DB	D\$Drop\$RTS	

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02BB 27    01549    DB    D$Raise$RTS      ;Raise RTS value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
02BC C0    01550    DB    DT$Input$Xon + DT$Input$RTS  ;Protocol and status
02BD 00    01551    DB    O               ;Status #2
02BE 0004    01552    DW    1024          ;Etx/Ack message count
02C0 0004    01553    DW    1024          ;Etx/Ack message length
02C2 4422    01554    DW    D1$Buffer    ;Input buffer
02C4 00    01555    DB    O               ;Put offset into buffer
02C5 00    01556    DB    O               ;Get offset into buffer
02C6 1F    01557    DB    D1$Buffer$Length -1 ;Buffer length mask
02C7 00    01558    DB    O               ;Count of characters in buffer
02C8 1B    01559    DB    D1$Buffer$Length - 5 ;Stop input when count hits this value
02C9 10    01560    DB    D1$Buffer$Length / 2 ;Resume input when count hits this value
02CA 00    01561    DB    O               ;Count of control characters in buffer
02CB 06    01562    DB    6               ;Number of 16.66ms ticks to allow function
01563            ; key sequence to arrive (approx. 90ms)
02CC 9400    01564    DW    D1$Initialize$Stream ;Address of initialization stream
01565    ;
01566    ;
01567    DT$2:
02CE 89    01568    DB    D2$Status$Port ;Status port (8251A chip)
02CF 88    01569    DB    D2$Data$Port  ;Data port
02D0 01    01570    DB    D$Output$Ready ;Output data ready
02D1 02    01571    DB    D$Input$Ready ;Input data ready
02D2 80    01572    DB    D$DTR$High   ;DTR ready to send
02D3 08    01573    DB    IC$OCW2$Port ;Reset interrupt port (OOH is an unused port)
02D4 20    01574    DB    IC$EOI       ;Reset interrupt value (nonspecific EOI)
02D5 89    01575    DB    D2$Status$Port ;Detect error port
02D6 38    01576    DB    D$Error      ;Mask: framing, overrun, parity errors
02D7 8B    01577    DB    D2$Command$Port ;Reset error port
02D8 37    01578    DB    D$Error$Reset ;Reset error: RTS high, reset, Tx/Rx enable
02D9 8B    01579    DB    D2$Command$Port ;Drop/raise RTS port
02DA 07    01580    DB    D$Drop$RTS   ;Drop RTS Value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
02DB 27    01581    DB    D$Raise$RTS   ;Raise RTS value (keep Tx & Rx enabled)
02DC C0    01582    DB    DT$Input$Xon + DT$Input$RTS  ;Protocol and status
02DD 00    01583    DB    O               ;Status #2
02DE 0004    01584    DW    1024          ;Etx/Ack message count
02E0 0004    01585    DW    1024          ;Etx/Ack message length
02E2 6422    01586    DW    D2$Buffer    ;Input buffer
02E4 00    01587    DB    O               ;Put offset into buffer
02E5 00    01588    DB    O               ;Get offset into buffer
02E6 1F    01589    DB    D2$Buffer$Length -1 ;Buffer length mask
02E7 00    01590    DB    O               ;Count of characters in buffer
02E8 1B    01591    DB    D2$Buffer$Length - 5 ;Stop input when count hits this value
02E9 10    01592    DB    D2$Buffer$Length / 2 ;Resume input when count hits this value
02EA 00    01593    DB    O               ;Count of control characters in buffer
02EB 06    01594    DB    6               ;Number of 16.66ms ticks to allow function
01595            ; Key sequence to arrive (approx. 90ms)
02EC A400    01596    DW    D2$Initialize$Stream ;Address of initialization stream
01597    ;
01700    :#
01701    ; General character I/O device initialization
01702    ;
01703    ; This routine will be called from the main CP/M
01704    ; initialization code.
01705    ;
01706    ; It makes repeated calls to the specific character I/O
01707    ; device initialization routine.
01708    ;
01709    General$CIO$Initialization:
02EE AF    01710    XRA    A               ;Set device number (used to access the
01711                ; table of device table addresses in the
01712                ; configuration block)
02EF 4F    01713    MOV    C,A             ;Match to externally CALLable interface
01714    GCI$Next$Device:
02F0 CDFA02    01715    CALL   Specific$CIO$Initialization ;Initialize the device
02F3 3C    01716    INR    A               ;Move to next device
02F4 FE10    01717    CPI    16              ;Check if all possible devices (0 - 15)
02F6 C8    01718    RZ    ; have been initialized
02F7 C3F002    01719    JMP    GCI$Next$Device
01720    ;
01800    :#
01801    ;
01802    ; Specific character I/O initialization
01803    ;
01804    ; This routine outputs the specified byte values to the specified
01805    ; ports as controlled by the initialization streams in the
01806    ; configuration block. Each device table contains a pointer to

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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01807 ;      these streams. The device table itself is selected according
01808 ;      to the device NUMBER -- this is an entry parameter for this
01809 ;      routine.
01810 ;      This routine will be called either from the general device
01811 ;      initialization routine above, or directly by a BIOS call from
01812 ;      a system utility executing in the TPA.
01813 ;
01814 ;      Entry parameters
01815 ;
01816 ;      C = device number
01817 ;
01818 ;      Exit parameters
01819 ;
01820 ;      A = Device number (preserved)
01821 ;
01822 ;=====
01823 Specific$CIO$Initialization:          ;<== BIOS entry point (private)
01824 ;=====
02FA 79    MOV    A,C      ;Get device number
02FB F5    PUSH   PSW     ;Preserve device number
02FC 87    ADD    A       ;Make device number into word pointer
02FD 4F    MOV    C,A
02FE 0600  MVI    B,O      ;Make into a word
0300 216400 LXI    H,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ;Get table base
0303 09    DAD    B       ;HL -> device table address
0304 5E    MOV    E,M      ;Get LS byte
0305 23    INX    H       ;
0306 56    MOV    D,M      ;Get MS byte: DE -> device table
01835
0307 7A    MOV    A,D      ;Check if device table address = 0
0308 B3    ORA    E       ;
0309 CA1703 JZ     SCI$Exit    ;Yes, device table nonexistent
01839
030C 211E00 LXI    H,DT$Initialize$Stream
030F 19    DAD    D       ;HL -> initialization stream address
0310 5E    MOV    E,M      ;Get LS byte
0311 23    INX    H       ;
0312 56    MOV    D,M      ;Get MS byte
0313 EB    XCHG   Output$Byte$Stream ;HL -> initialization stream itself
0314 CD1903 CALL   Output$Byte$Stream ;Output byte stream to various
01847           ; ports
01848
01849 SCI$Exit:
0317 F1    POP    PSW     ;Recover user's device number in C
0318 C9    RET
01852
02000 ;#
02001 ;      Output byte stream
02002
02003 ;      This routine outputs initialization bytes to port
02004 ;      numbers. The byte stream has the following format:
02005
02006 ;      DB    ppH    Port number
02007 ;      DB    nn     Number of bytes to output
02008 ;      DB    vvH,vvH... Bytes to be output
02009 ;
02010 ;      :
02011 ;      Repeated
02012 ;      DB    00H    Port number of 0 terminates
02013
02014 ;      Entry parameters
02015
02016 ;      HL -> Byte stream
02017
02018 Output$Byte$Stream:
02019 OBS$Loop:
0319 7E    MOV    A,M      ;Get port number
031A B7    ORA    A       ;Check if 00H (terminator)
031B C8    RZ
031C 322503 02023 STA    OBS$Port    ;Store in port number below
031F 23    02024 INX    H       ;HL -> count of bytes
0320 4E    02025 MOV    C,M      ;Get count
0321 23    02026 INX    H       ;HL -> first initialization byte
02027
02028 OBS$Next$Byte:
0322 7E    02029 MOV    A,M      ;Get next byte
0323 23    02030 INX    H       ;HL -> next data byte (or port number)

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0324 D3      02031          DB      OUT
              02032          DB      0           ;<- Set up in instruction above
0325 00      02033  OBS$Port:    DCR      C           ;Count down on byte counter
0326 0D      02035          JNZ      OBS$Next$Byte   ;Output next data byte
0327 C22203   02036          JMP      OBS$Loop     ;Go back for next port number
032A C31903   02037
              02038          ;
              02100  ;#
              02101  ;      CONST - Console status
              02102  ;
              02103  ;      This routine checks both the forced input pointer and
              02104  ;      the character count for the appropriate input buffer.
              02105  ;      The A register is set to indicate whether or not there
              02106  ;      is data waiting.
              02107  ;
              02108  ;      Entry parameters: none.
              02109  ;
              02110  ;      Exit parameters
              02111  ;
              02112  ;      A = 000H if there is no data waiting
              02113  ;      A = OFFH if there is data waiting
              02114  ;
              02115  ====== ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
032D 2A5800   02116  CONST:          LHLD    CB$Console$Input   ;Get redirection word
0330 116400   02117          LXI     D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses
0333 CD6F06   02118          CALL    Select$Devices$Table  ;Get device table address
0336 C34708   02119          JMP     Get$Input$Status    ;Get status from input device
              02120          ;
              02121          ;      and return to caller
              02200  ;#
              02201  ;
              02202  ;      CONIN -- console input
              02203  ;
              02204  ;      This routine returns the next character for the console input
              02205  ;      stream. Depending on the circumstances, this can be a character
              02206  ;      from the console input buffer, or from a previously stored
              02207  ;      string of characters to be "forced" into the input stream for
              02208  ;      the automatic execution of system initialization routines.
              02209  ;      The "forced input" can come from any previously stored character
              02210  ;      string in memory. It is used to inject the current time and date
              02211  ;      or a string associated with a function key into the console
              02212  ;      stream. On system startup, a string of "SUBMIT STARTUP" is
              02213  ;      forced into the console input stream to provide a mechanism.
              02214  ;
              02215  ;      Normal ("unforced") input comes from whichever physical device
              02216  ;      is specified in the console input redirection word (see the
              02217  ;      configuration block).
              02218  ;
0339 00      02219  CONIN$Delay$Elapsed: DB      0           ;Flag used during function key
              02220          ;
              02221          ;      processing to indicate that
              02222          ;      a predetermined delay has
              02223          ;      elapsed
              02224  ====== ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
033A 2ABDOF   02225  CONIN:          LHLD    CB$Forced$Input   ;Get the forced input pointer
              02226          MOV     A,M       ;Get the next character of input
              033E B7      02227          ORA     A         ;Check if a null
              02228          JZ      CONIN$No$FI   ;Yes, no forced input
              02229          INX     H         ;Yes, update the pointer
              0342 23      02230          SHLD   CB$Forced$Input   ;and store it back
              0343 228DOF   02231          RET
              0346 C9      02232          ;
              02233          ;      CONIN$No$FI           ;No forced input
              02234          ;
              02235  LHLD    CB$Console$Input   ;Get redirection word
              02236          LXI     D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses
              02237          CALL    Select$Devices$Table  ;Get device table address
              0350 CD9106   02238          CALL    Get$Input$Character ;Get next character from input device
              02240          ;
              02241          ;Function key processing
              02242          CPI     Function$Key$Lead  ;Check if first character of function
              02243          ;      key sequence (normally escape)
              02244          RNZ     PSW      ;Return to BIOS caller if not
              0356 F5      02245          PUSH   PSW      ;Save lead in character

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

0357 211D00	02246	LXI	H,DT\$Function\$Delay	;Get delay time constant for ; delay while waiting for subsequent ; characters of function key sequence ; to arrive
02247				
02248				
02249				
035A 19	02250	DAD	D	
035B 4E	02251	MOV	C,M	;Get delay value
035C 0600	02252	MVI	B,0	;Make into word value
035E AF	02253	XRA	A	;Indicate timer not yet out of time
035F 323903	02254	STA	CONIN\$Delay\$Elapsed	
0362 217B03	02255	LXI	H,CONIN\$Set\$Delay\$Elapsed	;Address to resume at after delay
0365 CD6D08	02256	CALL	Set\$Watchdog	;Sets up delay based on real time ; clock such that control will be ; transferred to specified address
	02257			
	02258			
	02259			
0368 3A3903	02260	CONIN\$Wait\$for\$Delay:		;Wait here until delay has elapsed
02261	LDA	CONIN\$Delay\$Elapsed		;Check flag set by watchdog routine
036B B7	02262	ORA	A	
036C CA6803	02263	JZ	CONIN\$Wait\$for\$Delay	
	02264			
	02265	CONIN\$Check\$for\$Function:		
036F 211900	02266	LXI	H,DT\$Characters\$Count	;Now check if the remaining characters ; of the sequence have been input
	02267			
0372 19	02268	DAD	D	
0373 7E	02269	MOV	A,M	;Get count of characters in buffer
0374 FE02	02270	CPI	Function\$Key\$Length - 1	
0376 D2B103	02271	JNC	CONIN\$Check\$Function	;Enough characters in buffer for ; possible function key sequence
	02272			
0379 F1	02273	POP	PSW	;Insufficient characters in buffer ; to be a function key, so return
	02274			
	02275			
037A C9	02276	RET		; to caller with lead character
	02277			
	02278			
	02279			The following routine is called by the watchdog routine
	02280			when the specified delay has elapsed.
	02281			
037B 3EFF	02282	CONIN\$Set\$Delay\$Elapsed:		
037D 323903	02283	MVI	A,OFFH	;Indicate watchdog timer out of time
0380 C9	02284	STA	CONIN\$Delay\$Elapsed	
	02285	RET		;Return to watchdog routine
	02286			
	02287			
	02288	CONIN\$Check\$Function:		
0381 211700	02289	LXI	H,DT\$Get\$Offset	;Save the current "get pointer"
0384 19	02290	DAD	D	; in the buffer
0385 7E	02291	MOV	A,M	;Get the pointer
0386 F5	02292	PUSH	PSW	;Save pointer on the stack
	02293			
0387 211700	02294	LXI	H,DT\$Get\$Offset	;Check the second (and possibly third)
038A CDF007	02295	CALL	Get\$Address\$in\$Buffer	; character in the sequence
038D 46	02296	MOV	B,M	;Get the second character
	02297			
038E C5	02298	IF	Three\$Character\$Function	
038F 211700	02299	PUSH	B	;Save for later use
0392 CDF007	02300	LXI	H,DT\$Get\$Offset	;Retrieve the third character
0395 C1	02301	CALL	Get\$Address\$in\$Buffer	
0396 4E	02302	POP	B	:Recover second character
	02303	MOV	C,M	;Now BC = Char 2, Char 3
	02304	ENDIF		
	02305			
0397 D5	02306	PUSH	D	;Save device table pointer
0398 21B000	02307	LXI	H,CB\$Function\$Key\$Table - CB\$Functions\$Key\$Entry\$Size	;Get pointer to function key table
	02308			; in configuration block
	02309			
039B 111300	02310	LXI	D,CB\$Function\$Key\$Entry\$Size	;Get entry size ready for loop
	02311	CONIN\$Next\$Function:		
039E 19	02312	DAD	D	;Move to next (or first) entry
039F 7E	02313	MOV	A,M	;Get second character of sequence
03A0 B7	02314	ORA	A	;Check if end of function key table
03A1 CAC203	02315	JZ	CONIN\$Not\$Function	;Yes -- it is not a function key
03A4 B8	02316	CMP	B	;Compare second characters
03A5 C29E03	02317	JNZ	CONIN\$Next\$Function	;No match, so try next entry in table
	02318			
	02319	IF	Three\$Character\$Function	
03A8 23	02320	INX	H	;HL -> third character
03A9 7E	02321	MOV	A,M	;Get third character of sequence
03AA 2B	02322	DCX	H	;Simplify logic for 2 & 3 char. seq.

Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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03AB B9      02323    CMP    C          ;Compare third characters
03AC C29E03  02324    JNZ    CONIN$Next$Function ;No match, so try next entry in table
03AF 23      02325    INX    H          ;When match found, compensate for
03AF 23      02326    ; extra decrement
03AF 23      02327    ENDIF
03AF 23      02328    ;
03B0 23      02329    INX    H          ;HL -> first character of substitute
03B0 23      02330    ; string of characters (00-byte term.)
03B1 228D0F  02331    SHLD   CB$Forced$Input ;Make the CONIN routine inject the
03B1 228D0F  02332    ; substitute string into the input
03B1 228D0F  02333    ; stream
03B1 228D0F  02334    ;
03B1 228D0F  02335    ;Now that a function sequence has been
03B1 228D0F  02336    ; identified, the stack must be
03B1 228D0F  02337    ; balanced prior to return
03B4 D1      02338    POP    D          ;Get the device table pointer
03B5 F1      02339    POP    PSW         ;Dump the "get" offset value
03B6 F1      02340    POP    PSW         ;Dump the function sequence lead char.
03B4 D1      02341    ;
03B7 211900  02342    LXI    H,DT$Character$Count ;Downdate the character count
03BA 19      02343    DAD    D          ; to reflect the characters removed
03B4 D1      02344    ;
03BB 7E      02345    MOV    A,M         ;Get the count
03BC D602    02346    SUI    Function$Key$Length -1 ;(the lead character has already
03BE 77      02347    MOV    M,A         ; been deducted)
03BF C33A03  02348    JMP    CONIN       ;Return to CONIN processing to get
03BF C33A03  02349    ; the forced input characters
03BF C33A03  02350    CONIN$Not$Function: ;Attempts to recognize a function key sequence
03BF C33A03  02351    ; have failed. The "get" offset pointer must be
03BF C33A03  02352    ; restored to its previous value so that
03BF C33A03  02353    ; the character(s) presumed to be part of
03BF C33A03  02354    ; the function sequence are not lost.
03BF C33A03  02355    ;
03BF C33A03  02356    ;
03C2 D1      02357    POP    D          ;Recover device table pointer
03C3 F1      02358    POP    PSW         ;Recover previous "get" offset
03C4 211700  02359    LXI    H,DT$Get$Offset ;HL -> "get" offset in table
03C7 19      02360    DAD    D          ;Reset "get" offset as it was after
03C8 77      02361    MOV    M,A         ; the lead character was detected
03C9 F1      02362    ;Recover lead character
03CA C9      02363    POP    PSW         ;Return the lead character to the user
03CA C9      02364    RET
03CA C9      02365    ;
03CA C9      02500    ;#
03CA C9      02501    ;Console output
03CA C9      02502    ;
03CA C9      02503    ;This routine outputs data characters to the console device(s).
03CA C9      02504    ;It also "traps" escape sequences being output to the console,
03CA C9      02505    ;triggering specific actions according to the sequences.
03CA C9      02506    ;A primitive "state-machine" is used to step through escape
03CA C9      02507    ;sequence recognition.
03CA C9      02508    ;In addition to outputting the next character to all of the
03CA C9      02509    ;devices currently selected in the console output redirection word,
03CA C9      02510    ;it checks to see that output to the selected device has not been
03CA C9      02511    ;suspended by XON/XOFF protocol, and that DTR is high if
03CA C9      02512    ;it should be.
03CA C9      02513    ;Once the character has been output, if ETX/ACK protocol is in use,
03CA C9      02514    ;and the specified length of message has been output, an Etx
03CA C9      02515    ;character is output and the device is flagged as being suspended.
03CA C9      02516    ;
03CA C9      02517    ;Entry parameters
03CA C9      02518    ;
03CA C9      02519    ;C = character to be output
03CA C9      02520    ;
03CA C9      02521    ;CONOUT storage variables
03CA C9      02522    ;
03CB 00      02523    CONOUT$Character: DB     0      ;Save area for character to be output
03CC DB03    02524    ;
03CC DB03    02525    CONOUT$Processor: DW     CONOUT$Normal ;This is the address of the piece of
03CC DB03    02526    ; code that will process the next
03CC DB03    02527    ; character. The default case is
03CC DB03    02528    ; CONOUT$Normal
03CC DB03    02529    ;
03CE 0000    02530    CONOUT$String$Pointer: DW     0      ;This points to a string (normally
03CE 0000    02531    ; in the configuration block) that
03CE 0000    02532    ; is being preset by characters from
03CE 0000    02533    ; the console output stream

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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03D0 00      02534 CONOUT$String$Length: DB 0 ;This contains the maximum number of
02535
02536
02537
02538 ;
02539 ;     *** WARNING ***
02540 ;     The output error message routine shares the code in this
02541 ;     subroutine. On entry here, the data byte to be output
02542 ;     will be on the stack, and the DE registers set up correctly.
02543 ;
02544 ;
02545 CONOUT$OEM$Entry:
03D1 32CB03  02546 STA CONOUT$Character ;Save data byte
03D4 C3E803  02547 JMP CONOUT$Entry2 ;HL already has special bit map
02548 ;
02549 =====
02550 CONOUT:                                ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
02551 =====
03D7 2ACC03  02552 LHLD CONOUT$Processor ;Get address of processor to handle
02553
02554
03DA E9      02555 PCHL                  ;The next character to be output
02556 ;
02557 ;
02558 CONOUT$Normal:                         ;(Default is CONOUT$Normal)
02559 MOV A,C ;Normal processor for console output
03DC FE1B    02560 CPI Function$Key$Lead ;Check if possible start of escape
03DE CA1204  02561 JZ CONOUT$Escape$Found ;sequence
02562 CONOUT$Forced:                         ;Perhaps
03E1 79      02563 MOV A,C ;Forced output entry point
03E2 32CB03  02564 STA CONOUT$Character ;Not escape sequence -- Save data byte
02565
03E5 2A5A00  02566 LHLD CB$Console$Output ;Get console redirection word
02567 ;
02568 CONOUT$Entry2:                          ;<== output error message entry point
02569 ;
03E8 116400  02570 LXI D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ;Addresses of dev. tables
03EB D5      02571 PUSH D ;Put onto stack ready for loop
03EC E5      02572 PUSH H
02573
02574 CONOUT$Next$Device:
03ED E1      02575 POP H ;Recover redirection bit map
03EE D1      02576 POP D ;Recover device table addresses pointer
03EF CD6F06  02577 CALL Select$Device$Table ;Get device table in DE
03F2 B7      02578 ORA A ;Check if a device has been
02579 selected (i.e. bit map not all zero)
03F3 CA0D04  02580 JZ CONOUT$Exit ;No, exit
03F6 C5      02581 PUSH B ;Yes - B..
03F7 E5      02582 PUSH H ;Save redirection bit map
02583 CONOUT$Wait:                           ;Save device table addresses pointer
03F8 CD0F06  02584 CALL Check$Output$Ready ;Check if device not suspended and
02585
03FB CAF803  02586 JZ CONOUT$Wait ;(if appropriate) DTR is high
02587 ;No, wait
03FE F3      02588 DI ;Interrupts off to avoid
02589
03FF 3ACB03  02590 LDA CONOUT$Character ;Involuntary re-entrance
0402 4F      02591 MOV C,A ;Recover the data byte
0403 CD2608  02592 CALL Output$Data$Byte ;Ready for output
0406 FB      02593 EI ;Output the data byte
02594
0407 CD3A06  02595 CALL Process$Etx$Protocol ;Deal with Etx/Ack protocol
040A C3ED03  02596 JMP CONOUT$Next$Device ;Loop back for next device
02597
02598 CONOUT$Exit:
040D 3ACB03  02599 LDA CONOUT$Character ;Recover data character
0410 79      02600 MOV A,C ;CP/M "convention"
0411 C9      02601 RET ;
02602
02603 CONOUT$Escape$Found: ;Possible escape sequence
0412 211904  02604 LXI H,CONOUT$Process$Escape ;Vector processing of next character
02605 CONOUT$Set$Processor:
0415 22CC03  02606 SHLD CONOUT$Processor ;Set vector address
0418 C9      02607 RET ;Return to BIOS caller
02700 ;#
02701 ;
02702 ; Console output: escape sequence processing

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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02703    ;CONOUT$Process$Escape:           ;Control arrives here with character
02704    LXI     H,CONOUT$Escape$Table ;Get base of recognition table
02705
0419 211B02 02706    MOV     A,M          ;Check if at end of table
02707    CONOUT$Next$Entry:           ; after escape in C
02708    ORA     A
041C 7E 02709    JZ      CONOUT$No$Match ;Yes, no match found
041D B7 02710    CMP     C             ;Compare to data character
041E CA2B04 02711    JZ      CONOUT$Match ;They match
0421 B9 02712    INX     H             ;Move to next entry in table
0422 CA3B04 02713    INX     H
0425 23 02714    INX     H
0426 23 02715    INX     H
0427 23 02716    JMP     CONOUT$Next$Entry ;Go back and check again
02717    ;CONOUT$No$Match:           ;No match found, so original
02718    PUSH    B             ; escape and following character
02719    MVI    C,Function$Key$Lead ; must be output
02720    CALL    CONOUT$Forced   ;Save character after escape
042B C5 02721    CALL    CONOUT$Forced   ;Get escape character
042C 0E1B 02722    POP     B             ;Output to console devices
042E CDE103 02723    CALL    CONOUT$Forced   ;Get character after escape
0431 C1 02724    POP     B             ;Output it, too
0432 CDE103 02725    CALL    CONOUT$Forced
02726    ;
02727    CONOUT$Set$Normal:         ;Set vector back to normal
0435 21DB03 02728    LXI     H,CONOUT$Normal ; for subsequent characters
0438 C31504 02729    JMP     CONOUT$Set$Processor
02730    ;
02731    CONOUT$Match:            ;HL -> LS byte of subprocessor
043B 23 02732    INX     H             ;Get LS byte
043C 5E 02733    MOV     E,M          ;Get MS byte
043D 23 02734    INX     H
043E 56 02735    MOV     D,M          ;HL -> subprocessor
043F EB 02736    XCHG    H             ;Goto subprocessor
0440 E9 02737    PCHL
02738    ;
02739    CONOUT$Date:             ;Subprocessor to inject current date
02740    LXI     H,Date          ; into console input stream (using
02741    CALL    CONOUT$Set$Forced$Input ; forced input)
02742
0441 218F0F 02743    LXI     H,Date          ;Return to BIOS' caller
02744    CONOUT$Set$Forced$Input:
0444 228D0F 02745    SHLD   CB$Forced$Input
0447 C9 02746    RET
02747    ;
02748    CONOUT$Time:             ;Subprocessor to inject time into
02749    LXI     H,Time$In$ASCII ; console input stream
0448 21990F 02750    JMP     CONOUT$Set$Forced$Input
044B C34404 02751    ;
02752    CONOUT$Set$Date:          ;Subprocessor to set the date by taking
02753    LXI     H,Time$Date$Flags ; the next 8 characters of console output
02754    MVI     A,Date$Set      ; and storing them in the date string
02755    ORA     M             ;Set flag to indicate that the
044E 21A30F 02756    MVI     A,S             ; date has been set by program
0451 3E02 02757    MOV     M,A
0453 B6 02758    ORA     M
0454 77 02759    MOV     M,A
0455 3E08 02760    MVI     A,S             ;Set character count
0457 218F0F 02761    LXI     H,Date          ;Set address
045A C36C04 02762    JMP     CONOUT$Set$String$Pointer
02763    ;
02764    CONOUT$Set$Time:          ;Subprocessor to set the time by taking
02765    LXI     H,Time$Date$Flags ; the next 8 characters of console output
02766    MVI     A,Time$Set      ; and storing them in the time string
02767    ORA     M             ;Set flag to indicate that the
045D 21A30F 02768    MVI     A,Time$Set      ; time has been set by program
0460 3E01 02769    ORA     M
0462 B6 02770    MOV     M,A
0463 77 02771    MVI     A,S             ;Set character count
0464 3E08 02772    LXI     H,Time$in$ASCII ;Set address
0466 21990F 02773    JMP     CONOUT$Set$String$Pointer
0469 C36C04 02774    ;
02775    ;
02776    CONOUT$Set$String$Pointer: ;HL -> string, A = count
046C 32D003 02777    STA     CONOUT$String$Length ;Save count
046F 22CE03 02778    SHLD   CONOUT$String$Pointer ;Save address
0472 217804 02779    LXI     H,CONOUT$Process$String ;Vector further output

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0475 C31504 02780      JMP      CONOUT$Set$Processor
02781      ;
02782      CONOUT$Process$String:           ;Control arrives here for each character
02783          ; in the string in register C. The
02784          ; characters are stacked into the
02785          ; receiving string until either a 00-byte
02786          ; is encountered or the specified number
02787          ; of characters is stacked.
0478 2ACE03 02788      LHLD    CONOUT$String$Pointer   ;Get current address for stacking chars
047B 79    02789      MOV     A,C                   ;Check if current character is 00H
047C B7    02790      ORA     A
047D CA3504 02791      JZ      CONOUT$Set$Normal    :Revert to normal processing
0480 77    02792      MQV     M,A                   ;Otherwise, stack character
0481 23    02793      INX     H                   ;Update pointer
0482 3600  02794      MVI     M,00H                 ;Stack fail-safe terminator
0484 22CE03 02795      SHLD   CONOUT$String$Pointer  ;Save updated pointer
0487 21D003 02796      LXI     H,CONOUT$String$Length ;Downdate count
048A 35    02797      DCR     M
048B CA3504 02798      JZ      CONOUT$Set$Normal    :Revert to normal processing
02799      ;
048E C9    02800      RET
02801      ;
02802      ;
02900      ;#
02901      ;
02902      ;Auxiliary input status
02903      ;
02904      ;This routine checks the character count in the
02905      ;appropriate input buffer.
02906      ;The A register is set to indicate whether or not
02907      ;data is waiting.
02908      ;
02909      ;Entry parameters: none.
02910      ;
02911      ;Exit parameters
02912      ;
02913      ;A = 000H if there is no data waiting
02914      ;A = OFFH if there is data waiting
02915      ;
02916      =====
02917      AUXIST:           ;<== BIOS entry point (Private)
02918      =====
048F 2A5C00 02919      LHLD   CB$Auxiliary$Input      ;Get redirection word
0492 116400 02920      LXI    D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ; and table pointer
0495 CD6F06  02921      CALL   Select$Device$Table   ;Get device table address
0498 C34708  02922      JMP    Get$Input$Status      ;Get status from input device
02923      ;
02924      ;
03000      ;#
03001      ;
03002      ;Auxiliary output status
03003      ;
03004      ;This routine sets the A register to indicate whether the
03005      ;Auxiliary device(s) is/are ready to accept output data.
03006      ;As more than one device can be used for auxiliary output, this
03007      ;routine returns a Boolean AND of all of their statuses.
03008      ;
03009      ;Entry parameters: none
03010      ;
03011      ;Exit parameters
03012      ;
03013      ;A = 000H if one or more list devices are not ready
03014      ;A = OFFH if all list devices are ready
03015      ;
03016      ;
03017      =====
03018      AUXOST:           ;<== BIOS entry point (Private)
03019      =====
049B 2A5E00 03020      LHLD   CB$Auxiliary$Output     ;Get list redirection word
049E C37905 03021      JMP    Get$Composite$Status
03022      ;
03100      ;#
03101      ;
03102      ;Auxiliary input (replacement for READER)
03103      ;
03104      ;This routine returns the next input character from the

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03105 ; appropriate logical auxiliary device.
03106 ;
03107 ; Entry parameters: none.
03108 ;
03109 ; Exit parameters
03110 ;
03111 ; A = data character
03112 ;
03113 =====
03114 AUXIN: ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
03115 =====
04A1 2A5C00 03116 LHLD CB$Auxiliary$Input ;Get redirection word
04AA 116400 03117 LXI D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ; and table pointer
04A7 CD6F06 03118 CALL Select$Device$Table ;Get device table address
04AA C39106 03119 JMP Get$Input$Character ;Get next input character
03120 ; and return to caller
03121 ;
03200 ;#
03201 ; Auxiliary output (replaces PUNCH)
03202 ;
03203 ; This routine outputs a data byte to the auxiliary device(s).
03204 ; It is similar to CONOUT except that it uses the watchdog
03205 ; timer to detect if a device stays busy for more than
03206 ; 30 seconds at a time. It outputs a message to the console
03207 ; if this happens.
03208 ;
03209 ; Entry parameters
03210 ;
03211 ; C = data byte
03212 ;
04AD 0D0AO7417503213 AUXOUT$Busy$Message: DB CR,LF,7,'Auxiliary device not Ready?',CR,LF,0
03214 ;
03215 =====
03216 AUXOUT: ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
03217 =====
04CE 2A5E00 03218 LHLD CB$Auxiliary$Output ;Get aux. redirection word
04D1 11AD04 03219 LXI D,AUXOUT$Busy$Message ;Message to be output if time
03220 ; runs out
04D4 C3A205 03221 JMP Multiple$Output$Byte
03222 ;
03300 ;#
03301 ;
03302 ; List status
03303 ;
03304 ; This routine sets the A register to indicate whether the
03305 ; List Device(s) is/are ready to accept output data.
03306 ; As more than one device can be used for list output, this
03307 ; routine returns a Boolean AND of all of their statuses.
03308 ;
03309 ; Entry parameters: none
03310 ;
03311 ; Exit parameters
03312 ;
03313 ; A = 000H if one or more list devices are not ready
03314 ; A = OFFH if all list devices are ready
03315 ;
03316 ;
03317 =====
03318 LISTST: ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
03319 =====
04D7 2A6200 03320 LHLD CB$List$Output ;Get list redirection word
04DA C37905 03321 JMP Get$Composite$Status
03322 ;
03400 ;#
03401 ; List output
03402 ;
03403 ; This routine outputs a data byte to the list device.
03404 ; It is similar to CONOUT except that it uses the watchdog
03405 ; timer to detect if the printer stays busy for more
03406 ; than 30 seconds at a time. It outputs a message to the console
03407 ; if this happens.
03408 ;
03409 ; Entry parameters
03410 ;
03411 ; C = data byte
03412 ;

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Figure 8-40. (Continued)

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04DD 0DOA07507203413 LIST$Busy$Message: DB CR,LF,7,'Printer not Ready?',CR,LF,0
03414 ;
03415 ;=====
03416 LIST: ;<== BIOS entry point (standard)
03417 ;=====
04F5 2A6200 03418 LHLD CB$List$Output ;Get list redirection word
04FB 11DD04 03419 LXI D,LIST$Busy$Message ;Message to be output if time
03420 ; runs out
04FB C3A205 03421 JMP Multiple$Output$Byte
03422 ;
03500 ;#
03501 ; Request user choice
03502 ;
03503 ; This routine displays an error message, requesting
03504 ; a choice of:
03505 ;
03506 ; R -- Retry the operation that caused the error
03507 ; I -- Ignore the error and attempt to continue
03508 ; A -- Abort the program and return to CP/M
03509 ;
03510 ; This routine accepts a character from the console,
03511 ; converts it to uppercase and returns to the caller
03512 ; with the response in the A register.
03513 ;
03514 RUC$Message:
03515 DB CR,LF
0500 2020202003516 DB ' Enter R - Retry, I - Ignore, A - Abort : ',0
03517 ;
03518 ;
03519 Request$User$Choice:
03520 CALL CONST ;Gobble up any type-ahead
0532 CA3B05 03521 JZ RUC$Buffer$Empty
0535 CD3A03 03522 CALL CONIN
0538 C32F05 03523 JMP Request$User$Choice
03524 ;
03525 RUC$Buffer$Empty:
053B 21FE04 03526 LXI H,RUC$Message ;Display prompt
053E CD5305 03527 CALL Output$Error$Message
03528 ;
0541 CD3A03 03529 CALL CONIN ;Get console character
0544 CD3B0E 03530 CALL A$ToUpper ;Make uppercase for comparisons
0547 32B00D 03531 STA Disk$Action$Confirm ;Save in confirmatory message
054A F5 03532 PUSH PSW ;Save for later
03533 ;
054B 21B00D 03534 LXI H,Disk$Action$Confirm
054E CD5305 03535 CALL Output$Error$Message
03536 ;
0551 F1 03537 POP PSW ;Recover action code
0552 C9 03538 RET
03539 ;
03600 ;#
03601 ;
03602 ; Output error message
03603 ;
03604 ; This routine outputs an error message to all the currently
03605 ; selected console devices except those being used to receive
03606 ; LIST output as well. This is to avoid "deadly embrace" situations
03607 ; where the printer's being busy for too long causes an error message
03608 ; to be output -- and console output is being directed to the
03609 ; printer as well.
03610 ;
03611 ; This subroutine makes use of most of the CONOUT subroutine.
03612 ; For memory economy it enters CONOUT using a private
03613 ; entry point.
03614 ;
03615 ; Entry parameters
03616 ;
03617 ; HL -> 00-byte terminated error message
03618 ;
03619 Output$Error$Message:
0553 E5 03620 PUSH H ;Save message address
0554 2A5A00 03621 LHLD CB$Console$Output ;Get console redirection bit map
0557 EB 03622 XCHG
0558 2A6200 03623 LHLD CB$List$Output ;Get list redirection bit map
03624 ;HL = list, DE = console
03625 ;Now set to 0 all bits in the console

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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03626 ; bit map that are set to 1 in the
03627 ; list bit map
055B 7C 03628 MOV A,H ;Get MS byte of list
055C 2F 03629 CMA ;Invert
055D A2 03630 ANA D ;Preserve only bits with 0's
055E 67 03631 MOV H,A ;Save result
055F 7D 03632 MOV A,L ;Repeat for LS byte of list
0560 2F 03633 CMA
0561 A3 03634 ANA E
0562 6F 03635 MOV L,A ;HL now has only pure console
03636 ; devices
0563 B4 03637 ORA H ;Ensure that at least one device
0564 C46A05 03638 JZ OEM$Device$Present ; is selected
0567 210100 03639 LXI H,0001H ;Otherwise use default of device 0
03640 OEM$Device$Present;
03641 OEM$Next$Character; ;Recover message address into DE
056A D1 03642 POP D ;Get next byte of message
056B 1A 03643 LDAX D ;Update message pointer
056C 13 03644 INX D ;Check if end of message
056D B7 03645 ORA A ;Yes, exit
056E C8 03646 RZ ;Save message address for later
056F D5 03647 PUSH D ;Save special bit map
0570 E5 03648 PUSH H ;Data character is in A
03649 ;Enter shared code
0571 CDD103 03650 CALL CONDUIT$OEM$Entry ;Recover special bit map
0574 E1 03651 POP H
0575 C36A05 03652 JMP OEM$Next$Character

03653 ;
03654 ;
03655 ;
03656 ; Get composite status
03657 ;
03658 ; This routine sets the A register to indicate whether the
03659 ; output device(s) is/are ready to accept output data.
03660 ; As more than one device can be used for output, this
03661 ; routine returns a Boolean AND of all of their statuses.
03662 ;
03663 ;
03664 ;
03665 ; HL = I/O redirection bit map for output device(s)
03666 ;
03667 ; Exit parameters
03668 ;
03669 ; A = 000H if one or more list devices are not ready
03670 ; A = OFFH if all list devices are ready
03671 ;
0578 00 03672 GCS$Status: DB 0 ;Composite status of all devices
03673 ;
03674 ;
03675 Get$Composite$Status:
0579 3EFF 03676 MVI A,OFFH ;Assume all devices are ready
057B 327805 03677 STA GCS$Status ;Preset composite status byte
03678
057E 116400 03679 LXI D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ;Addresses of dev. tables
0581 D5 03680 PUSH D ;Put onto stack ready for loop
0582 E5 03681 PUSH H ;Save bit map
03682 GCS$Next$Device:
0583 E1 03683 POP H ;Recover redirection bit map
0584 D1 03684 POP D ;Recover device table addresses pointer
0585 CD6F06 03685 CALL Select$Device$Table ;Get device table in DE
0588 B7 03686 ORA A ;Check if a device has been
03687 ; selected (i.e. bit map not all zero)
0589 CA9905 03688 JZ GCS$Exit ;No, exit
058C C5 03689 PUSH B ;Yes - B..
058D E5 03690 PUSH H ;Save redirection bit map
058E CD0F06 03691 CALL Check$Output$Ready ;Save device table addresses pointer
0591 217805 03692 LXI H,GCS$Status ;Check if device ready
0594 A6 03693 ANA M ;AND together with previous devices
0595 77 03694 MOV M,A ; status
03695 ;Save composite status
0596 C38305 03696 JMP GCS$Next$Device ;Loop back for next device
03697 ;
03698 GCS$Exit: LDA GCS$Status ;Return with composite status
0599 3A7805 03699 ORA A
059C B7 03700 RET
059D C9 03701

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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03702 ;
03800 ;#
03801 ;
03802 ; Multiple output byte
03803 ;
03804 ; This routine outputs a data byte to the all of the
03805 ; devices specified in the I/O redirection word.
03806 ; It is similar to CONOUT except that it uses the watchdog
03807 ; timer to detect if any of the devices stays busy for more
03808 ; than 30 seconds at a time. It outputs a message to the console
03809 ; if this happens.
03810 ;
03811 ; Entry parameters
03812 ;
03813 ; HL = I/O redirection bit map
03814 ; DE -> Message to be output if time runs out
03815 ; C = data byte
03816 ;
0708 = 03817 MOB$Maximum$Busy EQU 1800 ;Number of clock ticks (each at
03818 ; 16.666 milliseconds) for which the
03819 ; device might be busy
059E 00 03820 MOB$Character: DB 0 ;Character to be output
059F 0000 03821 MOB$Busy$Message: DW 0 ;Address of message to be
03822 ; output if time runs out
05A1 00 03823 MOB$Need$Message: DB 0 ;Flag used to detect that the
03824 ; watchdog timer timed out
03825 ;
03826 Multiple$Output$Byte:
05A2 79 03827 MOV A,C ;Get data byte
05A3 320807 03828 STA MOB$Maximum$Busy ;Save copy
05A6 EB 03829 XCHG ;HL -> timeout message
05A7 229F05 03830 SHLD MOB$Busy$Message ;Save for later use
05AA EB 03831 XCHG ;HL = bit map again
03832 ;
05AB 116400 03833 LXI D,CB$Device$Table$Addresses ;Addresses of dev. tables
05AE D5 03834 PUSH D ;Save on stack ready for loop
05AF E5 03835 PUSH H ;Save I/O redirection bit map
03836 MOB$Next$Device:
05B0 E1 03837 POP H ;Recover redirection bit map
05B1 D1 03838 POP D ;Recover device table addresses pointer
05B2 CD6F06 03839 CALL Select$Device$Table ;Get device table in DE
05B5 B7 03840 ORA A ;Check if any device selected
05B6 CAEC05 03841 JZ MOB$Exit
03842 ;
05B9 C5 03843 PUSH B ;<- Yes : B ;Save device table addresses pointer
05BA E5 03844 PUSH H ;Save redirection bit map
03845 ;
03846 MOB$Start$Watchdog:
05BB AF 03847 XRA A ;Reset message needed flag
05BC 32A105 03848 STA MOB$Need$Message
05BF 010807 03849 LXI B,MOB$Maximum$Busy ;Time delay
05C2 210906 03850 LXI H,MOB$Not$Ready ;Address to go to
05C5 CD6D08 03851 CALL Sets$Watchdog ;Start timer
03852 ;
03853 MOB$Wait: '
05C8 3AA105 03854 LDA MOB$Need$Message ;Check if watchdog timed out
05CB B7 03855 ORA A ;Yes, output warning message
05CC C2EE05 03856 JNZ MOB$Output$Message ;Check if device ready
05CF CD0F06 03857 CALL Check$Output$Ready ;No, wait
05D2 CAC805 03858 JZ MOB$Wait
03859 ;
05D5 F3 03860 DI ;Interrupts off to avoid
03861 ; involuntary reentrance
05D6 010000 03862 LXI B,O ;Turn off watchdog
05D9 CD6D08 03863 CALL Sets$Watchdog ;(HL setting is irrelevant)
03864 ;
05DC 3A9E05 03865 LDA MOB$Character ;Get data byte
05DF 4F 03866 MOV C,A ;Output the data byte
05E0 CD2608 03867 CALL Output$Data$Byte
05E3 FB 03868 EI ;Deal with ETX/ACK protocol
05E4 CD3A06 03869 CALL Process$Et$Protocol
05E7 C3B005 03870 JMP MOB$Next$Device
03871 ;
03872 MOB$Ignore$Exit: ;Ignore timeout error
05EA E1 03873 POP H ;Balance the stack
05EB D1 03874 POP D

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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03875 ; MOB$Exit:
03876     MOV     A,C
03877     RET
03878 ; CP/M "convention"
03879 ;
03880 MOB$Output$Message:
03881     LHLD   MOB$Busy$Message
03882     CALL   Output$Error$Message
03883 ; Display warning message
03884     CALL   Request$User$Choice
03885 ; on selected console devices
03886     CPI    'R'
03887     JZ    MOB$Start$Watchdog
03888     CPI    'I'
03889     JZ    MOB$Ignore$Exit
03890     CPI    'A'
03891     JZ    System$Reset
03892     JMP    MOB$Request$Choice
03893 ;
03894 MOB$Not$Ready:           ; Watchdog timer routine will call this
03895 ; routine if the device is busy
03896 ; for more than approximately 30 seconds
03897 ; Note: This is an interrupt service routine
03898     MVI    A,OFFH
03899     STA    MOB$Need$Message
03900     RET
03901 ; Return to the watchdog routine
04000 ;
04001 ; Check output ready
04002 ;
04003 ; This routine checks to see if the specified device is ready
04004 ; to receive output data.
04005 ; It does so by checking to see if the device has been suspended
04006 ; for protocol reasons and if DTR is low.
04007 ;
04008 ; NOTE: This routine does NOT check if the USART itself is ready.
04009 ; This test is done in the output data byte routine itself.
04010 ;
04011 ; Entry parameters
04012 ;
04013 ; DE -> device table
04014 ;
04015 ; Exit parameters
04016 ;
04017 ; A = 000H (Zero-flag set) : Device not ready
04018 ; A = OFFH (Zero-flag clear) : Device ready
04019 ;
04020 Check$Output$Ready:
04021     LXI    H,DT$Status
04022     DAD    D
04023     MOV    A,M
04024     MOV    B,A
04025     ANI    DT$Output$Suspend
04026     JNZ    COR$Not$Ready
04027 ;
04028     MVI    A,DT$Output$DTR
04029     ANA    B
04030     JZ    COR$Ready
04031 ;
04032     LXI    H,DT>Status$Port
04033     DAD    D
04034     MOV    A,M
04035     STA    COR>Status$Port
04036 ;
04037     DB    IN
04038 COR>Status$Port:
04039     DB    0
04040     MOV    C,A
04041 ;
04042     LXI    H,DT$DTR$Ready
04043     DAD    D
04044     MOV    A,M
04045     ANA    C
04046     JZ    COR$Not$Ready
04047 ;
04048 COR$Ready:

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0634 3EFF 04049 MVI A,OFFH ;Indicate device ready for output
0636 B7 04050 ORA A
0637 C9 04051 RET
04052 ;
04053 COR$Not$Ready: ;Indicate device not ready for output
0638 AF 04054 XRA A
0639 C9 04055 RET
04056 ;
04057 ;#
04201 ;
04202 ; Process ETX/ACK protocol
04203 ;
04204 ; This routine maintains ETX/ACK protocol.
04205 ; After a specified number of data characters have been output
04206 ; to the device, an ETX character is output and the device
04207 ; put into output suspended state. Only when an incoming
04208 ; ACK character is received (under interrupt control) will
04209 ; output be resumed to the device.
04210 ;
04211 ;
04212 ;
04213 DE -> device table
04214 ;
04215 ;
04216 Exit parameters
04217 ;
04218 Message count downdated (and reset if necessary)
04219 Process$Etix$Protocol:
063A 210E00 04220 LXI H,DT$Status ;Check if ETX/ACK protocol enabled
063D 19 04221 DAD D
063E 7E 04222 MOV A,M
063F E610 04223 ANI DT$Output$Etix
0641 C8 04224 RZ ;No, so return immediately
0642 211000 04225 LXI H,DT$Etix$Count ;Yes, so downdate count
0645 19 04226 DAD D
0646 E5 04227 PUSH H ;Save address of count for later
0647 4E 04228 MOV C,M ;Get LS byte
0648 23 04229 INX H
0649 46 04230 MOV B,M ;Get MS byte
064A 08 04231 DCX B
064B 78 04232 MOV A,B
064C B1 04233 ORA C ;Check if count now zero
064D C25706 04234 JNZ PEP$Save$Count ;No
0650 211200 04235 LXI H,DT$Etix$Message$Length ;Yes, reset to message length
0653 19 04236 DAD D
0654 4E 04237 MOV C,M ;Get LS byte
0655 23 04238 INX H
0656 46 04239 MOV B,M ;Get MS byte
04240 PEP$Save$Count: ;RECOVER ADDRESS OF COUNT
0657 E1 04241 POP H ;Recover address of count
0658 71 04242 MOV M,C ;Save count back in table
0659 23 04243 INX H
065A 70 04244 MOV M,B
04245 ;
065B B7 04246 ORA A ;Reestablish whether count hit 0
065C C0 04247 RNZ ;No, no further processing required
065D 0E03 04248 MVI C,ETX ;Yes, send ETX to device
065F F3 04249 DI ;Avoids involuntary reentrance
0660 CD2608 04250 CALL Output$Data$Byte
0663 FB 04251 EI
0664 210E00 04252 LXI H,DT$Status ;Flag device as output suspended
0667 19 04253 DAD D ;Avoid interaction with interrupts
0668 F3 04254 DI ;Get status byte
0669 7E 04255 MOV A,M ;Set bit
066A F601 04256 ORI DT$Output$Suspend ;Save back in table
066C 77 04257 MOV M,A
066D FB 04258 EI
066E C9 04259 RET
04260 ;
04400 ;#
04401 ;
04402 ; Select device table
04403 ;
04404 ; This routine scans a 16-bit word, and depending on which is the
04405 ; first 1-bit set, selects the corresponding device table address.
04406 ;

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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04407 ; Entry parameters
04408 ;
04409 ; HL = Bit map
04410 ; DE -> Table of device table addresses
04411 ; The first address in the list is called
04412 ; if the least significant bit of the bit map is
04413 ; nonzero, and so on.
04414 ;
04415 ; Exit parameters
04416 ;
04417 ; BC -> Current entry in device table addresses
04418 ; DE = Selected device table address
04419 ; HL = Shifted bit map
04420 ; Nonzero if a 1-bit was found
04421 ; Zero if bit map now entirely 0000
04422 ;
04423 ; Note: If HL is 0000H on input, then the first entry in the
04424 ; device table addresses will be returned in DE.
04425 ;
04426 Select$Device$Table:
066F 7C 04427 MOV A,H ;Get most significant byte of bit map
0670 B5 04428 ORA L ;Check if HL completely 0
0671 C8 04429 RZ ;Return indicating no more bits set
0672 7D 04430 MOV A,L ;Check if the LS bit is nonzero
0673 E601 04431 ANI 1
0675 C28006 04432 JNZ SDT$Bit$Set ;Yes, return corresponding address
0678 13 04433 INX D ;No, update table pointer
0679 13 04434 INX D
067A CDBB08 04435 CALL SHLR ;Shift HL right one bit
067D C36F06 04436 JMP Select$Device$Table ;Check next bit
04437 SDT$Bit$Set:
0680 E5 04438 PUSH H ;Save shifted bit map
0681 42 04439 MOV B,D ;Take copy of table pointer
0682 4B 04440 MOV C,E
0683 EB 04441 XCHG ;HL -> address in table
0684 5E 04442 MOV E,M
0685 23 04443 INX H
0686 56 04444 MOV D,M ;DE -> selected device table
04445 ;Set up registers for another
04446 ; entry
0687 E1 04447 POP H ;Recover shifted bit map
0688 CDBB08 04448 CALL SHLR ;Shift bit map right one bit
068B 03 04449 INX B ;Update DT address table pointer to
068C 03 04450 INX B ; entry
068D 3E01 04451 MVI A,1 ;Indicate that a one bit was found
068F B7 04452 ORA A ; and registers are set up correctly
0690 C9 04453 RET
04454 ;
04600 ;#
04601 ;
04602 ; Get input character
04603 ;
04604 ; This routine gets the next input character from the device
04605 ; specified in the device table handed over as an input
04606 ; parameter.
04607 ;
04608 Get$Input$Character:
0691 211900 04609 LXI H,DT$Character$Count ;Check if any characters have
0694 19 04610 DAD D ; been stored in the buffer
04611 GIC$Wait:
0695 FB 04612 EI ;Ensure that incoming chars. will
04613 ; be detected
0696 7E 04614 MOV A,M ;Get character count
0697 B7 04615 ORA A
0698 CA9506 04616 JZ GIC$Wait ;No characters, so wait
0698 35 04617 DCR M ;Down date character count for
04618 ; the character about to be
04619 ; removed from the buffer
069C 211700 04620 LXI H,DT$Get$Offset ;Use the get offset to access
069F CDF007 04621 CALL Get$Address$in$Buffer ;Returns HL -> character
04622 ; and with get offset updated
06A2 7E 04623 MOV A,M ;Get the actual data character
06A3 F5 04624 PUSH PSW ;Save until later
04625
06A4 211900 04626 LXI H,DT$Character$Count ;Check downdated count of chars. in
06A7 19 04627 DAD D ; buffer, checking if input should be

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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04920
0702 11CE02 04921      LXI    D,DT$2      ;Device 2
0705 CD1607 04922      CALL   Service$Device
04923
0708 3E20 04924      MVI    A,IC$EOI      ;Tell the interrupt controller chip
070A D3D8 04925      OUT   IC$OCW2$Port ; that the interrupt has been serviced
070C D1 04926      POP    D
070D C1 04927      POP    B
070E F1 04928      POP    PSW
070F 2A8422 04929      LHLD   PI$User$Stack ;Switch back to user's stack
0712 F9 04930      SPHL
0713 E1 04931      POP    H
0714 FB 04932      EI
0715 C9 04933      RET
04934      ;
05000      ;#
05001      ;
05002      ; Service device
05003      ;
05004      ; This routine performs the device interrupt servicing,
05005      ; checking to see if the device described in the specified
05006      ; device table (address in DE) is actually interrupting,
05007      ; and if so, inputs the character. Depending on which data character
05008      ; is input, this routine will either stash it in the input buffer
05009      ; (shutting off the input stream if the buffer is nearly full),
05010      ; or will suspend or resume the output to the device.
05011      ;
05012      ; Entry parameters
05013      ;
05014      ; DE -> device table
05015      ;
05016      ; Service$Device:
0716 210000 05017      LXI    H,DT$Status$Port ;Check if this device is really
0719 19 05018      DAD   D
071A 7E 05019      MOV    A,M      ;Get status port number
071B 321F07 05020      STA   SD$Status$Port ;Store in instruction below
05021
071E DB 05022      DB    IN      ;Input status
05023      SD$Status$Port:
071F 00 05024      DB    O       ;-- Set up by instruction above
05025      ;
0720 210300 05026      LXI    H,DT$Input$Ready ;Check if status indicates data ready
0723 19 05027      DAD   D
0724 A6 05028      ANA   M
0725 C8 05029      RZ
05030
0726 210700 05031      LXI    H,DT$Detect$Error$Port ;Set up to read error status
0729 19 05032      DAD   D
072A 7E 05033      MOV    A,M      ;Get status port number
072B 322F07 05034      STA   SD$Error$Port ;Store in instruction below
05035
072E DB 05036      DB    IN      ;Input error status
05037      SD$Error$Port:
072F 00 05038      DB    O       ;-- Set up by instruction above
05039      ;
0730 210800 05040      LXI    H,DT$Detect$Error$Value ;Mask with error bit(s)
0733 19 05041      DAD   D
0734 A6 05042      ANA   M
0735 CA4707 05043      JZ    SD$No$Error ;No bit(s) set
0738 210900 05044      LXI    H,DT$Reset$Error$Port ;Set up to reset error
073B 19 05045      DAD   D
073C 7E 05046      MOV    A,M      ;Get reset port number
073D 324607 05047      STA   SD$Reset$Error$Port ;Store in instruction below
0740 210A00 05048      LXI    H,DT$Reset$Error$Value
0743 19 05049      DAD   D
0744 7E 05050      MOV    A,M      ;Get reset interrupt value
05051
0745 D3 05052      DB    OUT
05053      SD$Reset$Error$Port:
0746 00 05054      DB    O       ;-- Set up in instruction above
05055
05056      SD$No$Error:
0747 210100 05057      LXI    H,DT$Data$Port ;Input the data character (this may
074A 19 05058      DAD   D
074B 7E 05059      MOV    A,M      ;be garbled if an error occurred)
074C 325007 05060      STA   SD$Data$Port ;Get data port number
05061      ;Store in instruction below

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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05061          DB     IN      ;Input data character
074F DB      05062          DB     IN      ;Input data character
05063          SD$Data$Port:    DB     O      ;-- Set up by instruction above
0750 00      05064          DB     O      ;-- Set up by instruction above
05065
0751 47      05066          MOV    B,A    ;Take copy of data character above
0752 210E00   05067          LXI    H,DT$Status ;Check if either XON or ETX protocols
0755 19      05068          DAD    D      ; is currently active
0756 7E      05069          MOV    A,M    ;Get protocol byte
0757 E18     05070          ANI    DT$Output$Xon + DT$Output$EtX
0759 CA8107   05071          JZ    SD$No$Protocol ;Neither is active
075C E608     05072          ANI    DT$Output$Xon ;Check if XON/XOFF is active
075E C26E07   05073          JNZ    SD$Check$if$Xon ;Yes, check if XON char. input
05074
0761 3E06     05075          MVI    A,ACK ;No, assume ETX/ACK active
0763 B8      05076          CMP    B      ;Check if input character is ACK
0764 C28107   05077          JNZ    SD$No$Protocol
05078          SD$Output$Desuspend:
05079
05080
05081
05082
0767 7E      05083          MOV    A,M    ;Get status/protocol byte again
0768 E6FE     05084          ANI    OFFH AND NOT DT$Output$Suspend ;Preserve all bits BUT suspend
076A 77      05085          MOV    M,A    ;Save back with suspend = 0
076B C3D907   05086          JMP    SD$Exit ;Exit to interrupt service without
05087
05088          SD$Check$if$Xon:
05089
05090
05091
05092
05093
076E 3E11     05094          MVI    A,XON ;XON/XOFF protocol active, so
0770 B8      05095          CMP    B      ; if XOFF received, suspend output
0771 CA6707   05096          JZ    SD$Output$Desuspend ; if XON received, resume output
0774 3E13     05097          MVI    A,XOFF ;The noninterrupt driven output
0776 B8      05098          CMP    B      ; routine checks the suspend bit
0777 C28107   05099          JNZ    SD$No$Protocol ;Check if XON character input
05100          SD$Output$Suspend:
05101
077A 7E      05102          MOV    A,M    ;Yes, enable output to device
077B F601     05103          ORI    DT$Output$Suspend ;Check if XOFF character input
077D 77      05104          MOV    M,A    ;No, process character as data
077E C3D907   05105          JMP    SD$Exit ;Device needs pause in output of
05106
05107
05108          SD$No$Protocol:
0781 211800   05109          LXI    H,DT$Buffer$Length$Mask ;Check if there is still space
0784 19      05110          DAD    D      ; in the input buffer
0785 7E      05111          MOV    A,M    ;Get length - 1
0786 3C      05112          INR    A      ;Update to actual length
0787 211900   05113          LXI    H,DT$Character$Count ;Get current count of characters
078A 19      05114          DAD    D      ; in buffer
078B BE      05115          CMP    M      ;Check if count = length
078C CAEB07   05116          JZ    SD$Buffer$Full ;Yes, output bell character
078F C5      05117          PUSH   B      ;Save data character
0790 211600   05118          LXI    H,DT$Put$Offset ;Compute address of character in
05119
0793 CDF007   05120          CALL   Gets$Address$In$Buffer ;input buffer
0796 C1      05121          POP    B      ;HL > character position
0797 70      05122          MOV    M,B    ;Recover input character
05123
05124
05125
0798 211900   05126          LXI    H,DT$Character$Count ;Save character in input buffer
079B 19      05127          DAD    D      ;Update number of characters in input
079C 34      05128          INR    M      ; buffer, checking if input should
079D 7E      05129          MOV    A,M    ; be temporarily halted
079E 211A00   05130          LXI    H,DT$Stop$Input$Count ;Update character count
07A1 19      05131          DAD    D      ;Get updated count
07A2 BE      05132          CMP    M      ;Check if current count matches
07A3 C2CE07   05133          JNZ    SD$Check$Control ;buffer-full threshold
05134
07A6 210E00   05135          LXI    H,DT$Status ;Not at threshold, check if control
07A9 19      05136          DAD    D      ; character input
05137

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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07AA 7E      05137    MOV   A,M           ;Get status/protocol byte
07AB F602    05138    ORI   DT$Input$Suspend ;Indicate input is suspended
07AD 77      05139    MOV   M,A           ;Save updated status in table
07AE F5      05140    PUSH  PSW            ;Save for later use
07AF E640    05141    ANI   DT$Input$RTS   ;Check if clear to send to be dropped
07B1 CAC307  05142    JZ    SD$Check$Input$Xon ;No
07B4 210B00  05143    LXI   H,DT$RTS$Control$Port ;Yes, get control port number
07B7 19      05144    DAD   D              ;
07B8 7E      05145    MOV   A,M           ;
07B9 32C207  05146    STA   SD$Drop$RTS$Port ;Store in instruction below
07BC 210C00  05147    LXI   H,DT$Drop$RTS$Value
07BF 19      05148    DAD   D              ;
07C0 7E      05149    MOV   A,M           ;Get value needed to drop RTS
05150
07C1 D3      05151    DB    OUT             ;
07C2 00      05152    SD$Drop$RTS$Port:    ;<- Set up in instruction above
05153    DB    0              ;Drop into input XON test
05154
05155    SD$Check$Input$Xon:    ;Check if XON/XOFF protocol being used
05156
05157    POP   PSW            ;Recover status/protocol byte
07C4 E680    05158    ANI   DT$Input$Xon  ;Check if XON bit set
07C6 CACE07  05159    JZ    SD$Check$Control ;No, see if control char. input
07C9 0E13    05160    MVI   C,XOFF          ;Yes, output XOFF character
07CB CD2608  05161    CALL  Output$Data$Byte ;Output data byte
05162
05163    SD$Check$Control:    ;Check if control character (other than
05164
05165
07CE CD0808  05166    CALL  Check$Control$Char ;Check if control character
07D1 CAD907  05167    JZ    SD$Exit          ;No, it is not a control character
07D4 211C00  05168    LXI   H,DT$Control$Count
07D7 19      05169    DAD   D              ;
07D8 34      05170    INR   M              ;Update count of control chars.
05171
05172    SD$Exit:           ;Reset hardware interrupt system
07D9 210500  05173    LXI   H,DT$Reset$Int$Port
07DC 19      05174    DAD   D              ;
07DD 7E      05175    MOV   A,M           ;Get reset port number
07DE B7      05176    ORA   A              ;Check if port specified
05177
07DF C8      05178    RZ    ;(assumes it will always be NZ)
07E0 32E907  05179    STA   SD$Reset$Int$Port ;Bypass reset if no port specified
07E3 210600  05180    LXI   H,DT$Reset$Int$Value ;Store in instruction below
07E6 19      05181    DAD   D              ;
07E7 7E      05182    MOV   A,M           ;Get reset interrupt value
05183
07E8 D3      05184    DB    OUT             ;
05185    SD$Reset$Int$Port:    ;<- Set up in instruction above
07E9 00      05186    DB    0              ;Return to interrupt service routine
07EA C9      05187    RET
05188
05189    SD$Buffer$Full:     ;Input buffer completely full
05190    MVI   C,BELL          ;Send bell character as desperate
07ED C32608  05191    JMP   Output$Data$Byte ;measure. Note JMP return to
05192
05193
05300  #
05301  #
05302  ; Get address in buffer
05303  ;
05304  ; This routine computes the address of the next character to
05305  ; access in a device buffer.
05306  ;
05307  ; Entry parameters
05308  ;
05309  ; DE -> appropriate device table
05310  ; HL = offset in the device table of either the
05311  ; Get$Offset or the Put$Offset
05312  ;
05313  ; Exit parameters
05314  ;
05315  ; DE unchanged
05316  ; HL -> address in character buffer
05317  ;
05318  Get$Address$In$Buffer:

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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07F0 19      05319    DAD    D          ;HL -> get/put offset in dev. table
07F1 E5      05320    PUSH   H          ;Preserve pointer to table
07F2 4E      05321    MOV    C,M        ;Get offset value
07F3 0600    05322    MVI    B,O        ;Make into word value
05323          ;Update offset value, resetting to
05324          ; 0 at end of buffer
07F5 79      05325    MOV    A,C        ;Get copy of offset
07F6 3C      05326    INR    A          ;Update to next position
07F7 211800  05327    LXI    H,DT$Buffer$Length$Mask
07FA 19      05328    DAD    D          ;Mask LS bits with length - 1
07FB A6      05329    ANA    M          ;Recover pointer to offset in table
07FC E1      05330    POP    H          ;Save new value (set to 0 if nec.)
07FD 77      05331    MOV    M,A        ;Get base address of input buffer
07FE 211400  05332    LXI    H,DT$Buffer$Base
0801 19      05333    DAD    D          ;HL -> address of buffer in table
0802 7E      05334    MOV    A,M        ;Get LS byte of address
0803 23      05335    INX    H          ;HL -> MS byte of address
0804 66      05336    MOV    H,M        ;H = MS byte
0805 6F      05337    MOV    L,A        ;L = LS byte
0806 09      05338    DAD    B          ;Add on offset to base
0807 C9      05339    RET
05340          ;
05341          ;#
05400          ;#
05401          ;
05402          ; Check control character
05403          ;
05404          ; This routine checks the character in A to see if it is a
05405          ; control character other than CR, LF, or TAB. The result is
05406          ; returned in the Z-flag.
05407          ;
05408          ;
05409          ;
05410          ; A = character to be checked
05411          ;
05412          ; Exit parameters
05413          ;
05414          ; Zero status if A does not contain a control character
05415          ; or if it is CR, LF, or TAB
05416          ;
05417          ; Nonzero if A contains a control character other than
05418          ; CR, LF, or TAB.
05419          ;Check$Control$Char:
0808 3E1F    05420    MVI    A,' ' - 1    ;Space is first noncontrol char.
080A B8      05421    CMP    B
080B DA2408  05422    JC     CCC$No
080E 3E0D    05423    MVI    A,CR        ;Not a control character
0810 B8      05424    CMP    B        ;Check if carriage return
0811 CA2408  05425    JZ    CCC$No
0814 3E0A    05426    MVI    A,LF        ;Not really a control character
0816 B8      05427    CMP    B        ;Check if LF
0817 CA2408  05428    JZ    CCC$No
081A 3E09    05429    MVI    A,TAB       ;Not really a control character
081C B8      05430    CMP    B        ;Check if horizontal tab
081D CA2408  05431    JZ    CCC$No
0820 3E01    05432    MVI    A,1         ;Not really a control character
0822 B7      05433    ORA    A          ;Indicate a control character
0823 C9      05434    RET
05435          ;CCC$No:           ;Indicate A does not contain
0824 AF      05436    XRA    A          ; a control character
0825 C9      05437    RET
05438          ;
05500          ;#
05501          ;
05502          ; Output data byte
05503          ;
05504          ; This is a simple polled output routine that outputs a single
05505          ; character (in register C on entry) to the device specified in
05506          ; the device table.
05507          ; Preferably, this routine would have been re-entrant; however
05508          ; it does have to store the port numbers. Therefore, to use it
05509          ; from code executed with interrupts enabled, the instruction
05510          ; sequence must be:
05511          ;
05512          ;DI          ;Interrupts off
05513          ;CALL    Output$Data$Byte

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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      05514 ;          EI           ;Interrupts on
      05515 ;
      05516 ;          Failure to do this may cause involuntary re-entrance.
      05517 ;
      05518 ;          Entry Parameters
      05519 ;
      05520 ;          C = character to be output
      05521 ;          DE -> device table
      05522 ;
      05523 Output$Data$Byte:
      0826 C5 05524 PUSH   B           ;Save registers
      0827 210200 05525 LXI    H,DT$Output$Ready   ;Get output ready status mask
      082A 19 05526 DAD    D
      082B 46 05527 MOV    B,M
      082C 210000 05528 LXI    H,DT$Status$Port  ;Get status port number
      082F 19 05529 DAD    D
      0830 7E 05530 MOV    A,M
      0831 323508 05531 STA    ODB$Status$Port  ;Store in instruction below
      05532 ODB$Wait$until$Ready:
      05533
      0834 DB 05534 DB     IN           ;Read status
      05535 ODB$Status$Port:
      0835 00 05536 DB     0           ;-- Set up in instruction above
      05537
      0836 A0 05538 ANA    B           ;Check if ready for output
      0837 CA3408 05539 JZ    ODB$Wait$until$Ready  ;No
      083A 210100 05540 LXI    H,DT$Data$Port  ;Get data port
      083D 19 05541 DAD    D
      083E 7E 05542 MOV    A,M
      083F 324408 05543 STA    ODB$Data$Port  ;Store in instruction below
      0842 79 05544 MOV    A,C           ;Get character to output
      05545
      0843 D3 05546 DB     OUT
      05547 ODB$Data$Port:
      0844 00 05548 DB     0           ;-- Set up in instruction above
      05549
      0845 C1 05550 POP    B           ;Restore registers
      0846 C9 05551 RET
      05552 ;
      05700 ;#
      05701 ;
      05702 ;
      05703 ;          Input status routine
      05704 ;
      05705 ;          This routine returns a value in the A register indicating whether
      05706 ;          one or more data characters is/are waiting in the input buffer.
      05707 ;          Some products, such as Microsoft BASIC, defeat normal type-ahead
      05708 ;          by constantly "gobbling" characters in order to see if an incoming
      05709 ;          Control-S, -Q or -C has been received. In order to preserve
      05710 ;          type-ahead under these circumstances, the input status return
      05711 ;          can, as an option selected by the user, return "data waiting" only
      05712 ;          if the input buffer contains a Control-S, -Q or -C. This fools
      05713 ;          Microsoft BASIC into allowing type-ahead.
      05714 ;
      05715 ;          Entry parameters
      05716 ;
      05717 ;          DE -> device table
      05718 ;
      05719 ;          Exit parameters
      05720 ;
      05721 ;          A = 000H if no characters are waiting in the input
      05722 ;          buffer
      05723 ;
      05724 ;
      05725 Get$Input>Status:
      0847 210F00 05726 LXI    H,DT$Status$2  ;Check if fake mode enabled
      084A 19 05727 DAD    D           ;HL -> status byte in table
      084B 7E 05728 MOV    A,M           ;Get status byte
      084C E601 05729 ANI    DT$Fake$Typeahead  ;Isolate status bit
      084E CA5B08 05730 JZ    OIS$True$Status  ;Fake mode disabled
      05731 ;
      05732 ;          ;Fake mode -- only indicates data
      05733 ;          ;ready if control chars. in buffer
      0851 211C00 05734 LXI    H,DT$Control$Count ;Check if any control characters
      0854 19 05735 DAD    D           ;in the input buffer
      0855 AF 05736 XRA    A           ;Cheap O

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0856 B6      05737    ORA    M          ;Set flags according to count
0857 C8      05738    RZ     M          ;Return indicating zero
0858 AF      05739    GIS$Data$Ready:
0859 3D      05740    XRA    A          ;Cheap 0
085A C9      05741    DCR    A          ;Set A = OFFH and flags NZ
085B 2A8DOF  05742    RET     M          ;Return to caller
085C 7E      05743    ;
085D C25808  05744    GIS$True$Status:   ;
085E 19      05745    ;True status, based on any characters
085F B7      05746    ;ready in input buffer
0860 C25808  05747    LHLD   CB$Forced$Input  ;Check if any forced input waiting
0861 1A      05748    MOV    A,M        ;Get next character of forced input
0862 07      05749    ORA    A          ;Check if nonzero
0863 211900  05750    JNZ    GIS$Data$Ready  ;Yes, indicate data waiting
0864 55      05751    ;
0865 19      05752    LXI    H,DT$Character$Count ;Check if any characters
0866 19      05753    DAD    D          ;in buffer
0867 7E      05754    MOV    A,M        ;Get character count
0868 B7      05755    ORA    A          ;
0869 C8      05756    RZ     M          ;Empty buffer, A = 0, Z-set
086A C35808  05757    JMP    GIS$Data$Ready
086B F3      05758    ;
086C 60      05759    ;
086D 22C100  05900    ;#
086E 69      05901    ;
086F 39      05902    ;Real time clock processing
0870 22BF00  05903    ;
0871 60      05904    ;Control is transferred to the RTC$Interrupt routine each time
0872 69      05905    ;the real time clock ticks. The tick count is downdated to see
0873 228F00  05906    ;if a complete second has elapsed. If so, the ASCII time in
0874 C9      05907    ;the configuration block is updated.
0875 07      05908    ;
0876 FB      05909    ;With each tick, the watchdog count is downdated to see if control
0877 C9      05910    ;must be "forced" to a previously specified address on return
0878 F5      05911    ;from the RTC interrupt. The watchdog timer can be used to pull
0879 228622  05912    ;control out of what would otherwise be an infinite loop, such
0880 210000  05913    ;as waiting for the printer to come ready.
0881 31B022  05914    ;
0882 C5      05915    ;
0883 D5      05916    ;Set watchdog
0884 07      05917    ;
0885 228422  05918    ;This is a noninterrupt level subroutine that simply sets the
0886 31B022  05919    ;watchdog count and address
0887 C5      05920    ;
0888 21BE00  05921    ;Entry parameters
0889 60      05922    ;
0890 228422  05923    BC = number of clock ticks before watchdog should
0891 31B022  05924    ;"time out"
0892 210000  05925    HL = address to which control will be transferred when
0893 C9      05926    ;watchdog times out
0894 07      05927    ;
0895 228422  05928    Set$Watchdog:
0896 60      05929    DI     M          ;Avoid interference from interrupts
0897 210000  05930    SHLD   RTC$Watchdog$Address  ;Set address
0898 31B022  05931    MOV    H,B        ;
0899 C9      05932    MOV    L,C        ;
0900 07      05933    SHLD   RTC$Watchdog$Count  ;Set count
0901 228422  05934    EI     M          ;
0902 C9      05935    RET     M          ;
0903 07      05936    ;
0904 228422  05937    ;
0905 31B022  06000    ;#
0906 210000  06001    ;
0907 31B022  06002    ;Control is received here each time the
0908 210000  06003    ; real time clock ticks
0909 210000  06004    RTC$Interrupt:
0910 31B022  06005    PUSH   PSW       ;Save other registers
0911 210000  06006    SHLD   PI$User$HL  ;Switch to local stack
0912 31B022  06007    LXI    H,O       ;
0913 210000  06008    DAD    SP        ;Get user's stack
0914 31B022  06009    SHLD   PI$User$Stack ;Save it
0915 210000  06010    LXI    SP,PI$Stack ;Switch to local stack
0916 31B022  06011    PUSH   B         ;
0917 210000  06012    PUSH   D         ;
0918 210000  06013    ;
0919 21BE00  06014    LXI    H,RTC$Tick$Count ;Downdate tick count

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

088B 35	06015	BCR	M	
088C C2B008	06016	JNZ	RTC\$Check\$Watchdog	; Is not at 0 yet
	06017			; One second has elapsed so
088F 3ABD00	06018	LDA	RTC\$Ticks\$per\$Second	; reset to original value
0892 77	06019	MOV	M,A	
	06020			; Update ASCII real time clock
0893 11A10F	06021	LXI	D,Time\$in\$ASCII\$End	; DE -> 1 character after ASCII time
0896 21BD00	06022	LXI	H,Update\$Time\$End	; HL -> 1 character after control table
	06023	RTC\$Update\$Digit:		
0899 1B	06024	DCX	D	; Downdate pointer to time in ASCII
089A 2B	06025	DCX	H	; Downdate pointer to control table
089B 7E	06026	MOV	A,M	; Get next control character
089C B7	06027	ORA	A	; Check if end of table and therefore
089D CAB008	06028	JZ	RTC\$Clock\$Updated	; all digits of clock updated
08A0 FA9908	06029	JM	RTC\$Update\$Digit	; Skip over ":" in ASCII time
08A3 1A	06030	LDA	D	; Get next ASCII time digit
08A4 3C	06031	INR	A	; Update it
08A5 12	06032	STAX	D	; and store it back
08A6 BE	06033	CMP	M	; Compare to maximum value
08A7 C2B008	06034	JNZ	RTC\$Clock\$Updated	; No carry needed so update complete
08A8 3E30	06035	MVI	A,'0'	; Reset digit to ASCII 0
08AC 12	06036	STAX	D	; and store back in ASCII time
08AD C39908	06037	JMP	RTC\$Update\$Digit	; Go back for next digit
	06038			
	06039	RTC\$Clock\$Updated:		
	06040	RTC\$Check\$Watchdog:		
08B0 2ABFOO	06041	LHLD	RTC\$Watchdog\$Count	; Get current watchdog count
08B3 2B	06042	DCX	H	; Downdate it
08B4 7C	06043	MOV	A,H	; Check if it is now OFFFFFH
08B5 B7	06044	ORA	A	
08B6 FACB08	06045	JM	RTC\$Dog\$Not\$Set	; It must have been 0 beforehand
08B9 B5	06046	ORA	L	; Check if it is now 0
08BA C2C008	06047	JNZ	RTC\$Dog\$NZ	; No, it is not out of time
	06048			
	06049			; Watchdog time elapsed, so "call"
	06050			; appropriate routine
08BD 21C508	06051	LXI	H,RTC\$Watchdog\$Return	; Set up return address
08C0 E5	06052	PUSH	H	; ready for return
08C1 2AC100	06053	LHLD	RTC\$Watchdog\$Address	; Transfer control as though by CALL
08C4 E9	06054	PCHL		
	06055	RTC\$Watchdog\$Return:		
	06056			; Control will come back here from
08C5 C3CB08	06057	JMP	RTC\$Dog\$Not\$Set	; the user's watchdog routine
	06058			; Behave as though watchdog not active
	06059	RTC\$Dog\$NZ:		
08C8 22BF00	06060	SHLD	RTC\$Watchdog\$Count	; Save downdated count
	06061	RTC\$Dog\$Not\$Set:		; (Leaves count unchanged)
08C8 3E20	06062	MVI	A,IC\$EOI	; Reset the interrupt controller chip
08CD D3DB	06063	OUT	IC\$OCW2\$Port	
	06064			
08CF D1	06065	POP	D	; Restore registers from local stack
08D0 C1	06066	POP	B	
08D1 2A8422	06067	LHLD	PI\$User\$Stack	; Switch back to user's stack
08D4 F9	06068	SPHL		
08D5 2A8622	06069	LHLD	PI\$User\$HL	; Recover user's registers
08D8 F1	06070	POP	PSW	
08D9 FB	06071	EI		; Re-enable interrupts
08DA C9	06072	RET		
	06073			
	06200	;		
	06201	;		
	06202	Shift HL Right one bit		
	06203	;		
	06204	SHLR:		
08DB B7	06205	ORA	A	; Clear carry
08DC 7C	06206	MOV	A,H	; Get MS byte
08DD 1F	06207	RAR		; Bit 7 set from previous carry
	06208			; Bit 0 goes into carry
08DE 67	06209	MOV	H,A	; Put shifted MS byte back
08DF 7D	06210	MOV	A,L	; Get LS byte
08E0 1F	06211	RAR		; Bit 7 = bit 0 of MS byte
08E1 6F	06212	MOV	L,A	; Put back into result
08E2 C9	06213	RET		
	06214			
	06215	;		
	06300	;		

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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06301 ; High level diskette drivers
06302 ;
06303 ; These drivers perform the following functions:
06304 ;
06305 ; SELDSK Select a specified disk and return the address of
06306 ; the appropriate disk parameter header
06307 ; SETTRK Set the track number for the next read or write
06308 ; SETSEC Set the sector number for the next read or write
06309 ; SETDMA Set the DMA (read/write) address for the next read or write
06310 ; SECTRAN Translate a logical sector number into a physical
06311 ; HOME Set the track to 0 so that the next read or write will
06312 ; be on Track 0
06313 ;
06314 ; In addition, the high level drivers are responsible for making
06315 ; the 5 1/4" floppy diskettes that use a 512-byte sector appear
06316 ; to CP/M as though they used a 128-byte sector. They do this
06317 ; by using blocking/deblocking code. This blocking/deblocking
06318 ; code is described in more detail later in this listing,
06319 ; just prior to the code itself.
06320 ;
06321 ;
06322 ;
06323 ; Disk parameter tables
06324 ;
06325 ; As discussed in Chapter 3, these describe the physical
06326 ; characteristics of the disk drives. In this example BIOS,
06327 ; there are two types of disk drives; standard single-sided,
06328 ; single-density 8", and double-sided, double-density 5 1/4"
06329 ; mini-diskettes.
06330 ;
06331 ; The standard 8" diskettes do not need to use the blocking/
06332 ; deblocking code, but the 5 1/4" drives do. Therefore an additional
06333 ; byte has been prefixed onto the disk parameter block to
06334 ; tell the disk drivers what each logical disk's physical
06335 ; diskette type is, and whether or not it needs deblocking.
06336 ;
06337 ;
06338 ; Disk definition tables
06339 ;
06340 ; These consist of disk parameter headers, with one entry
06341 ; per logical disk driver, and disk parameter blocks with
06342 ; either one parameter block per logical disk, or the same
06343 ; parameter block for several logical disks.
06344 ;
06400 ;#
06401 ;
06402 ; Disk$Parameter$Headers: ;Described in Chapter 3
06403 ;
06404 ; Logical disk A: (5 1/4" diskette)
06405 DW Floppy$5$Skewtable ;5 1/4" skew table
06406 DW 0,0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
06407 DW Directory$Buffer
06408 DW Floppy$5$Parameter$Block
06409 DW Disk$A$Workarea
06410 DW Disk$A$Allocation$Vector
06411 ;
06412 ; Logical disk B: (5 1/4" diskette)
06413 DW Floppy$5$Skewtable ;Shares same skew table as A:
06414 DW 0,0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
06415 DW Directory$Buffer ;Shares same buffer as A:
06416 DW Floppy$5$Parameter$Block ;Same DPB as A:
06417 DW Disk$B$Workarea ;Private work area
06418 DW Disk$B$Allocation$Vector ;Private allocation vector
06419 ;
06420 ; Logical disk C: (8" floppy)
06421 DW Floppy$8$Skewtable ;8" skew table
06422 DW 0,0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
06423 DW Directory$Buffer ;Shares same buffer as A:
06424 DW Floppy$8$Parameter$Block
06425 DW Disk$C$Workarea ;Private work area
06426 DW Disk$C$Allocation$Vector ;Private allocation vector
06427 ;
06428 ; Logical disk D: (8" floppy)
06429 DW Floppy$5$Skewtable ;Shares same skew table as A:
06430 DW 0,0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
06431 DW Directory$Buffer ;Shares same buffer as A:

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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091D 4409 06432 DW Floppy$8$Parameter$Block ;Same DPB as C:
091F 0024 06433 DW Disk$8$Workarea ;Private work area
0921 5B24 06434 DW Disk$8$Allocation$Vector ;Private allocation vector
06435
06436
06437 M$Disk$DPH: ;Logical disk M: (memory disk)
0923 0000 06438 DW 0 ;No skew required
0925 0000000000006439 DW 0,0 ;Reserved for CP/M
0928 B022 06440 DW Directory$Buffer
092D 5409 06441 DW M$Disk$Parameter$Block
092F 0000 06442 DW 0 ;Disk cannot be changed, therefore
06443 ; no work area is required
0931 7A24 06444 DW M$Disk$Allocations$Vector
06445 ;
06446 ;
06447 ; Equates for disk parameter block
06448 ;
06449 ; Disk Types
06450 ;
0001 = 06451 Floppy$5 EQU 1 ;5 1/4" mini floppy
0002 = 06452 Floppy$8 EQU 2 ;8" floppy (SS SD)
0003 = 06453 M$Disk EQU 3 ;Memory disk
06454 ;
06455 ; Blocking/deblocking indicator
06456 ;
0080 = 06457 Need$Deblocking EQU 1000$0000B ;Sector size > 128 bytes
06458 ;
06600 ;#
06601 ;
06602 ; Disk parameter blocks
06603 ;
06604 ; 5 1/4" mini floppy
06605 ;
06606 ;Extra byte prefixed to indicate
06607 ; disk type and blocking required
0933 81 06608 DB Floppy$5 + Need$Deblocking ;The parameter block has been amended
06609 ; to reflect the new layout of one
06610 ; track per diskette side, rather
06611 ; than viewing one track as both
06612 ; sides on a given head position.
06613 ;It has also been adjusted to reflect
06614 ; one "new" track more being used for
06615 ; the CP/M image, with the resulting
06616 ; change in the number of allocation
06617 ; blocks and the number of reserved
06618 ; tracks.
06619 ;
06620 Floppy$5$Parameter$Block:
0934 2400 06621 DW 36 ;128-byte sectors per track
0936 04 06622 DB 4 ;Block shift
0937 0F 06623 DB 15 ;Block mask
0938 01 06624 DB 1 ;Extent mask
0939 A800 06625 DW 171 ;Maximum allocation block number
093B 7F00 06626 DW 127 ;Number of directory entries - 1
093D C0 06627 DB 1100$0000B ;Bit map for reserving 1 alloc. block
093E 00 06628 DB 0000$0000B ;for file directory
093F 2000 06629 DW 32 ;Disk-changed work area size
0941 0300 06630 DW 3 ;Number of tracks before directory
06631 ;
06632 ;
06633 ; Standard 8" Floppy
06634 ;
06635 ;
0943 02 06636 DB Floppy$8 ;Extra byte prefixed to DPB for
06637 ;this version of the BIOS
06638 Floppy$8$Parameter$Block: ;Indicates disk type and the fact
0944 1A00 06639 DW 26 ;that no deblocking is required
0946 03 06640 DB 3 ;Sectors per track
0947 07 06641 DB 7 ;Block shift
0948 00 06642 DB 0 ;Block mask
0949 F200 06643 DW 242 ;Extent mask
094B 3F00 06644 DW 63 ;Maximum allocation block number
094D C0 06645 DB 1100$0000B ;Number of directory entries - 1
094E 00 06646 DB 0000$0000B ;Bit map for reserving 2 alloc. blocks
094F 1000 06647 DW 16 ;for file directory
0951 0200 06648 DW 2 ;Disk-changed work area size
06649 ;Number of tracks before directory

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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06649 ; M#Disk
06650 ; M#Disk
06651 ;
06652 ; The M#Disk presumes that 4 x 48K memory
06653 ; banks are available. The following
06654 ; table describes the disk as having
06655 ; 8 tracks; two tracks per memory bank
06656 ; with each track having 192 128-byte
06657 ; sectors.
06658 ; The track number divided by 2 will be
06659 ; used to select the bank
0953 03 06660 DB M#Disk
06661 M#Disk$Parameter$Block:
0954 C000 06662 DW 192 ;Type is M#Disk, no deblocking
06663 ;Sectors per "track". Each track is
0956 03 06664 DB 3 ; 24K of memory
0957 07 06665 DB 7 ;Block shift (1024 byte allocation)
0958 00 06666 DB 0 ;Block mask
0959 C000 06667 DW 192 ;Extent mask
095B 3F00 06668 DW 63 ;Maximum allocation block number
095D C0 06669 DB 1100$0000B ;Number of directory entries -1
095E 00 06670 DB 0000$0000B ;Bit map for reserving 2 allocation blocks
095F 0000 06671 DW 0 ;for file directory
06672 ;Disk cannot be changed, therefore no
0961 0000 06673 DW 0 ; work area
06674 ;No reserved tracks
0004 = 06675 Number$of$Logical$Disks EQU 4
06676 ;
06800 ;#
06801 ;
06802 SELDSK: ;Select disk in register C
06803 ;C = 0 for drive A, 1 for B, etc.
06804 ;Return the address of the appropriate
06805 ; disk parameter header in HL, or 0000H
06806 ; if the selected disk does not exist.
06807 ;
0963 210000 06808 LXI H,0 ;Assume an error
0966 79 06809 MOV A,C ;Check if requested disk valid
06810
0967 FE0C 06811 CPI 'M' - 'A' ;Check if memory disk
0969 CA9509 06812 JZ SELDSK$M#Disk ;Yes
06813
096C FE04 06814 CPI Number$of$Logical$Disks
096E D0 06815 RNC ;Return if > maximum number of disks
06816 ;
096F 322D0A 06817 STA Selected$Disk ;Save selected disk number
06818 ;Set up to return DPH address
0972 6F 06819 MOV L,A ;Make disk into word value
0973 2600 06820 MVI H,0
06821 ;Compute offset down disk parameter
06822 ; header table by multiplying by
06823 ; parameter header length (16 bytes)
0975 29 06824 DAD H ;*2
0976 29 06825 DAD H ;*4
0977 29 06826 DAD H ;*8
0978 29 06827 DAD H ;*16
0979 11E308 06828 LXI D,Disk$Parameter$Headers ;Get base address
097C 19 06829 DAD D ;DE -> appropriate DPH
097D E5 06830 PUSH H ;Save DPH address
06831 ;
06832 ;Access disk parameter block to
06833 ; extract special prefix byte that
06834 ; identifies disk type and whether
06835 ; deblocking is required
06836 ;
097E 110A00 06837 LXI D,10 ;Get DPB pointer offset in DPH
0981 19 06838 DAD D ;DE -> DPB address in DPH
0982 5E 06839 MOV E,M ;Get DPB address in DE
0983 23 06840 INX H
0984 56 06841 MOV D,M
0985 EB 06842 XCHG ;DE -> DPB
06843
06844 SELDSK$Set$Disk$Type:
0986 2B 06845 DCX H ;DE -> prefix byte
0987 7E 06846 MOV A,M ;Get prefix byte
0988 E60F 06847 ANI OFH ;Isolate disk type

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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098A 32360A 06848 STA Selected$Disk$Type ;Save for use in low level driver
098D 7E 06849 MOV A,M ;Get another copy of prefix byte
098E E680 06850 ANI Need$Deblocking ;Isolate deblocking flag
0990 32350A 06851 STA Selected$Disk$Deblock ;Save for use in low level driver
0993 E1 06852 POP H ;Recover DPH pointer
0994 C9 06853 RET

06854 ;
06855 SELDSK$M$Disk: ;M$Disk selected
0995 212309 06856 LXI H,M$Disk$DPH ;Return correct parameter header
0998 C38609 06857 JMP SELDSK$Set$Disk$Type ;Resume normal processing
06858 ;
07000 ;#
07001 ;
07002 ; Set logical track for next read or write
07003 ;
07004 SETTRK:
099B 60 07005 MOV H,B ;Selected track in BC on entry
099C 69 07006 MOV L,C
099D 222E0A 07007 SHLD Selected$Track ;Save for low level driver
09A0 C9 07008 RET

07009 ;
07100 ;#
07101 ;
07102 ; Set logical sector for next read or write
07103 ;
07104 ;
07105 SETSEC: ;Logical sector in C on entry
09A1 79 07106 MOV A,C
09A2 32300A 07107 STA Selected$Sector ;Save for low level driver
09A5 C9 07108 RET

07200 ;#
07201 ;
07202 ; Set disk DMA (Input/Output) address for next read or write
07203 ;
09A6 0000 07204 DMA$Address: DW 0 ;DMA address
07205 ;
07206 SETDMA: ;Address in BC on entry
09A8 69 07207 MOV L,C ;Move to HL to save
09A9 60 07208 MOV H,B
09AA 22A609 07209 SHLD DMA$Address ;Save for low level driver
09AD C9 07210 RET

07211 ;
07300 ;#
07301 ;
07302 ; Translate logical sector number to physical
07303 ;
07304 ; Sector translation tables
07305 ; These tables are indexed using the logical sector number,
07306 ; and contain the corresponding physical sector number.
07307 ;
07308 Floppy$5$Skewtable: ;Each physical sector contains four
07309 ;128-byte sectors.
07310 ; Physical 128b Logical 128b Physical 512-byte
09AE 00010203 07311 DB 00,01,02,03 ;00,01,02,03 0 )
09B2 10111213 07312 DB 16,17,18,19 ;04,05,06,07 4 )
09B6 20212223 07313 DB 32,33,34,35 ;08,09,10,11 8 )
09BA 0C0DOEOF 07314 DB 12,13,14,15 ;12,13,14,15 3 ) Head
09BE 1C1D1E1F 07315 DB 28,29,30,31 ;16,17,18,19 7 ) 0
09C2 08090AOB 07316 DB 08,09,10,11 ;20,21,22,23 2 )
09C6 18191A1B 07317 DB 24,25,26,27 ;24,25,26,27 6 )
09CA 04050607 07318 DB 04,05,06,07 ;28,29,30,31 1 )
09CE 14151617 07319 DB 20,21,22,23 ;32,33,34,35 5 )

09D2 24252627 07321 DB 36,37,38,39 ;36,37,38,39 0 )
09D6 34353637 07322 DB 52,53,54,55 ;40,41,42,43 4 )
09DA 444544647 07323 DB 68,69,70,71 ;44,45,46,47 8 )
09DE 30313233 07324 DB 48,49,50,51 ;48,49,50,51 3 ) Head
09E2 40414243 07325 DB 64,65,66,67 ;52,53,54,55 7 ) 1
09E6 2C2D2E2F 07326 DB 44,45,46,47 ;56,57,58,59 2 )
09EA 3C3D3E3F 07327 DB 60,61,62,63 ;60,61,62,63 6 )
09EE 28292A2B 07328 DB 40,41,42,43 ;64,65,66,67 1 )
09F2 38393A3B 07329 DB 56,57,58,59 ;68,69,70,71 5 )

07330 ;
07331 ;
07332 Floppy$8$Skewtable: ;Standard 8" Driver

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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07333      ;    01,02,03,04,05,06,07,08,09,10   Logical sectors
09F6 01070D131907334 DB 01,07,13,19,25,05,11,17,23,03 ;Physical sectors
07335      ;
07336      ;    11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20   Logical sectors
0A00 090F15020807337 DB 09,15,21,02,08,14,20,26,06,12 ;Physical sectors
07338      ;
07339      ;    21,22,23,24,25,26       Logical sectors
0A0A 1218040A1007340 DB 18,24,04,10,16,22 ;Physical sectors
07341      ;
07400      ;#
07401      ;
07402  SECTRAN:           ;Translate logical sector into physical
                           ;On entry, BC = logical sector number
                           ;          DE -> appropriate skew table
07403      ;
07404      ;
07405      ;
07406      ;on exit, HL = physical sector number
0A10 EB    XCHG             ;HL -> skew table base
0A11 09    DAD   B          ;Add on logical sector number
0A12 6E    MOV   L,M          ;Get physical sector number
0A13 2600  MVI   H,O          ;Make into a 16-bit value
0A15 C9    RET
07412      ;
07500      ;#
07501      ;
07502      ;
07503  HOME:              ;Home the selected logical disk to track 0
                           ;Before doing this, a check must be made to see
                           ;if the physical disk buffer has information in
                           ;it that must be written out. This is indicated by
                           ;a flag, Must$Write$Buffer, that is set in the
                           ;deblocking code.
07504      ;
07505      ;
07506      ;
07507      ;
07508      ;
07509      ;
0A16 3A2COA 07510     LDA   Must$Write$Buffer ;Check if physical buffer must
0A19 B7    07511     ORA   A          ; be written to a disk
0A1A C2200A 07512     JNZ   HOME$No$Write
0A1D 322B0A 07513     STA   Data$In$Disk$Buffer ;No, so indicate that buffer
07514     ; is now unoccupied
07515  HOME$No$Write:    MVI   C,0          ;Set to track 0 (logically,
0A20 0E00    07516     CALL  SETTRK        ; no actual disk operation occurs)
0A22 CD9B09  07517     RET
0A25 C9    07518     ;
07519      ;
07520      ;
07600      ;#
07601      ;Data written to or read from the mini-floppy drive is transferred
07602      ;via a physical buffer that is one complete track in length,
07603      ;9 * 512 bytes. It is declared at the end of the BIOS, and has
07604      ;some small amount of initialization code "hidden" in it.
07605      ;
07606      ;The blocking/deblocking code attempts to minimize the amount
07607      ;of actual disk I/O by storing the disk and track
07608      ;currently residing in the physical buffer.
07609      ;If a read request occurs of a 128-byte CP/M "sector"
07610      ;that already is in the physical buffer, no disk access occurs
07611      ;If a write request occurs if and the 128-byte CP/M 'sector'
07612      ;is already in the physical buffer, no disk access will occur,
07613      ;UNLESS the BDOS indicates that it is writing to the directory.
07614      ;Directory writes cause an immediate write to disk of the entire
07615      ;track in the physical buffer.
07616      ;
07617      ;
0800 =    07618     Allocation$Block$Size EQU 2048
0009 =    07619     Physical$Sec$Per$Track EQU 9   ;Adjusted to reflect a "new"
07620      ;
07621      ;
0200 =    07622     Physical$Sector$Size EQU 512  ;This is the actual sector size
07623      ;for the 5 1/4" mini-floppy diskettes
07624      ;The 8" diskettes and memory disk
07625      ;use 128-byte sectors
07626      ;Declare the physical disk buffer for the
07627      ;5 1/4" diskettes
0004 =    07628     CPM$Sec$Per$Physical EQU Physical$Sector$Size/128
0024 =    07629     CPM$Sec$Per$Track EQU CPM$Sec$Per$Physical*Physical$Sec$Per$Track
1200 =    07630     Bytes$Per$Track EQU Physical$Sec$Per$Track*Physical$Sector$Size
0003 =    07631     Sector$Mask EQU CPM$Sec$Per$Physical-1
0002 =    07632     Sector$Bit$Shift EQU 2   ;LOG2(CPM$Sec$Per$Physical)

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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07633 ;
07634 ; These are the values handed over by the BDOS
07635 ; when it calls the write operation.
07636 ; The allocated/unallocated indicates whether the
07637 ; BDOS wishes to write to an unallocated allocation
07638 ; block (it only indicates this for the first
07639 ; 128-byte sector write), or to an allocation block
07640 ; that has already been allocated to a file.
07641 ; The BDOS also indicates if it wishes to write to
07642 ; the file directory.
07643 ;
0000 = 07644 Write$Allocated EQU 0
0001 = 07645 Write$Directory EQU 1
0002 = 07646 Write$Unallocated EQU 2 ;<== ignored for track buffering
07647 ;
0A26 00 07648 Write$Type: DB 0 ;Contains the type of write
07649 ; indicated by the BDOS
07650 ;
07651 ;
07652 In$Buffer$Dk$Trk: ;Variables for physical sector currently
07653 ; in Disk$Buffer in memory
0A27 00 07654 In$Buffer$Disk: DB 0 ; These are moved and compared
0A28 0000 07655 In$Buffer$Tracks: DW 0 ;) as a group, so do not alter
07656 ; these lines
0A2A 00 07657 In$Buffer$Disk$Type: DB 0 ;Disk type for sector in buffer
07658 ;
0A2B 00 07659 Data$In$Disk$Buffers: DB 0 ;When nonzero, the disk buffer has
07660 ; data from the disk in it
0A2C 00 07661 Must$Write$Buffer: DB 0 ;Nonzero when data has been written
07662 ; into Disk$Buffer but not yet
07663 ; written out to disk
07664 ;
07665 Selected$Dk$Trk: ;Variables for selected disk, track and sector
07666 ; (Selected by SELDSK, SETTRK and SETSEC)
0A2D 00 07667 Selected$Disk: DB 0 ; These are moved and compared
07668 Selected$Tracks: DW 0 ;) as a group so do not alter order
07669 ;
0A30 00 07670 Selected$Sector: DB 0 ;Not part of group but needed here
07671 ;
0A31 00 07672 Selected$Physical$Sector: DB 0 ;Selected physical sector derived
07673 ; from selected (CP/M) sector by
07674 ; shifting it right the number of
07675 ; bits specified by Sector$Bit$Shift
07676 ;
07677 ;
07678 ;
0A32 00 07679 Disk$Error$Flag: DB 0 ;Nonzero to indicate an error
07680 ; that could not be recovered
07681 ; by the disk drivers. The BDOS
07682 ; will output a "Bad Sector" message
0A33 00 07683 Disk$Hung$Flag: DB 0 ;Nonzero if a watchdog timeout
07684 ; occurs
0258 = 07685 Disk$Timer EQU 600 ;Number of 16.66 ms clock ticks
07686 ; for a 10 second timeout
07687 ;
07688 ;
07689 ;Flags used inside the deblocking code
0A34 00 07690 Read$Operations: DB 0 ;Nonzero when a CP/M 128-byte
07691 ; sector is to be read
0A35 00 07692 Selected$Disk$Deblock: DB 0 ;Nonzero when the selected disk
07693 ; needs deblocking (set in SELDSK)
0A36 00 07694 Selected$Disk$Type: DB 0 ;Indicates 8" or 5 1/4" floppy or
07695 ; MxDisk selected. (set in SELDSK)
07696 ;
07800 ;
07801 ;
07802 ; Read in the 128-byte CP/M sector specified by previous calls
07803 ; to Select Disk, Set Track and Sector. The sector will be read
07804 ; into the address specified in the previous Set DMA Address call.
07805 ;
07806 ; If reading from a disk drive using sectors larger than 128 bytes,
07807 ; deblocking code will be used to "unpack" a 128-byte sector from
07808 ; the physical sector.
07809 READ: LDA Selected$Disk$Deblock ;Check if deblocking needed
0A37 3A350A 07810 ORA A ; (flag was set in SELDSK call)
0A3A B7 07811

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

0A3B CA2F0B	07812	JZ	Read\$No\$Deblock	;No, use normal nondeblocked
	07813			
	07814			;The deblocking algorithm used is such
	07815			; that a read operation can be viewed
	07816			; until the actual data transfer as though
	07817			it was the first write to an unallocated
	07818			allocation block
0A3E 3E01	07819	MVI	A,1	;Indicate that a read actually
0A40 32340A	07820	STA	Read\$Operation	; is to be performed
	07821			
0A43 3E00	07822	MVI	A,Write\$Allocated	;Fake deblocking code into believing
0A45 32260A	07823	STA	Write\$Type	; that this is a write to an
	07824			; allocated allocation block
0A48 C35C0A	07825	JMP	Perform\$Read\$Write	;Use common code to execute read
	07826			
	07900	;#		
	07901			Write a 128-byte sector from the current DMA address to
	07902			the previously selected disk, track and sector.
	07903			
	07904			On arrival here, the BDOS will have set register C to indicate
	07905			whether this write operation is to an already allocated allocation
	07906			block (which means a preread of the sector may be needed), or
	07907			to the directory (in which case the data will be written to the
	07908			disk immediately).
	07909			
	07910			Only writes to the directory take place immediately. In all other
	07911			cases, the data will be moved from the DMA address into the disk
	07912			buffer, and only be written out when circumstances force the
	07913			transfer. The number of physical disk operations can therefore
	07914			be reduced considerably.
	07915			
	07916	WRITE:		
0A4B 3A350A	07917	LDA	Selected\$Disk\$Deblock	;Check if deblocking is required
0A4E B7	07918	DRA	A	; (flag set in SELDSK call)
0A4F CA2A0B	07919	JZ	Write\$No\$Deblock	
	07920			
0A52 AF	07921	XRA	A	;Indicate that a write operation
0A53 32340A	07922	STA	Read\$Operation	; is required (i.e NOT a read)
0A56 79	07923	MOV	A,C	;Save the BDOS write type
0A57 E601	07924	ANI	1	; but only distinguish between
	07925			; write to allocated block or
0A59 32260A	07926	STA	Write\$Type	; directory write
	07927			
	07928			
	08000	;#		
	08001			
	08002	Perform\$Read\$Write:		;Common code to execute both reads and
				; writes of 128-byte sectors.
0A5C AF	08003	XRA	A	;Assume that no disk errors will
0A5D 32320A	08005	STA	Disk\$Error\$Flag	; occur
	08006			
0A60 3A300A	08007	LDA	Selected\$Sector	;Convert selected 128-byte sector
0A63 1F	08008	RAR		; into physical sector by dividing by 4
0A64 1F	08009	RAR		
0A65 E63F	08010	ANI	3FH	;Remove any unwanted bits
0A67 32310A	08011	STA	Selected\$Physical\$Sector	
	08012			
0A6A 212B0A	08013	LXI	H,Data\$In\$Disk\$Buffer	;Check if disk buffer already has
0A6D 7E	08014	MOV	A,M	; data in it
0A6E 3601	08015	MVI	M,1	; (Unconditionally indicate that
	08016			; the buffer now has data in it)
0A70 B7	08017	DRA	A	;Did it indeed have data in it?
0A71 CA870A	08018	JZ	Read\$Track\$into\$Buffer	;No, proceed to read a physical
	08019			; track into the buffer
	08020			
	08021			;The buffer does have a physical track
	08022			; in it. Check if it is the right one
	08023			
0A74 11270A	08024	LXI	D,In\$Buffer\$Dk\$Trk	;Check if track in buffer is the
0A77 212D0A	08025	LXI	H,Selected\$Dk\$Trk	; same as that selected earlier
0A7A CDE10A	08026	CALL	Compare\$Dk\$Trk	;Compare ONLY disk and track
0A7D CA910A	08027	JZ	Track\$In\$Buffer	;Yes, it is already in buffer
	08028			
	08029			
	08030			
0A80 3A2C0A	08031	LDA	Must\$Write\$Buffer	;No, it will have to be read in
				; over current contents of buffer

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

0A83 B7	08032	ORA	A	; must be written out first
0A84 C4E50B	08033	CNZ	Write\$Physical	; Yes, write it out
	08034			
	08035	Read\$Track#into\$Buffer:		
0A87 CDCEOA	08036	CALL	SetIn\$Buffer\$Dk\$Trk	; Set in buffer variables from
	08037			; selected disk, track
	08038			; to reflect which track is in the
	08039			; buffer now
0A88 CDEAOB	08040	CALL	Read\$Physical	; Read the track into the buffer
0A8D AF	08041	XRA	A	; Reset the flag to reflect buffer
0A8E 322C0A	08042	STA	Must\$Write\$Buffer	; contents
	08043			
	08044	Track#In\$Buffer:		; Selected track and
	08045			; disk is already in the buffer
	08046			; Convert the selected CP/M (128-byte)
	08047			; sector into a relative address down
	08048			; the buffer
0A91 3A300A	08049	LDA	Selected\$Sector	; Get selected sector number
0A94 6F	08050	MDV	L,A	; Multiply by 128 by shifting 16-bit value
0A95 2600	08051	MVI	H,0	; left 7 bits
0A97 29	08052	DAD	H	; * 2
0A98 29	08053	DAD	H	; * 4
0A99 29	08054	DAD	H	; * 8
0A9A 29	08055	DAD	H	; * 16
0A9B 29	08056	DAD	H	; * 32
0A9C 29	08057	DAD	H	; * 64
0A9D 29	08058	DAD	H	; * 128
	08059			
0A9E 11A40F	08060	LXI	D,Disk\$Buffer	; Get base address of disk buffer
0AA1 19	08061	DAD	D	; Add on sector number * 128
	08062			; HL -> 128-byte sector number start
	08063			; address in disk buffer
0AA2 EB	08064	XCHG		; DE -> sector in disk buffer
0AA3 2AA609	08065	LHLD	DMA\$Address	; Get DMA address set in SETDMA call
0AA6 EB	08066	XCHG		; Assume a read operation, so
	08067			; DE -> DMA address
	08068			; HL -> sector in disk buffer
0AA7 0E10	08069	MVI	C,128/8	; Because of the faster method used
	08070			; to move data in and out of the
	08071			; disk buffer, (eight bytes moved per
	08072			; loop iteration) the count need only
	08073			; be 1/8 of normal
	08074			; At this point,
	08075			; C = loop count
	08076			; DE -> DMA address
	08077			; HL -> sector in disk buffer
0AA9 3A340A	08078	LDA	Read\$Operation	; Determine whether data is to be moved
0AAC B7	08079	ORA	A	; out of the buffer (read) or into the
0AAD C2B50A	08080	JNZ	Buffer\$Move	; buffer (write)
	08081			; Writing into buffer
	08082			; (A must be 0 get here)
0AB0 3C	08083	INR	A	; Set flag to force a write
0AB1 322C0A	08084	STA	Must\$Write\$Buffer	; of the disk buffer later on.
0AB4 EB	08085	XCHG		; Make DE -> sector in disk buffer
	08086			; HL -> DMA address
	08087			
	08088			
0AB5 CDF80A	08089	Buffer\$Move:		
	08090	CALL	Move\$B	; Moves 8 bytes * C times from (HL)
	08091			; to (DE)
	08092			
	08093			
0ABB 3A260A	08094	LDA	Write\$Type	; If write to directory, write out
0ABB FE01	08095	CPI	Write\$Directory	; buffer immediately
0ABD 3A320A	08096	LDA	Disk\$Error\$Flag	; Get error flag in case delayed write or read
0AC0 C0	08097	RNZ		; Return if delayed write or read
	08098			
0AC1 B7	08099	ORA	A	; Check if any disk errors have occurred
0AC2 C0	08100	RNZ		; Yes, abandon attempt to write to directory
	08101			
0AC3 AF	08102	XRA	A	; Clear flag that indicates buffer must be
0AC4 322C0A	08103	STA	Must\$Write\$Buffer	; written out
0AC7 CDE50B	08104	CALL	Write\$Physical	; Write buffer out to physical track
0ACA 3A320A	08105	LDA	Disk\$Error\$Flag	; Return error flag to caller
0ACD C9	08106	RET		
	08107			

Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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08108      ;
08109      ;
08110      Set$In$Buffer$Dk$Trk:           ;Indicate selected disk, track
08111      ; now residing in buffer
08112          LDA    Selected$Disk
08113          STA    In$Buffer$Disk
08114
08115          LHLD   Selected$Track
08116          SHLD   In$Buffer$Track
08117
08118          LDA    Selected$Disk$Type   ;Also reflect disk type
08119          STA    In$Buffer$Disk$Type
08120
0AE0 C9      08121      RET
08122      ;
08123      ;
08124      Compare$Dk$Trk:             ;Compares just the disk and track
08125      ; pointed to by DE and HL
08126          MVI    C,3            ;Disk (1), track (2)
08127      Compare$Dk$Trk$Loop:
0AE3 1A      08128          LDAX   D            ;Get comparitor
0AE4 BE      08129          CMP    M            ;Compare with comparand
0AE5 C0      08130          RNZ   ;Abandon comparison if inequality found
0AE6 13      08131          INX    D            ;Update comparitor pointer
0AE7 23      08132          INX    H            ;Update comparand pointer
0AE8 0D      08133          DCR    C            ;Count down on loop count
0AE9 C8      08134          RZ    ;Return (with zero flag set)
0AEA C3E30A  08135          JMP    Compare$Dk$Trk$Loop
08136      ;
08137      ;
08138      Move$Dk$Trk:             ;Moves the disk, track
08139      ; variables pointed at by HL to
08140      ; those pointed at by DE
0AE0 0E03  08141          MVI    C,3            ;Disk (1), Track (2)
08142      Move$Dk$Trk$Loop:
0AEF 7E      08143          MOV    A,M            ;Get source byte
0AF0 12      08144          STAX   D            ;Store in destination
0AF1 13      08145          INX    D            ;Update pointers
0AF2 23      08146          INX    H            ;
0AF3 0D      08147          DCR    C            ;Count down on byte count
0AF4 C8      08148          RZ    ;Return if all bytes moved
0AF5 C3EF0A  08149          JMP    Move$Dk$Trk$Loop
08150      ;
08300      ;#
08301      ;
08302      Move eight bytes
08303      ;
08304      ; This routine moves eight bytes in a block, C times, from
08305      ; (HL) to (DE). It uses "drop through" coding to speed
08306      ; up execution.
08307      ;
08308      ;
08309      Entry Parameters
08310      ; C = number of 8-byte blocks to move
08311      ; DE -> destination address
08312      ; HL -> source address
08313      ;
08314      Move$B:
0AF8 7E      08315          MOV    A,M            ;Get byte from source
0AF9 12      08316          STAX   D            ;Put into destination
0AFA 13      08317          INX    D            ;Update pointers
0AFB 23      08318          INX    H            ;
0AFc 7E      08319          MOV    A,M            ;Get byte from source
0AFD 12      08320          STAX   D            ;Put into destination
0AFE 13      08321          INX    D            ;Update pointers
0AFF 23      08322          INX    H            ;
0B00 7E      08323          MOV    A,M            ;Get byte from source
0B01 12      08324          STAX   D            ;Put into destination
0B02 13      08325          INX    D            ;Update pointers
0B03 23      08326          INX    H            ;
0B04 7E      08327          MOV    A,M            ;Get byte from source
0B05 12      08328          STAX   D            ;Put into destination
0B06 13      08329          INX    D            ;Update pointers
0B07 23      08330          INX    H            ;
0B08 7E      08331          MOV    A,M            ;Get byte from source
0B09 12      08332          STAX   D            ;Put into destination

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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OBOA 13    08333   INX    D      ;Update pointers
OBOB 23    08334   INX    H      ;
OBOC 7E    08335   MOV    A,M    ;Get byte from source
OBD0 12    08336   STAX   D      ;Put into destination
OBOE 13    08337   INX    D      ;Update pointers
OBOF 23    08338   INX    H      ;
OB10 7E    08339   MOV    A,M    ;Get byte from source
OB11 12    08340   STAX   D      ;Put into destination
OB12 13    08341   INX    D      ;Update pointers
OB13 23    08342   INX    H      ;
OB14 7E    08343   MOV    A,M    ;Get byte from source
OB15 12    08344   STAX   D      ;Put into destination
OB16 13    08345   INX    D      ;Update pointers
OB17 23    08346   INX    H      ;
OB18 0D    08347
OB19 C2F80A 08348   DCR    C      ;Count down on loop counter
OB1C C9    08349   JNZ    Move$8  ;Repeat until done
OB350
OB351
OB352 ;
OB500 ;#
OB501
OB502 ; Introduction to the disk controllers on this computer system.
OB503 ;
OB504 ; There are two "smart" disk controllers on this system, one
OB505 ; for the 8" floppy diskette drives, and one for the 5 1/4"
OB506 ;
OB507 ;
OB508 ; The controllers are "hard-wired" to monitor certain locations
OB509 ; in memory to detect when they are to perform some disk
OB510 ; operation. The 8" controller looks at location 0040H, and
OB511 ; the 5 1/4" controller looks at location 0045H. These are
OB512 ; called their disk control bytes. If the most significant
OB513 ; bit of a disk control byte is set, the controller will then
OB514 ; look at the word following the respective control bytes.
OB515 ; This word must contain the address of a valid disk control
OB516 ; table that specifies the exact disk operation to be performed.
OB517 ;
OB518 ; Once the operation has been completed, the controller resets
OB519 ; its disk control byte to 00H, and this indicates completion
OB520 ; to the disk driver code.
OB521 ;
OB522 ; The controller also sets a return code in a disk status block.
OB523 ; Both controllers use the same location (0043H) for this.
OB524 ; If the first byte of this status block is less than 80H, then
OB525 ; a disk error has occurred. For this simple BIOS, no further details
OB526 ; of the status settings are relevant. Note that the disk controller
OB527 ; has built-in retry logic; reads and writes are attempted ten
OB528 ; times before the controller returns an error.
OB529 ;
OB530 ; The disk control table layout is shown below. Note that the
OB531 ; controllers have the capability for control tables to be
OB532 ; chained together so that a sequence of disk operations can
OB533 ; be initiated. In this BIOS this feature is not used. However,
OB534 ; the controller requires that the chain pointers in the
OB535 ; disk control tables be pointed back to the main control bytes
OB536 ; in order to indicate the end of the chain.
OB537 ;
OB40 = 08538 Disk$Control$8 EQU 40H ;8" control byte
OB41 = 08539 Command$Block$8 EQU 41H ;Control table pointer
OB43 = 08540 ;
OB44 = 08541 Disk$Status$Block EQU 43H ;8" AND 5 1/4" status block
OB45 = 08542 ;
OB46 = 08543 Disk$Control$5 EQU 45H ;5 1/4" control byte
OB47 = 08544 Command$Block$5 EQU 46H ;Control table pointer
OB48 = 08545 ;
OB49 = 08546 ;
OB50 = 08547 ; Floppy Disk Control Tables
OB51 = 08548 ;
OB1D 00 08549 Floppy$Command: DB 0 ;Command
OB001 = 08550 Floppy$Read$Code EQU 01H
OB002 = 08551 Floppy$Write$Code EQU 02H
OB1E 00 08552 Floppy$Unit: DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number = 0 or 1
OB1F 00 08553 Floppy$Head: DB 0 ;Head number = 0 or 1
OB20 00 08554 Floppy$Track: DB 0 ;Track number
OB21 00 08555 Floppy$Sector: DB 0 ;Sector number

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0B22 0000 08556 Floppy$Byte$Count: DW 0 ;Number of bytes to read/write
0B24 0000 08557 Floppy$DMA$Address: DW 0 ;Transfer address
0B26 0000 08558 Floppy$Next$Status$Block: DW 0 ;Pointer to next status block
08559 ; if commands are chained.
0B28 0000 08560 Floppy$Next$Control$Location: DW 0 ;Pointer to next control byte
08561 ; if commands are chained
08562 ;
08700 ;#
08701 ;
08702 ;
08703 Write$No$Deblock: ;Write contents of disk buffer to
08704 ; correct sector
08705 MVI A,Floppy$Write$Code ;Get write function code
0B2A 3E02 08706 JMP Common$No$Deblock ;Go to common code
0B2C C3310B 08707 Read$No$Deblock: ;Read previously selected sector
08708 ; into disk buffer.
08709 MVI A,Floppy$Read$Code ;Get read function code
0B2F 3E01 08710 Common$No$Deblock:
08711 STA Floppy$Command ;Set command function code
08712 ;Set up nondeblocked command table
08713
0B34 3A360A 08714 LDA Selected$Disk$Type ;Check if memory disk operation
0B37 FE03 08715 CPI M$Disk
0B39 CA7A0B 08716 JZ M$Disk$Transfer ;Yes, it is M$Disk
08717
08718 No$Deblock$Retry: ;Re-entry point to retry after error
08719 LXI H,128 ;Bytes per sector
0B3F 22220B 08720 SHLD Floppy$Byte$Count
0B42 AF 08721 XRA A ;8" floppy only has head 0
0B43 321F0B 08722 STA Floppy$Head
08723
0B46 3A2D0A 08724 LDA Selected$Disk ;8" floppy controller only knows about
08725 ; units 0 and 1 so Selected$Disk must
08726 ; be converted
0B49 E601 08727 ANI 01H ;Turn into 0 or 1
0B48 321E0B 08728 STA Floppy$Unit ;Set unit number
08729
0B4E 3A2E0A 08730 LDA Selected$Track
0B51 32200B 08731 STA Floppy$Track ;Set track number
08732
0B54 3A300A 08733 LDA Selected$Sector
0B57 32210B 08734 STA Floppy$Sector ;Set sector number
08735
0B5A 2A609 08736 LHLD DMA$Address ;Transfer directly between DMA Address
0B5D 22240B 08737 SHLD Floppy$DMA$Address ; and 8" controller.
08738
08739 ;The disk controller can accept chained
08740 ; disk control tables, but in this case,
08741 ; they are not used, so the "Next" pointers
08742 ; must be pointed back at the initial
08743 ; control bytes in the base page.
0B60 214300 08744 LXI H,Disk$Status$Block ;Point next status back at
0B63 22260B 08745 SHLD Floppy$Next$Status$Block ; main status block
08746
0B66 214000 08747 LXI H,Disk$Control$B ;Point next control byte
0B69 22280B 08748 SHLD Floppy$Next$Control$Location ; back at main control byte
08749
0B6C 211D0B 08750 LXI H,Floppy$Command ;Point controller at control table
0B6F 224100 08751 STA Command$Block$B
08752
0B72 214000 08753 LXI H,Disk$Control$B ;Activate controller to perform
0B75 3680 08754 MVI M,80H ; operation
08755 JMP Wait$For$Disk$Complete
08756
08757 ;
08900 ;#
08901 ; Memory disk driver
08902 ;
08903 ; This routine must use an intermediary buffer, since the
08904 ; DMA address in bank ("track") 0 occupies the same
08905 ; place in the overall address space as the M$Disk itself.
08906 ; The M$Disk$Buffer is above the 48K mark, and therefore
08907 ; remains in the address space regardless of which bank/track
08908 ; is selected.
08909 ;
08910 ;

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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08911 ; For writing, the 128-byte sector must be processed:
08912 ;
08913 ; 1. Move sector DMA$Address -> M$Disk$Buffer
08914 ; 2. Select correct track (+1 to get bank number)
08915 ; 3. Move sector M$Disk$Buffer -> M$Disk image
08916 ; 4. Select bank 0
08917 ;
08918 ; For reading, the processing is:
08919 ;
08920 ; 1. Select correct track/bank
08921 ; 2. Move sector M$Disk image -> M$Disk$Buffer
08922 ; 3. Select Bank 0
08923 ; 4. Move sector M$Disk$Buffer -> DMA$Address
08924 ;
08925 ; If there is any risk of any interrupt causing control
08926 ; to be transferred to an address below 48K, interrupts must
08927 ; be disabled when any bank other than 0 is selected.
08928 ;
08929 M$Disk$Transfer:
OB7A 3A300A 08930 LDA Selected$Sector ;Compute address in memory
OB7D 6F 08931 MOV L,A ; by multiplying sector * 128
OB7E 2600 08932 MVI H,0
OB80 29 08933 DAD H ;* 2
OB81 29 08934 DAD H ;* 4
OB82 29 08935 DAD H ;* 8
OB83 29 08936 DAD H ;* 16
OB84 29 08937 DAD H ;* 32
OB85 29 08938 DAD H ;* 64
OB86 29 08939 DAD H ;* 128
08940 ;
OB87 3A2E0A 08941 LDA Selected$Track ;Compute which half of bank sector
08942 ; is in by using LS bit of track
OB8A 47 08943 MOV B,A ;Save copy for later
OB8B E601 08944 ANI I ;Isolate lower/upper indicator
OB8D CA940B 08945 JZ M$Disk$Lower$Half
08946 ;
OB90 110060 08947 LXI D,(48 * 1024) / 2 ;Upper half, so bias address
OB93 19 08948 DAD D
08949 ;
OB94 78 08950 M$Disk$Lower$Half: ;HL -> sector in memory
08951 MOV A,B ;Recover selected track
OB95 1F 08952 RAR ;Divide by 2 to get bank number
OB96 3C 08953 INR A ;Bank 1 is first track
OB97 47 08954 MOV B,A ;Preserve for later use
08955 ;
OB98 3A1D0B 08956 LDA Floppy$Command ;Check if reading or writing
OB9B FE02 08957 CPI Floppy$Write$Code
OB9D CABE0B 08958 JZ M$Disk$Write ;Writing
08959 ;Reading
08960 ;
OBAA CDDDOB 08961 CALL Select$Bank ;Select correct memory bank
OBAA 113023 08962 LXI D,M$Disk$Buffer ;DE -> M$Disk$Buffer, HL -> M$Disk image
OBAA 0E10 08963 MVI C,128/8 ;Number of 8-byte blocks to move
OBAB CDF80A 08964 CALL Move$8
08965 ;
OBAB 0600 08966 MVI B,0 ;Revert to normal memory bank
OBAD CDDDOB 08967 CALL Select$Bank
08968 ;
OBBO 2AA609 08969 LHLD DMA$Address ;Get user's DMA address
OBBS 113023 08970 LXI D,M$Disk$Buffer ;DE -> User's DMA, HL -> M$Disk buffer
OB86 EB 08971 XCHG ;Number of 8-byte blocks to move
OB87 0E10 08972 MVI C,128/8
OB89 CDF80A 08973 CALL Move$8
08974 ;
OBBC AF 08975 XRA A ;Indicate no error
OBBD C9 08976 RET
08977 ;
OBBE E5 08978 M$Disk$Write: ;Writing
08979 PUSH H ;Save sector's address in M$Disk image
OBBF 2AA609 08980 LHLD DMA$Address ;Move sector into M$Disk$Buffer
OBBC 113023 08981 LXI D,M$Disk$Buffer
OBBC 0E10 08982 MVI C,128/8 ;Number of 8-byte blocks to move
OBBC7 CDF80A 08983 CALL Move$8 ;(Does not use B register)
08984 ;B = memory bank to select
OBCC CDDDOB 08985 CALL Select$Bank
08986

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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OBCE D1      08987    POP    D          ;Recover sector's M$Disk image address
OBCE 213023  08988    LXI    H,M$Disk$Buffer
OBDE 0E10     08989    MVI    C,128/B
OBDB CDF80A  08990    CALL   Move$B      ;Move into M$Disk image
OBDB AF      08991    MVI    B,0      ;Select bank 0
OBDB C9      08992    CALL   Select$Bank
OBDB AF      08993    XRA    A      ;Indicate no error
OBDC C9      08994    RET
OBDB AF      08995    ;#
OBDC C9      08996    ;#
OBDB AF      08997    ;#
OBDC C9      08998    ;#
OBDB AF      08999    ;#
OBDC C9      09000    ;#
OBDB AF      09100    ;#
OBDC C9      09101    ;#
OBDB AF      09102    ;#
OBDC C9      09103    ;#
OBDB AF      09104    ;#
OBDC C9      09105    ;#
OBDB AF      09106    ;#
OBDC C9      09107    ;#
OBDB AF      09108    ;#
OBDC C9      09109    ;#
OBDB AF      09110    ;#
OBDC C9      09111    ;#
OB40 =       09112    Bank$Control$Port EQU    40H
OBFB =       09113    Bank$Mask      EQU    1111#1000B ;To preserve other bits
OBFB =       09114    ;#
OBDD DB40     09115    Select$Bank:
OBDF E6F8     09116    IN     Bank$Control$Port ;Get current setting in port
OBDF E6F8     09117    ANI    Bank$Mask ;Preserve all other bits
OBEB B0      09118    ORA    B      ;Set bank code
OBEB D340     09119    OUT   Bank$Control$Port ;Select the bank
OBEB C9      09120    RET
OBEB C9      09121    ;#
OBEB C9      09122    ;#
OBEB C9      09123    ;#
OBEB C9      09124    ;#
OBEB C9      09125    Deblock$Retry: ;Re-entry point to retry after error
OBEB C9      09126    LDA    In$Buffer$Disk$Type ;Get disk type currently in buffer
OBEB C9      09127    CPI    Floppy$5 ;Confirm it is a 5 1/4" floppy
OBEB C9      09128    JZ     Correct$Disk$Type ;Yes
OBEB C9      09129    MVI    A,1      ;No, indicate disk error
OBEB C9      09130    STA    Disk$Error$Flag
OBEB C9      09131    RET
OBEB C9      09132    Common$Physical:
OBEB C9      09133    STA    Floppy$Command ;Set command table
OBEB C9      09134    ;#
OBEB C9      09135    ;#
OBEB C9      09136    ;#
OBEB C9      09137    ;#
OBEB C9      09138    ;#
OBEB C9      09139    ;#
OBEB C9      09140    ;#
OBEB C9      09141    ;#
OBEB C9      09142    ;#
OBEB C9      09143    ;#
OBEB C9      09144    ;#
OBEB C9      09145    ;#
OBEB C9      09146    ;#
OBEB C9      09147    ;#
OBEB C9      09148    ;#
OBEB C9      09149    ;#
OBEB C9      09150    ;#
OBEB C9      09151    ;#
OBEB C9      09152    ;#
OBEB C9      09153    ;#
OBEB C9      09154    ;#
OBEB C9      09155    ;#
OBEB C9      09156    ;#
OBEB C9      09157    ;#
OBEB C9      09158    ;#
OBEB C9      09159    ;#
OBEB C9      09160    ;#
OBEB C9      09161    ;#
OBEB C9      09162    ;#
OBEB C9      09163    ;#
OBEB C9      09164    ;#
OBEB C9      09165    ;#
OBEB C9      09166    ;#
OBEB C9      09167    ;#
OBEB C9      09168    ;#
OBEB C9      09169    ;#
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OBEB C9      09192    ;#
OBEB C9      09193    ;#
OBEB C9      09194    ;#
OBEB C9      09195    ;#
OBEB C9      09196    ;#
OBEB C9      09197    ;#
OBEB C9      09198    ;#
OBEB C9      09199    ;#
OBEB C9      09200    ;#
OBEB C9      09201    ;#
OBEB C9      09202    ;#
OBEB C9      09203    Write$Physical: ;Write contents of disk buffer to
OBEB C9      09204    ; correct sector
OBEB C9      09205    MVI    A,Floppy$Write$Code ;Get write function code
OBEB C9      09206    JMP    Common$Physical ;Go to common code
OBEB C9      09207    Read$Physical: ;Read previously selected sector
OBEB C9      09208    ; into disk buffer
OBEB C9      09209    MVI    A,Floppy$Read$Code ;Get read function code
OBEB C9      09210    ;#
OBEB C9      09211    ;#
OBEB C9      09212    Common$Physical:
OBEB C9      09213    STA    Floppy$Command ;Set command table
OBEB C9      09214    ;#
OBEB C9      09215    Deblock$Retry: ;Re-entry point to retry after error
OBEB C9      09216    LDA    In$Buffer$Disk$Type ;Get disk type currently in buffer
OBEB C9      09217    CPI    Floppy$5 ;Confirm it is a 5 1/4" floppy
OBEB C9      09218    JZ     Correct$Disk$Type ;Yes
OBEB C9      09219    MVI    A,1      ;No, indicate disk error
OBEB C9      09220    STA    Disk$Error$Flag
OBEB C9      09221    RET
OBEB C9      09222    Correct$Disk$Type: ;Set up disk control table
OBEB C9      09223    ;#
OBEB C9      09224    LDA    In$Buffer$Disk ;Convert disk number to 0 or 1
OBEB C9      09225    ANI    1      ; for disk controller
OBEB C9      09226    STA    Floppy$Unit
OBEB C9      09227    ;#
OBEB C9      09228    LHLD   In$Buffer$Track ;Set up head and track number
OBEB C9      09229    MOV    A,L      ;Even numbered tracks will be on
OBEB C9      09230    ANI    1      ; head 0, odd numbered on head 1
OBEB C9      09231    STA    Floppy$Head ;Set head number
OBEB C9      09232    ;#
OBEB C9      09233    MOV    A,L      ;Note: this is single byte value
OBEB C9      09234    RAR
OBEB C9      09235    STA    Floppy$Track ; /2 for track (carry off from ANI above)
OBEB C9      09236    ;#
OBEB C9      09237    MVI    A,1      ;Start with sector 1 as a whole
OBEB C9      09238    STA    Floppy$Sector ; track will be transferred
OBEB C9      09239    ;#
OBEB C9      09240    LXI    H,Bytes$Per$Track ;Set byte count for complete
OBEB C9      09241    SHLD   Floppy$Byte$Count ; track to be transferred
OBEB C9      09242    ;#

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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OC1E 21A40F 09243      LXI    H,Disk$Buffer          ;Set transfer address to be
OC21 22240B 09244      SHLD   Floppy$DMA$Address    ; disk buffer
09245
09246
09247
09248
09249
09250      LXI    H,Disk>Status$Block
09251      SHLD   Floppy$Next$Status$Block
09252      LXI    H,Disk$Control$5
09253      SHLD   Floppy$Next$Control$Location
09254
09255      LXI    H,Floppy$Command        ;Set up command block pointer
09256      SHLD   Command$Block$5
09257
09258      LXI    H,Disk$Control$5      ;Activate 5 1/4" disk controller
09259      MVI    M.80H
09260      ;Wait$For$Disk$Complete:       ;Wait until disk status block indicates
09261      ; operation has completed, then check
09262      ; if any errors occurred.
09263
09264      ;On entry HL -> disk control byte
09265      XRA    A
09266      STA    Disk$Hung$Flag      ;Ensure hung flag clear
09267
09268      LXI    H,Disk$Timed$Out      ;Set up watchdog timer
09269      LXI    B,Disk$Timer        ;Time delay
09270      CALL   Set$Watchdog
09271      Disk$Wait$Loop:
09272      MOV    A,M                ;Get control byte
09273      ORA    A
09274      JZ     Disk$Complete      ;Operation done
09275
09276      LDA    Disk$Hung$Flag      ;Also check if time expired
09277      ORA    A
09278      JNZ    Disk$Error        ;Will be set to 40H
09279
09280      JMP    Disk$Wait$Loop
09281
09282      Disk$Timed$Out:          ;Control arrives here from watchdog
09283
09284
09285      MVI    A,40H              ;Set disk hung error code
09286      STA    Disk$Hung$Flag      ; into error flag to pull
09287
09288      RET
09289
09290      Disk$Complete:
09291      LXI    B,O                ;Reset watchdog timer
09292
09293      CALL   Set$Watchdog      ;HL is irrelevant here
09294
09295      LDA    H,Disk>Status$Block ;Complete, now check status
09296      CPI    80H              ;Check if any errors occurred
09297      JC     Disk$Error        ;Yes
09298
09299      Disk$Error$Ignore:
09300      XRA    A
09301      STA    Disk$Error$Flag    ;No
09302      RET
09303
09304
09400      ;#
09401      ;      Disk error message handling
09402
09403
09404      Disk$Error$Messages:      ;This table is scanned, comparing the
09405
09406
09407
09408
09409
09410      DB    40H
09411      DW    Disk$Msg$40
09412      DB    41H
09413      DW    Disk$Msg$41

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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OC76 42      09414     DB      42H
OC77 AC0C    09415     DW      Disk$Msg$42
OC79 21      09416     DB      21H
OC7A BC0C    09417     DW      Disk$Msg$21
OC7C 22      09418     DB      22H
OC7D C10C    09419     DW      Disk$Msg$22
OC7F 23      09420     DB      23H
OC80 CB0C    09421     DW      Disk$Msg$23
OCB2 24      09422     DB      24H
OCB3 DA0C    09423     DW      Disk$Msg$24
OCB5 25      09424     DB      25H
OCB6 E60C    09425     DW      Disk$Msg$25
OCB8 11      09426     DB      11H
OCB9 F90C    09427     DW      Disk$Msg$11
OCB8 12      09428     DB      12H
OCBC 070D    09429     DW      Disk$Msg$12
OCBE 13      09430     DB      13H
OCBF 140D    09431     DW      Disk$Msg$13
OC91 14      09432     DB      14H
OC92 220D    09433     DW      Disk$Msg$14
OC94 15      09434     DB      15H
OC95 310D    09435     DW      Disk$Msg$15
OC97 16      09436     DB      16H
OC98 3D0D    09437     DW      Disk$Msg$16
OC9A 00      09438     DB      0           ;<= Terminator
OC9B 4D0D    09439     DW      Disk$Msg$Unknown ;Unmatched code
09440     ;
0003 =      09441 DEM$Entry$Size EQU 3      ;Disk error message table entry size
09442     ;
09443     ; Message texts
09444     ;
0C9D 48756E670009445 Disk$Msg$40: DB      'Hung',0          ;Timeout message
0CA2 4E6F74205209446 Disk$Msg$41: DB      'Not Ready',0
0CAC 577269746509447 Disk$Msg$42: DB      'Write Protected',0
0CBC 446174610009448 Disk$Msg$21: DB      'Data',0
0CC1 466F726D6109449 Disk$Msg$22: DB      'Format',0
0CC8 4D6973736909450 Disk$Msg$23: DB      'Missing Data Mark',0
0CDA 427573205409451 Disk$Msg$24: DB      'Bus Timeout',0
0CE6 436F6E747209452 Disk$Msg$25: DB      'Controller Timeout',0
0CF9 447269766509453 Disk$Msg$11: DB      'Drive Address',0
0D07 486561642009454 Disk$Msg$12: DB      'Head Address',0
0D14 547261636809455 Disk$Msg$13: DB      'Track Address',0
0D22 536563746F09456 Disk$Msg$14: DB      'Sector Address',0
0D31 427573204109457 Disk$Msg$15: DB      'Bus Address',0
0D3D 496C6C656709458 Disk$Msg$16: DB      'Illegal Command',0
0D4D 556E6B6E6F09459 Disk$Msg$Unknown: DB      'Unknown',0
09460     ;
09461     ;Main disk error message -- part 1
0D55 070DOA    09462     DB      BELL,CR,LF
0D58 4469736B2009463 09463     DB      'Disk',0
09464     ;
09465     ;Error text output next
09466     ;
09467     ;Disk$EM$2:           ;Main disk error message -- part 2
0D5E 204572726F09468 Disk$EM>Status: DB      ' Error ('
0D66 0000    09469     DB      0,0           ;Status code in Hex.
0D68 290D0A202009470 Disk$EM$Drive: DB      ',',CR,LF,' Drive '
0D76 00      09471     DB      0           ;Disk drive code, A,B...
0D77 2C2048656109472 Disk$EM$Head: DB      ', Head'
0D7E 00      09473     DB      0           ;Head number
0D7F 2C2054726109474 Disk$EM$Track: DB      ', Track'
0D87 0000    09475     DB      0,0           ;Track number
0D89 2C2053656309476 Disk$EM$Sector: DB      ', Sector'
0D92 0000    09477     DB      0,0           ;Sector number
0D94 2C204F706509478 Disk$EM$Operation: DB      ', Operation - '
0DA2 00      09479     DB      0           ;Terminator
09480     ;
0DA3 526561642E09481 Disk$EM$Read:  DB      'Read.',0       ;Operation names
0DA9 577269746509482 Disk$EM$Write: DB      'Write.',0
09483     ;
09484     ;
09485     ;Disk$Action$Confirm:
0DB0 00      09486     DB      0           ;Set to character entered by user
0DB1 0DOAO0  09487     DB      CR,LF,0
09488     ;
09489     ;Disk error processor

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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09490 ; This routine builds and outputs an error message.
09491 ; The user is then given the opportunity to:
09492 ;
09493 ;
09494 ; R -- retry the operation that caused the error
09495 ; I -- ignore the error and attempt to continue
09496 ;
09497 ; A -- abort the program and return to CP/M.
09498 Disk$Error:
09499 PUSH PSW      ;Preserve error code from controller
09500 LXI H,Disk$EM$Status ;Convert code for message
09501 CALL CAH      ;Converts A to hex.
09502
09503 LDA In$Buffer$Disk ;Convert disk id. for message
09504 ADI 'A'          ;Make into letter
09505 STA Disk$EM$Drive
09506
09507 LDA Floppy$Head ;Convert head number
09508 ADI '0'
09509 STA Disk$EM$Head
09510
09511 LDA Floppy$Track ;Convert track number
09512 LXI H,Disk$EM$Track
09513 CALL CAH
09514
09515 LDA Floppy$Sector ;Convert sector number
09516 LXI H,Disk$EM$Sector
09517 CALL CAH
09518
09519 LXI H,Disk$EM$1 ;Output first part of message
09520 CALL Output$Error$Message
09521
09522 POP PSW      ;Recover error status code
09523 MOV B,A        ;For comparisons
09524 LXI H,Disk$Error$Messages - DEM$Entry$Size
09525 ;HL -> table - one entry
09526 LXI D,DEM$Entry$Size ;Get entry size for loop below
09527 Disk$Error$Next$Code:
09528 DAD D          ;Move to next (or first) entry
09529
09530 MOV A,M        ;Get code number from table
09531 ORA A          ;Check if end of table
09532 JZ Disk$Error$Matched ;Yes, pretend a match occurred
09533 CMP B          ;Compare to actual code
09534 JZ Disk$Error$Matched ;Yes, exit from loop
09535 JMP Disk$Error$Next$Code ;Check next code
09536
09537 Disk$Error$Matched:
09538 INX H          ;HL -> address of text
09539 MOV E,M        ;Get address into DE
09540 INX H
09541 MOV D,M
09542 XCHG
09543 CALL Output$Error$Message ;Display explanatory text
09544
09545 LXI H,Disk$EM$2 ;Display second part of message
09546 CALL Output$Error$Message
09547
09548 LXI H,Disk$EM$Read ;Choose operation text
09549 ;(assume a read)
09550 LDA Floppy$Command ;Get controller command
09551 CPI Floppy$Read$Code
09552 JZ Disk$Error$Read ;Yes
09553 LXI H,Disk$EM$Write ;No, change address in HL
09554
09555 CALL Output$Error$Message ;Display operation type
09556
09557 Disk$Error$Read:
09558 CALL Request$User$Choice ;Ask the user what to do next
09559 ;Display prompt and wait for input
09560 ;Returns with A = uppercase char.
09561 CPI 'R'
09562 JZ Disk$Error$Retry ;Retry?
09563 CPI 'A'
09564 JZ System$Reset ;Abort
09565 CPI 'I'
09566 JZ Disk$Error$Ignore ;Ignore
09567

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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OE29 C3170E 09566      JMP    Disk$Error$Request$Action
09567
09568 Disk$Error$Retry:                                ;The decision on where to return
09569                                         ; depends on whether the operation
09570                                         ; failed on a deblocked or
09571                                         ; nondeblocked drive.
OE2C 3A350A 09572      LDA    Selected$Disk$Deblock
09573      ORA    A
09574      JNZ    Deblock$Retry
09575      JMP    No$Deblock$Retry
09576
09577 System$Reset:                                     ;This is a radical approach, but
09578                                         ; it does cause CP/M to restart.
09579      MVI    C,0
09580      CALL   BDOS
09581
09582 ;
09583 ;
09584 A to upper
09585 ;
09586 Converts the contents of the A register to an upper-
09587 case letter if it is currently a lowercase letter.
09588 ;
09589 Entry parameters
09590 ;
09591 A = character to be converted
09592 ;
09593 Exit parameters
09594 ;
09595 A = converted character
09596 ;
09597 A$ToUpper:
09598      CPI    'a'          ;Compare to lower limit
09599      RC     ;No need to convert
09600      CPI    'z' + 1      ;Compare to upper limit
09601      RNC   ;No need to convert
09602      ANI    5FH          ;Convert to uppercase
09603      RET
09604 ;
09605 Convert A register to hexadecimal
09606 ;
09607 This subroutine converts the A register to hexadecimal.
09608 ;
09609 Entry parameters
09610 ;
09611 A = value to be converted and output
09612 HL -> buffer area to receive two characters of output
09613 ;
09614 Exit parameters
09615 ;
09616 HL -> byte following last hex byte output
09617 ;
09618 CAH:
09619      PUSH   PSW          ;Take a copy of the value to be converted
09620      RRC
09621      RRC
09622      RRC
09623      RRC
09624      CALL   CAH$Convert ;Convert to ASCII
09625      POP    PSW          ;Get original value again
09626                                         ;Drop into subroutine, which converts
09627                                         ; and returns to caller
09628 CAH$Convert:
09629      ANI    0000$1111B   ;Isolate LS four bits
09630      ADI    '0'          ;Convert to ASCII
09631      CPI    '9' + 1      ;Compare to maximum
09632      JC    CAH$Numeric ;No need to convert to A -> F
09633      ADI    7            ;Convert to a letter
09634 CAH$Numeric:
09635      MOV    M,A          ;Save character
09636      INX    H            ;Update character pointer
09637      RET
09638 ;
09639 ;
09640 ;
09700 ;#

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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09701 ; Disk control table images for warm boot
09702 ; Boot$Control$Part$1:
09703 ;
09704 Boot$Control$Part$1:
0E5B 01 09705 DB 1 ;Read function
0E5C 00 09706 DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number
0E5D 00 09707 DB 0 ;Head number
0E5E 00 09708 DB 0 ;Track number
0E5F 02 09709 DB 2 ;Starting sector number
0E60 0010 09710 DW 8*512 ;Number of bytes to read
0E62 00C4 09711 DW CCP$Entry ;Read into this address
0E64 4300 09712 DW Disk$Status$Block ;Pointer to next status block
0E66 4500 09713 DW Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control table
09714 Boot$Control$Part2:
0E68 01 09715 DB 1 ;Read function
0E69 00 09716 DB 0 ;Unit (drive) number
0E6A 01 09717 DB 1 ;Head number
0E6B 00 09718 DB 0 ;Track number
0E6C 01 09719 DB 1 ;Starting sector number
0E6D 0006 09720 DW 3*512 ;Number of bytes to read
0E6F 00D4 09721 DW CCP$Entry + (8*512) ;Read into this address
0E71 4300 09722 DW Disk$Status$Block ;Pointer to next status block
0E73 4500 09723 DW Disk$Control$5 ;Pointer to next control table
09724
09725 ;
09726 ;
09800 ;#
09801 ;
09802 WBOOT: ;Warm boot entry
09803 ;On warm boot, the CCP and BDOS must be reloaded
09804 ; into memory. In this BIOS, only the 5 1/4"
09805 ; diskettes will be used, therefore this code
09806 ; is hardware specific to the controller. Two
09807 ; prefabricated control tables are used.
0E75 318000 09808 LXI SP,80H
0E78 115B0E 09809 LXI D,Boot$Control$Part1 ;Execute first read of warm boot
0E7B CD8A0E 09810 CALL Warm$Boot$Read ;Load drive 0, track 0,
09811 ; head 0, sectors 2 - 8
0E7E 11680E 09812 LXI D,Boot$Control$Part2 ;Execute second read
0E81 CDBA0E 09813 CALL Warm$Boot$Read ;Load drive 0, track 0,
09814 ; head 1, sectors 1 - 3
0E84 CDDFOE 09815 CALL Patch$CPM ;Make custom enhancements patches
0E87 C36C02 09816 JMP Enter$CPM ;Set up base page and enter CCP
09817 ;
09818 Warm$Boot$Read: ;On entry, DE -> control table image
09819 ;This control table is moved into
09820 ; the main disk control table and
09821 ; then the controller activated.
0E8A 211D0B 09822 LXI H,Floppy$Command ;HL -> actual control table
0E8D 224600 09823 SHLD Command$Block$5 ;Tell the controller its address
09824 ;Move the control table image
09825 ; into the control table itself.
0E90 0E0D 09826 MVI C,13 ;Set byte count
09827 Warm$Boot$Move: ;Get image byte
09828 LDAX D ;Store into actual control table
0E93 77 09829 MOV M,A ;Update pointers
0E94 23 09830 INX H
0E95 13 09831 INX D
0E96 0D 09832 DCR C ;Count down on byte count
0E97 C2920E 09833 JNZ Warm$Boot$Move ;Continue until all bytes moved
09834
0E9A 214500 09835 LXI H,Disk$Control$5 ;Activate controller
0E9D 3680 09836 MVI M,80H
09837 Wait$For$Boot$Complete: ;Get status byte
09838 MOV A,M ;Check if complete
0EAO B7 09839 ORA A ;No
0EA1 C29FOE 09840 JNZ Wait$For$Boot$Complete ;Yes, check for errors
09841
0EA4 3A4300 09842 LDA Disk$Status$Block
0EA7 FE80 09843 CPI 80H
0EA9 DAAD0E 09844 JC Warm$Boot$Error ;Yes, an error occurred
0EAC C9 09845 RET
09846 ;
09847 Warm$Boot$Error: ;Display error message
0EAD 21B60E 09848 LXI H,Warm$Boot$Error$Message
0EB0 CD5F02 09849 CALL Display$Message

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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0EB3 C3750E 09850      JMP    WBOOT          ;Restart warm boot
09851      ;
09852      ;Warm$Boot$Error$Message:
0EB6 0D0A57617209853  DB     CR,LF,'Warm Boot Error - retrying...',CR,LF,0
09854      ;
09855      ;
10000      ;#
10001      ;
10002      Ghost$Interrupt:   ;Control will only arrive here under the most
10003          ;  unusual circumstances, as the interrupt
10004          ;  controller will have been programmed to
10005          ;  suppress unused interrupts.
10006          ;
0ED8 F5 10007      PUSH   PSW           ;Save pre-interrupt registers
0ED9 3E20 10008      MVI    A,IC$EOI        ;Indicate end of interrupt
0EDB D3D8 10009      OUT   IC$OCW2$Port
0EDD F1 10010      POP    PSW
0EDE C9 10011      RET
10012      ;
10013      ;
10100      ;#
10101      ;
10102      Patch CP/M
10103      ;
10104      ; This routine makes some very special patches to the
10105      ; CCP and BDOS in order to make some custom enhancements
10106      ;
10107      Public files:
10108      ; On large hard disk systems it is extremely useful
10109      ; to partition the disk using the user number features.
10110      ; However, it becomes wasteful of disk space because
10111      ; multiple copies of common programs must be stored in
10112      ; each user area. This patch makes User 0 public --
10113      ; accessible from any other user area.
10114      ; *** WARNING ***
10115      ; Files in User 0 MUST be set to system and read/only
10116      ; status to avoid their being accidentally damaged.
10117      ; Because of the side effects associated with public
10118      ; files, the patch can be turned on or off using
10119      ; a flag in the long term configuration block.
10120      ;
10121      User prompt:
10122      ; When using CP/M's USER command and user numbers
10123      ; in general, it is all too easy to become confused
10124      ; and forget which user number you are "in." This
10125      ; patch modifies the CCP to display a prompt which
10126      ; shows not only the default disk id., but also the
10127      ; current user number, and an indication of whether
10128      ; public files are enabled:
10129      ;
10130      ; P3B> or 3B>
10131      ; ^
10132      ; When public files are enabled.
10133      ;
10134      Equates for public files
10135      ;
D35E = 10136 PF$BDOS$Exit$Point    EQU    BDOS$Entry + 75BH
D37C = 10137 PF$BDOS$Char$Matches  EQU    BDOS$Entry + 776H
D361 = 10138 PF$BDOS$Resume$Point  EQU    BDOS$Entry + 75BH
000D = 10139 PF$BDOS$Unused$Bytes  EQU    13
10140      ;
10141      ;
10142      Equates for user prompt
10143      ;
C788 = 10144 UP$CCP$Exit$Point    EQU    CCP$Entry + 388H
C78B = 10145 UP$CCP$Resume$Point  EQU    CCP$Entry + 38BH
C513 = 10146 UP$CCP$Get$User      EQU    CCP$Entry + 113H
C5D0 = 10147 UP$CCP$Get$Disk$Id   EQU    CCP$Entry + 1D0H
C48C = 10148 UP$CCP$CONOUT      EQU    CCP$Entry + 8CH
10149      ;
10150      ;
10151      ; Set up the intervention points
10152      ;
10153      Patch$CPM:
10154      MVI    A,JMP           ;Set up opcode
OEDF 3EC3 10155      STA    PF$BDOS$Exit$Point
OEE1 325ED3

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**Figure 8-40.** (Continued)

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OEE4 3288C7 10156 STA UP$CCP$Exit$Point
OEE7 21F40E 10157 LXI H,Public$Patch
OEEA 225FD3 10158 SHLD PF$BDOS$Exit$Point + 1
OEED 21110F 10159 LXI H,Prompt$Patch ;Get address of intervening code
OEOF 2289C7 10160 SHLD UP$CCP$Exit$Point + 1
10161
OEF3 C9 10162 RET ;Return to enter CP/M
10163 ;
10164 ;
10165 ;
10166 Public$Patch: ;Control arrives here from the BDOS
10167 ;The BDOS is in the process of scanning
10168 ; down the target file name in the
10169 ; search next function
10170 ; HL -> the name of the file searched for
10171 ; DE -> directory entry
10172 ; B = character count
10173
OEF4 3A4200 10174 LDA CB$Public$Files ;Check if public files are to be enabled
OEF7 B7 10175 ORA A
OEF8 CA0B0F 10176 JZ No$Public$Files ;No
10177
OEFB 78 10178 MOV A,B ;Get character count
OEFc B7 10179 ORA A ;Check if looking at first byte
10180 ; (that contains the user number)
OEFd C20B0F 10181 JNZ No$Public$Files ;No, ignore this patch
10182
OFO0 1A 10183 LDAX D ;Get user number from directory entry
OFO1 FEE5 10184 CPI 0E5H ;Check if active directory entry
OFO3 CA0B0F 10185 JZ No$Public$Files ;Yes, ignore this patch
10186
OFO6 7E 10187 MOV A,M ;Get user number
OFO7 B7 10188 ORA A ;Check if User 0
OFO8 CA7CD3 10189 JZ PF$BDOS$Char$Matches ;Force character match
10190
10191 No$Public$Files: ;Replaced patched out code
10192 MOV A,B ;Check if count indicates that
10193 CPI PF$BDOS$Unused$Bytes ; registers are pointing at
10194 ; unused bytes field of FCB
10195 JMP PF$BDOS$Resume$Point ;Return to BDOS
10196
10197 Prompt$Patch: ;Control arrives here from the CCP
10198 ;The CCP is just about to get the
10199 ; drive id. when control gets here.
10200 ; The CCP's version of CONOUT is used
10201 ; so that the CCP can keep track of
10202 ; the cursor position.
10203
OFl1 3A4200 10204 LDA CB$Public$Files ;Check if public files are enabled
OFl4 B7 10205 ORA A
OFl5 CA1D0F 10206 JZ UP$Private$Files ;No
10207
OFl8 3E50 10208 MVI A,'P'
OFlA CD8CC4 10209 CALL UP$CCP$CONOUT ;Use CCP's CONOUT routine
10210
10211 UP$Private$Files:
OFlD CD13C5 10212 CALL UP$CCP$Get$User ;Get current user number
OFlE FEOA 10213 CPI 9 + 1 ;Check if one or two digits
OFlF D2300F 10214 JNC UP$2$Digits
OFlG C630 10215 ADI '0' ;Convert to ASCII
10216 UP$1$Digit:
OFlH CD8CC4 10217 CALL UP$CCP$CONOUT ;Output the character
OFlI CD00C5 10218 CALL UP$CCP$Get$Disk$Id ;Get disk identifier
OFlJ C38BC7 10219 JMP UP$CCP$Resume$Point ;Return to CCP
10220
10221 UP$2$Digits:
OFlK C626 10222 ADI '0' - 10 ;Subtract 10 and convert to ASCII
OFlL F5 10223 PUSH PSW ;Save converted second digit
OFlM 3E31 10224 MVI A,'1' ;Output leading '1'
OFlN CD8CC4 10225 CALL UP$CCP$CONOUT
OFlO F1 10226 POP PSW ;Recover second digit
OFlP C3270F 10227 JMP UP$1$Digit ;Output remainder of prompt and return to
10228 ; the CCP
10229
10230 ;
10300 ;#

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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10301 ; Configuration block get address
10302 ; Given a specific code number, it returns the address of a specific
10303 ; object in the configuration block.
10304 ; By using this routine, utility programs need not know the exact
10305 ; layout of the configuration block.
10306 ;
10307 ;
10308 ;
10309 ;
10310 ;
10311 ;
10312 ;
10313 ; C = Object identity code (in effect, this is the
10314 ; subscript of the object's address in the
10315 ; table below)
10316 ;
10317 =====
10318 CB$Get$Address: ;<== BIOS entry point (private)
10319 =====
0F3C F5 10320 PUSH PSW ;Save user's registers
0F3D C5 10321 PUSH B
0F3E D5 10322 PUSH D
0F3F 69 10324 MOV L,C ;Make code into a word
0F40 2600 10325 MVI H,O
0F42 29 10326 DAD H ;Convert code into word offset
0F43 114F0F 10327 LXI D,CB$Object$Table ;Get base address of table
0F46 19 10328 DAD D ;HL -> object's address in table
0F47 5E 10329 MOV E,M ;Get LS byte
0F48 23 10330 INX H
0F49 56 10331 MOV D,M ;Get MS byte
0F4A EB 10332 XCHG ;HL = address of object
0F4B D1 10333 POP D ;Recover user's registers
0F4C C1 10334 POP B
0F4D F1 10335 POP PSW
0F4E C9 10336 RET
10337 ;
10338 ;
10339 ;
10400 ;#
10401 ;
10402 CB$Object$Table:
10403 ; Code
10404 ; vv
0F4F BFOF 10405 DW Date ;01 date in ASCII
0F51 990F 10406 DW Time$In$ASCII ;02 time in ASCII
0F53 A30F 10407 DW Time$Date$Flags ;03 flags indicated if time/date set
0F55 8D0F 10408 DW CB$Forced$Input ;04 forced input pointer
0F57 4300 10409 DW CB$Startup ;05 system startup message
10410 ; Redirection words
0F59 5800 10411 DW CB$Console$Input ;06
0F5B 5A00 10412 DW CB$Console$Output ;07
0F5D 5C00 10413 DW CB$Auxiliary$Input ;08
0F5F 5E00 10414 DW CB$Auxiliary$Output ;09
0F61 6000 10415 DW CB$List$Input ;10
0F63 6200 10416 DW CB$List$Output ;11
10417 ;
0F65 6400 10418 DW CB$Device$Table$Addresses ;12
0F67 B500 10419 DW CB$12/24$Clock ;13 Selects 12/24 hr. format clock
0F69 BD00 10420 DW RTC$Ticks$per$Second ;14
0F6B BF00 10421 DW RTC$Watchdog$Count ;15
0F6D C100 10422 DW RTC$Watchdog$Address ;16
0F6F C300 10423 DW CB$Function$Key$Table ;17
0F71 1B02 10424 DW CONOUT$Escape$Table ;18
10425 ;
0F73 8400 10426 DW DOS$Initialize$Stream ;19
0F75 9100 10427 DW DOS$Baud$Rate$Constant ;20
0F77 9400 10428 DW D1$Initialize$Stream ;21
0F79 A100 10429 DW D1$Baud$Rate$Constant ;22
0F7B A400 10430 DW D2$Initialize$Stream ;23
0F7D B100 10431 DW D2$Baud$Rate$Constant ;24
0F7F 4002 10432 DW Interrupt$Vector ;25
0F81 B90F 10433 DW LTCB$Offset ;26
0F83 BB0F 10434 DW LTCB$Length ;27
0F85 4200 10435 DW CB$Public$Files ;30

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**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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OF87 A421      10436     DW      Multi$Command$Buffer    ;31
                10437     ;
                10438     ;#
                10501     ;       The short term configuration block.
                10502     ;
                10503     ;       This contains variables that can be set once CP/M
                10504     ;       has been initiated, but that are never preserved
                10505     ;       from one loading of CP/M to the next. This part of
                10506     ;       the configuration block form the last initialized bytes
                10507     ;       in the BIOS.
                10508     ;
                10509     ;       The two values below are used by utility programs that
                10510     ;       need to read in the long term configuration block from disk.
                10511     ;       The BIOS starts on a 256-byte page boundary, and therefore
                10512     ;       will always be on a 128-byte sector boundary in the reserved
                10513     ;       area on the disk. A utility program can then, using the
                10514     ;       CB$Get$Address Private BIOS call, determine how many 128-byte
                10515     ;       sectors need to be read in by the formula:
                10516     ;               (LTCB$Offset + LTCB$Length) / 128
                10517     ;
                10518     ;       The LTCB$Offset is the offset from the start of the BIOS to
                10519     ;       where the first byte of the long term configuration block
                10520     ;       starts. Using the offset and the length, the utility can
                10521     ;       copy the RAM version of the LTCB over the disk image
                10522     ;       that it has read from the disk, and then write the
                10523     ;       updated LTCB back onto the disk.
                10524     ;
                10525     ;
OF89 BED9      10526     LTCB$Offset:   DW      BIOS$Entry - Long$Term$CB
OF8B E601      10527     LTCB$Length:  DW      Long$Term$CB$End - Long$Term$CB
                10528     ;
                10529     ;       Forced input pointer
                10530     ;
                10531     ;       If CONIN ever finds that this pointer is pointing to a nonzero
                10532     ;       byte, then this byte will be injected into the console input
                10533     ;       stream as though it had been typed on the console. The
                10534     ;       pointer is then updated to the next byte in memory.
                10535     ;
OF8D 4300      10536     CB$Forced$Input: DW      CB$Startup
                10537     ;
                10538     ;
                10539     Date:          ;Current system date
                10540     DB      '10/17/82',LF ;Unless otherwise set to the contrary
                10541     ;       ; this is the release date of the system
                10542     ;       ;Normally, it will be set by the DATE utility
OF98 00        10543     DB      0      ;00-byte terminator
                10544     ;
                10545     Time$in$ASCII:  ;Current system time
                10546     HH:    DB      '00'   ;Hours
                10547     DB      ':'   ;
                10548     MM:    DB      '00'   ;Minutes
                10549     DB      ':'   ;
                10550     SS:    DB      '00'   ;Seconds
                10551     Time$in$ASCII$End: ;Used when updating the time
                10552     DB      LF
                10553     DB      0      ;00-byte terminator
                10554     ;
                10555     ;
                10556     Time$Date$Flags: ;This byte contains two flags that are used
                10557     ;       ; to indicate whether the time and/or date
                10558     ;       ; have been set either programmatically or
                10559     ;       ; by using the TIME and DATE utilities. These
                10560     ;       ; flags can be tested by utility programs that
                10561     ;       ; need to have the correct time and date set.
OFA3 00        10562     DB      0      ;
                10563     Time$Set    EQU    0000$0001B
                10564     Date$Set   EQU    0000$0010B
                10565     ;
                10566     ;
                10700     ;#
                10701     ;       Uninitialized buffer areas
                10702     ;
                10703     ;       With the exception of the main Disk$Buffer, which contains a few
                10704     ;       bytes of code, all of the other uninitialized variables
                10705     ;       occur here. This has the effect of reducing the number of
                10706     ;       bytes that need be stored in the CP/M image on the disk,

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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10707 ;      since uninitialized areas do not need to be kept on the disk.
10708 ;
10709 ;
10800 ;#
10801 ;
10802 ;      The cold boot initialization code is only needed once.
10803 ;      It can be overwritten once it has been executed.
10804 ;      Therefore, it is "hidden" inside the main disk buffer.
10805 ;
10806 ;
OFA4 10807 Disk$Buffer:    DS      Physical$Sector#Size * Physical$Sec$Per$Track
10808 ;
10809 ;          ;Save the location counter
21A4 = 10810 After$Disk$Buffer   EQU     $      ;$ = current value of location counter
10811 ;
OFA4 10812 ORG     Disk$Buffer   ;Wind the location counter back
10813 ;
10814 Initialize$Stream: ;This stream of data is used by the
10815 ;      Initialize subroutine. It has the following
10816 ;      format:
10817 ;
10818 ;          DB      Port number to be initialized
10819 ;          DB      Number of byte to be output
10820 ;          DB      xx,xx,xx,xx data to be output
10821 ;
10822 ;
10823 ;          DB      Port number of OOH terminates
10824 ;
10825 ;
10826 ;
10827 ;      Initialization stream declared here
OFA4 DB 10828 DB      IC$ICW1$Port  ;Program the 8259 interrupt controller
OFA5 01 10829 DB      1
OFA6 56 10830 DB      IC$ICW1
10831 ;
OFA7 D9 10832 DB      IC$ICW2$Port
OFA8 01 10833 DB      1
OFA9 02 10834 DB      IC$ICW2
10835 ;
OFAA D9 10836 DB      IC$OCW1$Port
OFAB 01 10837 DB      1
OFAC FC 10838 DB      IC$OCW1
10839 ;
OFAD B3 10840 DB      83H           ;Program the 8253 clock generator
OFAE 01 10841 DB      1
OFAF 34 10842 DB      00$11$010$0B ;Counter 0, periodic interrupt, mode 2
10843 ;
OFB0 80 10844 DB      80H           ;RTC uses channel 0
OFB1 02 10845 DB      2
OFB2 0146 10846 DW      17921        ;19721 * 930 nanoseconds =
10847 ;          ; 16,666 milliseconds). 60 ticks/sec.
OFB4 00 10848 DB      0             ;Port number of 0 terminates
10849 ;
10850 ;
10851 Signon$Message:
OFB5 43502F4D2010852 DB      'CP/M 2.2.'
OFBE 3030 10853 DW      VERSION      ;Current version number
OFC0 20 10854 DB      '/'
OFC1 3032 10855 DW      MONTH        ;Current date
OFC3 2F 10856 DB      '\/'
OFC4 3236 10857 DW      DAY
OFC6 2F 10858 DB      '\/'
OFC7 3833 10859 DW      YEAR
OFC9 00A0A0 10860 DB      CR,LF,LF
OFCF 456E68616E10861 DB      'Enhanced BIOS',CR,LF,LF
Ofdc 4469736B2010862 DB      'Disk Configuration ',CR,LF,LF
OFF3 202020202010863 DB      '/      A: 0.35 Mbyte 5" Floppy',CR,LF
1011 202020202010864 DB      '/      B: 0.35 Mbyte 5" Floppy',CR,LF,LF
1030 202020202010865 DB      '/      C: 0.24 Mbyte 8" Floppy',CR,LF
104E 202020202010866 DB      '/      D: 0.24 Mbyte 8" Floppy',CR,LF
106C 202020202010867 DB      '/      M: 0.19 Mbyte Memory Disk',CR,LF,LF
10868 ;
108D 00 10869 DB      0
10870 ;
10871 ;      Messages for M$Disk
10872 ;

```

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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10873 M$Disk$Setup$Message:
10874     DB      'M$Disk already contains valid information.',CR,LF,0
10875 M$Disk$Not$Setup$Message:
10876     DB      'M$Disk has been initialized to empty state.',CR,LF,0
10877 ;
10878 M$Disk$Dir$Entry:           ;Dummy directory entry used to determine
10879 ; if the M$Disk contains valid information
10F3 OF 10880     DB      15          ;User 15
10F4 4D2444697310881   DB      'M$Disk '
10FC A0A020 10882     DB      '/ '+80H,' '+80H,' ' ;System and read/only
10FF 00000000 10883     DB      0,0,0,0
1103 0000000000010884   DB      0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
10885 ;
0004 = 10886 Default$Disk EQU    0004H ;Default disk in base page
10887 ;
10888 BOOT:           ;Entered directly from the BIOS JMP Vector
10889 ;Control will be transferred here by the CP/M
10890 ; bootstrap loader
10891 ;
10892 ;Initialize system
10893 ;This routine uses the Initialize$Stream
10894 ; declared above
10895
1113 F3 10896     DI      ;Disable interrupts to prevent any
10897 ; side effects during initialization
1114 21A40F 10898     LXI    H,Initialize$Stream ;HL -> data stream
1117 CD1903 10899     CALL   Output$Byte$Stream ;Output it to the specified
10900 ; ports
10901 ;
111A CDEE02 10902     CALL   General$CIO$Initialization ;Initialize character devices
10903 ;
111B 21B50F 10904     LXI    H,Signon$Message ;Display sign-on message on console
1120 CD5F02 10905     CALL   Display$Message
10906 ;
1123 CDDFOE 10907     CALL   Patch$CPM ;Make necessary patches to CCP and BDOS
10908 ; for custom enhancements
10909 ;
10910 ;Initialize M$Disk
10911 ;If the M$Disk directory has the
10912 ; special reserved file name "M$disk"
10913 ; (with lowercase letters and marked
10914 ; SYS and R/O), then the M$Disk is
10915 ; assumed to contain valid data.
10916 ;If the "M$disk" file is absent, the
10917 ; M$Disk Directory entry is moved into
10918 ; the M$Disk image, and the remainder of
10919 ; the directory set to 0EH.
1126 0601 10920     MVI   B,1          ;Select bank 1
1128 CDDDOB 10921     CALL   Select$Bank ; which contains the M$Disk directory
10922 ;
10923 ;Check if M$Disk directory entry present
112B 210000 10924     LXI    H,0          ;Start address for first directory
112E 11F310 10925     LXI    D,M$Disk$Dir$Entry
1131 0E20 10926     MVI   C,32          ;Length to compare
10927 M$Disk$Test:
1133 1A 10928     LDAX  D          ;Get byte from initialized variable
1134 BE 10929     CMP   M          ;Compare with M$Disk image
1135 C24F11 10930     JNZ   M$Disk$Not$Setup ;Match fails
1138 13 10931     INX   D
1139 23 10932     INX   H
113A 0D 10933     DCR   C
113B CA4111 10934     JZ    M$Disk$Setup ;All bytes match
113E C33311 10935     JMP   M$Disk$Test
10936 ;
10937 M$Disk$Setup:
1141 218E10 10938     LXI    H,M$Disk$Setup$Message ;Inform user
10939 ;
10940 M$Disk$Setup$Done:
1144 CD5F02 10941     CALL   Display$Message
10942 ;
1147 AF 10943     XRA   A          ;Set default disk drive to A:
1148 320400 10944     STA   Default$Disk
114B FB 10945     EI    ;Interrupts can now be enabled
10946 ;
114C C36C02 10947     JMP   Enter$CPM ;Go into CP/M
10948 ;

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

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10949 M$Disk$Not$Setup:
114F 110000 10950 LXI D,0           ;Move M$Disk directory entry into
1152 21F310 10951 LXI H,M$Disk$Dir$Entry   ; M$Disk image
1155 0E04   10952 MVI C,32/8        ;Number of 8-byte blocks to move
1157 CDF80A 10953 CALL Move$8
10954 ;
10955 ;
10956 ;DE -> next byte after M$Disk directory
10957 ; entry in image
115A 3EE5   10957 MVI A,0E5H       ;Set up to do memory fill
115C 12    10958 STAX D          ;Store first byte in "source" area
115D 62    10959 MOV H,D         ;Set HL to DE +1
115E 6B    10960 MOV L,E
115F 23    10961 INX H
1160 0EFC   10962 MVI C,((2 * 1024) - 32) / 8 ;Two allocation blocks
10963 ; less 32 bytes for M$Disk entry
1162 CDF80A 10964 CALL Move$8       ;Use Move$8 to do fill operation
10965
1165 21C010 10966 LXI H,M$Disk$Not$Setup$Message
1168 C34411 10967 JMP M$Disk$Setup$Done      ;Output message and enter CP/M
10968 ;
10969 ;
116B 00    10970 DB 0            ;Dummy
10971 Last$Initialized$Byte:    ;<== address of last initialized byte
10972 ;
10973 ; End of cold boot initialization code
10974 ;
21A4      10975 ORG After$Disk$Buffer     ;Reset location counter
10976 ;
21A4      10977 Multi$Command$Buffer: DS 128 ;This can be used to insert long
10978 ; command sequences into the
10979 ; console input stream by setting
10980 ; the forced input pointer here
10981 ;
0020 =    10982 DOS$Buffer$Length EQU 32 ;Must be binary number
2224      10983 DOS$Buffer: DS DOS$Buffer$Length
10984 ;
0020 =    10985 DIS$Buffer$Length EQU 32 ;Must be binary number
2244      10986 DIS$Buffer: DS DIS$Buffer$Length
10987 ;
0020 =    10988 D2$Buffer$Length EQU 32 ;Must be binary number
2264      10989 D2$Buffer: DS D2$Buffer$Length
10990 ;
10991 ; Data areas for the character drivers
10992 ;
2284      10993 PI$User$Stack: DS 2   ;Storage area for user's stack pointer
10994 ; when an interrupt occurs
2286      10995 PI$User$HL: DS 2   ;Save area for user's HL
2288      10996 DS 40          ;Stack area for use by interrupt service
10997 ; routines to avoid overflowing the
10998 ; user's stack area
10999 ;
2280      11000 Directory$Buffer: DS 128 ;Disk directory buffer
11001 ;
2330      11002 M$Disk$Buffers: DS 128 ;Intermediary buffer for
11003 ; M$Disk
11004 ;
11005 ; Disk work areas
11006 ;
11007 ; These are used by the BDOS to detect any unexpected
11008 ; change of diskettes. The BDOS will automatically set
11009 ; such a changed diskette to read-only status.
11010 ;
2380      11011 Disk$A$Workarea: DS 32 ; A:
23D0      11012 Disk$B$Workarea: DS 32 ; B:
23F0      11013 Disk$C$Workarea: DS 16 ; C:
2400      11014 Disk$D$Workarea: DS 16 ; D:
11015 ;
11016 ;
11017 ; Disk allocation vectors
11018 ;
11019 ; These are used by the BDOS to maintain a bit map of
11020 ; which allocation blocks are used and which are free.
11021 ; One byte is used for eight allocation blocks, hence the
11022 ; expression of the form (allocation blocks/8)+1.
11023 ;
2410      11024 Disk$A$Allocation$Vector DS (174/8)+1 ; A:

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Figure 8-10. (Continued)

```
2426      11025  Disk$B$Allocation$Vector      DS    (174/8)+1 ; B:
2426      11026  ;
243C      11027  Disk$C$Allocation$Vector      DS    (242/8)+1 ; C:
245B      11028  Disk$D$Allocation$Vector      DS    (242/8)+1 ; D:
247A      11029  ;
247A      11030  M$Disk$Allocation$Vector      DS    (192/8)+1 ; M$Disk
2493      11031  ;
2493      11032  END      ;of enhanced BIOS listing
```

**Figure 8-10.** (Continued)

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Classes of Errors  
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Character I/O Errors  
Disk Errors  
Improving Error Messages

## Dealing with Hardware Errors

This chapter describes the enhancements you can make to improve CP/M's somewhat primitive error handling. It covers the general classes of errors that the BIOS may have to handle. It describes some of the underlying philosophical aspects of errors, how to detect them, and how to correct them or otherwise make the best of the situation.

At the end of the chapter are some example error-handling subroutines. Some of these have already been shown in the previous chapter as part of the enhanced BIOS (Figure 8-10); they are repeated here so that you can see them in isolation.

### Classes of Errors

Basically, the user perceives only two classes of errors—those that are user-correctable and those that are not. There is a third, almost invisible class of errors—those that are recoverable by the hardware or software without the user's intervention.

The possible sources for hardware errors vary wildly from one computer system to another, since error detection is heavily dependent on the particular logic in the hardware. The BIOS can detect some hardware-related errors—mainly errors caused when something takes too long to happen, such as when a recalcitrant printer does not react in a specified length of time.

The BDOS has no built-in hardware detection code. It can detect *system* errors, such as an attempt to write to a disk file that is marked “Read-Only” in the file directory or attempts to access files that are not on the disk. These BDOS-detected errors, however, generally are unrelated to the well-being of the hardware. For example, a disk controller with a hardware problem could easily overwrite a sector of the directory, thereby deleting several files. This error would not show up until the user tried to use one of the now-departed files.

## BIOS Error-Handling Functions

The error-handling code in the BIOS has to serve the following functions:

- Detection
- Analysis
- Indication
- Correction.

### Error Detection

Clearly, before any later steps can be taken, an error must be detected. This can be done by the software alone or by the BIOS interacting with error-detecting logic in the hardware. In general, the only errors that the BIOS can detect unassisted are caused when certain operations take longer to complete than expected. Because the writer of the BIOS knows the operating environment of the specific peripherals in the system, the code can predict how long a particular operation should take and can signal an error when this time is exceeded. This would include such problems as printers that fail to react within a specified time period.

The BIOS can work in cooperation with the hardware to determine whether the hardware itself has detected an error. Armed with the hardware's specifications, the BIOS can input information on controller or device status to trigger error-detecting logic. How this should be done depends heavily on the peripheral devices in your computer system and the degree to which these devices have “smart” controllers capable of processing independently of the computer. Unfortunately, many manufacturers document the significance of individual status bits that indicate errors, but not combinations of errors, or what to do when a particular error occurs.

## Error Analysis

Given that your BIOS has detected an error, it must first determine the class of error; that is, whether or not the error can be corrected by simply trying the operation again. Some errors appear at first to be correctable, but retrying the operation several times still fails to complete it. An example would be a check-sum error while reading a disk sector. If several attempts to read the sector all yield an error, then it becomes a “fatal” error. The code in your BIOS must be capable of initial classification and then subsequent reclassification if remedial action fails.

Other types of errors can be classified immediately as fatal errors—nothing can be done to save the situation. For example, if the floppy disk controller indicates that it cannot find a particular sector number on a diskette (due to an error in formatting), there is nothing that the BIOS can do other than inform the user of the problem and supply other helpful information.

Analysis of errors may require some basic research, such as inducing failures in the hardware and observing combinations of error indicators. For example, some printers (interfaced via a parallel port) indicate that they are “Out of Paper” or “Busy” when, in fact, they are switched off. The BIOS should detect this condition and tell the user to switch the printer on, not load more paper.

## Error Indication

An incomplete or cryptic error message is infuriating. It is the functional equivalent of saying, “There has been an error. See if you can guess what went wrong!”

An error message, to be complete, should inform the recipient of the following:

- The fact that an error has occurred.
- Whether or not automatic recovery has been attempted and failed.
- The details of the error, if need be in technical terms to assist a hardware engineer.
- What possible choices the user has now.

To put these points into focus, consider the error message that can be output by CP/M after you have attempted to load a program by entering its name into the CCP. What you see on the console is the following dialog:

```
A>myprog<cr>
BAD LOAD
A>
```

All you know is that there has been an error, and you must guess what it is, even though the specific cause of the error was known to CP/M when it output the message. This error message is output by the CCP when it attempts to load a

".COM" file larger than the current transient program area. The message "BAD LOAD" is only understandable *after* you know what the error is. Even then, it does not tell you what went wrong, whether there is anything you can do about it, and how to go about doing it.

To be complete, this error message could say something like this:

```
A>myprog<cr>
      "MYPROG.COM" exceeds the available memory space by
      1,024 bytes, and therefore cannot be loaded under the
      current version of CP/M.
```

Notice how the message tells you what the problem is, and even quantifies it so that you can determine its severity (you need to get 1K more memory or reduce the program's size). It also tells you how you stand—you cannot load this program under the current version of CP/M, so retrying the operation is futile.

Not many systems programmers like to output messages like the example above. They argue that such a message is too long and too much work for something that does not happen often. Admittedly, the message *is* too long. It could be shortened to read

```
(131) Program 1,024 bytes too large to load.
```

This conveys the same information; the number in parentheses can serve as a reference to a manual where the full impact of the message should be described.

The major problem with the way error messages are designed is that they usually are written by programmers to be read by nontechnical lay users, and programmers are notoriously bad at guessing what nonexperts need to know.

Error indications you design should address the following issues, from the point of view of the user:

- The cause of the error
- The severity of the error
- The corrective action that has and can be taken.

Examine the error messages in the error processor for the example BIOS in Figure 8-10, from line 03600 onward. Although these are an improvement on the BDOS all-purpose

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even these messages do not really meet all of the requirements of a good error message system.

Another often overlooked aspect of errors is that most hardware errors form a pattern. This pattern is normally only discernible to the trained eye of a hardware maintenance engineer. When these engineers are called to investigate a problem,

they will quiz the user to determine whether a given failure is an isolated incident or part of an ongoing pattern. This is why an error message should contain additional technical details. For example, a disk error message should include the track and sector used in the operation that resulted in an error. Only with these details can the engineer piece together the context of a failure or group of failures.

## Error Correction

Given that a lucid error message has been displayed on the console, the user is still confronted with the question: "Now what do I do?" Not only can this be difficult for the user to answer, but also the particular solution decided upon can be hard for the BIOS to execute.

Normally, there are three possible options in response to errors:

- Try the operation again
- Ignore the error and attempt to continue
- Abort the program causing the error and return to CP/M.

For some errors, retrying can be effective. For example, if you forget to put the printer on-line and get a "Printer Timeout" error message, it is easy to put the printer back on-line and ask the BIOS to try again to send data to the printer.

Seldom can you ignore an error and hope to get sensible results from the machine; many disk controllers do not even transfer data between themselves and the disk drive if an error has been detected. Only ignorant users, or brave ones in desperation, ignore errors.

Aborting the program causing the error is a drastic measure, although it does escape from what could otherwise be a "deadly embrace" situation. For example, if you misassign the printer to an inactive serial port and turn on printer echoing (with the CONTROL-P toggle), you will send the system into an endless series of "Printer Timeout" messages. If you abort the program, the error handler in the BIOS executes a System Reset function (function 0) in the BDOS, CP/M warm boots, and control is returned to the CCP. In the process, the printer toggle is reset and the circle is broken.

### Practical Error Handling

This section discusses several errors, describing their causes and the way in which the BIOS and the user can handle them when they occur.

### Character I/O Errors

At the BIOS level, most detectable errors related to character input or output will be found by the hardware chips.

## Parity Error

Parity, in this context, refers to the number of bits set to 1 in an 8-bit character. The otherwise unused eighth bit in ASCII characters can be set to make this number always odd, or alternatively, always even. Your computer hardware can be programmed to count the number of 1 bits in each character and to generate an error if the number is odd (odd parity) or, alternatively, if it is even (even parity). If the hardware on the other end of the line is programmed to operate in the same mode, parity checking provides a primitive error-detection mechanism—you can tell that a character is bad, but not what it should have been.

CP/M does not provide a standard mechanism for reporting a parity error, so your only option is to reset the hardware and substitute an ASCII DEL (7FH; delete) character in the place of the erroneous character.

If your BIOS is operating in a highly specialized environment, you may need to count the number of such parity errors so that a utility program can report on the overall performance of the system.

## Framing Error

When an 8-bit ASCII character is transmitted over a serial line, the eight bits are transmitted serially, one after the other. A *start* bit is transmitted first, followed by the data character and then a *stop* bit. If the hardware fails to find the stop and start bits in the correct positions, a *framing error* will occur. Again, the only option available to the BIOS is to reset the hardware chip and substitute an ASCII DEL.

## Overrun Error

This error occurs when incoming data characters arrive faster than the program can handle them, so that the last characters overrun those being processed by the hardware chip. This error can normally be avoided by the use of serial line protocols, such as those in the example BIOS in Figure 8-10.

An *overrun error* implies that the protocol has broken down. As with the parity and framing errors, almost the only option is to reset the hardware and substitute a DEL character.

## Printer Timeout Error

This is one of the few errors where the BIOS can sensibly attempt an error recovery. The error occurs when the BIOS tries to output a character to a serial printer and finds that the printer is not ready for more than, say, 30 seconds. The most common cause of this error is that the user forgets to put the printer on-line. Many printers require that they be off-line during a manual form feed, and users will often forget to push the on-line button afterward.

After a 30-second delay, the BIOS can send a message to the console device(s) informing the user of the error and asking the user to choose the appropriate course of action. Note that console output can be directed to more than one device.

## Parallel Printers

Printers connected to your system by means of a parallel port can indicate their status to the computer much more easily than can serial printers. They can communicate such error states as "Out of Paper," "End of Ribbon," and "Off-line."

These single-error indicators can also be used in combination to indicate whether the printer cable is connected, or even whether the printer is receiving power. You need to experiment, deliberately putting the printer into these states and reading status in order to identify them. It is misleading to indicate to the inexperienced user that the printer is "Out of Paper" when the problem is that the data cable has inadvertently become disconnected.

However, each of these errors can be dealt with in the same way as the serial printer's timeout problem: display an error message and request the user's choice of action.

## Example Printer Error Routine

Figure 9-1 shows an example of a program that handles printer errors. It consists of several subroutines, including

- The error detection classification and indication routine
- The error correction routine.

It uses other subroutines that are omitted from the figure to avoid obscuring the logic. These subroutines are listed in full in the example BIOS in Figure 8-10.

```
; This example shows, in outline form, how to handle the
; situation when a serial printer remains busy for too long.
; It is intended that this generic example show how to
; deal with this class of errors.
;
; The example presupposes the existence of a clock interrupt
; every 16.666 milliseconds (1/60th of a second), and that
; control will be transferred to the Real Time Clock service
; routine each time the clock "ticks".
;
; Figure 8-10 shows a more complete example, installed in a real
; BIOS.
;

0000 =     B$System$Reset          EQU    0      ;BDOS system reset function
0005 =     BDOS                 EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point
;
0000 00   Printer$Timeout$Flag: DB    0      ;This flag is set by the interrupt
; service subroutine that is called
; when the watchdog timer subroutine
; count hits zero (after having
; counted down a 30-second delay)
;
0708 =     Printer$Delay$Count   EQU    1800  ;Given a clock period of 16.666 ms
; this represents a delay of 30 secs
```

**Figure 9-1.** Serial printer error handling

```

;
000D = CR EQU ODH ;Carriage return
000A = LF EQU OAH ;Line feed
;
; Printer$Busy$Message:
0001 0DOA DB CR,LF
0003 5072696E74 DB 'Printer has been busy for too long.',CR,LF
0028 436865636B DB 'Check that it is on-line and ready.',CR,LF,0
;
004E 00 Printer$Character: DB 0 ;Save area for the data character
; to be output
;
; LIST:
;..... ;<== Main BIOS entry point
;<== I/O redirection code occurs here
;
004F 79 MOV A,C ;Save the data character
0050 324E00 STA Printer$Character
;
; Printer$Retry:
0053 010B07 LXI B,Printer$Delay$Count ;This is the count of the number
; of clock ticks before the watchdog
; subroutine call
; <== this address
0056 217E00 LXI H,Printer$Timed$Out ;Sets the watchdog running
0059 CDA300 CALL Set$Watchdog
;
; Printer$Wait:
005C CDA300 CALL Get$Printer>Status ;See if the printer is ready to
; accept a character for output
; This includes checking if the printer
; is "Busy" because the driver is
; waiting for XON, ACK, or DTR to
; come high
005F C26C00 JNZ Printer$Ready ;The printer is now ready
0062 3A0000 LDA Printer$Timeout$Flag ;Check if the watchdog timer has
; hit zero (if it does, the
; watchdog routine will call
; the Printer$Timed$Out code
; that sets this flag)
0065 B7 DRA A
0066 C28400 JNZ Display$Busy$Message ;Yes, so display message to
; indicate an error has occurred
0069 C35C00 JMP Printer$Wait ;Otherwise, check if printer is
; now not busy
;
; Printer$Ready:
006C F3 DI
006D 010000 LXI B,0 ;The printer is now ready to output
0070 CDA300 CALL Set$Watchdog ; a character, but before doing so,
; the watchdog timer must be reset
; Ensure no false timeout occurs
; This is done by setting the count
; to zero
0073 FB EI
;
0074 3A4E00 LDA Printer$Character ;Get character to output
0077 11A300 LXI D,Printer$Device$Table ;DE -> device table for printer
007A CDA300 CALL Output$Data$Byte ;Output the character to the printer
;
007D C9 RET ;Return to the BIOS's caller
;
;
; Printer$Timed$Out:
;
007E 3EFF MVI A,0FFH ;Control arrives here from the
0080 320000 STA Printer$Timeout$Flag ; watchdog routine if the
0083 C9 RET ; watchdog count ever hits zero
; This is an interrupt service
; routine
; All registers have been saved
; before control arrives here
; Set printer timeout flag
; Return back to the watchdog
; Interrupt service routine

```

Figure 9-1. (Continued)

```

;
; Display$Busy$Message:                                ;Printer has been busy for
0084 AF      XRA    A                                ; 30 seconds or more
0085 320000   STA    Printer$Timeout$Flag           ;Reset timeout flag

0088 210100   LXI    H,Printer$Busy$Message         ;Output error message
008B CDA300   CALL   Output$Error$Message

008E CDA300   CALL   Request$User$Choice            ;Displays a Retry, Abort, Ignore?
; prompt, accepts a character from
; the keyboard, and returns with the
; character, converted to upper
; case in the A register
0091 FE52     CPI    'R'                            ;Check if Retry

0093 CA5300   JZ    Printer$Retry                  ;Check if Abort
0096 FE41     CPI    'A'
0098 CA9E00   JZ    Printer$Abort                 ;Check if Ignore
009B FE49     CPI    'I'
009D CB       RZ

;
; Printer$Abort:                                     ;Issue system reset
009E 0E00     MVI    C,B$System$Reset             ;No need to give call as
00A0 C30500   JMP    BDOS                          ; control will not be returned
;

;
; Dummy subroutines
; These are shown in full in Figure 8-10. The line numbers in
; Figure 8-10 are shown in the comment field below
;

Printer$Device$Table:          ;Line 01300 (example layout)
Request$User$Choices:          ;Line 03400
Output$Error$Message:           ;Line 03500
Get$Printer$Status:             ;Line 03900 (similar code)
Output$Data$Byte:                ;Line 05400 (similar code)
Set$Watchdog:                   ;Line 05800

```

**Figure 9-1.** Serial printer error handling (continued)

## Disk Errors

Disks are much more complicated than character I/O devices. Errors are possible in the electronics and in the disk medium itself. Most of the errors concerned with electronics need only be reported in enough detail to give a maintenance engineer information about the problem. This kind of error is rarely correctable by retrying the operation. In contrast, media errors often can be remedied by retrying the operation or by special error processing software built into the BIOS. This chapter discusses this class of errors.

Media errors occur when the BIOS tries to read a sector from the disk and the hardware detects a check-sum failure in the data. This is known as a *cyclical redundancy check* (CRC) error. Some disk controllers execute a read-after-write check, so a CRC error can also occur during an attempt to write a sector to the disk.

With floppy diskettes, the disk driver should retry the operation at least ten times before reporting the error to the user. Then, because diskettes are inexpensive and replaceable, the user can choose to discard the diskette and continue with a new one.

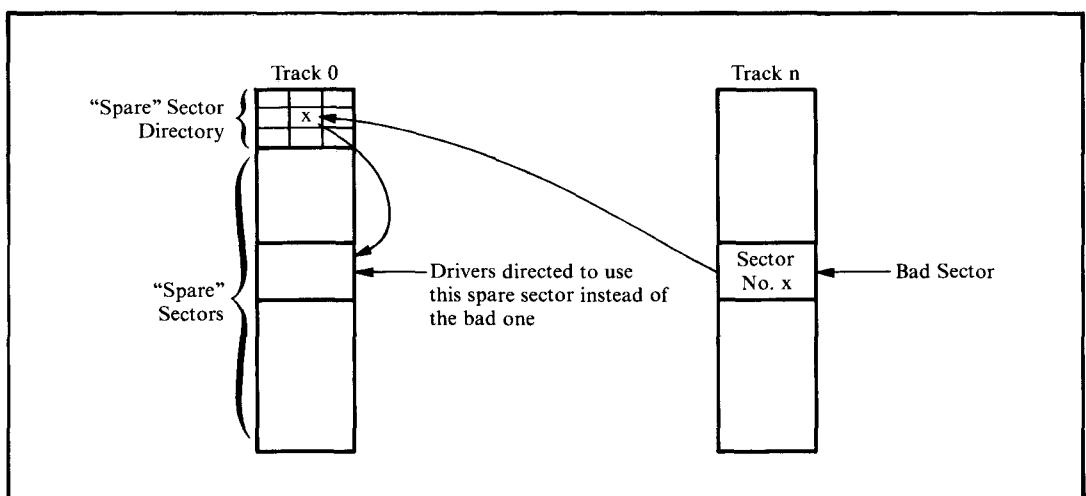
With hard disks, the media cannot be exchanged. The only way of dealing with bad sectors is to replace them logically, substituting other sectors in their place.

There are two fundamentally different ways of doing this. Figure 9-2 shows the scheme known as sector sparing—substituting sectors on an outer track for a sector that is bad.

The advantage of this scheme is that it is dynamic. If a sector is found to be bad in a read-after-write check, even after several retries, then the data intended for the failing sector can be written to a spare sector. The failing sector's number is placed into a spare-sector directory on the disk. Thereafter, the disk drivers will be redirected to the spare sector every time an attempt is made to read or write the bad sector.

The disadvantage of this system is that the read/write heads on the disk must move out to the spare sector and then back to access the next sector. This can be a problem if you attempt to make a high-speed backup on a streaming tape drive (one that writes data to a tape in a single stream rather than in discrete blocks). The delay caused by reading the spare sector interrupts the data flow to the streaming tape drive.

You need a special utility program to manipulate the spare-sector directory, both to substitute for a failing sector manually and to attempt to rewrite a spare sector back onto the bad sector.



**Figure 9-2.** Sector sparing

Figure 9-3 shows another scheme for dealing with bad sectors. In this method, bad sectors are skipped rather than having sectors substituted for them.

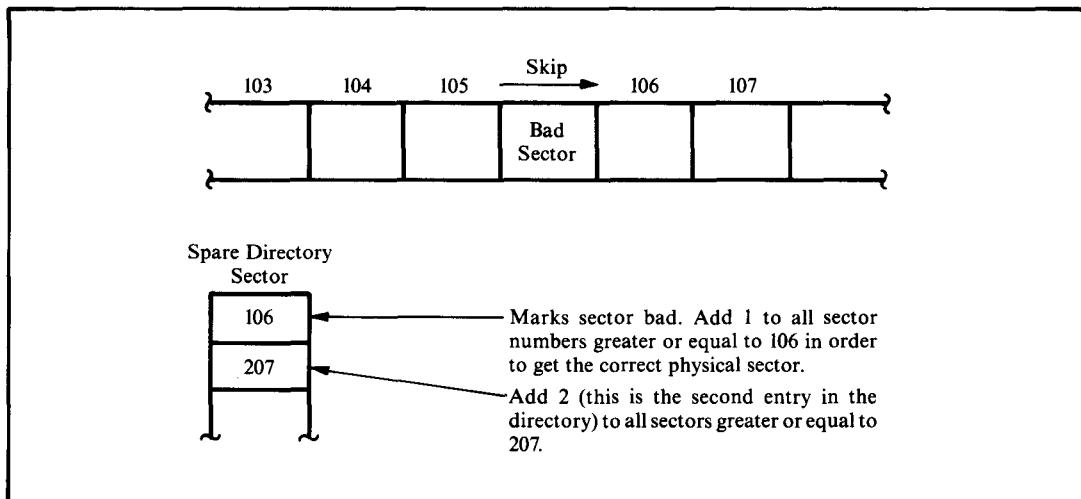
The advantage of sector skipping is that the heads do not have to perform any long seeks. The failing sector is skipped, and the next sector is used in its place. Because of this, sector skipping can give much better performance. Data can be read off the disk fast enough to keep a streaming tape drive "fed" with data.

The disadvantage of sector skipping is that it does not lend itself to dynamic operation. The bad sector table is best built during formatting. Once data has been written to the disk, if a sector goes bad, all subsequent sectors on the disk must be "moved down one" to make space to skip the bad sector. On a large hard disk, this could take several minutes.

### Example Bad Sector Management

Sector sparing and sector skipping use similar logic. Both require a spare-sector directory on each physical disk, containing the sector numbers of the bad sectors. This directory is read into memory during cold start initialization. Thereafter, all disk read and write operations refer to the memory-resident table to see if they are about to access a bad sector.

For sector sparing, if the sector about to be read or written is found in the spare directory, its position in the directory determines which spare sector should be read.



**Figure 9-3.** Sector skipping

In the case of sector skipping, every access to the disk makes the driver check the bad sector directory. The directory is used to tell how many bad sectors exist between the start of the disk and the failing bad sector. This number must be added to the requested track and sector to compensate for all the bad sectors.

The physical low-level drivers need four entry points:

- Read the specified sector without using bad sector management. This is used to read in the spare directory itself.
- Write the specified sector without using bad sector management. This is used to write the spare directory onto the disk, both to initialize it and to update it.
- Read and write the sector using bad sector management. These entry points are used for normal disk input/output.

Figure 9-4 shows the code necessary for both sector sparing and (using conditional code) sector skipping.

```

;      This example shows the modifications to be made in order
; to implement bad sector management using sector sparing
; and sector skipping.
;
0000 =     False      EQU      0
FFFF =     True       EQU      Not False
;
0000 =     Sector$Sparing EQU      False
FFFF =     Sector$Skipping EQU      Not Sector$Sparing
;
;
;      Additional equates and definitions
;
Spare$Directories:           ;Table of spare directory addresses
                             ;Note: The directories themselves
                             ; are declared at the end of the
                             ; BIOS
0000 D500      DW      Spare$Directory$0      ;Physical disk 0
0002 9701      DW      Spare$Directory$1      ;Physical disk 1
;
Spare$Dir$In$Memory:          ;Flags used to indicate whether spare
                             ; directory for a given physical disk
0004 00      DB      0      ;      ; has been loaded into memory. Set by SELDSK
0005 00      DB      0
;
0000 =     Spare$Track      EQU      0      ;Track containing spare directory
;
0004 =     Spare$Sector      EQU      4      ;Sector containing directory
0005 =     First$Spare$Sector EQU      Spare$Sector + 1
;
;      Variables set by SELDSK
;
Selected$Spare$Directory:    DW      0      ;Pointer to directory
0006 0000      Selected$Disk:      DB      0      ;Logical disk number
0009 00      Disk$Type:      DB      0      ;Floppy/hard disks
0004 00      Deblocking$Required: DB      0      ;Deblocking flag
0008 00      Selected$Physical$Disk: DB      0      ;Physical disk number
;
000C 0000      Disk$Track:      DW      0      ;> These variables are part of the command
000E 00      Disk$Sector:      DB      0      ;> block handed over to the disk controller
;
```

Figure 9-4. Bad sector management

```

8000 =           ; Maximum$Track      EQU     32768  ;Used as a terminator
0012 =           ; Sectors$Per$Track   EQU     18
0000 =           ; First$Sector$On$Track EQU     0
;
;
Disk$Parameter$Headers:
;-----;
;Standard DPH Declarations
;-----;
;
;
; Equates for disk parameter block
;
;
; The special disk parameter byte that precedes each disk
; parameter block, needs to be rearranged so that a
; physical disk drive number can be added.
;
;
; Disk types
;
;
0010 =           Floppy$5      EQU     0$001$0000B    ;5 1/4" mini floppy
0020 =           Floppy$8      EQU     0$010$0000B    ;8" floppy (SS SD)
0030 =           M$Disk        EQU     0$011$0000B    ;Memory disk
0040 =           H$Disk$10    EQU     0$100$0000B    ;Hard disk - 10 megabyte
;
Disk$Type$$Mask  EQU     0$111$0000B    ;Masks to isolate values
Physical$Disk$Mask EQU     0$000$1111B
;
;
; Blocking/deblocking indicator
;
0080 =           Need$Deblocking EQU     1$000$0000B    ;Sector size > 128 bytes
;
;
; Disk parameter blocks
;
;
;-----;
; Standard DPB's for A: and B:
;-----;
;
;
000F CO          DB      H$Disk$10 + Need$Deblocking + 0 ; Physical drive 0
Hard$5$Parameter$Block$C:
;
;
;-----;
;Standard format parameter block
;-----;
;
;
0010 CO          DB      H$Disk$10 + Need$Deblocking + 0 ; Physical drive 0
Hard$5$Parameter$Block$D:
;
;
;-----;
;Standard format Parameter block
;-----;
;
;
0004 =           Number$of$Logical$Disks    EQU     4
;
;
SELDSK:          ;Select disk in register C
;C = 0 for drive A, 1 for B, etc.
;Return the address of the appropriate
;disk parameter header in HL, or 0000H
;if the selected disk does not exist.
;
;
0011 210000      LXI    H,0          ;Assume an error
0014 79          MOV    A,C          ;Check if requested disk valid
;
0015 FE04          CPI    Number$of$Logical$Disks
0017 D0          RNC
;
;
```

**Figure 9-4.** (Continued)

```

0018 320800 STA Selected$Disk ;Save selected disk number
001B 6F MOV L,A ;Set up to return DPH address
001C 2600 MVI H,0 ;Make disk into word value
001E 29 DAD H ;Compute offset down disk parameter
001F 29 DAD H ; header table by multiplying by
0020 29 DAD H ; parameter header length (16 bytes)
0021 29 DAD H ;*2
0022 110F00 LXI D,Disk$Parameter$Headers ;Get base address
0025 19 DAD D ;DE -> appropriate DPH
0026 E5 PUSH H ;Save DPH address

;Access disk parameter block in order
;to extract special prefix byte that
;identifies disk type and whether
;deblocking is required
;
0027 110A00 LXI D,10 ;Get DPB pointer offset in DPH
002A 19 DAD D ;DE -> DPB address in DPH
002B 5E MOV E,M ;Get DPB address in DE
002C 23 INX H
002D 56 MOV D,M
002E EB XCHG ;DE -> DPB

SELDSK$Set$Disk$Type:
002F 2B DCX H ;DE -> prefix byte
0030 7E MOV A,M ;Get prefix byte
0031 E670 ANI Disk$Type$Mask ;Isolate disk type
0033 320900 STA Disk$Type ;Save for use in low-level driver
0036 7E MOV A,M ;Get another copy of prefix byte
0037 E680 ANI Need$Deblocking ;Isolate deblocking flag
0039 320A00 STA Deblocking$Required ;Save for use in low-level driver

;Additional code to check if spare
;directory for given disk has already
;been read in.

003C 7E MOV A,M ;Get physical disk number
003D E60F ANI Physical$Disk$Mask
003F 320B00 STA Selected$Physical$Disk ;Save for low-level drivers

0042 5F MOV E,A ;Make into word
0043 1600 MVI D,0
0045 210400 LXI H,Spare$Dir$In$Memory ;Make pointer into table
0048 19 DAD D

0049 7E MOV A,M ;Get flag
004A B7 ORA A
004B C27700 JNZ Dir$In$Memory ;Spare directory already in memory
004E 34 INR M ;Set flag

004F 210000 LXI H,Spare$Directories ;Create pointer to spare
0052 19 DAD D ; spare directory (added twice
0053 19 DAD D ; as table has word entries)
;HL -> word containing directory addr.

0054 5E MOV E,M
0055 23 INX H
0056 56 MOV D,M ;Spare directory address in DE
0057 EB XCHG ;HL -> spare directory

0058 220600 SHLD Selected$Spare$Directory ;Save for use in physical
; drivers later on

005B 110000 LXI D,Spare$Track ;Track containing spare directory
005E 3A0B00 LDA Selected$Physical$Disk
0061 47 MOV B,A
0062 3E04 MVI A,Spare$Sector ;Sector containing spare directory
0064 0E18 MVI C,Spare$Length/8 ;Number of bytes in spare directory / 8
0066 CDD500 CALL Absolute$Read ;Read in spare directory - without
; using bad sector management

```

Figure 9-4. (Continued)

```

0069 2A0600      LHLD   Selected$Spare$Directory ;Set end marker
006C 11C000      LXI    D,Spare$Length        ; at back end of spare directory
006F 19          DAD    D
0070 110080      LXI    D,Maximum$Track       ;Use maximum track number
0073 73          MOV    M,E
0074 23          INX    H
0075 3602      MVI    M,D

Dir$In$Memory:
0077 E1          POP    H           ;Recover DPH pointer
0078 C9          RET
;
;
; In the low-level disk drivers, the following code must be
; inserted just before the disk controller is activated to
; execute a read or a write command.
;
0079 2A0C00      LHLD   Disk$Track        ;Get track number from disk
007C EB          XCHG   DE,HL          ;DE = track
007D 2A0600      LHLD   Selected$Spare$Directory ;HL -> spare directory
0080 2B          DCX    H           ;Back up one entry
0081 2B          DCX    H           ; (3 bytes)
0082 2B          DCX    H
;
0083 3A0E00      LDA    Disk$Sector      ;Get sector number
0086 4F          MOV    C,A          ;Save for later
;
0087 06FF      MVI    B,OFFH        ;Set counter (biased -1)

Check$Next$Entry:
0089 23          INX    H           ;Update to next (or first) entry
;
Check$Next$Entry:
008A 23          INX    H
;
Check$Next$Entry2:
008B 23          INX    H
;
008C 04          INR    B           ;Update count
;
IF     Sector$Sparing
;
;If sparing is used, the
; end of the table is indicated
; by an entry with the track number
; = to maximum track number
;Get maximum track number
;Compare DE to (HL), (HL+1)
;End of table reached
;
ENDIF

;
;Notes: For sector skipping
; the following search loop will
; terminate when the requested track
; is less than that in the table.
;This will always happen when the
; maximum track number is encountered
; at the end of the table.
;
008D EB          XCHG   DE,HL          ;DE -> table entry
008E 2A0C00      LHLD   Disk$Track      ;Get requested track
0091 EB          XCHG   DE,HL          ;DE = req. track, HL -> table entry
0092 CD0CD00     CALL   CMPM   Not$Bad$Sector ;Compare req. track to table entry
;
IF     Sector$Sparing
;
;Use the following code for
; sector sparing
JNZ   Check$Next$Entry
INX   H
INX   H
MOV   A,C
CMP   M
JNZ   Check$Next$Entry2
;
;Track and sector match, so
; substitute spare track and
; appropriate sector
;
```

Figure 9-4. (Continued)

```

        LXI    H,Spare$Track      ;Get track number used for spare
        SHLD   Disk$Track        ;Substitute track
        MVI    A,First$Spare$Sector ;Get first sector number
        ADD    B                  ;Add on matched directory
        STA    Disk$Sector        ;entry number
        ENDIF
        IF     Sector$Skipping   ;Use the following code for
                                ;sector skipping
                                ;The object is to find the
                                ;entry in the table which
                                ;is greater or equal to the
                                ;requested sector/track
        0095 CA9E00      JZ     Tracks$Match      ;Possible match of track and sector
        0098 D2AC00      JNC    Compute$Increment ;Requested track < table entry
        009B C38900      JMP    Check$Next$Entry  ;Requested track > table entry

        Tracks$Match:
        009E 23          INX    H                  ;HL -> MS byte of track
        009F 23          INX    H                  ;HL -> sector
        00A0 77          MOV    M,A                ;Get sector from table
        00A1 B9          CMP    C                  ;Compare with requested sector
        00A2 CAAB00      JZ     Sectors$Match    ;Track/sector matches
        00A5 D2AC00      JNC    Compute$Increment ;Req. trk/sec < spare trk/sec
        00A8 C38B00      JMP    Check$Next$Entry2 ;Move to next table entry

        Sectors$Match:
        00AB 04          INR    B                  ;If track and sectors match with
                                ;a table entry, then an additional
                                ;sector must be skipped
        Compute$Increment:
        00AC 79          MOV    A,C                ;B contains number of cumulative
        00AD 80          ADD    B                  ;number of sectors to skip
        00AE 0612        MVI    B,Sectors$Per$Track ;Get requested sector
        00B0 CDC300      CALL   DIV$A$BY$B       ;Skip required number
        00B3 320E00      STA    Disk$Sector      ;Determine final sector number
                                                ;and track increment
                                                ;Returns C = quotient, A = remainder
                                                ;A = new sector number

        00B6 59          MOV    E,C                ;Make track increment a word
        00B7 1600        MVI    D,0                ;Get requested track
        00B9 2A0C00      LHLD   Disk$Track      ;Add on increment
        00BC 19          DAD    D                  ;Save updated track
        00BD 220C00      SHLD   Disk$Track      ;ENDIF

        Not$Bad$Sector:
        00C0 C3D500      JMP    Read$Write$Disk ;Either track/sector were not bad,
                                                ;or requested track and sector have
                                                ;been updated.
                                                ;Go to physical disk read/write
        ;        IF     Sector$Skipping   ;Subroutine required for skipping
                                                ;routine
        ;
        ;        DIV$A$BY$B
        ;        Divide A by B
        ;
        ;        This routine divides A by B, returning the quotient in C
        ;        and the remainder in A.
        ;
        ;        Entry parameters
        ;
        ;        A = dividend
        ;        B = divisor
        ;
        ;        Exit parameters

```

Figure 9-4. (Continued)

```

;
;           A = remainder
;           C = quotient
;
DIV$A$BY$B:
00C3 0E00    MVI    'C,0          ;Initialize quotient
DIV$A$BY$B$Loop:
00C5 0C        INR    C          ;Increment quotient
00C6 90        SUB    B          ;Subtract divisor
00C7 F2C500    JP     DIV$A$BY$B$Loop ;Repeat if result still +ve
00CA 0D        DCR    C          ;Correct quotient
00CB 80        ADD    B          ;Correct remainder
00CC C9        RET
ENDIF

;
;           CMPM
;           Compare memory
;
; This subroutine compares the contents of DE to (HL) and (HL+1)
; returning with the flags as though the subtraction (HL) - DE
; were performed.

;
; Entry parameters
;
;           HL -> word in memory
;           DE = value to be compared

;
; Exit parameters
;
;           Flags set for (HL) - DE

;
;           CMPM:
00CD 7E        MOV    A,M          ;Get MS byte
00CE BA        CMP    D
00CF C0        RNZ
00D0 23        INX    H          ;Return now if MS bytes unequal
00D1 7E        MOV    A,M          ;HL -> LS byte
00D2 BB        CMP    E          ;Get LS byte
00D3 2B        DCX    H          ;Return with HL unchanged
00D4 C9        RET

;
;           Absolute$Read:
;           The absolute read (and write) routines
;           access the specified sector and track
;           without using bad sector management.

;
;           Entry parameters
;
;           HL -> Buffer
;           DE = Track
;           A = Sector
;           B = Physical disk drive number
;           C = Number of bytes to read / 8

;
;           Set up disk controller command block with parameters in
;           registers, then initiate read operation by falling through
;           into Read$Write$Disk code below.

;
;           Read$Write$Disk:
;
;-----+
;           The remainder of the low level disk drivers follow,
;           reading the required sector and track.
;-----+
;
;           Spare directory declarations
;
; Note: The disk format utility creates an initial spare
; directory with track/sector entries for those track/sectors
; that it finds are bad. It fills the remainder of the
; directory with OFFH's (these serve to terminate the
; searching of the directory).
;
```

Figure 9-4. (Continued)

```

        ;
        ;
00C0 =     Spare$Length    EQU      64 * 3           ;64 Entries, 3 bytes each
        ; Byte 0,1 = track
        ; Byte 2 = sector

        Spare$Directory$0:
00D5      DS      Spare$Length    ;Spare directory itself
0195      DS      2               ;Set to maximum track number by SELDSK as
                                ; a safety precaution. The FORMAT utility
                                ; puts the maximum track number into all
                                ; unused entries in the spare directory.

        Spare$Directory$1:
0197      DS      Spare$Length    ;Spare directory itself
0257      DS      2               ;End marker

```

Figure 9-4. Bad sector management (continued)

## Improving Error Messages

The final extension to BIOS error handling discussed here is in disk-driver error-message handling. The subroutine shown in the example BIOS in Figure 8-10, although a significant improvement on the messages normally output by the BDOS, did not advise the user of the most suitable course of action for each error. Figure 9-5 shows an improved version of the error message processor.

```

; This shows slightly more user-friendly error processor
; for disk errors than that shown in the enhanced BIOS
; in Figure 8-10.
; This version outputs a recommended course of action
; depending on the nature of the error detected.
; Code that remains unchanged from Figure 8-10 has been
; abbreviated.
;
; Dummy equates and data declarations needed to get
; an error free assembly of this example.
;
0001 =     Floppy$Read$Code      EQU      01H      ;Read command for controller
0002 =     Floppy$Write$Code    EQU      02H      ;Write command for controller
;
0000 00    Disk$Hung$Flag:     DB       0       ;Set NZ when watchdog timer times
                                                ; out
0258 =     Disk$Timer         EQU      600      ;10-second delay (16.66ms tick)
;
0043 =     Disk>Status$Block   EQU      43H      ;Address in memory where controller
                                                ; returns status
                                                ; Values from controller command table
0001 00    Floppy$Command:    DB       0
0002 00    Floppy$Head:       DB       0
0003 00    Floppy$Track:      DB       0
0004 00    Floppy$Sector:     DB       0

```

Figure 9-5. User-friendly disk-error processor

```

0005 00.    Deblocking$Required:    DB    0      ;Flag set by SELDSK according
; to selected disk type
0006 00.    Disk$Error$Flag:       DB    0      ;Error flag returned to BDOS
0007 00.    In$Buffer$Disk:        DB    0      ;Logical disk Id. relating to current
; disk sector in deblocking buffer
;
; Equates for Messages
;
0007 =      BELL    EQU    07H    ;Sound terminal bell
000D =      CR      EQU    0DH    ;Carriage return
000A =      LF      EQU    0AH    ;Line feed
;
0005 =      BDOS    EQU    5      ;BDOS entry point (for system reset)
;
;
;
;
No$Deblock$Retry:
;
; Omitted code to set up disk controller command table
; and initiate the disk operation
;
0008 C31500  JMP     Wait$For$Disk$Complete
;
;
Write$Physical:           ;Write contents of disk buffer to
; correct sector
000B 3E02    MVI     A,Floppy$Write$Code   ;Get write function code
000D C31200  JMP     Common$Physical  ;Go to common code
Read$Physical:           ;Read previously selected sector
; into disk buffer
0010 3E01    MVI     A,Floppy$Read$Code   ;Get read function code
Common$Physical:         STA     Floppy$Command ;Set command table
;
;
Deblock$Retry:            ;Re-entry point to retry after error
;
; Omitted code sets up disk controller command block
; and initiates the disk operation
;
;
Wait$For$Disk$Complete:  ;Wait until disk status block indicates
; operation has completed, then check
; if any errors occurred
;On entry HL -> disk control byte
0015 AF      XRA     A      ;Ensure hung flag clear
0016 320000  STA     Disk$Hung$Flag
;
0019 213100  LXI     H,Disk$Timed$Out    ;Set up watchdog timer
001C 015802  LXI     B,Disk$Timer      ;Time delay
001F CD3B03  CALL    Set$Watchdog
;
Disk$Wait$Loop:
0022 7E      MOV     A,M    ;Get control byte
0023 B7      ORA     A      ;Operation done
0024 C43700  JZ     Disk$Complete
;
0027 3A0000  LDA     Disk$Hung$Flag    ;Also check if timed out
002A B7      ORA     A      ;Will be set to 40H
002B C29F02  JNZ    Disk$Error
;
002E C32200  JMP     Disk$Wait$Loop
;
Disk$Timed$Out:           ;Control arrives here from watchdog
; routine itself -- so this is effectively
; part of the interrupt service routine
0031 3E40    MVI     A,40H    ;Set disk hung error code
0033 320000  STA     Disk$Hung$Flag  ;into error flag to pull
; control out of loop
0036 C9      RET
;
```

Figure 9-5. (Continued)

```

Disk$Complete:
0037 010000    LXI    B,0          ;Reset watchdog timer
003A CD3B03    CALL   Sets$Watchdog
003D 3A4300    LDA    Disk$Status$Block ;Complete -- now check status
0040 FE80    CPI    80H          ;Check if any errors occurred
0042 DA9F02    JC    Disk$Error   ;Yes

;
Disk$Error$Ignore:
0045 AF        XRA    A            ;No
0046 320600    STA    Disk$Error$Flag ;Clear error flag
0049 C9        RET

;
; Disk error message handling
;

Disk$Error$Messages:           ;This table is scanned, comparing the
                                ; disk error status with those in the
                                ; table. Given a match, or even when
                                ; the end of the table is reached, the-
                                ; address following the status value
                                ; points to the correct advisory message text.
                                ; Following this is the address of an
                                ; error description message.
004A 40        DB    40H
004B B0019500  DW    Disk$Advice1,Disk$Msg$40
004F 41        DB    41H
0050 C9019A00  DW    Disk$Advice2,Disk$Msg$41
0054 42        DB    42H
0055 E301A400  DW    Disk$Advice3,Disk$Msg$42
0059 21        DB    21H
005A 0702B400  DW    Disk$Advice4,Disk$Msg$21
005E 22        DB    22H
005F 1B02B900  DW    Disk$Advice5,Disk$Msg$22
0063 23        DB    23H
0064 1B02C000  DW    Disk$Advice5,Disk$Msg$23
0068 24        DB    24H
0069 3D02D200  DW    Disk$Advice6,Disk$Msg$24
006D 25        DB    25H
006E 3D02DE00  DW    Disk$Advice6,Disk$Msg$25
0072 11        DB    11H
0073 5302F100  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$11
0077 12        DB    12H
0078 5302FF00  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$12
007C 13        DB    13H
007D 53020C01  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$13
0081 14        DB    14H
0082 53021A01  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$14
0086 15        DB    15H
0087 53022901  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$15
008B 16        DB    16H
008C 53023501  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$16
0090 00        DB    0          ;<== Terminator
0091 53024501  DW    Disk$Advice7,Disk$Msg$Unknown ;Unmatched code

;
DEM$Entry$Size EQU      5      ;Entry size in error message table
;

;
; Message texts
;
0095 48756E6700Disk$Msg$40:  DB    'Hung',0          ;Timeout message
009A 4E6F742052Disk$Msg$41:  DB    'Not Ready',0
00A4 5772697465Disk$Msg$42:  DB    'Write Protected',0
00B4 4461746100Disk$Msg$21:  DB    'Data',0
00B9 466F726D61Disk$Msg$22:  DB    'Format',0
00C0 4D69737369Disk$Msg$23:  DB    'Missing Data Mark',0
00D4 4275732054Disk$Msg$24:  DB    'Bus Timeout',0
00DE 436F6E7472Disk$Msg$25:  DB    'Controller Timeout',0
00F1 4472697765Disk$Msg$11:  DB    'Drive Address',0
00FF 4865616420Disk$Msg$12:  DB    'Head Address',0
010C 5472616368Disk$Msg$13:  DB    'Track Address',0

```

Figure 9-5. (Continued)

```

011A 536563746FDisk#Msg$14: DB      'Sector Address',0
0129 4275732041Disk#Msg$15: DB      'Bus Address',0
0135 49656C6567Disk#Msg$16: DB      'Illegal Command',0
0145 556E6B6E6FDisk#Msg$Unknown: DB      'Unknown',0
;
Disk#EM#1:                                ;Main disk error message -- part 1
014D 070D0A:      DB      BELL,CR,LF
0150 4469736B20:    DB      'Disk ',0
;
;Error text output next
;
Disk#EM#2:                                ;Main disk error message -- part 2
0156 204572726F:    DB      ' Error (
015E 0000:      Disk#EM>Status: DB      0,0      ;Status code in hex
0160 290D0A2020:    DB      ')',CR,LF,' Drive '
016E 00:      Disk#EM#Drive: DB      0      ;Disk drive code, A,B...
016F 2C20486561:    DB      ', Head'
0176 00:      Disk#EM#Head: DB      0      ;Head number
0177 2C20547261:    DB      ', Track'
017F 0000:      Disk#EM#Track: DB      0,0      ;Track number
0181 2C20536563:    DB      ', Sector'
018A 0000:      Disk#EM#Sectors: DB      0,0      ;Sector number
018C 2C204F7065:    DB      ', Operation - '
019A 00:      DB      0      ;Terminator
;
019B 526561642EDisk#EM#Read: DB      'Read.',0      ;Operation names
01A1 5772697465Disk#EM#Write: DB      'Write.',0
;
01A8 0D0A202020Disk#Advice0: DB      CR,LF,' ',0
01B0 4365656368Disk#Advice1: DB      'Check disk loaded, Retry',0
01C9 506F737369Disk#Advice2: DB      'Possible hardware problem',0
01E3 5772697465Disk#Advice3: DB      'Write enable if correct disk, Retry',0
0207 5265747279Disk#Advice4: DB      'Retry several times',0
021B 5265666F72Disk#Advice5: DB      'Reformat disk or use another disk',0
023D 4861726477Disk#Advice6: DB      'Hardware error, Retry',0
0253 4861726477Disk#Advice7: DB      'Hardware or Software error, Retry',0
;
0275 2C206F7220Disk#Advice9: DB      ', or call for help if error persists',CR,LF
;
Disk#Action#Confirm:                      ;Set to character entered by user
029B 00:      DB      0
029C 0D0A00:    DB      CR,LF,0
;
;Disk error processor
;
;This routine builds and outputs an error message.
;The user is then given the opportunity to:
;
;R -- retry the operation that caused the error
;I -- ignore the error and attempt to continue
;A -- abort the program and return to CP/M
;
Disk#Errors:
029F F5:      PUSH   PSW      ;Preserve error code from controller
02A0 215E01:    LXI    H,Disk#EM>Status      ;Convert code for message
02A3 CD3B03:    CALL   CAH      ;Converts A to hex
;
02A6 3A0700:    LDA    In$Buffer#Disk      ;Convert disk id. for message
02A9 C641:      ADI    'A'      ;Make into letter
02AB 326E01:    STA    Disk#EM#Drive
;
02AE 3A0200:    LDA    Floppy#Head      ;Convert head number
02B1 C630:      ADI    '0'
02B3 327601:    STA    Disk#EM#Head
;
02B6 3A0300:    LDA    Floppy#Track      ;Convert track number
02B9 217F01:    LXI    H,Disk#EM#Track
02BC CD3B03:    CALL   CAH
;
02BF 3A0400:    LDA    Floppy#Sector      ;Convert sector number
02C2 218A01:    LXI    H,Disk#EM#Sector
02C5 CD3B03:    CALL   CAH
;
02CB 214D01:    LXI    H,Disk#EM#1      ;Output first part of message
02CB CD3B03:    CALL   Output#Error$Message

```

Figure 9-5. (Continued)

```

02CE F1      POP    PSW          ;Recover error status code
02CF 47      MOV    B,A          ;For comparisons
02D0 214500   LXI    H,Disk$Error$Messages - DEM$Entry$Size
02D3 110500   LXI    D,DEM$Entry$Size
02D6 19      Disk$Error$Next$Code:
              DAD    D
              ;Move to next (or first) entry

02D7 7E      MOV    A,M          ;Get code number from table
02D8 B7      ORA    A
02D9 CAE302   JZ     Disk$Error$Matched
02DC BB      CMP    B
02DD CAE302   JZ     Disk$Error$Matched
02EO C3D602   JMP    Disk$Error$Next$Code
              ;Check next code

              Disk$Error$Matched:
02E3 23      INX    H           ;HL -> advisory text address
02E4 5E      MOV    E,M
02E5 23      INX    H
02E6 56      MOV    D,M          ;DE -> advisory text
02E7 D5      PUSH   D           ;Save for later

02E8 23      INX    H           ;HL -> message text address
02E9 5E      MOV    E,M
02EA 23      INX    H           ;Get address into DE
02EB 56      MOV    D,M

02EC EB      XCHG   Output$Error$Message
02ED CD3B03   CALL
02F0 215601   LXI    H,Disk$EM$2
02F3 CD3B03   CALL   Output$Error$Message
              ;Display second part of message

02F6 219B01   LXI    H,Disk$EM$Read
02F9 3A0100   LDA    Floppy$Command
02FC FE01   CPI    Floppy$Read$Code
02FE CA0403   JZ     Disk$Error$Read
0301 21A101   LXI    H,Disk$EM$Write
              ;Yes
              ;No, change address in HL

              Disk$Error$Read:
0304 CD3B03   CALL   Output$Error$Message
              ;Display operation type

0307 21A801   LXI    H,Disk$Advice0
030A CD3B03   CALL   Output$Error$Message
              ;Display leading blanks

030D E1      POP    H           ;Recover advisory text pointer
030E CD3B03   CALL   Output$Error$Message
              ;Recover advisory text pointer

0311 217502   LXI    H,Disk$Advice9
0314 CD3B03   CALL   Output$Error$Message
              ;Display trailing component

              Disk$Error$Request$Action:
0317 CD3B03   CALL   Request$User$Choice
              ;Ask the user what to do next
              ;Display prompt and get single
              ;character response (folded to
              ;uppercase)

031A FE52   CPI    'R'
031C CA2C03   JZ     Disk$Error$Retry
031F FE41   CPI    'A'
0321 CA3603   JZ     System$Reset
0324 FE49   CPI    'I'
0326 CA4500   JZ     Disk$Error$Ignore
0329 C31703   JMP    Disk$Error$Request$Action
              ;Retry
              ;Abort?
              ;Ignore?

              Disk$Error$Retry:
              ;The decision on where to return to
              ;depends on whether the operation
              ;failed on a deblocked or
              ;nondeblocked drive

032C 3A0500   LDA    Deblocking$Required
032F B7      ORA    A
0330 C21500   JNZ   Deblock$Retry
0333 C30800   JMP    No$Deblock$Retry

```

Figure 9-5. (Continued)

```
; System$Reset:                                ;This is a radical approach, but
0336 0E00      MVI    C,0                      ; it does cause CP/M to restart
0338 CD0500      CALL   BDOS                  ;System reset

;
;     Omitted subroutines (listed in full in Figure 8-10)
;

Sets$Watchdog:          ;Set watchdog timer (to number of "ticks" in BC, and
CAH:                   ; to transfer control to (HL) if timer hits zero).
;Convert A to two ASCII hex characters, storing
; the output in (HL) and (HL+1)
Output$Error$Message:  ;Display the 00-byte terminated error message
; pointed to by HL. Output is directed only to
; those console devices not being used for list
; output as well.
Request$User$Choice:  ;Display prompt "Enter R, A, I..." and return
; a single keyboard character (uppercase) in A
; Dummy

033B C9      RET
```

**Figure 9-5.** User-friendly disk-error processor (continued)

build a machine, take it to the top of a hill, throw it off, and, when it crashes, examine the debris to discover what went wrong.

Each time you do an assembly and test, you are building the aircraft and lobbing it off the edge of a cliff. Each time it crashes, you examine the wreckage and try to determine the possible cause.

This is a highly inferential process. With the wreckage as a starting point, you use inference and intuition to extrapolate the real problem and the correction for it.

## Built-In Debug Code

The single most important concept that you will need in testing CP/M systems is the same as that used in the modern day “black box” flight recorder. This device is essentially a multi-channel tape recorder that records all of the relevant conditions of the aircraft, its height, altitude, throttle settings, flap settings, and even the voice communications among crew members. If the airplane crashes, investigators can replay the information and understand what happened during the flight.

Applying this concept to debugging CP/M means that you must build into your code some method for recording what it is doing, so that if the system crashes, you can see what it was doing. Make the code tell you what went wrong.

The debug code should be designed at the same time as the rest of the program. Plan the debugging code while the design is still on the drawing board. The source code for debugging should be a permanent part of the BIOS. Use conditional assembly to “IF” out most of the debug code from the final version, or make the code sensitive to a flag in the configuration block so that you can re-enable the debug code at a moment’s notice if the system begins to behave strangely.

The more meaningful the debug output data, the less you will have to guess at what is wrong, and therefore the less painful and time-consuming the debugging process will be. Make the output intelligible to others who may use it or yourself several months hence. Data that tells you what is happening is more useful than internal hexadecimal values, particularly if someone else must interpret it or relay it to you over the telephone.

## Debug Subroutines

Many programmers do their debugging on a casual “catch as catch can” basis because they are overwhelmed by the task of building the necessary tools. Others are too eager to start on a new program to take a few extra hours or days to build debug subroutines.

To help solve this problem, the following section provides some ready-made debugging tools that can be used “as is.” Each of these routines has been thor-

oughly debugged (there's nothing worse than debug code with bugs in it!) and has been used in actual program testing.

## Overall Design Philosophy

Some common methods run through the examples that follow. These include displaying meaningful "captions" (including the specific address that called the debug routine), grouping all debugging code together, preserving the contents of all registers, and setting up the stack area in a standard way.

**Debug Code Captions** When the contents of registers or memory are output as part of a debugging process, a caption of explanatory text describing the values should be displayed. For example, rather than displaying the contents of the A register like this,

A = 1F

you can use a meaningful caption such as:

Transaction Code A = 1F.

When you write additional debugging code, especially if you need to add it to an existing routine, it is cumbersome to have to write the call to the debug routine and then search through the source code to find a convenient place to put an ASCII caption string. A caption string several pages removed from the point where it is referenced makes for problems when you want to relate the debug output on the screen or listing to the source code itself. Therefore, all of the routines that follow allow you to declare the caption strings "in-line" like this:

```
IF      DEBUG
CALL   Debug$Routine
DB     'Caption string here',CR,LF,O
ENDIF

MVI    ....           ;Next instruction
```

All of the following routines that output a caption recognize one specific 8-bit value in the caption string. If they encounter a value of 0ADH (mnemonic for ADDRESS), they will output the address of the byte following the call to the debug routine. For example,

```
0210    CALL    Debug$Routine
0213    DB      0ADH,'Caption string',O
```

will cause the routine to display the following:

0213 Caption string

This identifies the point in your program from which the debug routine was called, and thus avoids any possible ambiguity between different calls to the same debug routine with similar captions.

**Grouping Debug Code** Grouping all the debug code together lends itself to using conditional assembly with IF/ENDIF statements.

**Setting Up the Stack Area** All of the following routines preserve the CPU registers so that there are no side effects from using them. All of them assume that they can use the stack pointer and that there is sufficient room in the stack area. Hence you will need to declare adequate stack space for your main code and for the debug routines. Fill the stack area with a known pattern like this:

```
DW    9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H
DW    9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H
DW    9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H, 9999H
Stack$Area:           ;Label the upper end of the area
```

Then, during debugging, you can examine the stack area and determine how much of it is unused. For example, if you looked at the stack area you might see something like this:

```
"Low-water mark"
V
99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99 99
01 29 00 00 1A 2B 10 FF FF 39 02 ED 11 01 37 44
DD 00 00 11 1A 23 31 00 41 AE FE 00 01 10 70 C9
```

Stack area overflow can give arcane bugs; the program seems to leap off into space in a nondeterministic way. By setting up the stack area in this way, you can recognize an overflow condition easily.

**Debug Initialization** Before you can execute any of the debug subroutines in this chapter, you must make a call to the initialization subroutine, DB\$Init. The DB\$Init routine sets up some of the internal variables needed by the debug package. You may need to add some of your own initialization code here.

## Console Output

Normally, you can use the CONOUT functions either via the BDOS (Function 2), or via the BIOS by calling the jump vector directly. You cannot do this when you need to debug console routines themselves, nor when you need to debug interrupt service routines. In the latter case, if an interrupt pulled control out of the CONOUT routine in the BIOS, you would get unwanted re-entrancy if the debug code again entered the CONOUT driver to display a caption. Therefore, the debug routines have been written to call their own local CONOUT routine, which is called DB\$CONOUT. DB\$CONOUT can be changed to call the BDOS, the BIOS, or a "private" polled output routine.

A counterpart DB\$CONIN routine for console input is provided for essentially the same reasons.

## Controlling Debug Output

All output of debug routines in this chapter is controlled by a single master flag, DB\$Flag. If this flag is nonzero, debug output will occur; if zero, all output is suppressed.

This flag can be set and cleared from any part of the program you are testing. It is especially useful when you need to debug a subroutine that is called many times from many different places. You can write additional code to enable debug output when certain conditions prevail; for example, when a particular track or sector is about to be written or when a character input buffer is almost full.

Two subroutines, DB\$On and DB\$Off, are shown that access the debug control flag. These, as their names suggest, turn debug output on and off.

Turning the debug output on and off from within the program can create a confusing display of debug output, lacking any apparent continuity. DB\$Off gives you the option of outputting a character string indicating that debug output has been turned off.

## Pass Counters

Another method of controlling debug output is to use a *pass counter*, enabling debug output only after control has passed through a particular point in the code a specific number of times.

Two subroutines are provided for this purpose. DB\$Set\$Pass sets the pass counter to a specific value. DB\$Pass decrements this pass count each time control is transferred to it. When the pass count hits zero, the debug control flag DB\$Flag is nonzero and debug output begins.

Using pass counter techniques can save you time and effort in tracking down a problem that occurs only after the code has been running for several minutes.

## Displaying Contents of Registers and Memory

Figure 10-2 shows a series of display subroutines, the primary one of which is DB\$Display. It takes several parameters, depending on the information you want displayed. The generic call to DB\$Display is as follows:

```
CALL    DB$Display
DB      Code      <- Indicates the data to be
          displayed
{DW    Optional additional parameters}
DB      'Caption string',0
```

The codes that can be used in this call are shown in Table 10-1.

The only function that uses additional parameters is DB\$Memory. This displays bytes from memory in hexadecimal and ASCII, using the start and finish

addresses following the call. Here is an example:

```
CALL      DB$Display
DB        DB$Memory
DW        Start$Address,End$Address
DB        "Caption string",0
```

**Table 10-1.** Codes for DB\$Display

Code	Value displayed
<b>8-bit registers</b>	
DB\$F	Condition Flags
DB\$A	Register A
DB\$B	Register B
DB\$C	Register C
DB\$D	Register D
DB\$E	Register E
DB\$H	Register H
DB\$L	Register L
<b>Memory</b>	
DB\$Memory	Bytes starting and ending at the addresses specified by the two word values following the code value.
<b>16-bit registers</b>	
DB\$BC	Register pair BC
DB\$DE	Register pair DE
DB\$HL	Register pair HL
DB\$SP	Stack Pointer
<b>Byte values</b>	
DB\$B\$BC	Byte addressed by BC
DB\$B\$DE	Byte addressed by DE
DB\$B\$HL	Byte addressed by HL
<b>Word values</b>	
DB\$W\$BC	Word addressed by BC
DB\$W\$DE	Word addressed by DE
DB\$W\$HL	Word addressed by HL

## Debugging Program Logic

In addition to displaying the contents of registers and memory, you need to display the program's execution path, not in terms of addresses, but in terms of the *problem*. You can do this by displaying debug messages that indicate what decisions have been made by the program as it executes. For example, if your BIOS checks a particular value to see whether the system should read or write on a particular device, the debug routine should display a message like this:

### **Entering Disk Read Routine**

This is more meaningful than just displaying the function code for the drivers -- although you may want to display this as well, in case it has been set to some strange value.

Two subroutines are provided to display debug messages. They are DB\$MSG and DB\$MSGI. Both of these display text strings are terminated with a byte of 00H. You can see the difference between the two subroutines if you examine the way they are called.

DB\$MSG is called like this:

```
LXI H,Message$Text      ;HL -> text string
CALL DB$MSG
```

DB\$MSGI is called like this:

```
CALL DB$MSG
DB  0DH,0AH,'Message Text',0 ;In-line
```

DB\$MSGI is more convenient to use. If you decide that you need to add a message, you can declare the message immediately following the call. This also helps when you look at the listing, since you can see the complete text at a glance.

Use DB\$MSG when the text of the message needs to be selected from a table. Get the address of the text into HL and then call DB\$MSG to display it.

## Creating Your Own Debug Displays

If you need to build your own special debug display routines, you may find it helpful to incorporate some of the small subroutines in the debug package. The following are the subroutines you may want to use:

### **DB\$CONOUT**

Displays the character in the C register.

### **DB\$CONIN**

Returns the next keyboard character in A.

### **DB\$CONINU**

Returns the next keyboard character in A, converting lowercase letters to uppercase.

***DB\$DHLH***

Displays contents of HL in hexadecimal.

***DB\$DAH***

Displays contents of A in hexadecimal.

***DB\$CAH***

Converts contents of A to hexadecimal and stores in memory pointed at by HL.

***DB\$Nibble\$To\$Hex***

Converts the least significant four bits of A into an ASCII hexadecimal character in A.

***DB\$CRLF***

Displays a CARRIAGE RETURN/LINE FEED.

***DB\$Colon***

Displays the string “:”.

***DB\$Blank***

Displays a single space character.

***DB\$Flag\$Save\$On***

Saves the current state of the debug output control flag and then sets the flag “on” to enable debug output.

***DB\$Flag\$Restore***

Restores the debug output control flag to the state it was in when the DB\$Flag\$Save\$On routine was last called.

***DB\$GHI***

Gets a hexadecimal value from the keyboard, displaying a prompt message first. From one to four characters can be specified as the maximum number of characters to be input.

***DB\$AS\$To\$Upper***

If the A register contains a lowercase letter, this converts it to an uppercase letter.

## Debugging I/O Drivers

Debugging low-level device drivers creates special problems. The major one is that you do not normally want to read and write via actual hardware ports while you are debugging the code—either because doing so would cause strange things to happen to the hardware during the debugging, or because you are developing and debugging the drivers on a system different from the target hardware on which the drivers are to execute.

Before considering the solution, remember that the input and output instructions (IN and OUT) are each two bytes long. The first byte is the operation code

(0DBH for input, 0D3H for output), and the second byte is the port number to "input from" or "output to."

Debug subroutines are provided here to intercept all IN and OUT instructions, displaying the port number and either accepting a hexadecimal value from the console and putting it into the A register (in the case of IN), or displaying the contents of the A register (for the OUT instruction).

IN and OUT instructions can be "trapped" by changing the operation code to one of two RST (restart) instructions. An RST is effectively a single-byte CALL instruction, calling down to a predetermined address in low memory. The debug routines arrange for JMP instructions in low memory to receive control when the correct RST is executed. The code that receives control can pick up the port number, display it, and then accept a hex value for the A register (for IN) or display the current contents of the A register (for OUT). The example subroutines shown later in this chapter use RST 4 in place of IN instructions, RST 5 for OUT.

Wherever you plan to use IN, use the following code:

```
IF      Debug
RST    4
ENDIF
IF      NOT Debug
DB     IN
ENDIF
DB     Port$Number
```

Note that you can use the IN operation code as the operand of a DB statement. The assembler substitutes the correct operation code.

Use the following code wherever you need to use an OUT instruction:

```
IF      Debug
RST    5
ENDIF
IF      NOT Debug
DB     OUT
ENDIF
DB     Port$Number
```

When the RST 4 (IN) instruction is executed, the debug subroutine displays

```
1AB3 : Input from Port 01 : _
```

The "1AB3" is the address in memory of the byte containing the port number. It serves to pinpoint the IN instruction in memory. You can then enter one or two hexadecimal digits. These will be converted and put into the A register before control returns to the main program at the instruction following the byte containing the port number.

When the RST 5 (OUT) instruction is encountered, the debug subroutine displays

```
1AB5 : Output to Port 01 : FF
```

This identifies where the OUT instruction would normally be as well as the port number and the contents of the A register when the RST 5 (OUT) is executed.

## Debugging Interrupt Service Routines

You can use a technique similar to that of the RST instruction just described to "fake" an interrupt. You preset the low-memory address for the RST instruction you have chosen for the jump into the interrupt service routine under test.

When the RST instruction is executed, control will be transferred into the interrupt service routine just as though an interrupt had occurred. You will need to intercept any IN or OUT instructions as described above—otherwise the code probably will go into an endless loop.

Before executing the RST instruction to fake the interrupt, load all the registers with known values. For example:

```
MVI      A, OAAH
LXI      B, OBBCH
LXI      D, ODDEEH
LXI      H, 01122H
RST      6           ;Fake interrupt
NOP
```

When control returns from the service routine, you can check to see that it restored all of the registers to their correct values. An interrupt service routine that does not restore all the registers can produce bugs that are very hard to find.

Check, too, that the stack pointer register has been restored and that the service routine did not require too many bytes on the stack.

You also can use the CALL instruction to transfer control to the interrupt service routine in order to fake an interrupt. RST and CALL achieve the same effect, but RST is closer to what happens when a real interrupt occurs. As it is a single-byte instruction, it also is easier to patch in.

## Subroutine Listings

Figure 10-1 is a functional index to the source code listing for the debug subroutines shown in Figure 10-2. The listing's commentary defines precisely how each debug subroutine is called.

Figure 10-3 shows the output from the debug testbed.

## Software Tools for Debugging

In addition to building in debugging subroutines, you will need one of the following proprietary debug programs:

### *DDT (Dynamic Debugging Tool)*

This program, included with the standard CP/M release, allows you to load programs, set and display memory and registers, trace through your program instruction by instruction, or execute it at full speed, but stopping

Start Line	Functional Component or Routines
00001	Debug subroutine's Testbed
00100	Test register display
00200	Test memory dump display
00300	Test register pair display
00400	Test byte indirect display
00500	Test DB\$On/Off
00600	Test DB\$Set\$Pass and DB\$Pass
00700	Test debug input/output
00800	Debug subroutines themselves
01100	DB\$Init - initialization
01200	DB\$CONINU - get uppercase keyboard character
01300	DB\$CONIN - get keyboard character
01400	DB\$CONOUT - display character in C
01500	DB\$On - enable debug output
01600	DB\$Off - disable debug output
01700	DB\$Set\$Pass - set pass counter
01800	DB\$Pass - execute pass point
01900	DB\$Display - main debug display routine
02200	Main display processing subroutines
02500	DB\$Display\$CALLA - display CALL's address
02600	DB\$DHLH - display HL in hexadecimal
02700	DB\$DAH - display A in hexadecimal
02800	DB\$CAH - convert A to hexadecimal in memory
02900	DB\$Nibble\$To\$Hex - convert LS 4 bits of A to hex.
02930	DB\$CRLF - display Carriage Return, Line Feed
02938	DB\$Colon - display ":"
02946	DB\$Blank - display "
03100	DB\$MSGI - display in-line message
03147	DB\$MSG - display message addressed by HL
03300	DB\$Input - debug INput routine
03500	DB\$Output - debug OUTput routine
03700	DB\$Flag\$Save\$On - save debug flag and enable
03800	DB\$Flag\$Restore - restore debug control flag
03900	DB\$GHV - get hexadecimal value from keyboard
04100	DB\$A\$To\$Upper - convert A to upper case

**Figure 10-1.** Functional index for Figure 10-2

at certain addresses (called breakpoints). It also has a built-in mini-assembler and disassembler so you do not have to hand assemble any temporary code "patches" you add.

#### *SID (Symbolic Interactive Debug)*

Similar to DDT in many ways, SID has enhancements that are helpful if you use Digital Research's MAC (Macro Assembler) or RMAC (Relocating Macro Assembler). Both of these assemblers can be told to output a file

```

00001
00002
00003      ;
00004      ; Debug Subroutines
00005      ;
00006      ;<---- NOTE:
00007      ; The line numbers at the extreme left are included purely
00008      ; to reference the code from the text.
00009      ; There are deliberately induced discontinuities
00010      ; in the numbers in order to allow space for expansion.
00011      ;
00012      ;
00013      ;
00014      ;
00015      ;
00016      ;
00017      ;
00018      ;
00019  0100      ORG    100H
00020      START:
00021  0100 316B03  LXI    SP,Test$Stack      ;Set up local stack
00022  0103 CDEA04  CALL    DB$Init          ;Initialize the debug package
00023  0106 CD1505  CALL    DB$On           ;Enable debug output
00024
00025  0109 3EAA    MVI    A,0AAH          ;Simple test of A register display
00026  010B 01CCBB  LXI    B,0BBCCH         ;Prefill all other registers, partly
00027  010E 11EEDH  LXI    D,0DDEEH         ; to check the debug display, but
00028  0111 2111FF  LXI    H,0FF11H         ; also to check register save/restore
00100      ;#
00101      ;
00102      ;
00103  0114 B7    ORA    A               ;Set M-flag, clear Z-flag, set E-flag
00104  0115 37    STC
00105  0116 CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00106  0119 00    DB    DB$F
00107  011A 466C616773  DB    'Flags',0
00108      ;
00109  0120 CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00110  0123 02    DB    DB$A
00111  0124 4120526567  DB    'A Register',0
00112      ;
00113  012F CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00114  0132 04    DB    DB$B
00115  0133 4220526567  DB    'B Register',0
00116      ;
00117  013E CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00118  0141 06    DB    DB$C
00119  0142 4320526567  DB    'C Register',0
00120      ;
00121  014D CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00122  0150 08    DB    DB$D
00123  0151 4420526567  DB    'D Register',0
00124      ;
00125  015C CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00126  015F 0A    DB    DB$E
00127  0160 4520526567  DB    'E Register',0
00128      ;
00129  016B CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00130  016E 0C    DB    DB$H
00131  016F 4820526567  DB    'H Register',0
00132      ;
00133  017A CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00134  017D 0E    DB    DB$L
00135  017E 4C20526567  DB    'L Register',0
00200      ;#
00201      ;
00202      ;
00203  0189 CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00204  018C 18    DB    DB$M
00205  018D 08012801  DW    108H.128H        ;Dump memory
00206  0191 4D656D6F72  DB    'Memory Dump #1',0  ;Check start/end at nonmultiples
00207      ; of 10H
00208  01A0 CD5205  CALL    DB$Display       ;Call the debug routine
00209  01A3 18    DB    DB$M
00210  01A4 00011F01  DW    100H.11FH        ;Dump memory
00211  01A8 4D656D6F72  DB    'Memory Dump #2',0  ;Check start and end on displayed
00212      ; line boundaries

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00213 01B7 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00214 01BA 18          DB    DB$M
00215 01BB 01010001    DW    101H,100H   ;Dump memory
00216 01BF 4D656D6F72  DB    'Memory Dump #3',0  ;Check error handling where
00217 ;               ; start > end address
00218 01CE CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00219 01D1 18          DB    DB$M
00220 01D2 00010001    DW    100H,100H   ;Dump memory
00221 01D6 4D656D6F72  DB    'Memory Dump #4',0  ;Check end-case of single byte
00222 ;               ; output
00300 ;#               ; Test register pair display
00301 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00302 ;#               ; Call the debug routine
00303 01E5 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00304 01E8 10          DB    DB$BC
00305 01E9 4243205265  DB    'BC Register',0
00306 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00307 01F5 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00308 01F8 12          DB    DB$DE
00309 01F9 4445205265  DB    'DE Register',0
00310 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00311 0205 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00312 0208 14          DB    DB$HL
00313 0209 484C205265  DB    'HL Register',0
00314 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00315 0215 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00316 0218 16          DB    DB$SP
00317 0219 5350205265  DB    'SP Register',0
00318 ;               ; Set up registers for byte tests
00319 0225 013203      LXI   B,Byte$BC
00320 0228 113303      LXI   D,Byte$DE
00321 022B 213403      LXI   H,Byte$HL
00400 ;#               ; Test byte indirect display
00401 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00402 ;#               ; Call the debug routine
00403 022E CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00404 0231 1A          DB    DB$B$BC
00405 0232 4279746520  DB    'Byte at (BC)',0
00406 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00407 023F CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00408 0242 1C          DB    DB$B$DE
00409 0243 4279746520  DB    'Byte at (DE)',0
00410 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00411 0250 CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00412 0253 1E          DB    DB$B$HL
00413 0254 4279746520  DB    'Byte at (HL)',0
00414 ;               ; Set up the registers for word tests
00415 0261 013503      LXI   B,Word$BC
00416 0264 113703      LXI   D,Word$DE
00417 0267 213903      LXI   H,Word$HL
00418 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00419 026A CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00420 026D 20          DB    DB$W$BC
00421 026E 576F726420  DB    'Word at (BC)',0
00422 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00423 027B CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00424 027E 22          DB    DB$W$DE
00425 027F 576F726420  DB    'Word at (DE)',0
00426 ;               ; Call the debug routine
00427 028C CD5205      CALL  DB$Display
00428 028F 24          DB    DB$W$HL
00429 0290 576F726420  DB    'Word at (HL)',0
00500 ;#               ; Test DB$On/Off
00501 ;               ; Disable debug output
00502 ;               ; Display in-line message
00503 029D CD1D05      CALL  DB$Off
00504 02A0 CDD607      CALL  DB$MSGI
00505 02A3 0DDA546869  DB    ODH,0AH,'This message should NOT appear',0
00506 ;               ; Debug output has been re-enabled.
00507 02C4 CD1505      CALL  DB$On
00508 02C7 CDD607      CALL  DB$MSGI
00509 02CA 0DDA446562  DB    ODH,0AH,'Debug output has been re-enabled.',0
00600 ;#               ; Test pass count logic
00601 ;               ;
00602 ;               ;

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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00603 02EE CD1D05      CALL   DB$Off          ;Disable debug output
00604 02F1 CD2405      CALL   DB$Set$Pass     ;Set pass count
00605 02F4 1E00          DW    30
00606          ;
00607 02F6 3E22          MVI   A,34          ;Set loop counter greater than pass
00608          ;
00609          Test$Pass$Loop:
00610 02F8 CD3505      CALL   DB$Pass         ;Decrement pass count
00611 02FB CDD607      CALL   DB$MSOI        ;Display in-line message
00612 02FE 0D0A546869    DB    0DH,0AH,'This message should display 5 times',0
00613 0324 3D          DCR   A
00614 0325 C2F802      JNZ   Test$Pass$Loop
00700          ;
00701          ; Test debug input/output
00702          ;
00703 0328 CD1D05      CALL   DB$Off         ;Check that debug IN/OUT
00704          ; must still occur when debug
00705          ; output is disabled.
00706 032B E7          RST   4              ;Debug input
00707 032C 11          DB    11H            ;Port number
00708 032D EF          RST   5              ;Debug output (value return from input)
00709 032E 22          DB    22H            ;Port number
00710          ;
00711 032F C30000      JMP   0              ;Warm boot at end of testbed
00712          ;
00713          ;
00714          ; Dummy values for byte and word displays
00715 0332 BC          Byte$BC:   DB    0BCH
00716 0333 DE          Byte$DE:   DB    0DEH
00717 0334 F1          Byte$HL:  DB    0F1H
00718          ;
00719 0335 0C0B          Word$BC:  DW    0BOCH
00720 0337 0E0D          Word$DE:  DW    0DOEH
00721 0339 010F          Word$HL:  DW    0FO1H
00722          ;
00723 033B 9999999999    DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00724 034B 9999999999    DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00725 035B 9999999999    DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00726          Test$Stack:
00727          ;
00728          ;
00729          ;
00730 0400          ORG   400H          ;To avoid unnecessary listings
00731          ; when only the testbed changes
00732          ;
00800          ;
00801          ;
00802          ; Debug subroutines
00803          ;
00804          ;
00805          ; Equates for DB$Display codes
00806          ; These equates are the offsets down the table of addresses
00807          ; for various subroutines to be used.
00808          ;
00809 0000 =           DB$F   EQU   00          ;Flags
00810 0002 =           DB$A   EQU   02          ;A register
00811 0004 =           DB$B   EQU   04          ;B
00812 0006 =           DB$C   EQU   06          ;C
00813 0008 =           DB$D   EQU   08          ;D
00814 000A =           DB$E   EQU   10          ;E
00815 000C =           DB$H   EQU   12          ;H
00816 000E =           DB$L   EQU   14          ;L
00817 0010 =           DB$BC  EQU   16          ;BC
00818 0012 =           DB$DE  EQU   18          ;DE
00819 0014 =           DB$HL  EQU   20          ;HL
00820 0016 =           DB$SP  EQU   22          ;Stack pointer
00821 0018 =           DB$M   EQU   24          ;Memory
00822 001A =           DB$B$BC EQU   26          ;(BC)
00823 001C =           DB$B$DE EQU   28          ;(DE)
00824 001E =           DB$B$HL EQU   30          ;(HL)
00825 0020 =           DB$W$BC EQU   32          ;(BC+1),(BC)
00826 0022 =           DB$W$DE EQU   34          ;(DE+1),(DE)
00827 0024 =           DB$W$HL EQU   36          ;(HL+1),(HL)
00828          ;
00829          ;
00830          ; Equates
00831 0020 =           RST4  EQU   20H          ;Address for RST 4 - IN instruction

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00832 0028 = RST5 EQU 28H ;Address for RST 5 - DUT instruction
00833
00834 0001 = B$CONIN EQU 1 ;BDOS CONIN function code
00835 0002 = B$CONOUT EQU 2 ;BDOS CONOUT function code
00836 000A = B$READCONS EQU 10 ;BDOS read console function code
00837 0005 = BDOS EQU 5 ;BDOS entry point
00838 ;
00839 0000 = False EQU 0
00840 FFFF = True EQU NOT False
00841 ;
00842 ;Equates to specify how DB$CONOUT
00843 ; and DB$CONIN should perform
00844 ; their input/output
00845 0000 = DB$Polled$I0 EQU False ;)
00846 0000 = DB$BIOS$I0 EQU False ;) Only one must be true
00847 FFFF = DB$BDOS$I0 EQU True ;)
00848 ;
00849 ;Equates for polled I/O
00850 0001 = DB$Status$Port EQU 01H ;Console status port
00851 0002 = DB$Data$Port EQU 02H ;Console data port
00852 ;
00853 0002 = DB$Input$Ready EQU 0000$0010B ;Incoming data ready
00854 0001 = DB$Output$Ready EQU 0000$0001B ;Ready for output
00855 ;
00856 ;Data for BIOS I/O
00857 0400 C3 BIOS$CONIN: DB JMP ;The initialization routine sets these
00858 0401 0000 DW 0 ; two JMP addresses into the BIOS
00859 0403 C3 BIOS$CONOUT: DB JMP
00860 0404 0000 DW 0
00861 ;
00862 ; Main debug variables and constants
00863 ;
00864 0406 00 DB$Flag: DB 0 ;Main debug control flag
00865 ; When this flag is nonzero, all debug
00866 ; output will be made. When zero, all
00867 ; debug output will be suppressed.
00868 ; It is altered either directly by the user
00869 ; or using the routines DB$On, DB$Off and
00870 ; DB$Pass.
00871 ;
00872 0407 0000 DB$Pass$Count: DW 0 ;Pass counter
00873 ; When this is nonzero, calls to DB$Pass
00874 ; decrement it by one. When it reaches
00875 ; zero, the debug control flag, DB$Flag,
00876 ; is set nonzero, thereby enabling
00877 ; debug output.
00878 ;
00879 ;DB$Save$HL: ;Save area for HL
00880 0409 00 DB$Save$L: DB 0
00881 040A 00 DB$Save$H: DB 0
00882 ;
00883 040B 0000 DB$Save$SP: DW 0 ;Save area for stack pointer
00884 040D 0000 DB$Save$RA: DW 0 ;Save area for return address
00885 040F 0000 DB$Call$Address: DW 0 ;Starts out the same as DB$Save$RA
00886 ; but DB$Save$RA gets updated during
00887 ; debug processing. This value is
00888 ; output ahead of the caption
00889 ;Start address for memory display
00890 0411 0000 DB$Start$Address: DW 0
00891 0413 0000 DB$End$Address: DW 0 ;End address for memory display
00892 0413 0000 DB$Display$Code: DW 0 ;Display code requested
00893 0415 00 DB 0
00894 ;
00895 ;
00896 ;
00897 ;Stack area
00898 0416 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00899 0426 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00900 0436 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
00901 0446 00 DB$Save$E: DB 0 ;E register
00902 0447 00 DB$Save$D: DB 0 ;D register
00903 0448 00 DB$Save$C: DB 0 ;C register
00904 0449 00 DB$Save$B: DB 0 ;B register
00905 044A 00 DB$Save$F: DB 0 ;Flags
00906 044B 00 DB$Save$A: DB 0 ;A register
00907 DB$Stack: ;Debug stack area
00908 ; The registers in the stack area are PUSHed
00909 ; onto the stack and accessed directly.

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**Figure 10-2.** (Continued)

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00910      ; Register caption messages
00911      ; The table below, indexed by the Display$Code is used to access
00912      ; the register caption string.
00913      ;
00914      DB$Register$Captions:
00915
00916      044C 7204    DW   DB$F$RC      ;Flags
00917      044E 7804    DW   DB$A$RC      ;A register
00918      0450 7004    DW   DB$B$RC      ;B
00919      0452 7C04    DW   DB$C$RC      ;C
00920      0454 7E04    DW   DB$D$RC      ;D
00921      0456 8004    DW   DB$E$RC      ;E
00922      0458 8204    DW   DB$H$RC      ;H
00923      045A 8404    DW   DB$L$RC      ;L
00924      045C 8604    DW   DB$BC$RC     ;BC
00925      045E 8804    DW   DB$DE$RC     ;DE
00926      0460 8C04    DW   DB$HL$RC     ;HL
00927      0462 BF04    DW   DB$SP$RC     ;Stack pointer
00928      0464 9204    DW   DB$M$RC      ;Memory
00929      0466 A604    DW   DB$B$BC$RC    ;(BC)
00930      0468 AB04    DW   DB$B$DE$RC    ;(DE)
00931      046A B004    DW   DB$B$HL$RC    ;(HL)
00932      046C B504    DW   DB$W$BC$RC    ;(BC+1), (BC)
00933      046E C104    DW   DB$W$DE$RC    ;(DE+1), (DE)
00934      0470 CD04    DW   DB$W$HL$RC    ;(HL+1), (HL)
00935
00936      ;
00937      0472 466C616773DB$F$RC:  DB   'Flags',0   ;Flags
00938      0478 4100    DB$A$RC:    DB   'A',0      ;A register
00939      047A 4200    DB$B$RC:    DB   'B',0      ;B
00940      047C 4300    DB$C$RC:    DB   'C',0      ;C
00941      047E 4400    DB$D$RC:    DB   'D',0      ;D
00942      0480 4500    DB$E$RC:    DB   'E',0      ;E
00943      0482 4800    DB$H$RC:    DB   'H',0      ;H
00944      0484 4C00    DB$L$RC:    DB   'L',0      ;L
00945      0486 424300  DB$BC$RC:  DB   'BC',0      ;BC
00946      0489 444500  DB$DE$RC:  DB   'DE',0      ;DE
00947      048C 484C00  DB$HL$RC:  DB   'HL',0      ;HL
00948      048F 535000  DB$SP$RC:  DB   'SP',0      ;Stack pointer
00949      0492 5374617274DB$M$RC: DB   'Start, End Address ',0 ;Memory
00950      04A6 2842432900DB$B$BC$RC: DB   '(BC)',0   ;(BC)
00951      04AB 2844452900DB$B$DE$RC: DB   '(DE)',0   ;(DE)
00952      04B0 28484C2900DB$B$HL$RC: DB   '(HL)',0   ;(HL)
00953      04B5 2842432B31DB$W$BC$RC: DB   '(BC+1), (BC)',0 ;(BC+1), (BC)
00954      04C1 2844452B31DB$W$DE$RC: DB   '(DE+1), (DE)',0 ;(DE+1), (DE)
00955      04CD 28484C2B31DB$W$HL$RC: DB   '(HL+1), (HL)',0 ;(HL+1), (HL)
00956
00957      ; Flags message
00958      ;
00959      04D9 43785A784DB$Flags$Msg: DB   'CxZxMxExIx',0 ;Compatible with DDT's display
00960      ;
00961      ; Flags masks used to test user's flag byte
00962      ;
00963      DB$Flag$Masks:
00964      04E4 01      DB   0000$0001B   ;Carry
00965      04E5 40      DB   0100$0000B   ;Zero
00966      04E6 80      DB   1000$0000B   ;Minus
00967      04E7 04      DB   0000$0100B   ;Even parity
00968      04EB 10      DB   0001$0000B   ;Interdigit carry (aux carry)
00969      04E9 00      DB   0           ;Terminator
01100      ;#
01101      ; DB$Init
01102      ; This routine initializes the debug package.
01103      ;
01104      DB$Init:
01105      IF   DB$BIOS$IO      ;Use BIOS for CONIN/CONOUT
01106      LHLD 1          ;Get warm boot address from base
01107
01108      MVI  L,09H      ;Page. H = BIOS jump vector page
01109      SHLD BIOS$CONIN + i ;Get CONIN offset in jump vector
01110      MVI  L,0CH      ;Set up address
01111      SHLD BIOS$CONOUT + i ;Get CONOUT offset in jump vector
01112      ENDIF
01113
01114      ;Set up JMP instructions to receive control
01115      ; When an RST instruction is executed
01116      04EA 3EC3      MVI  A,JMP    ;Set JMP instructions at RST points

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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01117 04EC 322000      STA    RST4
01118 04EF 322A00      STA    RSTS
01119 04F2 211A08      LXI    H,DB$Input   ;Address of fake input routine
01120 04F5 222100      SHLD   RST4 + 1
01121 04FB 216C08      LXI    H,DB$Output  ;Address of fake output routine
01122 04FB 222900      SHLD   RSTS + 1
01123
01124 04FE C9          RET
01200 ;#
01201 ;
01202 ; This routine returns the next character from the console,
01203 ; but converting "a" to "z" to uppercase letters.
01204 ;
01205 DB$CONINU:
01206 04FF CD0505      CALL   DB$CONIN    ;Get character from keyboard
01207 0502 C31B09      JMP    DB$A$To$Upper ;Fold to upper and return
01300 ;#
01301 ;
01302 ; This routine returns the next character from the console.
01303 ; According to the setting of equates, it uses simple
01304 ; polled I/O, the BDOS (function 2) or the BIOS.
01305 ;
01306 ;
01307 ;
01308 ; A = character from console
01309 ;
01310 DB$CONIN:
01311 IF    DB$Polled$IO      ;Simple polled input
01312 IN    DB$Status$Port   ;Check if incoming data
01313 ANI   DB$Input$Ready
01314 JZ    DB$CONIN
01315 IN    DB$Data$Port     ;No
01316 PUSH  PSW             ;Input data character
01317 MOV   C,A              ;Save data character
01318 CALL   DB$CONOUT      ;Ready for output
01319 POP   PSW             ;Echo it back
01320 RET
01321 ENDIF
01322
01323 IF    DB$BDOS$IO      ;Use BDOS for input
01324 0505 0E01      MVI   C,B$CONIN   ;Read console
01325 0507 C30500      JMP   BDOS        ;BDOS returns to our caller
01326 ENDIF
01327
01328 IF    DB$BIOS$IO      ;Use BIOS for input
01329 JMP   BIOS$CONIN    ;This was set up during BIOS
01330 ; initialization
01331 ENDIF
01332
01400 ;#
01401 ;
01402 ; DB$CONOUT
01403 ; This routine outputs the character in the C register to the
01404 ; console, using simple polled I/O, the BDOS or the BIOS.
01405 ;
01406 ; Entry parameters
01407 ; A = byte to be output
01408 DB$CONOUT:
01409 050A 3A0604      LDA    DB$Flag    ;Check if debug output enabled
01410 050D B7          ORA    A           ;Ignore output if disabled
01411 050E C8          RZ
01412
01413 IF    DB$Polled$IO      ;Use simple polled output
01414 IN    DB$Status$Port   ;Check if ready for output
01415 ANI   DB$Output$Ready
01416 JZ    DB$CONOUT      ;No
01417 MOV   A,C              ;Get data byte
01418 OUT   DB$Data$Port
01419 RET
01420 ENDIF
01421
01422 050F 59          IF    DB$BDOS$IO  ;Use BDOS for output
01423 MOV   E,C              ;Move into correct register
01424 0510 0E02      MVI   C,B$CONOUT ;BDOS returns to our caller
01425 0512 C30500      JMP   BDOS
01426 ENDIF
01427
01428 IF    DB$BIOS$IO      ;Use BIOS for output

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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01429          MOV    A,C           ;Move into correct register
01430          JMP    BIOS$CONOUT   ;Set up during debug initialization
01431          ENDIF
01500          ;#
01501          ;
01502          ; DB$On
01503          ; This routine enables all debug output by setting the
01504          ; DB$Flag nonzero.
01505          ;
01506          DB$On:
01507          0515 F5      PUSH   PSW           ;Preserve registers
01508          0516 3EFF      MVI    A,OFFH
01509          0518 320604    STA    DB$Flag
01510          051B F1      POP    PSW           ;Set control flag on
01511          051C C9      RET
01600          ;#
01601          ;
01602          ; DB$Off
01603          ; This routine disables all debug output by setting the
01604          ; DB$Flag to zero.
01605          ;
01606          DB$Off:
01607          051D F5      PUSH   PSW           ;Preserve registers
01608          051E AF      XRA    A
01609          051F 320604    STA    DB$Flag
01610          0522 F1      POP    PSW           ;Clear control flag
01611          0523 C9      RET
01700          ;#
01701          ;
01702          ; DB$Set$Pass
01703          ; This routine sets the pass counter. Subsequent calls to DB$Pass
01704          ; decrement the count, and when it reaches 0, debug output
01705          ; is enabled.
01706          ;
01707          ; Calling sequence
01708          ;
01709          ;          CALL    DB$Set$Pass
01710          ;          DW     Pass$Count$Value
01711          ;
01712          DB$Set$Pass:
01713          0524 220904    SHLD   DB$Save$HL      ;Preserve user's HL
01714          0527 E1      POP    H             ;Recover return address
01715          0528 D5      PUSH   D             ;Preserve user's DE
01716          0529 5E      MOV    E,M            ;Get LS byte of count
01717          052A 23      INX    H             ;Update pointer
01718          052B 56      MOV    D,M            ;Get MS byte
01719          052C 23      INX    H             ;HL points to return address
01720          052D EB      XCHG   H             ;HL = pass counter
01721          052E 220704    SHLD   DB$Pass$Count
01722          0531 EB      XCHG   H             ;Set debug pass counter
01723          0532 D1      POP    D             ;HL points to return address
01724          0533 E3      XTHL   H             ;Recover user's DE
01725          ;          ;Recover user's HL and set
01726          0534 C9      RET
01800          ;#
01801          ;
01802          ; DB$Pass
01803          ; This routine decrements the debug pass counter -
01804          ; if the result is negative, it takes no further action.
01805          ; If the result is zero, it sets the debug control flag nonzero
01806          ; to enable debug output.
01807          ;
01808          DB$Pass:
01809          0535 F5      PUSH   PSW           ;Save user's registers
01810          0536 E5      PUSH   H             ;Get pass count
01811          0537 2A0704    LHLD   DB$Pass$Count
01812          053A 2B      DCX    H             ;Check if count now negative
01813          053B 7C      MOV    A,H            ;OR
01814          053C B7      ORA    A
01815          053D FA4705    JM    DB$Pass$X
01816          0540 220704    SHLD   DB$Pass$Count
01817          0543 B5      ORA    L             ;Yes, take no further action
01818          0544 CA4A05    JZ    DB$Pass$ED
01819          ;          DB$Pass$X:
01820          0547 E1      POP    H             ;Save downdated count
01821          0548 F1      POP    PSW           ;Check if count now zero
01822          0549 C9      RET

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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01823      ; DB$Pass$Ed:          ;Enable debug
01824      MVI    A,OFFH
01825      054A 3EFF           STA    DB$Flag        ;Set debug control flag
01826      054C 320604
01827      054F C34705         JMP    DB$Pass$x
01900      ;#
01901      ;
01902      ; DB$Display
01903      ; This is the primary debug display routine.
01904      ;
01905      ; Calling sequence
01906      ;
01907      ; CALL   DB$Display
01908      ; DB     Display$Code
01909      ; DB     'Caption String',0
01910      ;
01911      ; Display code identifies which register(s) are to be
01912      ; displayed.
01913      ;
01914      ; When the display code specifies a block of memory
01915      ; the sequence is:
01916      ;
01917      ; CALL   DB$Display
01918      ; DB     Display$Code
01919      ; DW     Start$Address,End$Address
01920      ; DB     'Caption String',0
01921      ;
01922      DB$Display:
01923      ;
01924      DB$Display$Enabled:
01925      0552 220904          SHLD   DB$Save$HL       ;Save user's HL
01926      ;
01927      0555 E3              XTHL   DB$Save$RA       ;Get return address from stack
01928      0556 220D04          SHLD   DB$Save$RA       ;This gets updated by debug code
01929      0559 E5              PUSH   H             ;Save return address temporarily
01930      055A 2B              DCX    H             ;Subtract 3 to address call instruction
01931      055B 2B              DCX    H             ; itself
01932      055C 2B              DCX    H
01933      055D 220F04          SHLD   DB$Call$Address ;Save actual address of CALL
01934      0560 E1              POP    H             ;Recover return address
01935      ;
01936      0561 F5              PUSH   PSW           ;Temporarily save flags to avoid
01937      ; them being changed by DAD SP
01938      0562 210000          LXI    H,0           ;Preserve stack pointer
01939      0565 39              DAD    SP
01940      0566 23              INX    H             ;Correct for extra PUSH PSW needed
01941      0567 23              INX    H             ; to save the flags
01942      0568 220B04          SHLD   DB$Save$SP       ;Recover flags
01943      056B F1              POP    PSW
01944      ;
01945      056C 314C04          LXI    SP,DB$Stack    ;Switch to local stack
01946      ;
01947      056F F5              PUSH   PSW           ;Save other user's registers
01948      0570 C5              PUSH   B             ;The stack area is specially laid
01949      0571 D5              PUSH   D             ; out to access these registers
01950      ;
01951      0572 2A0D04          LHLD   DB$Save$RA       ;Get return address
01952      0575 7E              MOV    A,M           ;Get display code
01953      0576 321504          STA    DB$Display$Code
01954      0579 23              INX    H             ;Update return address
01955      ;
01956      057A FE18          CPI    DB$M           ;Check if memory to be displayed
01957      057C C29105          JNZ    DB$Not$Memory
01958      057F 5E              MOV    E,M           ;Get DE = start address
01959      0580 23              INX    H
01960      0581 56              MOV    D,M           ;DE = end address
01961      0582 23              INX    H
01962      0583 EB              XCHG   ;HL = start address
01963      0584 221104          SHLD   DB$Start$Address
01964      0587 EB              XCHG   ;HL -> end address
01965      0588 5E              MOV    E,M           ;Get DE = end address
01966      0589 23              INX    H
01967      058A 56              MOV    D,M           ;DE = end address, DE -> caption
01968      058B 23              INX    H
01969      058C EB              XCHG   ;HL = end address, DE -> caption
01970      058D 221304          SHLD   DB$End$Address
01971      0590 EB              XCHG   ;HL -> caption string

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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01972          DB$Not$Memory:
01973          ;
01974          ;      Output preamble and caption string
01975          ;      The format for everything except memory display is:
01976          ;
01977          ;      nnnn : Caption String : RC = vvvv
01978          ;      ^           ^           |
01979          ;      Call Address       Value
01980          ;      Register Caption (A, B, C...)
01981          ;
01982          ;      A carriage return, line feed is output at the start of the
01983          ;      message - but NOT at the end.
01984          ;
01985          ;      Memory displays look like :
01986          ;
01987          ;      nnnn : Caption String : Start, End ssss, eeee
01988          ;      ssss : hh : cccc cccc cccc cccc
01989          ;
01990
01991 0591 E5      PUSH   H          ;Save pointer to caption string
01992 0592 CDC107    CALL    DB$CRLF  ;Display carriage return, line feed
01993 0595 CD7C07    CALL    DB$Display$CALLA ;Display DB$Call$Address in hex.
01994
01995 0598 E1      POP    H          ;Recover pointer to caption string
01996          DB$Display$Caption: ;HL -> caption string
01997 0599 7E      MOV    A,M        ;Get character
01998 059A 23      INX    H          ;
01999 059B B7      ORA    A          ;Check if end of string
02000 059C CAA805    JZ    DB$End$Caption ;Yes
02001
02002 059F E5      PUSH   H          ;Save string pointer
02003 05A0 4F      MOV    C,A        ;Ready for output
02004 05A1 CDD0A05    CALL    DB$CONOUT ;Display character
02005 05A4 E1      POP    H          ;Recover string pointer
02006 05A5 C39905    JMP    DB$Display$Caption ;Go back for next character
02007
02008          DB$End$Caption: ;Save updated return address
02009 05A8 220D04    SHLD   DB$Save$RA
02010
02011 05AB CDCB07    CALL    DB$Colon ;Display ' : '
02012
02013
02014 05AE 3A1504    LDA    DB$Display$Code ;Display register caption
02015 05B1 5F      MOV    E,A        ;Get user's display code
02016 05B2 1600    MVI    D,O        ;Make display code into word
02017 05B4 D5      PUSH   D          ;Save word value for later
02018
02019 05B5 FE18    CPI    DB$M    ;Memory display is a special case
02020 05B7 CACF05    JZ    DB$Display$Mem$Caption ;Yes
02021
02022 05BA 214C04    LXI    H,DB$Register$Captions ;Make pointer to address in table
02023 05BD 19      DAD    D          ;HL -> word containing address of
02024          ;register caption
02025 05BE 5E      MOV    E,M        ;Get LS byte of address
02026 05BF 23      INX    H          ;
02027 05C0 56      MOV    D,M        ;DE -> register caption string
02028 05C1 EB      XCHG   DE,HL    ;HL -> register caption string.
02029 05C2 CDEE07    CALL    DB$MSG  ;Display message addressed by HL
02030
02031 05C5 CDD607    CALL    DB$MSGI ;Display in-line message
02032 05C8 203D2000    DB    ' ',0
02033 05CC C3ED05    JMP    DB$Select$Routine ;Go to correct Processor
02034
02035          DB$Display$Mem$Captions: ;The memory display requires a special
02036          ;caption with the start and end
02037          ;addresses
02038 05CF 219204    LXI    H,DB$M$RC ;Display specific caption
02039 05D2 CDEE07    CALL    DB$MSG
02040 05D5 CDCB07    CALL    DB$Colon ;Display ' : '
02041
02042 05D8 2A1104    LHLD   DB$Start$Address ;Display start address
02043 05DB CD8707    CALL    DB$DHLL  ;Display HL in hex.
02044
02045 05DE CDD607    CALL    DB$MSGI ;Display in-line message
02046 05E1 2C2000    DB    ' ',0
02047
02048 05E4 2A1304    LHLD   DB$End$Address ;Get end address

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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02049 05E7 C08707      CALL   DB$DHLH          ;Display HL in hex.
02050 05EA CDC107      CALL   DB$CRLF          ;Display carriage return, line feed
02051
02052           DB$Select$Routine:
02053 05ED D1          POP    D               ;Drop into select routine
02054 05EE 210A06      LXI    H,DB$Display$Table ;Recover word value Display$Code
02055 05F1 19          DAD    D               ;HL -> address of code to process
02056
02057 05F2 5E          MOV    E,M             ;display requirements
02058 05F3 23          INX    H               ;Get LS byte of address
02059 05F4 56          MOV    D,M             ;Update pointer
02060 05F5 EB          XCHG   D               ;Get MS byte of address
02061
02062 05F6 11FB05      LXI    D,DB$Exit        ;HL -> code
02063 05F9 D5          PUSH   D               ;Fake link on stack
02064 05FA E9          PCHL   D               ;"CALL" display processor
02065
02066           DB$Exit:
02067 05FB D1          POP    D               ;Return to the user
02068 05FC C1          POP    B               ;Recover user's registers saved
02069 05FD F1          POP    PSW             ; on local debug stack
02070 05FE 2A0B04      LHLD   DB$Save$SP       ;Revert to user's stack
02071 0601 F9          SPHL   D               ;Get updated return address (bypasses
02072 0602 2A0D04      LHLD   DB$Save$RA       ; in-line parameters)
02073
02074 0605 E3          XTHL   D               ;Replace on top of user's stack
02075 0606 2A0904      LHLD   DB$Save$HL       ;Get user's HL
02076 0609 C9          RET    D               ;Transfer to correct return address
02077
02078
02079           DB$Display$Table:
02080 060A 3006      DW    DP$F             ;Flags
02081 060C 5406      DW    DP$A             ;A register
02082 060E 5A06      DW    DP$B             ;B
02083 0610 6006      DW    DP$C             ;C
02084 0612 6606      DW    DP$D             ;D
02085 0614 6C06      DW    DP$E             ;E
02086 0616 7206      DW    DP$H             ;H
02087 0618 7806      DW    DP$L             ;L
02088 061A 7E06      DW    DP$BC            ;BC
02089 061C 8406      DW    DP$DE            ;DE
02090 061E 8A06      DW    DP$HL            ;HL
02091 0620 9006      DW    DP$SP            ;Stack pointer
02092 0622 9606      DW    DP$M             ;Memory
02093 0624 4907      DW    DP$B$BC          ;(BC)
02094 0626 5007      DW    DP$B$DE          ;(DE)
02095 0628 5707      DW    DP$W$HL          ;(HL)
02096 062A 5E07      DW    DP$W$BC          ;(BC+1),(BC)
02097 062C 6807      DW    DP$W$DE          ;(DE+1),(DE)
02098 062E 7207      DW    DP$W$HL          ;(HL+1),(HL)
02200
02201
02202
02203           DP$F:          ;Flags
02204
02205           ;The flags are displayed in the same way that
02206 0630 3A4A04      LDA    DB$Save$F       ;DDT uses: C1ZOMOEIO
02207 0633 47          MOV    B,A             ;Get flags
02208 0634 21DA04      LXI    H,DB$Flags$Msg + 1 ;Preserve copy
02209 0637 11E404      LXI    D,DB$Flag$Mask$ ;HL -> first 0/1 in message
02210           DB$F$Next:
02211 063A 1A          LDAX   D               ;DE -> table of flag mask values
02212 063B B7          ORA    A               ;Get next flag mask
02213 063C CA4E06      JZ    DB$F$Display     ;Check if end of table
02214
02215 063F A0          ANA    B               ;Yes, display the results
02216 0640 3E31      MVI    A,'1'            ;Check if this flag is set
02217 0642 C24706      JNZ    DB$F$NZ          ;Assume yes
02218 0645 3E30      MVI    A,'0'            ;Yes, it is set
02219           DB$F$NZ:
02220 0647 77          MOV    M,A             ;No, it is clear
02221 0648 23          INX    H               ;Store '0' or '1' in message text
02222 0649 23          INX    H               ;Update pointer to next 0/1
02223 064A 13          INX    D               ;Update flag mask pointer
02224 064B C33A06      JMP    DB$F$Next
02225
02226 064E 21D904      DB$F$Display:    LXI    H,DB$Flags$Msg ;Display results

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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02227 0651 C3EE07 , JMP DB$MSG ;Display message and return
02228 , DP$A: LDA DB$Save$A ;A register
02229 0654 3A4B04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02230 0657 C39107 ;Display it and return
02231 , DP$B: LDA DB$Save$B ;B
02232 065D C39107 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02233 ;Display it and return
02234 065A 3A4904 , DP$C: LDA DB$Save$C ;C
02235 0663 C39107 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02236 ;Display it and return
02237 , DP$D: LDA DB$Save$D ;D
02238 0660 3A4B04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02239 0663 C39107 ;Display it and return
02240 , DP$E: LDA DB$Save$E ;E
02241 0666 3A4704 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02242 0669 C39107 ;Display it and return
02243 , DP$F: LHD DB$Save$F ;F
02244 066C 3A4604 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02245 066F C39107 ;Display it and return
02246 , DP$G: LHD DB$Save$G ;G
02247 0672 3A0A04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02248 0675 C39107 ;Display it and return
02249 , DP$H: LHD DB$Save$H ;H
02250 0672 3A0A04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02251 0675 C39107 ;Display it and return
02252 , DP$I: LHD DB$Save$I ;I
02253 0678 3A0904 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved value
02254 067B C39107 ;Display it and return
02255 , DP$J: LHD DB$Save$J ;J
02256 067E 2A4B04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02257 0681 C38707 ;Display it and return
02258 , DP$K: LHLD DB$Save$K ;K
02259 0684 2A4604 JMP DB$DHLH ;Get saved word value
02260 0687 C38707 ;Display it and return
02261 , DP$L: LHLD DB$Save$L ;L
02262 068A 2A0904 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02263 068D C38707 ;Display it and return
02264 , DP$M: LHLD DB$Save$M ;M
02265 068A 2A0904 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02266 068D C38707 ;Display it and return
02267 , DP$N: LHLD DB$Save$N ;N
02268 0690 2A0B04 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02269 0693 C38707 ;Display it and return
02270 , DP$O: LHLD DB$Save$O ;O
02271 0696 2A1304 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02272 0699 23 ;Display it and return
02273 , DP$P: LHLD DB$Save$P ;P
02274 069A 221304 JMP DB$DAH ;Get saved word value
02275 069A 221304 ;Display it and return
02276 , DP$Q: LHLD DB$Start$Address ;Memory
02277 06A0 CD3A07 CALL DB$M$Check$End ;Increment end address to make
02278 06A3 DAD106 INX H ;Compare HL to End$Address
02279 06A6 CDD607 JC DB$M$Address$OK ;End > start
02280 06A9 ODOA2A2A20 CALL DB$MSOI ;Error start > end
02281 06CD C9 RET ODH,0AH,'** ERROR - Start Address > End **',0
02282 , DB$MSNext$Line: LHLD DB$Start$Address
02283 06CE CDC107 CALL DB$CRLF ;Output carriage return, line feed
02284 , DB$M$Address$OK: CALL DB$MSGI ;Bypass CR,LF for first line
02285 06D1 CDD607 DB ,0 ;Indent line
02286 06D4 202000 LHLD DB$Start$Address ;Get start of line address
02287 06DA CDB707 CALL DB$DHLH ;Display in hex
02288 , DB$MSNext$Hex$Byte: CALL DB$Colon ;Display ' : '
02289 06E0 2A1104 LHLD DB$Start$Address
02290 06E3 E5 PUSH H ;Save memory address
02291 06E4 CDD007 CALL DB$Blank ;Output a blank
02292 06E7 E1 POP H ;Recover current byte address
02293 06E8 7E MOV A,M ;Get byte from memory
02294 06E9 23 INX H ;Update memory pointer
02295 06EA E5 PUSH H ;Save for later
02296 06EB CD9107 CALL DB$DAH ;Display in hex.
02297 06EE E1 POP H ;Recover memory updated address

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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02305 06EF CD3A07    CALL  DB$M$Check$End      ;Compare HL vs. end address
02306 06F2 CAFE06    JZ   DB$M$Display$ASCII    ;Yes, end of area
02307 06F5 7D         MOV   A,L                 ;Check if at start of new line,
02308 06F6 E60F         ANI  0000$1111B       ; (is address XXXOH?)?
02309 06F8 CAFE06    JZ   DB$M$Display$ASCII    ;Yes
02310 06FB C3E306    JMP  DB$M$Next$Hex$Byte    ;No, loop back for another
02311
02312           DB$M$Display$ASCII:             ;Display bytes in ASCII
02313 06FE CDC807    CALL  DB$Colon            ;Display ':'
02314 0701 2A1104    LHLD  DB$Start$Address    ;Start ASCII as beginning of line
02315
02316 0704 7E         MOV   A,M                 ;Get byte from memory
02317 0705 E5         PUSH  H                 ;Save memory address
02318 0706 E67F         ANI  0111$1111B       ;Remove parity
02319 0708 4F         MOV   C,A                 ;Prepare for output
02320 0709 FE20         CPI  ','                ;Check if non-graphic
02321 070B D21007    JNC   DB$M$Display$Char    ;Char > space
02322 070E OE2E         MVI  C,'.'              ;Display non-graphic as '.'
02323
02324 0710 FE7F         DB$M$Display$Char:     ;Check if DEL (may be non-graphic)
02325 0712 C21707    CPI  7FH                ;No, it is graphic
02326 0715 0E2E         JNZ   DB$M$Not$DEL      ;Force to '.'
02327
02328           DB$M$Not$DEL:             ;Display character
02329 0717 C00A05    CALL  DB$CONOUT        ;Recover memory address
02330 071A E1         POP   H                 ;Update memory pointer
02331 071B 23         INX   H                 ;Update memory copy
02332 071C 221104    SHLD  DB$Start$Address    ;Check if end of memory dump
02333 071F CD3A07    CALL  DB$M$Check$End      ;Yes, done
02334 0722 CA3707    JZ   DB$M$Exit          ;Check if end of line
02335 0725 7D         MOV   A,L                 ; by checking address = XXXOH
02336 0726 E60F         ANI  0000$1111B       ;Yes, start next line
02337 0728 CACE06    JZ   DB$M$Next$Line      ;Check if extra blank needed
02338 072B 7D         MOV   A,L                 ; if address is multiple of 4
02339 072C E603         ANI  0000$0011B       ;No -- go back for next character
02340 072E C20407    JNZ   DB$M$Next$ASCII$Byte  ;Yes, output blank
02341 0731 CDD007    CALL  DB$Blank          ;Go back for next character
02342 0734 C30407    JMP  DB$M$Next$ASCII$Byte
02343
02344
02345           DB$M$Exit:             ;Output carriage return, line feed
02346 0737 C3C107    JMP  DB$CRLF          ; and return
02347
02348           DB$M$Check$End:        ;Compares HL vs End$Address
02349
02350 073A D5         PUSH  D                 ;Save DE (defensive programming)
02351 073B EB         XCHG  D                 ;DE = current address
02352 073C 2A1304    LHLD  DB$End$Address    ;Get end address
02353 073F 7A         MOV   A,D                 ;Compare MS bytes
02354 0740 BC         CMP   H                 ;Compare LS bytes
02355 0741 C24607    JNZ   DB$M$Check$End$X  ;Exit now as they are unequal
02356 0744 7B         MOV   A,E
02357 0745 BD         CMP   L
02358           DB$M$Check$End$X:        ;HL = current address
02359 0746 EB         XCHG  D
02360 0747 D1         POP   D                 ;Recover DE
02361 0748 C9         RET
02362
02363           DP*B$BC:             ;(BC)
02364 0749 2A4804    LHLD  DB$Save$C          ;Get saved word value
02365 074C 7E         MOV   A,M                 ;Get byte addressed by it
02366 074D C39107    JMP  DB$DAH          ;Display it and return
02367
02368           DP*B$DE:             ;(DE)
02369 0750 2A4604    LHLD  DB$Save$E          ;Get saved word value
02370 0753 7E         MOV   A,M                 ;Get byte addressed by it
02371 0754 C39107    JMP  DB$DAH          ;Display it and return
02372
02373           DP*B$HL:             ;(HL)
02374 0757 2A0904    LHLD  DB$Save$HL         ;Get saved word value
02375 075A 7E         MOV   A,M                 ;Get byte addressed by it
02376 075B C39107    JMP  DB$DAH          ;Display it and return
02377
02378           DP*W$BC:             ;(BC+1),(BC)
02379 075E 2A4804    LHLD  DB$Save$C          ;Get saved word value
02380 0761 5E         MOV   E,M                 ;Get word addressed by it
02381 0762 23         INX   H

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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02382 0763 56      MOV D,M
02383 0764 EB      XCHG
02384 0765 C38707  JMP DB$DHLH ;HL = word to be displayed
02385 ;             ;Display it and return
02386 DP$W$DE:      ;(DE+1),(DE)
02387 0768 2A4604  LHLD DB$Save$E ;Get saved word value
02388 076B 5E      MOV E,M      ;Get word addressed by it
02389 076C 23      INX H
02390 076D 56      MOV D,M
02391 076E EB      XCHG
02392 076F C38707  JMP DB$DHLH ;HL = word to be displayed
02393 ;             ;Display it and return
02394 DP$W$HLI:      ;(HL+1),(HL)
02395 0772 2A0904  LHLD DB$Save$HL ;Get saved word value
02396 0775 5E      MOV E,M      ;Get word addressed by it
02397 0776 23      INX H
02398 0777 56      MOV D,M
02399 0778 EB      XCHG
02400 0779 C38707  JMP DB$DHLH ;HL = word to be displayed
02401 ;             ;Display it and return
02402 ;#
02403 ;             DB$Display$CALLA
02404 ;             This routine displays the DB$Call$Address in hexadecimal,
02405 ;             followed by " : ".
02406 ;             DB$Display$CALLA:
02407 077C E5      PUSH H      ;Save caller's HL
02408 077D 2A0F04  LHLD DB$Call$Address ;Get the call address
02409 0780 C38707  CALL DB$DHLH ;Display HL in hex.
02410 0783 E1      POP H       ;Recover caller's HL
02411 0784 C3C807  JMP DB$Colon ;Display " :" and return
02412 ;#
02413 ;             DB$DHLH
02414 ;             Display HL in hex.
02415 ;             Entry parameters
02416 ;#
02417 ;             HL = value to be displayed
02418 ;#
02419 DB$DHLH:      ;Entry parameters
02420 0787 E5      PUSH H      ;Save input value
02421 0788 7C      MOV A,H      ;Get MS byte first
02422 0789 C09107  CALL DB$DAH ;Display A in hex.
02423 078C E1      POP H       ;Recover input value
02424 078D 7D      MOV A,L      ;Get LS byte
02425 078E C39107  JMP DB$DAH ;Display it and return
02426 ;#
02427 ;#
02428 ;             DB$DAH
02429 ;             Display A register in hexadecimal
02430 ;#
02431 ;             Entry parameters
02432 ;#
02433 ;             A = value to be converted and output
02434 ;#
02435 DB$DAH:       ;Entry parameters
02436 0791 F5      PUSH PSW     ;Take a copy of the value to be converted
02437 0792 0F      RRC          ;Shift A right four places
02438 0793 0F      RRC
02439 0794 0F      RRC
02440 0795 0F      RRC
02441 0796 CDB407  CALL DB$Nibble$To$Hex ;Convert LS 4 bits to ASCII
02442 0799 C00A05  CALL DB$CONOUT ;Display the character
02443 079C F1      POP PSW     ;Get original value again
02444 079D CDB407  CALL DB$Nibble$To$Hex ;Convert LS 4 bits to ASCII
02445 07A0 C30A05  JMP DB$CONOUT ;Display and return to caller
02446 ;#
02447 ;#
02448 DB$CAH:       ;Entry parameters
02449 ;#
02450 ;             Convert A register to hexadecimal ASCII and store in
02451 ;             specified address.
02452 ;#
02453 ;             Entry parameters
02454 ;#

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**Figure 10-2.** (Continued)

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02808      ;          A = value to be converted and output
02809      ;          HL -> buffer area to receive two characters of output
02810      ;
02811      ;          Exit parameters
02812      ;
02813      ;          HL -> byte following last hex.byte output
02814      ;
02815      DB$CAH:
02816 07A3 F5      PUSH   PSW           ;Take a copy of the value to be converted
02817 07A4 OF      RRC    M,A           ;Shift A right four places
02818 07A5 OF      RRC    H             ;
02819 07A6 OF      RRC    PSW           ;
02820 07A7 OF      RRC    DB$Nibble$To$Hex  ;Convert to ASCII hex.
02821 07AB CDB407  CALL    M,A           ;Save in memory
02822 07AB 77      INX    H             ;Update pointer
02823 07AC 23      POP    PSW           ;
02824 07AD F1      CALL    DB$Nibble$To$Hex  ;Get original value again
02825 07AE CDB407  CALL    M,A           ;Convert to ASCII hex.
02826 07B1 77      INX    H             ;Save in memory
02827 07B2 23      RET    DB$CAH         ;Update pointer
02828 07B3 C9      RET    ;

02900      ;#
02901      ;
02902      ;          Minor subroutines
02903      ;
02904      ;
02905      ;          DB$Nibble$To$Hex
02906      ;          This is a minor subroutine that converts the least
02907      ;          significant four bits of the A register into an ASCII
02908      ;          hex. character in A and C
02909      ;
02910      ;          Entry parameters
02911      ;
02912      ;          A = nibble to be converted in LS 4 bits
02913      ;
02914      ;          Exit parameters
02915      ;
02916      ;          A,C = ASCII hex. character
02917      ;
02918      DB$Nibble$To$Hex:
02919 07B4 E60F      ANI    0000$1111B  ;Isolate LS four bits
02920 07B6 C630      ADI    '0'           ;Convert to ASCII
02921 07B8 FE3A      CPI    '?' + 1    ;Compare to maximum
02922 07BA DABF07  JC    DB$NTH$Numeric  ;No need to convert to A -> F
02923 07BD C607      ADI    7             ;Convert to a letter
02924      DB$NTH$Numeric:
02925 07BF 4F      MOV    C,A           ;For convenience of other routines
02926 07C0 C9      RET    ;

02927      ;
02928      ;
02929      ;          DB$CRLF
02930      ;          Simple routine to display carriage return, line feed.
02931      ;
02932      ;
02933      DB$CRLF:
02934 07C1 CDD607  CALL    DB$MSGI       ;Display in-line message
02935 07C4 0D0A00  DB    ODH,0AH,0
02936 07C7 C9      RET    ;
02937      ;
02938      ;          DB$Colon
02939      ;          Simple routine to display ':'.
02940      ;
02941      DB$Colon:
02942 07C8 CDD607  CALL    DB$MSGI       ;Display in-line message
02943 07CB 203A2000 DB    ':',0
02944 07CF C9      RET    ;
02945      ;
02946      ;          DB$Blank
02947      ;          Simple routine to display ' '.
02948      ;
02949      DB$Blank:
02950 07D0 CDD607  CALL    DB$MSGI       ;Display in-line message
02951 07D3 2000  DB    ' ',0
02952 07D5 C9      RET    ;
03100      ;#
03101      ;
03102      ;          Message Processing subroutines

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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03103      ; DB$MSGI (message in-line)
03104      ; Output null-byte terminated message that follows the
03105      ; CALL to MSGOUTI
03106      ;
03107      ;
03108      ; Calling sequence
03109      ;
03110      ;      CALL    DB$MSGI
03111      ;      DB     'Message',0
03112      ;      ... next instruction
03113      ;
03114      ; Exit parameters
03115      ;      HL -> instruction following message
03116      ;
03117      ;
03118      DB$MSGI:
03119      ;      DB$MSGI:          ;Get return address of stack, save
03120      ;      07D6 E3           XTHL   ; user's HL on top of stack
03121      ;      PUSH   PSW       ;HL -> message
03122      ;      PUSH   B
03123      ;      PUSH   D
03124      ;      DB$MSGI$Next:
03125      ;      07D7 F5           MOV    A,M       ;Get next data byte
03126      ;      07DB C5           INX    H         ;Update message pointer
03127      ;      07D9 D5           ORA    A         ;Check if null byte
03128      ;      07DA 7E           JNZ    DB$MSGIC  ;No, continue
03129      ;      07DC B7           RET
03130      ;      07DD C2E507        DB$MSGIC:          ;Recover user's registers
03131      ;      07E0 D1           POP    D
03132      ;      07E1 C1           POP    B
03133      ;      07E2 F1           POP    PSW
03134      ;      07E3 E3           XTHL
03135      ;      07E4 C9           RET
03136      ;      DB$MSGIC:          ;Recover user's HL from stack, replacing
03137      ;      it with updated return address
03138      ;      DB$MSGIC:          ;Return to address after 00-byte
03139      ;      ; after in-line message
03140      ;      07E5 E5           PUSH   H       ;Save message pointer
03141      ;      07E6 4F           MOV    C,A       ;Ready for output
03142      ;      07E7 CD0A05        CALL   DB$CONOUT
03143      ;      07EA E1           POP    H       ;Recover message pointer
03144      ;      07EB C3DA07        JMP    DB$MSGI$Next ;Go back for next char.
03145      ;
03146      ;
03147      ;      DB$MSG
03148      ;      Output null-byte terminated message
03149      ;
03150      ;
03151      ; Calling sequence
03152      ; MESSAGE:    DB     'Message',0
03153      ; LXI     H,MESSAGE
03154      ; CALL   DB$MSG
03155      ;
03156      ;
03157      ; Exit parameters
03158      ;      HL -> null byte terminator
03159      ;
03160      ;
03161      DB$MSG:
03162      ; 07EE F5           PUSH   PSW       ;Save user's registers
03163      ; 07EF C5           PUSH   B
03164      ; 07F0 D5           PUSH   D
03165      ; DB$MSG$Next:
03166      ; 07F1 7E           MOV    A,M       ;Get next byte for output
03167      ; 07F2 B7           ORA    A         ;Check if 00-byte terminator
03168      ; 07F3 CA0008        JZ    DB$MSG$X
03169      ; 07F6 23           INX    H         ;Exit
03170      ; 07F7 E5           PUSH   H       ;Update message pointer
03171      ; 07F8 4F           MOV    C,A       ;Save updated pointer
03172      ; 07F9 CD0A05        CALL   DB$CONOUT
03173      ; 07FC E1           POP    H       ;Ready for output
03174      ; 07FD C3F107        JMP    DB$MSG$Next ;Recover message pointer
03175      ;
03176      ; DB$MSG$X:
03177      ; 0800 D1           POP    D       ;Go back for next character
03178      ; 0801 C1           POP    B
03179      ; 0802 F1           POP    PSW       ;Recover user's registers

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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03180 0803 C9          RET
03300 ;#
03301 ;
03302 ; Debug input routine
03303 ;
03304 ; This routine helps debug code in which input instructions
03305 ; would normally occur. The opcode of the IN instruction
03306 ; must be replaced by a value of 0E7H (RST 4).
03307 ;
03308 ; This routine picks up the port number contained in the byte
03309 ; following the RST 4, converts it to hexadecimal, and
03310 ; displays the message:
03311 ;
03312 ; Input from port XX :
03313 ;
03314 ; It then accepts two characters (in hex.) from the keyboard,
03315 ; converts these to binary in A, and then returns control
03316 ; to the byte following the port number
03317 ;
03318 ; *****
03319 ; WARNING - This routine uses both DB$CONOUT and BDOS calls
03320 ; *****
03321 ;
03322 0804 496E707574DBIN$Message: DB      '/Input from Port '
03323 0814 5858203A20DBIN$Port:   DB      'XX : ',0
03324 ;
03325 ;
03326 DB$Input:
03327 081A 220904        SHLD  DB$Save$HL    ;Save user's HL
03328 081D E1           POP   H             ;Recover address of port number
03329 081E 28           DCX   H             ;Backup to point to RST
03330 081F 220F04        SHLD  DB$Call$Address ;Save for later display
03331 0822 23           INX   H             ;Restore to point to port number
03332 ;Note: A need not be preserved
03333 0823 7E           MOV   A,M           ;Get port number
03334 0824 23           INX   H             ;Update return address to bypass port number
03335 0825 220D04        SHLD  DB$Save$RA    ;Save return address
03336 0828 C5           PUSH  B             ;Save remaining registers
03337 0829 D5           PUSH  D             ;
03338 082A F5           PUSH  PSW            ;Save port number for later
03339 ;
03340 082B CDB108        CALL  DB$Flag$Save$On ;Save current state of debug flag
03341 ; and enable debug output
03342 ;
03343 ;
03344 082E CDC107        CALL  DB$CRLF       ;Display carriage return, line feed
03345 0831 CD7C07        CALL  DB$Display$CALLA;Display call address
03346 0834 F1           POP   PSW            ;Recover port number
03347 0835 211408        LXI   H,DBIN$Port   ;
03348 0838 CDA307        CALL  DB$CAH        ;Convert to hex. and store in message
03349 083B 210408        LXI   H,DBIN$Message ;Output prompting message
03350 083E CDEE07        CALL  DB$MSG        ;
03351 0841 0E02          MVI   C,2           ;Get 2 digit hex. value
03352 0843 CDCF08        CALL  DB$OHV        ;Returns value in HL
03353 0846 7D           MOV   A,L           ;Get just single byte
03354 ;
03355 0847 CDBF08        CALL  DB$Flag$Restore ;Restore debug output to previous state
03356 ;
03357 084A D1           POP   D             ;Recover registers
03358 084B C1           POP   B             ;
03359 084C 2A0904        LHLD  DB$Save$HL    ;Get previous HL
03360 084F E5           PUSH  H             ;Put on top of stack
03361 0850 2A0D04        LHLD  DB$Save$RA    ;Get return address
03362 0853 E3           XTHL  TOS            ;TOS = return address, HL = previous value
03363 0854 C9           RET               ;
03500 ;#
03501 ;
03502 ; Debug output routine
03503 ;
03504 ; This routine helps debug code in which output instructions
03505 ; would normally occur. The opcode of the OUT instruction
03506 ; must be replaced by a value of 0EFH (RST 5).
03507 ;
03508 ; This routine picks up the port number contained in the byte
03509 ; following the RST 5, converts it to hexadecimal, and
03510 ; displays the message:
03511 ;

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**Figure 10-2.** (Continued)

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03512      ;          Output to port XX : AA
03513      ;
03514      ; where AA is the contents of the A register prior to the
03515      ; RST 5 being executed.
03516      ; Control is then returned to the byte following the port number.
03517      ;
03518      ; ***** WARNING - This routine uses both DB$CONOUT and BDOS calls
03519      ; *****

03522      0855 4F75747075DB0#Message:   DB      'Output to Port '
03524      0864 585E203A20DB0#Port:     DB      'XX :'
03525      0869 414100 DB0#Value:       DB      'AA',0

03526      ;
03527      ;
03528      DB$Output:
03529      086C 220904 SHLD  DB$Save$HL    ;Save user's HL
03530      086F E1 POP   H      ;Recover address of port number
03531      0870 2B DCX   H      ;Backup to point to RST
03532      0871 220F04 SHLD  DB$Call$Address ;Save for later display
03533      0874 23 INX   H      ;Restore to point at port number
03534      0875 324B04 STA   DB$Save$A    ;Preserve value to be output
03535      0878 7E MOV   A,M    ;Get port number
03536      0879 23 INX   H      ;Update return address to bypass port number
03537      087A 220D04 SHLD  DB$Save$RA    ;Save return address
03538      087D C5 PUSH  B      ;Save remaining registers
03539      087E D5 PUSH  D      ;
03540      087F F5 PUSH  PSW    ;Save port number for later
03541      ;
03542      0880 CDB108 CALL  DB$Flag$Save$On ;Save current state of debug flag
03543                      ; and enable debug output
03544      ;
03545      0883 CDC107 CALL  DB$CRLF      ;Display carriage return, line feed
03546      0886 CD7C07 CALL  DB$Display$CALLA;Display call address
03547      0889 F1 POP   PSW    ;Recover Port number
03548      088A 216408 LXI   H,DB0#Port
03549      088D CDA307 CALL  DB$CAH      ;Convert to hex. and store in message
03550      ;
03551      0890 3A4B04 LDA   DB$Save$A
03552      0893 216908 LXI   H,DB0#Value ;Convert value to be output
03553      0896 CDA307 CALL  DB$CAH      ;Convert to hex. and store in message
03554      ;
03555      0899 215508 LXI   H,DB0#Message ;Output prompting message
03556      089C CDEE07 CALL  DB$MSG      ;
03557      ;
03558      089F CDBF08 CALL  DB$Flag$Restore ;Restore debug flag to previous state
03559      ;
03560      08A2 D1 POP   D      ;Recover registers
03561      08A3 C1 POP   B      ;
03562      08A4 2A0904 LHLD  DB$Save$HL    ;Get previous HL
03563      08A7 E5 PUSH  H      ;Put on top of stack
03564      08AB 2A0D04 LHLD  DB$Save$RA    ;Get return address
03565      08AB E3 XTHL  TOS    ;TOS = return address, HL = previous value
03566      08AC 3A4B04 LDA   DB$Save$A    ;Recover A (NOTE: FLAG NOT RESTORED)
03567      08AF C9 RET   #
03700      ;#
03701      ;
03702      ; DB$Flag$Save$On
03703      ; This routine is only used for DB$IN/OUT.
03704      ; It saves the current state of the debug control flag,
03705      ; D$Flag, and then enables it to make sure that
03706      ; DB$IN/OUT output always goes out.
03707      ;
03708      08B0 00 DB$Flag$Previous:   DB      0      ;Previous flag value
03709      ; DB$Flag$Save$On:
03710      PUSH  PSW    ;Save caller's registers
03711      08B1 F5 LDA   DB$Flag      ;Get current value
03712      08B2 3A0604 STA   DB$Flag$Previous ;Save it
03713      08B3 32B008 MVI   A,OFFH    ;Set flag
03714      08B8 3EFF STA   DB$Flag
03715      08B4 320604 POP   PSW    ;
03716      08BD F1 RET   #
03717      08BE C9 ;#
03800      ;
03801      ;

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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03802      ; DB$Flag$Restore
03803      ; This routine is only used for DB$IN/OUT.
03804      ; It restores the debug control flag, DB$Flag, to
03805      ; its former state.
03806
03807      DB$Flag$Restore:
03808      08BF F5      PUSH   PSW
03809      08C0 3AB00B    LDA    DB$Flag$Previous      ;Get previous setting
03810      08C3 320604    STA    DB$Flag                ;Set debug control flag
03811      08C6 F1      POP    PSW
03812      08C7 C9      RET
03813
03814      ;#
03900      ;#
03901      ;
03902      ; Get hex.value
03903      ;
03904      ; This subroutine outputs a prompting message, and then reads
03905      ; the keyboard in order to get a hexadecimal value.
03906      ; It is somewhat simplistic in that the first non-hex value
03907      ; terminates the input. The maximum number of digits to be
03908      ; converted is specified as an input parameter. If more than the
03909      ; maximum number is entered, only the last four are significant.
03910      ;
03911      ;*****
03912      ; W A R N I N G
03913      ; DB$GHV will always use the BDOS to perform a read console
03914      ; function (#10). Be careful if you use this routine from
03915      ; within an executing BIOS.
03916      ;*****
03917      ;
03918      ; Entry parameters
03919      ;
03920      ; HL -> 00-byte terminated message to be output
03921      ; C = number of hexadecimal digits to be input
03922      ;
03923      ;
03924      DB$GHV$Buffer:           ;Input buffer for console characters
03925      DB$GHV$Max$Count:        ;
03926      08C8 00      DB    0      ;Set to the maximum number of chars.
03927      ; to be input
03928      DB$GHV$Input$Count:      ;
03929      08C9 00      DB    0      ;Set by the BDOS to the actual number
03930      ; of chars. entered
03931      DB$GHV$Data$Bytes:       ;
03932      08CA      DS    5      ;Buffer space for the characters
03933      ;
03934      ;
03935      DB$GHV:
03936      08CF 79      MOV    A,C      ;Get maximum characters to be input
03937      08D0 FE05      CPI    5      ;Check against maximum count
03938      08D2 DAD708    JC    DB$GHV$Count$OK      ;Carry set if A < 5
03939      08D5 3E04      MVI    A,4      ;Force to only four characters
03940      DB$GHV$Count$OK:
03941      08D7 32C808    STA    DB$GHV$Max$Count      ;Set up maximum count in input buffer
03942      08DA CDEE07    CALL   DB$MSG      ;Output prompting message
03943      08D8 11C808    LXI    D,DB$GHV$Buffer      ;Accept characters from console
03944      08E0 0EA0      MVI    C,B$READCONS      ;Function code
03945      08E2 CD0500    CALL   BDOS
03946
03947      08E5 0E02      MVI    C,B$CONOUT      ;Output a line feed
03948      08E7 1EOA      MVI    E,OAH
03949      08E9 CD0500    CALL   BDOS
03950
03951      08EC 210000    LXI    H,O      ;Initial value
03952      08EF 11CA08    LXI    D,DB$GHV$Data$Bytes      ;DE -> data characters
03953      08F2 3AC908    LDA    DB$GHV$Input$Count      ;Get count of characters input
03954      08F5 4F      MOV    C,A      ;Keep count in C
03955      DB$GHV$Loop:
03956      08F6 0D      DCR    C      ;Downdate count
03957      08F7 F8      RM     D      ;Return when all done (HL has value)
03958      08F8 1A      LDAX   D      ;Get next character from buffer
03959      08F9 13      INX    D      ;Update buffer pointer
03960      08FA CD1B09    CALL   DB$A$ToUpper      ;Convert A to uppercase if need be
03961      08FD FE30      CPI    '0'      ;Check if less than 0
03962      08FF D8      RC     D      ;Yes, terminate
03963      0900 FE3A      CPI    '9' + 1      ;Check if > 9
03964      0902 DA1009    JC    DB$GHV$Hex$Digit      ;No, it must be numeric

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Figure 10-2. (Continued)

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03965 0905 FE41      CPI    'A'          ;Check if < 'A'
03966 0907 DB         RC     ;Yes, terminate
03967 0908 FE47      CPI    'F' + 1    ;Check if > 'F'
03968 090A D0         RNC    ;Yes, terminate
03969 090B D637      SUI    'A' - 10   ;Convert A through F to numeric
03970 090D C31209    JMP    DB$GHV$ShiftsLeft$4 ;Combine with current result
03971 ;
03972 ;DB$GHV$Hex$Digits:
03973 0910 D630      SUI    '0'          ;Convert to binary
03974 ;DB$GHV$ShiftsLeft$4:
03975 0912 29         DAD    H          ;Shift HL left four bits
03976 0913 29         DAD    H
03977 0914 29         DAD    H
03978 0915 29         DAD    H
03979 0916 85         ADD    L          ;Add binary value in LS 4 bits of A
03980 0917 6F         MOV    L,A        ;Put back into HL total
03981 0918 C3F608    JMP    DB$GHV$Loop ;Loop back for next character
04100 ;#
04101 ;
04102 ;      A to upper
04103 ;      Converts the contents of the A register to an uppercase
04104 ;      letter if it is currently a lowercase letter
04105 ;
04106 ;      Entry parameters
04107 ;
04108 ;      A = character to be converted
04109 ;
04110 ;      Exit parameters
04111 ;
04112 ;      A = converted character
04113 ;
04114 DB$ASTo$Upper:
04115 091B FE61      CPI    'a'          ;Compare to lower limit
04116 091D DB         RC     ;No need to convert
04117 091E FE7B      CPI    'z' + 1    ;Compare to upper limit
04118 0920 D0         RNC    ;No need to convert
04119 0921 E65F      ANI    5FH        ;Convert to uppercase
04120 0923 C9         RET

```

Figure 10-2. Debug subroutines (continued)

```

B>ddi fig10-2.hex<cr>
DDT VERS 2.0
NEXT PC
0924 0000
-g100<cr>

0116 : Flags : Flags = C1ZOM1E110
0120 : A Register : A = AA
012F : B Register : B = BB
013E : C Register : C = CC
014D : D Register : D = DD
015C : E Register : E = EE
016B : H Register : H = FF
017A : L Register : L = 11
0189 : Memory Dump #1 : Start, End Address : 0108, 0128
 0108 : 05 3E AA 01 CC BB 11 EE 1 .>M. L;n
 0110 : DD 21 11 FF B7 37 CD 52 05 00 46 6C 61 67 73 00 : J!.. 77MR ..F1 ags.
 0120 : CD 52 05 02 41 20 52 65 67 : MR.. A Re g

01A0 : Memory Dump #2 : Start, End Address : 0100, 011F
 0100 : 31 6B 03 CD EA 04 CD 15 05 3E AA 01 CC BB 11 EE : ik.M j.M. .>*. L;n
 0110 : DD 21 11 FF B7 37 CD 52 05 00 46 6C 61 67 73 00 : J!.. 77MR ..F1 ags.

01B7 : Memory Dump #3 : Start, End Address : 0101, 0100

** ERROR - Start Address > End **
01CE : Memory Dump #4 : Start, End Address : 0100, 0100
 0100 : 31 : i

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Figure 10-3. Console output from debug testbed run

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01E5 : BC Register : BC = BBCC
01F5 : DE Register : DE = DDEE
0205 : HL Register : HL = FF11
0215 : SP Register : SP = 0369
022E : Byte at (BC) : (BC) = BC
023F : Byte at (DE) : (DE) = DE
0250 : Byte at (HL) : (HL) = F1
026A : Word at (BC) : (BC+1),(BC) = OBOC
027B : Word at (DE) : (DE+1),(DE) = ODOE
028C : Word at (HL) : (HL+1),(HL) = OF01
Debug output has been re-enabled.
This message should display 5 times
032B : Input from Port 11 : aa
032D : Output to Port 22 : AA

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**Figure 10-3.** Console output from debug tested run (continued)

containing all of the symbols in your program, along with their respective addresses. Once the program has been loaded by SID, you can refer to the memory image of your program not by address, but by the actual symbol name from your source code. SID also supports the “pass count” concept when using breakpoints.

#### ZSID (Z80 Symbolic Debug)

This is the Z80 CPU’s version of SID. The mini-assembler/disassembler uses Zilog instruction mnemonics rather than those used by Intel.

## Bringing Up CP/M for the First Time

It is much harder to bring up CP/M on a new computer system than to debug an enhanced version on a system already running CP/M. You will often find yourself staring at a programmatic “brick wall” with no adequate debugging tools to assist you.

For example, you install the CP/M system on a diskette (using another CP/M-based computer system), put the diskette into the new computer, and press the RESET button. The disk head loads on the disk, and then — nothing! You cannot use any programs such as DDT or SID because you do not yet have CP/M up and running on the new computer. Or can you?

The answer is, wherever possible, debug the code for the new machine on an existing CP/M system. You may have to “fake” some aspects of the new bootstrap or BIOS so that the act of testing it on the host machine does not interact with the CP/M already running on it.

This scheme permits you to be fairly sure of your program logic before loading the diskette into the new machine. It will help pin down problems caused by hardware problems on the new computer.

The hardest situation of all is if you have only the new computer and the release diskettes from Digital Research. Your only option is to find a way of reading the CP/M image on the release diskette into memory, hand patch in new console and disk drivers (not a trivial task), write the patched image back onto a diskette, and resort to Orville Wright testing.

If you value your time, it is always more cost-effective to use another system with CP/M already installed. This is true even if the two systems do not have the same diskette format. You can still do the bootstrap and build the CP/M image on the host machine. Then download the image directly into the memory of the new machine and write it out to a diskette.

This *downloading* process does require, however, that the new computer have a read-only memory (ROM) monitor program. Depending on the capability of this ROM monitor program, you may have to hand patch into the new machine's memory a primitive "download" program that reads 8-bit characters from a serial port, stacking them up in memory and returning control to the monitor program when you press a keyboard character on the new machine's console. In fact, some ROM monitor programs have a downloading program built in.

## Debugging the CP/M Bootstrap Loader

The CP/M bootstrap loader, as you may recall, is written on one of the outermost tracks on a diskette or hard disk. On a standard 8-inch single-sided, single-density diskette, CP/M's bootstrap loader is stored on the first sector of the first track. The loader is brought into memory by firmware that gets control of the CPU when you turn your machine on or press the RESET button.

The bootstrap has to be compact, as the diskette space on which it is stored is limited: no more than 128 bytes for standard 8-inch diskettes. This tends to rule out the use of the debug subroutines already described, so you have to fall back to more primitive techniques.

## Testing the Bootstrap Under CP/M

A bootstrap is best developed on a CP/M-based system. The task is easiest of all if you already have CP/M running on your new machine and are simply preparing an enhanced version of the bootstrap loader. In this case, you can test most of the code as though it were a user program running in the transient program area (TPA).

Most bootstraps get loaded into memory at location 0000H, so at the front of the code to be debugged you must put a temporary origin line that reads

ORG 100H

If you omit this and ask DDT to load the HEX file output by the assembler, it will load at the true origin, 0000H, and wipe out the contents of the base page for the version of CP/M that you are running. This will cause a system crash; you will have to press the RESET button and reload CP/M. When this happens, DDT does not tell you directly that anything is amiss; it just displays a "?" after your request to load the HEX file. You will discover that the system has "gone away" only when you try to do something else.

You also will need to adjust the addresses into which the bootstrap tries to load the CP/M image. If you do not, you will overwrite the version of CP/M presently running.

With these adjustments made, you can load the bootstrap under DDT and watch it execute, confirming that it does load the correct image into the correct addresses for debugging and transfer control to the BIOS jump vector. When everything appears to be functioning correctly, use the IF instruction to disable the debug code, reassemble the bootstrap, and write it onto a diskette. Then put the diskette into drive A and press RESET.

### Was the Bootstrap Loaded?

At this point you must establish whether the bootstrap is being loaded into memory when the machine is turned on or RESET is pressed. The best way of doing this, and one that you can leave in place permanently, is to output a sign-on message as soon as the loader gets control. This requires hardware set up to prepare the USART (Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receive/Transmit) chip to output data, although some manufacturers write this initialization code into the firmware that loads the bootstrap. A suitable sign-on message would be the following:

```
CP/M Bootstrap Loader : Vn 1.0 11/18/82
```

If you do not see this message, assume that control is *not* being transferred to the bootstrap loader. This will be useful in the future if someone should call you with a complaint that CP/M cannot be loaded. If this message does not appear, they probably do not have CP/M on the disk.

### Did the Bootstrap Load CP/M?

This is a harder question to answer than whether the bootstrap itself has been loaded, especially if the bootstrap loader sign-on is displayed and then the system crashes. A sign-on message early in the BIOS cold boot processing can confirm the correct transfer of control into the BIOS.

If the problems with the bootstrap program are severe, you may have to adapt the memory-dump debugging subroutine, dumping the contents of memory to the console in order to see what information the bootstrap loader is placing in memory. Display 100H bytes starting from the front of the BIOS jump vector. This

table has an immediately recognizable pattern of 0C3H values every three bytes.

You should also check to see that the bootstrap is loading the correct number of sectors from the disk into memory. If it loads too few, CP/M may sign on only to crash a few moments later because it attempts either to execute code or access a constant at the end of the BIOS. If the bootstrap loads too many sectors from the disk, the excess may "wrap around" the top of memory and overwrite the bootstrap itself, down at location 0000H, before it has completed its task. In this case, you would see only the sign-on for the bootstrap, not for the BIOS.

## Debugging the BIOS

Rather than try to debug the BIOS as a single piece of code, debug it as a series of separate functional modules.

Notwithstanding current "top-down" philosophies of dealing with overall structure first, it can be quicker to debug the low-level subroutines in a device driver first. This gives you a solid base on which to build.

The BIOS can be divided up into its constituent modules as follows:

Character input

    Interrupt service

    Non-interrupt service

Character output

Interrupt routines

    Real time clock

    Watchdog timers

Disk drivers

    High-level (deblocking)

    Low-level (physical I/O)

Plan to write a *testbed* program for each of these modules. This testbed code serves two purposes; first, it provides a means of transferring control into the module under test in a controlled way. Second, it includes the necessary modules or dummy modules to "fool" the module under test into responding as if it were running in a complete BIOS under CP/M.

Using the testbed, you can check every part of the module's logic except the part that may be time-critical. Problems caused by timing, such as interrupts disabled for too long or code that is too slow or too fast for a particular peripheral controller chip, tend to show up only when you are testing on the final hardware and when you are running your new BIOS under CP/M.

## What You Should Test for in the BIOS

Describing fully how to debug each module in the BIOS could fill several books. Remember that you are trying to establish the *absence* of errors using a technique that, by its very nature, tends to show only their *presence*.

There are two basic approaches to debugging. One is the plodding method, checking every aspect of the code to ensure that every feature really does work. The second is to try to do something useful with the code.

Plan to use both. Start with the plodding method, testing each feature under control of the testbed until you are sure that it is working *in vitro*. When all of the BIOS modules have been tested individually, build a CP/M system and try to do some useful work with it. Trying to use the system for actual work testing *in vitro* can be a good test.

### Feature Checklist

Make a list of the specific features included in the various BIOS modules. Then devise specific test sequences that will show that each of the features is working correctly.

The same testbed code can often test all of the features of a driver module. If it cannot, create a new testbed for the more exotic features.

Keep the testbed routines. Experience shows that they are most often needed shortly after you have erased them. Even after you have tested the BIOS, the testbed routines will come in handy if you decide to enhance a particular driver later on. You can extract the driver code from the BIOS, glue it together with the testbed, and test the new feature code in isolation from the BIOS.

The following sections show example testbeds for the various drivers, along with example checklists. These checklists were used to test the example BIOS routines shown in earlier chapters.

### Character Drivers

Figure 10-4 shows the code for an example testbed routine for character I/O drivers in the BIOS. This code would be followed by the actual character I/O drivers, exactly as they would appear in the BIOS except that all IN and OUT instructions would be replaced with RST 4's and 5's respectively (see Figure 10-2) so that you could enter input values and inspect output values on the console.

This example contains the initialization code for the debug package shown in Figure 10-2 and the code setting up an RST 6 used to "fake" incoming character interrupts.

The main testbed loop consists of a faked incoming character interrupt followed by optional calls to CONIN or CONOUT, the return of control to DDT, or a loop back to fake another character interrupt. You can only return control to DDT if you used DDT to load the testbed and driver programs in the first place.

```

; Testbed for character I/O drivers in the BIOS
;
; The complete source file consists of three components:
;
;      1. The testbed code shown here
;      2. The character I/O drivers destined for the BIOS
;      3. The debug package shown in Figure 10-2.
;

FFFF =      TRUE    EQU    OFFFFFH
0000 =      FALSE   EQU    NOT TRUE

FFFF =      DEBUG   EQU    TRUE      ;For conditional assembly of RST
;                                ; instructions in place of IN and
;                                ; OUT instructions in the drivers
0030 =      RST6   EQU    30H      ;Use RST 6 for fake incoming character
;                                ; interrupt

0100      ORG    100H

0100 31D101  LXI    SP,Test$Stack ;Use a local stack
0103 CDD101  CALL   DB$Init     ;Initialize the debug package
0106 3EC3    MVI    A,JMP      ;Set up RST 6 with JMP opcode
0108 323000  STA    RST6      ;Use RST 6 for fake incoming character
010B 21D101  LXI    H,Character$Interrupt ;Set up RST 6 JMP address
010E 223100  SHLD   RST6 + 1

;
; Make repeated entry to character interrupt routine
; to ensure that characters can be captured and stored in
; an input buffer
;

Testbed$Loop:
0111 3EAA    MVI    A,0AAH      ;Set registers to known pattern
0113 01CCBB  LXI    B,0BBCCH
0116 11EEDD  LXI    D,0DDEEH
0119 2111FF  LXI    H,OFF11H
011C F7      RST    6          ;Fake interrupt for incoming character

011D CDD101  CALL   DB$MSG1    ;Display in-line message
0120 0D0A456E74 DB    ODH,0AH,`Enter I to Input Char., O to Output, D to enter
0152 444454203A DB    `DDT : `,0

0159 CDD101  CALL   DB$CONINU  ;Get uppercase character
015C FE49    CPI    'I'        ;CONIN?
015E CA7201  JZ    Go$CONIN
0161 FE44    CPI    'D'        ;DDT?
0163 CA6E01  JZ    Go$DDT
0166 FEAF    CPI    'O'        ;CONOUT?
0168 CA9101  JZ    Testbed$Loop ;Loop back to interrupt again
016B C31101  JMP    Go$DDT

Go$DDT:
016E FF      RST    7          ;Enter DDT (RST 7 set up by DDT)
016F C31101  JMP    Testbed$Loop

Go$CONIN:
0172 CDD101  CALL   CONST    ;Get console status
0175 CA1101  JZ    Testbed$Loop ;No data waiting
0176 CDD101  CALL   CONIN    ;Get data from buffer

017B CDD101  CALL   DB$Display ;Display character returned
017E 02      DB    A          ; in A register
017F 434F4E494E DB    `CONIN returned',0

018E C37201  JMP    Go$CONIN ;Repeat CONIN loop until no chars.
; waiting

;
Go$CONOUT:
0191 CDD101  CALL   CONST    ;Get console status
0194 CA1101  JZ    Testbed$Loop ;No data waiting
0197 CDD101  CALL   CONIN    ;Ready for output
019A 4F      MOV    C,A      ;Output to console
019B CDD101  CALL   CONOUT   ;Repeat while there is still data
019E C39101  JMP    Go$CONOUT

;
01A1 9999999999 DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
01B1 9999999999 DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
01C1 9999999999 DW    9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H

```

**Figure 10-4.** Testbed for character I/O drivers in the BIOS

```

Test$Stack:
;
;      Dummy routines for those shown in other figures
;
;      BIOS routines (Figure 8-10)
;
CONST:           ;BIOS console status
CONIN:          ;BIOS console input
CONOUT:         ;BIOS console output
Character$Interrupt: ;Interrupt service routine for incoming chars.
;
;      Debug routines (Figure 10-2)
;
DB$Init:        ;Debug initialization
DB$MSGI:        ;Display message in-line
DB$CONINU:     ;Get uppercase character from keyboard
DB$Display:    ;Main debug display routine
DB$A EQU 02     ;Display code for DB$Display
0002 =

```

**Figure 10-4.** Testbed for character I/O drivers in the BIOS (continued)

Executing an RST 7 without using DDT will cause a system crash, as DDT sets up the necessary JMP instruction at location 0038H in the base page.

The faked incoming character interrupt transfers control directly to the interrupt service routine in the BIOS (see the example in Figure 8-10, line 04902, label Character\$Interrupt). This reads the status ports of each of the character devices; you can enter the specific status byte values that you want. If you enter a value that indicates that a data character is "incoming," you will be prompted for the actual 8-bit data value to be "input." You can make the interrupt service routine appear to be inputting characters and stacking characters up in the input buffer. For debugging purposes, reduce the size of the input buffer to eight bytes. Making it larger means you will have to input more characters to test the buffer threshold logic. To check the interrupt service routine, you will pass through the main testbed loop doing nothing but faking incoming character interrupts and entering status and data values. The data characters will then be stacked up in the input buffer.

To check the correct functioning of the interrupt service routines, you can stay in control with DDT from the outset. Alternatively, you can just use DDT to load the testbed/driver HEX file, loop around inputting several characters, and then request that the testbed return control to DDT. Then you can use DDT to inspect the contents of the device table(s) and input buffers.

Another possibility is to create debugging routines that display the contents of the device table in a meaningful way, with each field captioned like this:

```

DEVICE TABLE 0
  Status Port   81   Data Port       80
  Output Ready  01   Input Ready    02
  DTR high      40
  Reset Int. Prt DS  Reset Int. Val. 20
  :
  :
  Status Byte 1
    Output Suspended
    Output Xon Enabled
  :

```

```

:
Buffer Base 0E8C
Put Offset    05      Get Offset      01
Char. Count    04      Control Count   00
Data Buffer
41 42 43 44 45 00 00 00

```

This display device table routine will require a fair amount of effort to code and debug—but it will pay dividends. You can obtain a complete “snapshot” of the device table without having to decode hexadecimal memory dumps and individual bits. Constant values in the device tables are also displayed, so that if a bug in your code corrupts the table, you will know about it immediately.

The next section shows examples of the specific tests you need to make, along with a description of the strategy you can use.

**Interrupt Service Routine Checklist** In a functioning BIOS, control is transferred to the interrupt service module whenever an incoming character causes an interrupt. In the example BIOS in Figure 8-10 (line 4900), the code scans each character device in turn to determine which one is causing the interrupt.

When you are debugging the interrupt service routines using the “fake” input/output instructions, you will have to enter specific status byte values. Refer to the device table declarations in Figure 8-10, line 1500, to determine what values you must enter to make the service routine think that an incoming character is arriving or that data terminal ready (DTR) is high or low.

Start the debugging process using the first device table. Then repeat the tests on the other device tables.

The following is a checklist of features that should be checked in debugging the interrupt service routine:

*Are all registers restored correctly on exit from the interrupt servicing?*

Using DDT, start execution from the beginning of the testbed. Set a breakpoint (with the G100,nnnn command) to get control back immediately before the CALL Character\$Interrupt. Use the X command to display all of the registers, and then, by using the G,nnnn command, you set a breakpoint at the instruction that immediately follows the CALL Character\$Interrupt. The character drivers will prompt you for the status values. Enter 00 (which indicates that no character is incoming). Display the registers again—their values should be the same. Remember to check the value of the stack pointer and the amount of the stack area that has been used.

**NOTE:** Do not be too surprised if you lose control of the machine when you first try this test. You may have some fundamental logic errors initially. If the system crashes, reset it, reload CP/M, and then start the test again. This time, rather than setting the second breakpoint at the instruction following the CALL Character\$Interrupt, venture down into the Character\$Interrupt code and go through the code a few instructions

at a time, setting breakpoints before any instructions that could cause a transfer of control. Find out how far you are getting into the driver before it either jumps off into space or settles into a loop.

*Does the service routine push a significant number of bytes onto the stack after an interrupt has occurred?*

When you get control back after the CALL Character\$Interrupt, use the D (dump) command to dump the stack area's memory on the console. Check how far down the stack came by looking for the point where the constants that used to fill the stack area are overwritten by other data.

The example BIOS in Figure 8-10 saves only the contents of the HL register pair on the pre-interrupt stack. It then switches over to a private BIOS stack to save the contents of the rest of the registers and service the interrupt.

*Are data characters added to the input buffer correctly?*

“Input” a noncontrol character via the Character\$Interrupt routine. Then check the contents of the appropriate device table. The character count and the put offset should both be set to one. Then check the contents of the input buffer itself; does it contain the character that you “input?”

*Are control characters added to the input buffer correctly?*

“Input” a control character such as 01H. Do not use ETX, ACK, XON, or XOFF (03H, 06H, 11H, and 13H, respectively); these may cause side effects if you have errors in the protocol handling logic. Check that the character is stored in the next byte of the input buffer and that the character and control counts are set to two and one, respectively. The put offset should also be set to two.

*When the input buffer full threshold is reached, does the driver output the correct protocol character?*

Set the first status byte in the first device table to enable input XON or RTS protocol, or both. Then go round the main testbed loop putting characters into the input buffer. Check the console display to see if the drivers output the correct values when the buffer is almost full (the default threshold is when five bytes remain). The driver should then drop the RTS line or output an XOFF character or both, according to the input protocol that you enabled.

*When the input buffer is completely full, does the driver respond correctly?*

This is an extension of the test above. Input one more character than can fit into the buffer. Check to see that the drivers do not stack the character into the input buffer and that a BELL character (07H) is output to the data port.

*Are protocol characters XON/XOFF recognized and the necessary control flags set or reset?*

Reload the testbed and drivers. Set the status byte to enable the output XON/XOFF protocol. Then use the Character\$Interrupt routine to input an XOFF character (13H). Check to see that the XOFF character has not been put into the input buffer. Instead, the status byte should be set to indicate that output has indeed been suspended.

Input an XON and check to see that the output suspended flag has been reset.

*Does the driver detect and reset hardware errors correctly?*

Proceed as though you were going to input a character into the input buffer, but instead enter a status byte value that indicates that a hardware error has occurred (enter the value given in the device table for DT\$Detect\$Error\$Value).

Check that the driver detects the error status and outputs the correct error-reset value to the appropriate control port.

**Non-interrupt Service Routine Checklist** In a “live” BIOS, non-interrupt service routines are accessed via the CONIN and CONST entry points in the BIOS jump vector. During debugging, the testbed can call the CONIN and CONST code directly.

*Is input redirection functioning? Does control arrive in the driver with the correct device table selected?*

This is best tested directly with DDT. Use the Gnnnn,bbbb command to transfer control into the CONIN code with a breakpoint at the RET instruction at the end of the Select\$Device\$Table routine (see Figure 8-10, line 04400). Check that the DE register pair is pointing at device table 0. If it is not, you will have to restart the test. Use the Tn command to make DDT trace through the Select\$Device\$Table subroutine to find the bug.

*Are characters returned correctly from the buffer?*

Use the testbed to “input” a character or two. Then use the testbed to make several entries into CONIN. Check the characters returned from the buffer.

*Are the data character and control character counts correctly decremented?*

After each character has been removed from the buffer by CONIN, use DDT to examine the device table and check that the data character and control character counts have been decremented correctly. Also check that the get pointer has moved up the input buffer.

*When the buffer “almost empty” threshold is reached, does the driver emit the correct protocol character or manipulate the request to send (RTS) line correctly?*

Use DDT to enable the input RTS or XON protocol or both. Then input characters into the input buffer until it reaches the buffer full threshold (the

default is when only five spare bytes remain in the buffer). Confirm that “buffer almost full” processing occurs. Then make repetitive calls to CONIN to flush data out of the buffer. Check that the “buffer emptying” processing occurs when the correct threshold is reached. For RTS protocol, the driver should output a raise RTS value to the specified RTS control port. For XON, the driver should output an XON character to the data port (after first having read the status port to ensure that the hardware can output the character).

*Does the driver handle buffer “wraparound” correctly?*

Input characters to the input buffer until it becomes completely full. Then make a single CONIN call to remove the first character from the buffer. Follow this by inputting one more character to the buffer. Check that the get pointer is set to one and the put pointer set to zero.

Next, make successive CONIN calls to empty the buffer. Then input one more character to the buffer. Check that this last character is put into the first byte of the input buffer.

*Can the driver handle “forced input” correctly?*

Using DDT, set the forced input pointer to point to a 00-byte-terminated string; for example, use one of the function key decode default strings. (In Figure 8-10, the forced input pointer is initialized to point to a “startup string”—this is declared at the beginning of the configuration block at line 00400.)

Using DDT, call the CONST routine and check that it returns with A = 0FFH (indicating that there appears to be input data waiting).

Make successive calls to CONIN and confirm that the data bytes in the forced input string are returned. Check that the forcing of input ends when the 00H-byte is detected.

*Does the console status routine operate correctly when it checks for data characters in the buffer, control characters in the buffer, and forced input?*

Input a single noncontrol character, such as 41H, into the input buffer. Using DDT, check that the second status byte in the device table has the fake type-ahead flag set to zero. Call the CONST routine—it should return with A = 0FFH (meaning that there is data in the buffer). Then set the fake type-ahead bit in the second status byte and call CONST again. It should return with A = 00H (meaning that there is now “no data” in the buffer). Input a single control character into the buffer. Now CONST should return with A = 0FFH because there is a control character in the buffer.

*Does the driver recognize escape sequences incoming from keyboard function keys?*

This is a difficult feature to test when the real time clock routine is not running. The driver uses the watchdog timer to wait until all characters in

the escape sequence have arrived. You will therefore have to modify the code in CONIN so that the watchdog timer appears to time out immediately, rather than waiting for the real time clock to tick. To make this change, refer to Figure 8-10, line 2200; this is the start of the CONIN routine. Look for the label CONIN\$Wait\$For\$Delay. A few instructions later there is a JNZ CONIN\$Wait\$For\$Delay. Using DDT, set all three bytes of this JNZ to 00H.

Then, using the testbed, input the complete escape sequence into the input buffer. For example, input hexadecimal values 1B, 4F, 51 (ESCAPE, O, P), which correspond to the characters emitted on a VT-100 terminal when FUNCTION KEY 1 (PF1) is pressed.

Next, use the testbed to make successive calls to CONIN. You should see the text associated with the function key (FUNCTION KEY 1, LINE FEED) being returned by CONIN.

Repeat this test using different function key sequences, including a sequence that does not correspond to any of the preset function keys. Check that the escape sequence itself is returned by CONIN without being changed into another string.

*Can the driver differentiate between a function key and the same escape sequence generated by discrete key strokes?*

This is almost the same test as above. Make the same patch to the CONIN code, only this time do not enter the complete escape sequence into the buffer. Enter only the hex characters 1B and 4F. Make sure that the CONIN routine does not substitute another string in place of this quasi-escape sequence.

This test only mimics the results of manually entering an escape sequence. You could not press the keys on a terminal fast enough to get all three characters into the input buffer within the time allowed by the watchdog timer.

#### **Character Output Checklist    *Can the driver output a character?***

The CONOUT option in the testbed calls CONIN first to get a character. To start with, you may want to use DDT to set the C register to some graphic ASCII character such as 41H (A), and transfer control into CONOUT directly. Check that CONOUT reads the USART's status, waits for the output ready value, and then outputs the data to the data port. Note that the testbed will output all characters waiting in the input buffer (or forced input) when you select its CONOUT option. This is a convenience for advanced testing of the drivers—for initial testing you may want to modify the testbed to make only one call to CONIN and CONOUT and then return to the top of the testbed loop.

*Does the driver suspend output when a protocol control flag indicates that output is to be suspended?*

Using DDT, set the status byte in the device table to enable output XON/XOFF protocol. Then input an XOFF character and confirm that the output suspended bit in the status byte is set. Output a single character, and using DDT, confirm that the driver will remain in a status loop waiting for the output suspended bit to be cleared. Clear the bit using DDT and check that the character is output correctly.

*When using ETX/ACK protocol, does the driver output an ETX after the specified number of characters have been output, then indicate that output is suspended?*

For debugging purposes, alter the ETX message count value in the device table to three bytes. Then output three bytes of data via CONOUT. Check that the driver sends an ETX character (03H) after the three bytes have been output and that the output suspended flag in the status byte has been set.

Then input an ACK character (06H). Check that this character is not stored in the input buffer and that the output suspended flag is cleared.

*Does the driver recognize and output escape sequences?*

Input an ESCAPE, “t” (1BH, 74H) into the input buffer. Then output them via CONOUT. Using DDT, check that the CONOUT routine recognizes that an escape sequence is being output and selects the correct processing routine. In this case, the forced input pointer should be set to point at the ASCII time of day in the configuration block.

*Does each of the escape sequence processors function correctly? Can the time and date be set to specified values using escape sequences?*

Repeat the test above using all of the other escape sequences to make sure that they can be recognized and that they function correctly.

## Real Time Clock Routines

A separate testbed program, shown in Figure 10-5, is used to check these routines. It calls the interrupt service routine directly to simulate a real time clock “tick,” and then displays the time of day in ASCII on the console.

As you can see, the testbed makes a call into the debug package’s initialization routine, DB\$Init, and then uses an RST 6 to generate fake clock “ticks.”

There is a JMP instruction in the testbed that bypasses a call to Set\$Watchdog. Remove this JMP, either by editing it out or by using DDT to change it to NO OPERATIONS (NOP, 00H) when you are ready to test the watchdog routines.

### Real Time Clock Test Checklist    *Is the clock running at all?*

Using DDT, trace through the interrupt service routine logic. Check that the seconds are being updated.

```

; Testbed for real time clock driver in the BIOS.

; The complete source file consists of three components:
;   1. The testbed code shown here
;   2. The real time clock driver destined for the BIOS.
;   3. The debug package shown in Figure 10-2.

FFFF = TRUE EQU OFFFFH
0000 = FALSE EQU NOT TRUE

FFFF = DEBUG EQU TRUE      ;For conditional assembly of RST
                            ; instructions in place of IN and
                            ; OUT instructions in the drivers.

0030 = RST6 EQU 30H        ;Use RST 6 for fake clock tick.

0100 ORG 100H

START:                   ;  

    LXI SP,Test$Stack ;Use local stack
    CALL DB$Init      ;Initialize the debug package
    MVI A,JMP          ;Set up RST 6 with JMP opcode
    STA RST6
    LXI H,RTC$Interrupt ;Set up RST 6 JMP address
    SHLD RST6 + 1

0111 C31D01 JMP Testbed$Loop ;<== REMOVE THIS JMP WHEN READY TO
                            ; TEST WATCHDOG ROUTINES

0114 013200 LXI B,50      ;50 ticks before timeout
0117 214201 LXI H,WD$Timeout ;Address to transfer to
011A CD8B01  CALL Set$Watchdog ;Set the watchdog timer
                            ;  

                            ; Make repeated entry to RTC interrupt routine
                            ; to ensure that clock is correctly updated
                            ;  

Testbed$Loop:             ;  

    MVI A,0AAH      ;Set registers to known pattern
    LXI B,0BBCCH
    LXI D,0DDEEH
    LXI H,0FF11H
    RST 6           ;Fake interrupt clock

0129 CD8B01 CALL DB$MSGI ;Display in-line message
012C 436C6F636B DB 'Clock =',0

0134 218B01 LXI H,Time$In$ASCII ;Get address of clock in driver
0137 CD8B01  CALL DB$MSG ;Display current clock value
                            ;(Note: Time$In$ASCII already has
                            ; a line feed character in it)
013A CD8B01  CALL DB$MSGI ;Display in-line message
013D 0D00  DB ODH,0       ;Carriage return

013F C31D01 JMP Testbed$Loop
                            ; Control arrives here when the watchdog timer times
                            ; out
                            ;  

WD$Timeout:               ;  

    CALL DB$MSGI
    DB ODH,0AH,'Watchdog timed out',0
    RET                 ;Return to watchdog routine
                            ;  

0142 CD8B01 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
0145 0D0A576174 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
015A C9  RET
                            ;Return to watchdog routine
                            ;  

015B 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
016B 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
017B 9999999999 DW 9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
                            ;  

Test$Stack:               ;  

                            ; Dummy routines for those shown in other figures
                            ;  

                            ; BIOS routines (Figure 8-10)
                            ;  

RTC$Interrupt:            ;Interrupt service routine for clock tick
Set$Watchdog:              ;Set watchdog timer
Time$In$ASCII:              ;ASCII string of HH:MM:SS, LF, 0
                            ;  

                            ; Debug routines (Figure 10-2)
                            ;  

DB$Init:                  ;Debug initialization
DB$MSGI:                  ;Display message in-line
DB$MSG:                   ;Display message

```

Figure 10-5. Testbed for real-time-clock driver in the BIOS

*Are the hours, minutes, and seconds carrying over correctly?*

Let the testbed code run at full speed. You should see the time being updated on the console display—although it will be updated much more rapidly than real time.

Use DDT to set the minutes to 58 and then let the clock run again. Does it correctly show the hour and reset the minutes to 00? Then set the hours to 11 and the minutes to 58 and let the clock run. Do minutes carry over into hours and are hours reset to 0?

Repeat these tests with the clock update constants set for 24-hour format.

*Is the clock interrupt service routine restoring the registers correctly?*

Using DDT, check that the registers are still set correctly on return from the clock interrupt service routine.

*How much of a load on the pre-interrupt stack is the service routine imposing?*

Check the “low water mark” of the preset values remaining in the testbed stack area to see how much of a load the interrupt service routine is imposing on the stack.

*Can the watchdog timer be set to a nonzero value? Can it be set back to zero?*

Using the second part of the testbed, call the Set\$Watchdog routine, and then monitor the testbed’s execution as the watchdog timer times out. Check that the registers and stack pointer are set correctly when control is transferred to the timeout routine. Also check that control is returned properly from this routine, and thence from the interrupt service routine.

## Disk Drivers

It is only feasible to check the low-level disk drivers in isolation from a real BIOS, as the BDOS interface to the deblocking code is very difficult to simulate. The testbed shown in Figure 10-6 serves only as a time-saver. It does not test the interface to the subroutines. Use DDT to set up the disk, track, and sector numbers, and then monitor the calls into SELDSK, SETTRK, SETSEC, SETDMA, and the read/write routines.

Unless you have the same disk controller on the host system as you do on the target machine, you will have to use the fake input/output system described earlier in this chapter, rather than attempt to read and write on real disks.

You can see that the testbed, after initializing the debugging package, makes calls to SELDSK, SETTRK, SETSEC, and SETDMA. It then calls a low-level read or write routine. The low-level routine called depends on which driver you wish to debug. For the standard floppy diskette driver shown in Figure 8-10, use Read\$No\$Deblock and Write\$No\$Deblock. For the 5 1/4-inch diskettes, use Read\$Physical and Write\$Physical. You will have to use DDT to set up some of the variables required by the low-level drivers that would normally be set up by the deblocking code.

```

; Testbed for disk I/O drivers in the BIOS
;
; The complete source file consists of three components:
;
;   1. The testbed code shown here
;   2. The Disk I/O drivers destined for the BIOS
;   3. The debug package shown in Figure 10-2.
;
;FFFF = TRUE EQU OFFFFH
;0000 = FALSE EQU NOT TRUE
;
;FFFF = DEBUG EQU TRUE      ;For conditional assembly of RST
;                           ; instructions in place of IN and
;                           ; OUT instructions in the drivers.
;
;0100      START: ORG 100H
;
;0100 314704 LXI SP,Test$Stack ;Use a local stack
;0103 CD4704 CALL DB$Init    ;Initialize the debug package
;
;                           ; Make calls to SELDSK, SETTRK, SETSEC and SETDMA,
;                           ; then either a read or write routine.
;
;Testbed$Loop:           ;Use local stack
;0106 314704 LXI SP,Test$Stack
;
;0109 3A1202 LDA Logical$Disk ;Set up for SELDSK call
;010C 4F      MOV C,A
;010D CD4704 CALL SELDSK
;
;0110 CD4704 .CALL DB$Display ;Display return value in HL
;0113 14      DB DB$HL
;0114 53454C4453 DB 'SELDSK returned',0
;
;0124 223201 SHLD DPH$Start ;Set up to display disk parameter header
;0127 111000 LXI D,16       ;Compute end address
;012A 19      DAD D
;012B 223401 SHLD DPH$End   ;Store into debug call
;
;012E CD4704 CALL DB$Display ;Display DPH
;0131 18      DB DB$M       ;Memory
;
;DPH$Start: DW 0
;DPH$End:   DW 0
;0134 0000     DB 'Selected DPH',0
;
;0143 2A1302 LHLD Track    ;Call SETTRK
;0146 E5      PUSH H
;0147 C1      POP B        ;SETTRK needs track in BC
;0148 CD4704 CALL SETTRK
;
;014B 3A1502 LDA Sector    ;Call SETSEC
;014E 4F      MOV C,A
;014F CD4704 CALL SETSEC
;
;0152 011702 LXI B,Test$Buffer ;Set DMA address
;0155 CD4704 CALL SETDMA
;0158 3A1602 LDA Write$Disk ;Check if reading or writing
;015B B7      ORA A
;015C C2D101 JNZ Test$Write
;
;015F CD4704 CALL Read$No$Deblock ;WWW or Read$Physical depending on which
;                           ;WWW drivers you are testing
;0162 CD4704 CALL DB$Display    ;Display return code
;0165 02      DB DB$A
;0166 5465737420 DB 'Test Read returned',0
;
;0179 CD0102 CALL Check$Ripple ;Check if ripple pattern in buffer
;017C CA0601 JZ Testbed$Loop ;Yes, it is correct
;
;017F CD4704 CALL DB$MSGI    ;Indicate problem
;0182 14      DB DB$HL
;0183 526970706C DB 'Ripple pattern incorrect. HL -> failure.',0
;
;01AC CD4704 CALL DB$Display ;Display test buffer
;01AF CD1800 CALL DB$M       ;Memory
;01B2 1702 DW Test$Buffer
;
```

**Figure 10-6.** Testbed for disk I/O drivers in the BIOS

```

01B4 0002      DW     Test$Buffer$Size
01B6 436F6E7465  DB     'Contents of Test$Buffer',0

01CE C30601    JMP    Testbed$Loop

        Test$Write:
01D1 CDF201    CALL   Fill$Ripple ;Fill the test buffer with ripple pattern
01D4 CD4704    CALL   Write$No$Deblock;*** or Write$Physical depending on which
                      ;*** drivers you are testing

01D7 CD4704    CALL   DB$Display ;Display return code
01DA 02        DB     DB$A
01DB 5465737420 DB     'Test Write returned',0

01EF C30601    JMP    Testbed$Loop

        Fill$Ripple:           ;Fills the Test$Buffer with a pattern
                                ; formed by putting into each byte, the
                                ; least significant 8-bits of the byte's
                                ; address.
01F2 010002    LXI   B,Test$Buffer$Size
01F5 211702    LXI   H,Test$Buffer

        FR$Loop:
01F8 75        MOV   M,L      ;Set pattern value into buffer
01F9 23        INX   H       ;Update buffer pointer
01FA 0B        DCX   B       ;Down date count
01FB 79        MOV   A,C      ;Check if count zero
01FC B0        ORA   B       ;
01FD C2F801    JNZ   FR$Loop ;Repeat until zero
0200 C9        RET

        ; Check$Ripple:          ;Check that the buffer is filled with the
                                ; correct ripple pattern
                                ; Returns with zero status if this is true,
                                ; nonzero status if the ripple is not
                                ; correct. HL point to the offending byte
                                ; (which should = L)
0201 010002    LXI   B,Test$Buffer$Size
0204 211702    LXI   H,Test$Buffer

        CR$Loop:
0207 7D        MOV   A,L      ;Get correct value
0208 BE        CMP   M       ;Compare to that in the buffer
0209 C0        RNZ   ;Mismatch, nonzero already indicated
020A 23        INX   H       ;Update buffer pointer
020B 0B        DCX   B       ;Doundate count
020C 79        MOV   A,C      ;Check count zero
020D B0        ORA   B       ;
020E C20702    JNZ   CR$Loop ;Repeat until zero
0211 C9        RET   ;Zero flag will already be set

        ; Testbed variables
        ;
0212 00        Logical$Disk: DB     0      ;A = 0, B = 1, ...
0213 0000      Track:    DW     0      ;Disk track number
0215 00        Sectors:   DB     0      ;Disk sector number
0216 00        Write$Disk: DB     0      ;NZ to write to disk
        ;
0200 =        Test$Buffer$Size    EQU   512 ;<== Alter as required
0217 Test$Buffer: DS     Test$Buffer$Size

        ;
0417 9999999999 DW     9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
0427 9999999999 DW     9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H
0437 9999999999 DW     9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H,9999H

        Test$Stack:
        ;
        ; Dummy routines for those shown in other figures
        ;
        ; BIOS routines (Figure 8-10)
        ;
        SELDSK1:           ;Select logical disk
        SETTRK1:           ;Set track number
        SETSEC1:           ;Set sector number
        SETDMA1:           ;Set DMA address
        Read$No$Deblock:  ;Driver read routines
        Read$Physical:    ;
        Write$No$Deblock: ;Driver write routines
        Write$Physical:   ;

```

Figure 10-6. (Continued)

```

;
;      Debug routines (Figure 10-2)
;
DB$Init:           ;Debug initialization
DB$MSGI:          ;Display message in-line
DB$Display:        ;Main debug display routine
DB$A   EQU    02    ;Display codes for DB$Display
DB$HL  EQU    20
DB$M   EQU    24
0002 =
0014 =
0018 =

```

**Figure 10-6.** Testbed for disk I/O drivers in the BIOS (continued)

Before issuing the write call, the testbed fills the disk buffer with a known pattern. This pattern is checked on return from a read operation.

For both reading and writing, the testbed shows the contents of the A register. If you have added the enhanced disk error handling described in the previous chapter, the return value in A must *always* be zero.

**Disk Driver Checklist** *Does SELDSK return the correct address and set up the required system variables?*

Check that the correct disk parameter header address is returned for legitimate logical disks. Check, too, that it returns an address of 0000H for illegal disks.

Check that any custom processing, such as setting the disk type and deblocking requirements from extra bytes on the disk parameter blocks, is performed correctly.

*Does the SETTRK and SETSEC processing function correctly?*

Using DDT, check that the correct variables are set to the specified values.

*Does the driver read in the spare-sector directory correctly?*

Set up to execute a physical read and, using DDT, trace the logic of the READ entry point. Check that the spare-sector directory would be loaded into the correct buffer. If you are using fake input/output, use DDT to patch in a typical spare-sector directory with two or three “spared-out” sectors.

*Does the driver produce the correct spare sector in place of a bad one?*

Continuing with the physical read operation, check that, for “good” track/sectors, the sector-sparing logic returns the original track and sector number, and for “bad” track/sectors, it substitutes the correct spare track and sector. If you are using sector skipping, check that the correct number of sectors is skipped.

*Can a sector be read in from the disk?*

Continuing further with the physical read, check that the correct sector is read from the specified disk and track. If you are using real I/O (as

opposed to faking it), the “ripple pattern” set by the testbed can be used, or you can fill the disk buffer area with some known pattern (using DDT’s F command) so you can tell if any data gets read in.

Make sure you do not have any disks or diskettes in the computer system that are not write-protected—you may inadvertently write on a disk rather than read it during the early stages of testing.

#### *Can a sector be written to the disk?*

Using DDT, set up to write to a particular disk, track, and sector. Remove any write protection that you put on the target disk during earlier testing. You can either use the testbed’s ripple pattern or fill the disk buffer area with a distinctive pattern. Write this data onto the disk, fill the buffer area with a *different* pattern, and read in the sector that you wrote. Check that the disk buffer gets changed back to the pattern written to the disk.

#### *Does the driver display error messages correctly?*

Rather than deliberately damaging a diskette to create errors, use DDT to temporarily sabotage the disk driver’s logic. Make it return each of the possible error codes in turn, checking each time that the correct error message is displayed.

For each error condition in turn, check that the disk driver performs the correct recovery action, including interacting with the user and offering the choice of retrying, ignoring the error, or aborting the program.

## Live Testing a New BIOS

Given that the drivers have passed all of the testing outlined above, you are ready to pull all of the BIOS pieces together and build a CP/M image.

For your initial testing, disable the real time clock, and use simple, polled I/O for the console driver if you can. It is important to get *something* up and running as soon as possible, and it is easier to do this without possible side effects from interrupts.

Prepare a complete listing of the BIOS and plan to spend at least an hour checking through it. Take a dry run through the console and disk driver—if there are any serious bugs left in these two drivers, CP/M may not start up. Remember that once the BIOS cold boot code has been executed and control is handed over to the CCP, the BDOS will be requested to log in the system disk, and this involves reading in the disk’s directory.

Pay special attention to checking some of the major data structures. Make certain that everything is at a reasonable place in memory; for example, if the last address used by the BIOS is greater than 0FFFFH, you will need to move the entire CP/M image down in memory.

Then build a system disk, load it into the machine, and press the RESET button. You should see the bootstrap sign on, then the BIOS, and after a pause of about one second, the A> prompt (or 0A> if you have included the special feature that patches the CCP).

If you see both sign-on messages but do not get an A> prompt, a likely cause of the problem is in the disk drivers. Alternatively, the directory area on the disk may be full of random data rather than 0E5H's.

If you cannot see what is wrong with the system, you might try faking the disk drivers to return a 128-byte block of 0E5H's for each read operation. The CCP should then sign on.

Once you do have the A> prompt, you can proceed with the system checkout. Start by checking that the warm boot logic works. Type a CONTROL-C. There should be a slight pause, and the A> prompt should be output again.

Next, check that you can read the disk directory by using the DIR command. If you have an empty directory, you should get a NO FILE response. If you get strange characters instead, you either forgot to initialize the directory area or the disk parameter block is directing CP/M to the wrong part of the disk for the file directory. If the system crashes, there is a problem with the disk driver.

Check that you can write on the disk by entering the command SAVE 1 TEST. Then use the DIR command to confirm that file TEST shows up in the file directory. If it does, use the ERA command ERA TEST and do another DIR command to confirm that TEST has indeed been erased.

If TEST either does not show up on the disk or cannot be erased, then you have a problem with the disk driver WRITE routine.

Put a standard CP/M release diskette into drive B and use the DIR command to check that you can access the drive and display a disk directory. If you do, then load the DDT utility and exit from it by using a G0 (G, zero) command. This further tests if the disk drivers are functioning correctly.

To test the deblocking logic (if you are using disks that require deblocking), use the command:

**PIP A:=B:\*.\*[V]**

This copies all files from drive B to drive A using the verify option. It is a particularly good test of the system, and if you have any problems with the high-level disk drivers and deblocking code, you will get a Verify Error message from PIP. You can also get this message if you have hardware problems with the computer's memory, so run a memory test if you cannot find anything obviously wrong with the deblocking algorithm.

To completely test the deblocking code, you need to use PIP to copy a file of text larger than the amount of memory available. Thus, you may have to create a large text file using a text editor just to provide PIP with test data.

With the disk driver functioning correctly, rebuild the system with the real time clock enabled. Bring up the new system and check that the ASCII time of day is

being updated in the configuration block; use DDT to inspect this in memory. Set the clock to the current time, let it run for five minutes, and see if it is still accurate. You may have to adjust one of the initialization time constants for the device that is providing the periodic interrupts for the clock.

Rebuild the system yet again, this time with the real interrupt-driven console input and the real console output routines. Check that the system comes up properly and that the initial forced-input startup string appears on the console.

Check that when you type characters on the keyboard they are displayed as you type them. If not, there could be a problem with either the CONIN or CONOUT routines. Experimentally type in enough characters to fill the input buffer. If the terminal's bell starts to sound, the interrupt service routine is probably not the culprit. Check the CONOUT routine again.

Check that the function key decode logic is working correctly. With the A> prompt displayed, press a function key. The CONIN driver should inject the correct function key string and it should appear on the terminal. For example, with the BIOS in Figure 8-10, pressing PF1 on the VT-100 terminal should produce this on the display:

```
A>Function Key1  
Function?  
A>
```

The CCP does not recognize "Function" as a legitimate command name, nor is there such a COM file—hence the question mark.

Using DDT, write a small program that outputs ESCAPE, "t" to the console, and check that the ASCII time of day string appears on the console. This checks that the escape sequence has been recognized.

# 11

Library Functions  
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Standard CP/M  
Utility Programs for the Enhanced BIOS

## Additional Utility Programs

This chapter contains the narrated source code for several useful utility programs. Two groups of such programs are included—those that supplement Digital Research's standard utility programs, and those that work in conjunction with features shown in the enhanced BIOS (Figure 8-10).

To avoid unnecessary detail, the programs shown in this chapter are all written in the C language. C is a good language to use for such purposes since it can show the overall logic of a program without the clutter of details common in assembly language.

In order to reuse as much source code as possible, this chapter includes a "library" of all the general-purpose C functions that can be called from within any of the utility programs. This file, called "LIBRARY.C", is shown in Figure 11-1. Once a utility program has been compiled, the necessary functions from the library can be linked with the utility's binary output to form the ".COM" file.

```

/* Library of commonly-used functions */

#include <LIBRARY.H>      /* Standard defines and structures */

/* Configuration block access */

/*=====
char
*get_cba(code)          /* Get configuration block address */
/*=====
/* This function makes a call to a "private" entry in the BIOS
jump vector to return the address of a specific data object in
the BIOS. The code indicates which object is required.
Each program using this function could make a direct call to
the BIOS using the biosh() function provided by BDS C. This
function provides a common point to which debugging code can
be added to display the addresses returned. */

/* Entry parameters */
int code;           /* Code that specifies the object
                      whose address is required */

/* Exit Parameters
   Address returned by the BIOS routine */

{
    char *retval;        /* Value returned by the BIOS */

    retval = biosh(CBGADDR,code);
    /* printf("\nget_cba : code %d address %4x",code,retval); */
    return retval;
} /* End of get_cba(code) */

/* Character manipulation functions */

/*=====
strscn(string,key)        /* String scan */
/*=====
/* This function scans a 00-terminated character string looking
for a key string in it. If the key string is found within the
string, the function returns a pointer to it. Otherwise it
returns a value of zero. */
/* Entry parameters */
char *string;           /* String to be searched */
char *key;              /* Key string to be searched for */

/* Exit parameters
   Pointer to key string within searched string, or
   zero if key not found
*/
{
    while (*string)        /* For all non-null chars. in string */
    {
        if ((*string == *key) &&
            (ssstrcmp(string,key) == 0)) /* First char. matches */
            /* Perform substring
               compare on rest */
        )
            return string;      /* Substring matches,
                                   return pointer */
        string++;             /* Move to next char. in string */
    }
    return 0;                /* Indicate no match found */
} /* End of strscn */

/*=====
ustrcmp(string1,string2)  /* Uppercase string compare */
/*=====
/* This function is similar to the normal strcmp function;
it differs only in that the characters are compared as if they
were all uppercase characters -- the strings are left
unaltered. */

```

a

b

c

Figure 11-1. LIBRARY.C, commonly used functions, in C language

```

/* Entry Parameters */
char *string1;           /* Pointer to first string */
char *string2;           /* Pointer to second string */

/* Exit parameters
   0 - if string 1 = string 2
   -ve integer if string 1 > string 2
   +ve integer if string 1 < string 2
 */

{
    int count;             /* Used to access chars. in both strings */
    count = 0;              /* Start with the first character of both */

    /* While string 1 characters are non-null, and
       match their counterparts in string 2. */
    while (string1[count] == string2[count])
    {
        if (string1[++count] == '\0') /* Last char. in string 1 */
            return 0;                /* Indicate equality */
    }
    return string2[count] - string1[count]; /* "Compare" chars. */

} /* End of strcmp */

=====
/*=====*/
ssstrcmp(string,substring)          /* Substring compare */
/*=====*/
/* This function compares two strings. The first, string, need not
   be 00-terminated. The second, substring, must be 00-terminated.
   It is similar to the standard function strcmp, except that the
   length of the substring controls how many characters are compared. */

/* Entry Parameters */
char *string;           /* Pointer to main string */
char *substring;         /* Pointer to substring */

/* Exit parameters
   0 - substring matches corresponding characters in string
   -ve integer if char. in string is > char. in substring
   +ve integer if char. in string is < char. in substring
 */

{
    int count;             /* Used to access chars. in string and substring */
    count = 0;              /* Start with the first character of each */

    /* While substring characters are non-null, and
       match their counterparts in string. */
    while (string[count] == substring[count])
    {
        if (substring[++count] == '\0') /* Last char in substring */
            return 0;                /* Indicate equality */
    }
    return substring[count] - string[count]; /* "Compare" chars. */

} /* End of ssstrcmp */

=====
/*=====*/
usstrcmp(string,substring)          /* Uppercase substring compare */
/*=====*/
/* This function compares two strings. The first, string, need not
   be 00-terminated. The second, substring, must be 00-terminated.
   It is similar to the substring compare above except all
   characters are made uppercase. */

/* Entry Parameters */
char *string;           /* Pointer to main string */
char *substring;         /* Pointer to substring */

/* Exit parameters
   0 -- substring matches corresponding characters in string

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

    -ve integer if char. in string is > char. in substring
    +ve integer if char. in string is < char. in substring
 */

{
int count;      /* Used to access chars in string and substring */
count = 0;      /* Start with the first character of each */

/* While substring characters are non-null, and
   match their counterparts in string. */
while (toupper(string[count]) == toupper(substring[count]))
{
    if (substring[++count] == '\0') /* Last char. in substring */
        return 0;                /* Indicate equality */
}
return substring[count] - string[count];      /* "Compare" chars. */
} /* End of usstrcmp */

=====
comp_fname(scb, name)          /* Compare file names */
=====
/* This function compares a possibly ambiguous file name
   to the name in the specified character string. The number of
   bytes compared is determined by the number of characters in
   the mask.
   This function can be used to compare file names and types,
   or, by appending an extra byte to the mask, the file names,
   types, and extent numbers.
   For file directory entries, an extra byte can be prefixed to
   the mask and the function used to compare user number, file
   name, type, and extent.
   Note that a "?" in the first character of the mask will NOT
   match with a value of 0xE5 (this value is used to indicate
   an inactive directory entry). */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _scb *scb;            /* Pointer to search control block */
char *name;                  /* Pointer to file name */

/* Exit parameter
   NAME_EQ if the names match the mask
   NAME_LT if the name is less than the mask
   NAME_GT if the name is greater than the mask
   NAME_NE if the name is not equal to the mask (but the outcome
   is ambiguous because of the wildcards in the mask)
*/
{
int count;                  /* Count of the number of chars. Processed */
short ambiguous;            /* NZ when the mask is ambiguous */
char *mask;                 /* Pointer to bytes at front of SCB */

/* Set pointer to characters at beginning of search control block */
mask = scb;

/* Ambiguous match on user number, matches
   only users 0 - 15, and not inactive entries */
if (mask[0] == '?')
{
    if (name[0] == 0xE5)
        return NAME_NE; /* Indicate inequality */
}
else /* First char. of mask is not "?" */
{
    if (mask[0] != name[0]) /* User numbers do not match */
        return NAME_NE; /* Indicate inequality */
}

/* No, check the name (and, if the length is such, the extent) */
for (count = i;             /* Start with first name character */
     count <= scb->scb_length; /* For all required characters */
     count++)                 /* Move to next character */
{
    if (mask[count] == '?') /* Wildcard character in mask */

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

    {
        ambiguous = 1; /* Indicate ambiguous name in mask */
        continue; /* Do not make any comparisons */
    }

    if (mask[count] != (name[count] & 0x7F))
    {
        /* Mask char. not equal to FCB char. */
        if (ambiguous) /* If previous wildcard, indicate NE */
            return NAME_NE;
        else
            /* Compare chars. to determine relationship */
            return (mask[count] > name[count]) ?
                NAME_LT : NAME_GT;
    }

    /* If control reaches here, then all characters of the
     * mask and name have been processed, and either there
     * were wildcards in the mask, or they all matched. */
    return NAME_EQ; /* Indicate mask and name are "equal" */

} /* End of comp_fname */

/*=====*/
conv_fname(fcb,fn) /* Convert file name for output */
/*=====*/
/* This function converts the contents of a file control
   block into a printable string "D:FILENAME.TYP." */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _fcb *fcb; /* Pointer to file control block */
char *fn; /* Pointer to area to receive name */

{
    /* If the disk specification in the
       FCB is 0, use the current disk */
    *fn++ = (fcb -> fcb_disk) ? (fcb -> fcb_disk + ('A'-1)) :
        (bdos(GETDISK) + 'A');

    *fn++ = ':'; /* Insert disk id. delimiter */

    movmem(&fcb -> fcb_fname,fn,8); /* Move file name */
    fn += 8; /* Update pointer */
    *fn++ = '.'; /* Insert file name/type delimiter */
    movmem(&fcb -> fcb_fname+8,fn,3); /* Move file type */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn = '\0'; /* Terminator */

} /* End of conv_fname */

/*=====*/
conv_dfname(disk,dir,fn) /* Convert directory file name for output */
/*=====*/
/* This function converts the contents of a file directory entry
   block into a printable string "D:FILENAME.TYP." */

/* Entry parameters */
short disk; /* Disk id. (A = 0, B = 1) */
struct _dir *dir; /* Pointer to file control block */
char *fn; /* Pointer to area to receive name */

{
    /* Convert user number and disk id. */
    sprintf(fn,"%2d%cx:",dir -> de_userno,disk + 'A');
    fn += 5; /* Update pointer to file name */

    movmem(&dir -> de_fname,fn,8); /* Move file name */
    fn += 8; /* Update pointer */
    *fn++ = '.'; /* Insert file name/type delimiter */

    movmem(&dir -> de_fname+8,fn,3); /* Move file type */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn++ &= 0x7F; /* Remove any attribute bits */
    *fn = '\0'; /* Terminator */
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

3 /* End of conv_dfname */

/*=====
get_nfn(amb_fname,next_fname) /* Get next file name */
=====*/
/* This function sets the FCB at "next_fname" to contain the
   directory entry found that matches the ambiguous file name
   in "amb_fname."
   On the first entry for a given file name, the most significant
   bit in the FCB's disk field must be set to one (this causes a
   search first BDOS call to be made). */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _fcb *amb_fname; /* Ambiguous file name */
struct _fcb *next_fname; /* First byte must have ms bit set for
                           first time entry */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = No further name found
   1 = Further name found (and set up in next_fname)
*/

{
char bdos_func;           /* Set to either search first or next */
char *pname;              /* Pointer to file name in directory entry */

   /* Initialize tail-end of next file FCB to zero */
setmem(&next_fname -> fcb_extent,FCBSIZE-12,0);

bdos_func = SEARCHF;      /* Assume a search first must be given */

if (!(next_fname -> fcb_disk & 0x80)) /* If not first time */
{
   /* search first on previous name */
   srch_file(next_fname,SEARCHF);
   bdos_func = SEARCHN;           /* Then do a search next */
}
else /* First time */
   next_fname -> fcb_disk |= 0x7F; /* Reset first-time flag */

   /* Refresh next_fname from ambiguous file name
      (move disk, name, type) */
movmem(amb_fname,next_fname,12);

   /* If first time, issue search first, otherwise
      issue a search next call. "srch_file" returns
      a pointer to the directory entry that matches
      the ambiguous file name, or 0 if no match */
if (!(pname = srch_file(next_fname,bdos_func)))
{
   return 0;          /* Indicate no match */
}
   /* Move file name and type */
movmem(pname,&next_fname -> fcb_fname,11);
return 1;                /* Indicate match found */

} /* End of get_nfn */

/*=====
char *srch_file(fcb,bdos_code) /* Search for file */
=====*/
/* This function issues either a search first or search next
   BDOS call. */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _fcb *fcb;          /* pointer to file control block */
short bdos_code;           /* either SEARCHF or SEARCHN */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = no match found
   NZ = pointer to entry matched (currently in buffer)
*/

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

{
    unsigned r_code;          /* Return code from search function
                                This is either 255 for no match, or 0, 1, 2, or 3
                                being the ordinal of the 32-byte entry in the
                                buffer that matched the name */
    char *dir_entry;         /* Pointer to directory entry */

    /* The BDS C compiler always sets the BDOS DMA
       to location 0x80 */

    r_code = bdos(bdos_code,fcb); /* Issue the BDOS call */
    if (r_code == 255)           /* No match found */
        return 0;

    /* Set a pointer to the matching
       entry by multiplying return code by 128
       and adding onto the buffer address (0x80),
       also add i to point to first character of name */

    return (r_code << 5) + 0x81;
}/* End of srch_file */

/*=====
rd_disk(drb)          /* Read disk (via BIOS) */
/*=====
/* This function uses the parameters previously set up in the
   incoming request block, and, using the BIOS directly,
   executes the disk read. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _drb *drb;        /* Disk request block (disk, track, sector, buffer) */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = No data available
   1 = Data available
*/
k

{
    if (!set_disk(drb))      /* Call SELDSK, SETTRK, SETSEC */
        return 0;             /* If SELDSK fails, indicate
                                no data available */
    if (bios(DREAD))
        return 0;             /* Execute BIOS read */
    return 1;                 /* Indicate no data available if error returned */

    return 1;                 /* Indicate data available */
} /* End of rd_disk */

/*=====
wrt_disk(drb)          /* Write disk (via BIOS) */
/*=====
/* This function uses the parameters previously set up in the
   incoming request block, and, using the BIOS directly,
   executes the disk write. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _drb *drb;        /* Disk request block (disk, track, sector, buffer) */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = Error during write
   1 = Data written OK
*/
l

{
    if (!set_disk(drb))      /* Call SELDSK, SETTRK, SETSEC, SETDMA */
        return 0;             /* If SELDSK fails, indicate no data written */
    if (bios(DWRITE))
        return 0;             /* Execute BIOS write */
    return 1;                 /* Indicate error returned */

    return 1;                 /* Indicate data written */
} /* End of wrt_disk */

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

/*=====
short set_disk(drb)      /* Set disk parameters */
=====
/* This function sets up the BIOS variables in anticipation of
   a subsequent disk read or write. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _drb *drb;        /* Disk request block (disk, track, sector, buffer) */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = Invalid disk (do not perform read/write)
   1 = BIOS now set up for read/write
*/

{
    /* The sector in the disk request block contains a
       LOGICAL sector. If necessary (as determined by the
       value in the disk parameter header), this must be
       converted into the PHYSICAL sector.
       NOTE! skewtab is declared as a pointer to a pointer to
       a short integer (single byte). */
    short **skewtab;          /* Skewtab -> disk parameter header -> skew table */
    short phy_sec;            /* Physical sector */

    /* Call the SELDSK BIOS entry point. If this returns
       a 0, then the disk is invalid. Otherwise, it returns
       a pointer to the pointer to the skew table */
    if ( !(skewtab = biosh(SELDSK,drb -> dr_disk).))
        return 0;                /* Invalid disk */

    bios(SETTRK,drb -> dr_track);    /* Set track */

    /* Note that the biosh function puts the sector into
       registers BC, and a pointer to the skew table in
       registers HL. It returns the value in HL on exit
       from the BIOS */
    phy_sec = biosh(SECTRN,drb -> dr_sector,*skewtab); /* Get physical sector */
    bios(SETSEC,phy_sec);           /* Set sector */
    bios(SETDMA,drb -> dr_buffer); /* Set buffer address */

    return 1;                    /* Indicate no problems */
} /* End of setp_disk */

/*      Directory Management Functions      */

/*=====
get_nde(dir_pb)      /* Get next directory entry */
=====
/* This function returns a pointer to the next directory entry.
   If the directory has not been opened, it opens it.
   When necessary, the next directory sector is read in.
   If the current sector has been modified and needs to be written back
   onto the disk, this will be done before reading in the next sector. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _dirpb *dir_pb;        /* Pointer to the disk parameter block */

/* Exit Parameters
   Returns a pointer to the next directory entry in the buffer.
   The directory open and write sector flags in the parameter
   block are reset as necessary.
*/
{
    if(!dir_pb -> dp_open)        /* Directory not yet opened */
    {
        if (open_dir(dir_pb))    /* Initialize and open directory */
        {
            err_dir(O_DIR,dir_pb); /* Report error on open */
            exit();
        }
        /* Deliberately set the directory entry pointer to the end
           of the buffer to force a read of a directory sector */
    }
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

dir_pb -> dp_entry = dir_pb -> dp_buffer + DIR_BSZ;
dir_pb -> dp_write = 0;           /* Reset write-sector flag */
}

/* Update the directory entry pointer to the next entry in
   the buffer. Check if the pointer is now "off the end"
   of the buffer and another sector needs to be read. */
if (++dir_pb -> dp_entry < dir_pb -> dp_buffer + DIR_BSZ)
{
    return dir_pb -> dp_entry;      /* Return pointer to next entry */
}

/* Need to move to next sector and read it in */

/* Do not check if at end of directory or move to
   the next sector if the directory has just been
   opened (but the opened flag has not yet been set) */
if (!dir_pb -> dp_open)
    dir_pb -> dp_open = 1; /* Indicate that the directory is now open */
else
{
    /* Check if the sector currently in the buffer needs to be
       written back out to the disk (having been changed) */
    if (dir_pb -> dp_write)
    {
        dir_pb -> dp_write = 0;           /* Reset the flag */
        if (!rw_dir(W_DIR,dir_pb))        /* Write the directory sector */
        {
            err_dir(W_DIR,dir_pb); /* Report error on writing */
            exit();
        }
    }

    /* Count down on number of directory entries left to process,
       always four 32-byte entries per 128-byte sector */
    dir_pb -> dp_entrem -= 4;

    /* Set directory-end flag true if number of entries now < 0 */
    if (dir_pb -> dp_entrem == 0)          /* now at end of directory */
    {
        dir_pb -> dp_end = 1;             /* Indicate end */
        dir_pb -> dp_open = 0;            /* Indicate directory now closed */
        return 0;                         /* Indicate no more entries */
    }

    /* Update sector (and if need be track and sector) */
    if (++dir_pb -> dp_sector == dir_pb -> dp_sptrk)
    {
        ++dir_pb -> dp_tracks;         /* Update track */
        dir_pb -> dp_sector = 0;        /* Reset sector */
    }
}

if (!rw_dir(R_DIR,dir_pb))          /* Read next directory sector */
{
    err_dir(R_DIR,dir_pb); /* Report error on reading */
    exit();
}

/* Reset directory-entry pointer to first entry in buffer */
return dir_pb -> dp_entry = dir_pb -> dp_buffer;
} /* End of get_ndc */

=====
open_dir(dir_pb)      /* Open directory */
=====
/* This function "opens" up the file directory
   on a specified disk for subsequent processing
   by rw_dir, next_dir functions. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _dirpb *dir_pb; /* Pointer to directory parameter block */

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

/* Exit parameters
   0 = Error, directory not opened
   1 = Directory open for processing
 */

{
    struct _dpb *dpb;           /* CP/M disk parameter block */

    /* Get disk parameter block address for the disk specified in
       the directory parameter block */
    if ((dpb = get_dpb(dir_pb->dp_disk)) == 0)
        return 0;             /* Return indicating no DPB for this disk */

    /* Set the remaining fields in the parameter block */
    dir_pb->dp_sptrk = dpb->dpb_sptrk; /* Sectors per track */
    dir_pb->dp_track = dpb->dpb_trkoff; /* Track offset of the directory */
    dir_pb->dp_sector = 0;                /* Beginning of directory */
    dir_pb->dp_nument = dpb->dpb_maxdents; /* No. of directory entries */
    dir_pb->dp_entrem = dir_pb->dp_nument; /* Entries remaining to process */
    dir_pb->dp_end = 0;                  /* Indicate not at end */

    /* Set number of allocation blocks per directory entry to
       8 or 16 depending on the number of allocation blocks */
    dir_pb->dp_nabpde = (dpb->dpb_maxabn > 255 ? 8 : 16);
    /* Set number of allocation blocks (one more than number of
       highest block) */
    dir_pb->dp_nab = dpb->dpb_maxabn;

    /* Set the allocation block size based on the block shift.
       The possible values are: 3 = 1K, 4 = 2K, 5 = 4K, 6 = 8K, 7 = 16K.
       So a value of 16 is shifted right by (7 - bshift) bits. */
    dir_pb->dp_absize = 16 >> (7 - dpb->dpb_bshift);

    return 1;                   /* Indicate that directory now opened */
} /* End of open_dir */

/*=====
rw_dir(read_op,dir_pb) /* Read/write directory */
=====*/
/* This function reads/writes the next 128-byte
   sector from/to the currently open directory. */

/* Entry parameters */
short read_op;      /* True to read, false (0) to write */
struct _dirpb *dir_pb; /* Directory parameter block */

/* Exit parameters
   0 = error -- operation not performed
   1 = operation completed
 */

{
    struct _drb drb;           /* Disk request (for BIOS read/write) */

    drb.dr_disk = dir_pb->dp_disk;      /* Set up disk request */
    drb.dr_track = dir_pb->dp_track;
    drb.dr_sector = dir_pb->dp_sector;
    drb.dr_buffer = dir_pb->dp_buffers;

    if (read_op)
    {
        if (!rd_disk(&drb))    /* Issue read command */
            return 0;           /* Indicate error -- no data available */
    }
    else
    {
        if (!wrt_disk(&drb))  /* Issue write command */
            return 0;           /* Indicate error -- no data written */
    }
    return 1;                   /* Indicate operation complete */
} /* End of rd_dir */

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

/*=====
err_dir(opcode,dir_pb)      /* Display directory error
/*=====
/* This function displays an error message to report an error
   detected in the directory management functions open_dir and rw_dir. */
/* Entry parameters */
short opcode;               /* Operation being attempted */
struct _dirpb *dir_pb;      /* Pointer to directory parameter block */

{
printf("\n\007Error during ");

switch(opcode)
{
  case R_DIR:
    printf("Reading");
    break;
  case W_DIR:
    printf("Writing");
    break;
  case O_DIR:
    printf("Opening");
    break;
  default:
    printf("Unknown Operation (%d) on",opcode);
}

printf(" Directory on disk %c. ",dir_pb->dp_disk + 'A');

} /* End of err_dir */

/*=====
setscb(scb,fname,user,extent,length) /* Set search control block */
/*=====
/* This function sets up a search control block according
   to the file name specified. The file name can take the
   following forms:
   filename
   filename.typ
   dirname.typ
   *filename.typ (meaning "all disks")
   ABCD...NOP,filename.typ (meaning "just the specified disks")

   The function sets the bit map according to which disks should be
   searched. For each selected disk, it checks to see if an error is
   generated when selecting the disk (i.e. if there are disk tables
   in the BIOS for the disk). */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _scb *scb;           /* Pointer to search control block */
char *fname;                 /* Pointer to the file name */
short user;                  /* User number to search for */
short extent;                /* Extent number to search for */
int length;                 /* Number of bytes to compare */

/* Exit parameters
   None.
 */

{
int disk;                   /* Disk number currently being checked */
unsigned adisks;            /* Bit map for active disks */

adisks = 0;                  /* Assume no disks to search */

if (strscn(fname,":"))
{
  if (*fname == '*')        /* Check if ":" in file name */
  {
    adisks = 0xFFFF;         /* Set all bits */
  }
  else                      /* Set specific disks */
  {
    while(*fname != ':')    /* Until ":" reached */
    {
      if (*fname >='0' & *fname <='9')
      {
        adisks |= 1<<(*fname - '0');
      }
      else if (*fname >='A' & *fname <='F')
      {
        adisks |= 1<<(*fname - 'A'+10);
      }
    }
  }
}
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

    {
        /* Build the bit map by getting the next disk
           id. (A - P), converting it to a number in
           the range 0 - 15, shifting a 1-bit left
           that many places, and OR-ing it into the
           current active disks. */
        adisks |= 1 << (toupper(fname) - 'A');
        ++fname;          /* Move to next character */
    }
    ++fname;            /* Bypass colon */
}
else /* Use only current default disk */
{
    /* Set Just the bit corresponding to the current disk */
    adisks = 1 << bdos(GETDISK);
}

setfcb(scb,fname); /* Set search control block as though it
                     were a file control block. */

/* Make calls to the BIOS SELDSK routine to make sure that
   all of the active disk drives have disk tables for them
   in the BIOS. If they don't, turn off the corresponding
   bits in the bit map. */

for (disk = 0;           /* Start with disk A: */
     disk < 16;          /* Until disk P: */
     disk++)             /* Use next disk */
{
    if ( !(1 << disk) & adisks)
        continue;         /* Avoid selecting unspecified disks */
    if (biosh(SELDSK,disk) == 0) /* Make BIOS SELDSK call */
    {
        /* Returns 0 if invalid disk */
        /* Turn OFF corresponding bit in mask
           by AND-ing it with bit mask having
           all the other bits set = 1 */
        adisks &= ((1 << disk) ^ 0xFFFF);
    }
}

scb->scb_adisks = adisks; /* Set bit map in SCB */
scb->scb_userno = user;  /* Set user number */
scb->scb_extent = extent; /* Set extent number */
scb->scb_length = length; /* Set number of bytes to compare */

} /* End setscb */

/*=====
dm_clr(disk_map)           /* Disk map clear (to zeros) */
/*=====
/* This function clears all elements of the disk map to zero. */

/* Entry Parameters */
unsigned disk_map[16][18]; /* Address of array of unsigned integers */

/* Exit parameters
   None.
*/

{
    /* WARNING -- The 576 in the setmem call below is based on
       the disk map array being [16][18] -- i.e. 288 unsigned
       integers, hence 576 bytes. */
    setmem(disk_map,576,'0'); /* Fill array with zeros */
}

/*=====
dm_disp(disk_map,adisks)    /* Disk map display */
/*=====
/* This function displays the elements of the disk map, showing
   the count in each element. A zero value-element is shown as
   blanks. For example:

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

    0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10  11  12  13  14  15 Used Free
A: 123     20  98      202    199 101 211                      954   70

Lines will only be printed for active disks (as indicated by
the bit map). */

/* Entry parameters */
unsigned disk_map[16][18];      /* Pointer to disk map array */
unsigned adisks;               /* Bit map of active disks */

{
#define USED_COUNT 16           /* "User" number for used entities */
#define FREE_COUNT 17           /* "User" number for free entities */

int disk;                      /* Current disk number */
int userno;                    /* Current user number */
unsigned dsum;                 /* Sum of entries for given disk */

printf("\n    0   1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10  11  12  13  14  15 Used Free");

for (disk = 0;                  /* Start with disk A: */
     disk < 16;                /* Until disk P: */
     disk++)
{
    if (!(adisks & (1 << disk))) /* Check if disk is active */
        continue;               /* No -- so bypass this one */

    printf("\n%cs ", disk + 'A'); /* Display disk number */

    dsum = 0;                  /* Reset sum for this disk */
    for (userno = 0;            /* Start with user 0 */
         userno < 16;          /* Until user 15 */
         userno++)
    {
        dsum += disk_map[disk][userno]; /* Build sum */
    }

    if (dsum)                 /* Check if any output for this disk,
                                and if not, display d: None */
    {
        /* Print either number or blanks */
        for (userno = 0;          /* Start with user 0 */
             userno < 16;          /* Until user 15 */
             userno++)
        {
            if (disk_map[disk][userno])
                printf("%4d", disk_map[disk][userno]);
            else
                printf("    ");
        }
    }
    else                      /* No output for this disk */
    {
        printf( " -- None -- ");
    }
    printf(" %4d %4d", disk_map[disk][USED_COUNT], disk_map[disk][FREE_COUNT]);
}

/* End dm_disp */

=====
get_dpb(disk) /* Get disk parameter block address */
=====
/* This function returns the address of the disk parameter
block (located in the BIOS). */

/* Entry Parameters */
char disk;           /* Logical disk for which DPB address is needed */

/* Exit Parameters
   0 = Invalid logical disk
   NZ = Pointer to disk parameter block
*/
if (biosh(SELDSK,disk) == 0) /* Make BIOS SELDSK call */
    return 0;              /* Invalid disk */

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

bdos(SETDISK,disk);           /* Use BDOS SETDISK function */
return bdos(GETDParms);       /* Get the disk parameter block */
} /* End of get_dpb */

/*      Code table functions      */

/* Most programs that interact with a user must
   accept parameters from the user by name and translate
   the name into some internal code value.
   They also must be able to work in reverse, examining
   the setting of a variable, and determining what (ASCII
   name) it has been set to.

   An example is setting baud rates. The user may want to
   enter "19200," and have this translated into a number
   to be output to a chip. Alternatively, a previously
   set baud rate variable may have to be examined and the
   string "19200" generated to display its current
   setting to the user.

   A code table is used to make this task easier.
   Each element in the table logically consists of:
      A code value (unsigned integer)
      An ASCII character string (actually a pointer to it) */

/*=====
ct_init(entry,code,string)      /* Initialize code table */
/*=====
/* This function initializes a specific entry in a code table
   with a code value and string pointer.

");   NOTE: By convention, the last entry in a given
code table will have a code value of CT_SNF (string not found). */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _ct *entry;            /* Pointer to code table entry */
int code;                     /* Code value to store in entry */
char *string;                 /* Pointer to string for entry */

/* Exit parameters
   None.
 */

{
entry->_ct_code = code;        /* Set _ct_code */
entry->_ct_sp = string;        /* Set string pointer */
} /* end of ct_inti */

/*=====
unsigned
ct_parc(table,string)         /* Parameter - return code */
/*=====
/* This function searches the specified table for a
   matching string, and returns the code value that corresponds to it.
   If only one match is found in the table, then this function returns
   that code value. If no match or more than one match is found,
   it returns the error value, CT_SNF (string not found).
   This function is specifically designed for processing
parameters on a command tail.
Note that the comparison is done after conversion to uppercase
(i.e. "STRING" matches "string"). A substring compare is used so
that only the minimum number of characters for an unambiguous
response need be entered. For example, if the table contained:

      Code      Value
      1        "APPLES"
      2        "ORANGES"
      3        "APRICOTS"

A response of "O" would return code = 2, but "A" or "AP" would
be ambiguous. "APR" or "APP" would be required. */

struct _ct *table;             /* Pointer to table */
char *string;                  /* Pointer to key string */

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

{
int mcode;           /* Matched code to return */
int mcount;          /* Count of number of matches found */
mcode = CT_SNF;     /* Assume error */
mcount = 0;          /* Reset match count */

while(table -> _ct_code != CT_SNF) /* Not at end of table */
{
    /* Compare keyboard response to table entry using
       uppercase substring compare. */
    if (usstrcmp(table -> _ct_sp, string) == 0)
    {
        mcount++;      /* Update match count */
        mcode = table -> _ct_code; /* Save code */
    }
    table++;           /* Move to next entry */
}

if (mcount == 1)      /* Only one match found */
    return mcode;     /* Return matched code */
else
    return CT_SNF;

} /* End ct_parc */

/*=====
unsigned
ct_code(table, string) /* Return code for string */
/*=====
/* This function searches the specified table for the
   specified string. If a match occurs, it returns the
   corresponding code value. Otherwise it returns CT_SNF
   (string not found).
   Unlike ct_parc, this function compares every character in the
   key string, and will return the code on the first match found. */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _ct *table;    /* Pointer to table */
char *string;         /* Pointer to string */

/* Exit parameters
   Code value -- if string found
   CT_SNF -- if string not found
*/
{
while(table -> _ct_code != CT_SNF)      /* For all entries in table */
{
    if (usstrcmp(table -> _ct_sp, string) == 0) /* Compare strings */
        return table -> _ct_code; /* Return code */
    table++;           /* Move to next entry */
}
return CT_SNF;                         /* String not found */

} /* End ct_code */

/*=====
ct_disps(table) /* Displays all strings in specified table */
/*=====
/* This function displays all of the strings in a given table.
   It is used to indicate valid responses for operator input. */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _ct *table;    /* Pointer to table */

/* Exit Parameters
   None.
*/
{
while(table -> _ct_code != CT_SNF)      /* Not end of table */
{
    printf("\n\t\t%s", table -> _ct_sp); /* Print string */
    table++;           /* Move to next entry */
}
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

putchar('\n');                                /* Add final return */

} /* End of ct_disps */

/*=====
ct_index(table,string) /* Returns index for a given string */
/*=====
/* This function searches the specified table, and returns
   the INDEX of the entry containing a matching string.
   All characters of the string are used for the comparison,
   after they have been made uppercase. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _ct *table;                      /* Pointer to table */
char *string;                           /* Pointer to string */

/* Exit parameters
   Index of entry matching string, or
   CT_SNF if string not found.
*/
int index;                               /* Current value of index */
index = 0;                                /* Initialize index */

while(table -> _ct_code != CT_SNF)        /* Not at end of table */

{
    if (ustrcmp(table -> _ct_sp, string) == 0)
        return index; /* Return index */
    table++;           /* Move to next table entry */
    index++;           /* Update index */
}
return CT_SNF;                          /* String not found */

}

/*=====
char *ct_stri(table,index) /* Get string according to index */
/*=====
/* This function returns a pointer to the string in the
   table entry specified by the index. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _ct *table;                      /* Pointer to table */
int index;                             /* Index into table */

{
struct _ct *entry;                     /* Entry pointer */
entry = table[index]; /* Point to entry */
return entry -> _ct_sp; /* Return pointer to string */
} /* End of ct_stri */

/*=====
char *ct_src(table,code) /* Get string according to code value */
/*=====
/* This function searches the specified table and returns a
   pointer to the character string in the entry with the
   matching code value or a pointer to a string of "unknown"
   if the code value is not found. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _ct *table;                      /* Pointer to table */
unsigned code;                         /* Code value */

{
while(table -> _ct_code != CT_SNF)      /* Until end of table */
{
    if (table -> _ct_code == code) /* Check code matches */
        return table -> _ct_sp; /* Yes, return ptr. to str. */
    table++;                   /* No, move to next entry */
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

        }

return "Unknown";
}

/*      Bit vector functions      */

/* These functions manipulate bit vectors. A bit vector is a group
   of adjacent bits, packed eight per byte. Each bit vector has the
   structure defined in the LIBRARY.H file.

   Bit vectors are used primarily to manipulate the operating
   system's allocation vectors and other values that can best
   be represented as a series of bits. */

/*=====*/
bv_make(bv,bytes)      /* Make a bit vector and clear to zeros */
/*=====*/
/* This function uses C's built-in memory allocation, alloc,
   to allocate the necessary amount of memory, and then
   sets the vector to zero-bits. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv;          /* Pointer to a bit vector */
unsigned bytes;           /* Number of bytes in bit vector */

/* Exit parameter
   NZ = vector created
   0 = insufficient memory to create vector
*/
{
if((!bv->bv_bits = alloc(bytes)))    /* Request memory */
   return 0;                         /* Request failed */

bv->bv_bytes = bytes;                /* Set length */
bv->bv_end = bv->bv_bits + bytes;   /* Set pointer to end */

bv_fill(bv,0);                      /* Fill with 0's */
return 1;

} /* End bv_make */

/*=====*/
bv_fill(bv,value)      /* Fill bit vector with value */
/*=====*/
/* This function fills the specified bit vector with the
   specified value.
   This function exist only for consistency's sake and
   to isolate the main body of code from standard
   functions like setmem. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv;          /* Pointer to bit vector */
char value;               /* Value to fill vector with */

/* Exit parameters
   None.
*/
{
/*      address      length      value */
setmem(bv->bv_bits,bv->bv_bytes,value);
}

/*=====*/
bv_set(bv,bitnum)      /* Set the specified bit number */
/*=====*/
/* This function sets the specified bit number in the bit vector
   to one-bit. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv;          /* Pointer to bit vector */
unsigned bitnum;          /* Bit number to be set */

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

/* Exit parameters
   None.
*/
{
    unsigned byte_offset;           /* Byte offset into the bit vector */

    if ((byte_offset = bitnum >> 3) > bv->bv_bytes)
        return 0;                  /* Bitnum is "off the end" of the vector */

    /* Set the appropriate bit in the vector. The byte offset
       has already been calculated. The bit number in the byte
       is calculated by AND ing the bit number with 0x07.
       The specified bit is then OR ed into the vector */

    bv->bv_bits[byte_offset] |= (1 << (bitnum & 0x7));

    return 1;                      /* Indicate completion */

/* End of bv_set */

/*=====
bv_test(bv,bitnum)          /* Test the specified bit number */
/*=====
/* This function returns a value that reflects the current
   setting of the specified bit. */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _bv *bv;                /* Pointer to bit vector */
unsigned bitnum;               /* Bit number to be set */

/* Exit parameters
   None.
*/
{
    unsigned byte_offset;           /* Byte offset into the bit vector */

    if ((byte_offset = bitnum >> 3) > bv->bv_bytes)
        return 0;                  /* Bitnum is "off the end" of the vector */

    /* Set the appropriate bit in the vector. The byte offset
       has already been calculated. The bit number in the byte
       is calculated by AND ing the bit number with 0x07.
       The specified bit is then OR ed into the vector */

    return bv->bv_bits[byte_offset] & (1 << (bitnum & 0x7));
} /* End of bv_tests */

/*=====
bv_nz(bv)                    /* Test bit vector nonzero */
/*=====
/* This function tests each byte in the specified vector,
   and returns indicating whether any bits are set in
   the vector. */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _bv *bv;                /* Pointer to bit vector */

/* Exit Parameters
   NZ = one or more bits are set in the vector
   0 = all bits are off
*/
{
    char *bits;                  /* Pointer to bits in bit vector */
    bits = bv->bv_bits;          /* Set working pointer */

    while (bits != bv->bv_end)   /* For entire bit vector */
        if (*bits++)              /* If nonzero */
            return bits--;         /* Return pointer to NZ byte */
}

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

        }

    return 0;           /* Indicate vector is zero */

} /* End of bv_nz */

/*=====
bv_and(bv3,bv1,bv2)      /* bv3 = bv1 & bv2 */
=====*/
/* This function performs a boolean AND between the bytes
   of bit vector 1 and 2, storing the result in bit vector 3. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv1;          /* Pointer to input bit vector */
struct _bv *bv2;          /* Pointer to input bit vector */

/* Exit parameters */
struct _bv *bv3;          /* Pointer to output bit vector */

{
char *bits1, *bits2, *bits3; /* Working pointers to bit vectors */

bits1 = bv1 -> bv_bits;   /* Initialize working pointers */
bits2 = bv2 -> bv_bits;
bits3 = bv3 -> bv_bits;

/* AND ing will proceed until the end of any one of the bit
   vectors is reached */
while (*bits1 != bv1 -> bv_end &&
       *bits2 != bv2 -> bv_end &&
       *bits3 != bv3 -> bv_end)
{
    *bits3++ = *bits1++ & *bits2++; /* bv3 = bv1 & bv2 */
}
} /* End of bv_and */

/*=====
bv_or(bv3,bv1,bv2)      /* bv3 = bv1 or bv2 */
=====*/
/* This function performs a boolean inclusive OR between the bytes
   of bit vectors 1 and 2, storing the result in bit vector 3. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv1;          /* Pointer to input bit vector */
struct _bv *bv2;          /* Pointer to input bit vector */

/* Exit parameters */
struct _bv *bv3;          /* Pointer to output bit vector */

{
char *bits1, *bits2, *bits3; /* Working pointers to bit vectors */

bits1 = bv1 -> bv_bits;   /* Initialize working pointers */
bits2 = bv2 -> bv_bits;
bits3 = bv3 -> bv_bits;

/* The OR ing will proceed until the end of any one of the bit
   vectors is reached. */
while (*bits1 != bv1 -> bv_end &&
       *bits2 != bv2 -> bv_end &&
       *bits3 != bv3 -> bv_end)
{
    *bits3++ = *bits1++ | *bits2++; /* bv3 = bv1 or bv2 */
}
} /* End of bv_or */

/*=====
bv_disp(title,bv)         /* Bit vector display */
=====*/
/* This function displays the contents of the specified bit vector
   in hexadecimal. It is normally only used for debugging. */

/* Entry parameters */
char *title;               /* Title for the display */
struct _bv *bv;             /* Pointer to the bit vector */

```

Figure 11-1. (Continued)

```

/* Exit parameters
None.
*/
{
char *bits;           /* Working pointer */
unsigned byte_count; /* Count used for formatting display */
unsigned bit_count;  /* Count for processing bits in a byte */
char byte_value;     /* Value to be displayed */

printf("\nBit Vector : %s", title);    /* Display title */

bits = bv -> bv_bits;                /* Set working pointer */
byte_count = 0;                      /* Initialize count */

while (bits != bv -> bv_end)         /* For the entire vector */
{
    if (byte_count % 5 == 0)          /* Check if new line */
        /* Display bit number */
        printf("\n%4d : ", byte_count << 3);

    byte_value = *bits++;            /* Get the next byte from the vector */

    for (bit_count = 0; bit_count < 8; bit_count++)
    {
        /* Display the leftmost bit, then shift the value
         left one bit */
        if (bit_count == 4) putchar(' '); /* Separator */
        putchar((byte_value & 0x80) ? '1' : '0');
        byte_value <<= 1;             /* Shift value left */
    }
    printf(" ");                    /* Separator */

    byte_count++;                  /* Update byte count */
}
/* End of bv_disp */
/* End of LIBRARY.C */

```

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Figure 11-1. (Continued)

Associated with the library of functions is another section of source code called "LIBRARY.H", shown in Figure 11-2. This "header" file must be included at the beginning of each program that calls any of the library functions.

For reasons of clarity, this chapter describes the simplest functions first, followed by the more complex, and finally by the utility programs that use the functions.

Several functions in the library and some definitions in the library header are not used by the utilities shown in this chapter. They have been included to illustrate techniques and because they might be useful in other utilities you could write.

```

#define LIBVN "1.0"      /* Library version number */

/* This file contains groups of useful definitions.
It should be included at the beginning of any program
that uses the functions in LIBRARY.C */

/* Definition to make minor language modification to C. */
#define short char        /* Short is not supported directly */

```

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Figure 11-2. LIBRARY.H, code to be included at the beginning of any program that calls LIBRARY functions in Figure 11-1

```

/* One of the functions (bv_make) in the library uses the BDS C
   function, alloc, to allocate memory. The following definitions
   are provided for alloc. */

struct _header           /* Header for block of memory allocated */
{
    struct _header *_ptr; /* Pointer to the next header in the chain */
    unsigned _size;      /* Number of bytes in the allocated block */
};

struct _header _base;     /* Declare the first header of the chain */
struct _header *_allocp; /* Used by alloc() and free() functions */

/* BDOS function call numbers */

#define SETDISK 14      /* Set (select) disk */
#define SEARCHF 17      /* Search first */
#define SEARCHN 18      /* Search next */
#define DELETEF 19      /* Delete file */
#define GETDISK 25      /* Get default disk (currently logged in) */
#define SETDMA 26       /* Set DMA (Read/Write) Address */
#define GETDPARM 31     /* Get disk parameter block address */
#define GETUSER 32       /* Get current user number */
#define SETUSER 32       /* Set current user number */

/* Direct BIOS calls
   These definitions are for direct calls to the BIOS.
   WARNING: Using these makes program less transportable.
   Each symbol is related to its corresponding jump in the
   BIOS jump vector.
   Only the more useful entries are defined. */

#define CONST 2          /* Console status */
#define CONIN 3          /* Console input */
#define CONOUT 4         /* Console output */
#define LIST 5           /* List output */
#define AUXOUT 6          /* Auxiliary output */
#define AUXIN 7          /* Auxiliary input */

#define HOME 8           /* Home disk */
#define SELDSK 9          /* Select logical disk */
#define SETTRK 10         /* Set track */
#define SETSEC 11          /* Set sector */
#define SETDMA 12          /* Set DMA address */
#define DREAD 13          /* Disk read */
#define DWRITE 14          /* Disk write */
#define LISTST 15          /* List status */
#define SECTRN 16          /* Sector translate */
#define AUXIST 17          /* Auxiliary input status */
#define AUXOST 18          /* Auxiliary output status */

#define CIOINIT 19        /* "Private" entries in jump vector */
#define SETDOG 20          /* Specific character I/O initialization */
#define CBGADDR 21         /* Set watchdog timer */
#define CBGADDR 21         /* Configuration block, get address */

/* Definitions for accessing the configuration block */

#define CB_GET 21          /* BIOS jump number to access routine */
#define DEV_INIT 19         /* BIOS jump to initialize device */

#define CB_DATE 0           /* Date in ASCII */
#define CB_TIMEA 1          /* Time in ASCII */
#define CB_DTLFLAGS 2        /* Date, time flags */
#define TIME_SET 0x01        /* This bit NZ means date has been set */
#define DATE_SET 0x02        /* This bit NZ means time has been set */

#define CB_FIP 3            /* Forced input pointer */
#define CB_SUM 4            /* System start-up message */

#define CB_CI 5             /* Console input */
#define CB_CO 6             /* Console output */
#define CB_AI 7             /* Auxiliary input */
#define CB_AO 8             /* Auxiliary output */

```

Figure 11-2. (Continued)

```

#define CB_LI 9           /* List input */
#define CB_LO 10          /* List output */

#define CB_DTA 11          /* Device table addresses */
#define CB_CI224 12         /* Clock 12/24 format flag */
#define CB_RTCTR 13         /* Real time clock tick rate (per second) */

#define CB_WDC 14          /* Watchdog count */
#define CB_WDA 15          /* Watchdog address */

#define CB_FKT 16          /* Function key table */
#define CB_COET 17          /* Console output escape table */

#define CB_DO_IS 18          /* Device 0 initialization stream */
#define CB_DO_BRC 19         /* Device 0 baud rate constant */

#define CB_D1_IS 20          /* Device 1 initialization stream */
#define CB_D1_BRC 21         /* Device 1 baud rate constant */

#define CB_D2_IS 22          /* Device 2 initialization stream */
#define CB_D2_BRC 23         /* Device 2 baud rate constant */

#define CB_IV 24             /* Interrupt vector */
#define CB_LTCB0 25          /* Long term config. block offset */
#define CB_LTCBL 26          /* Long term config. block length */

#define CB_PUBF 27            /* Public files flag */
#define CB_MCBUF 28          /* Multi-command buffer */
#define CB_POLLC 29          /* Polled console flag */

/* Device numbers and names for physical devices */
/* NOTE: Change these definitions for your computer system */

#define T_DEVN 0              /* Terminal */
#define M_DEVN 1              /* Modem */
#define P_DEVN 2              /* Printer */

#define MAXPDEV 2             /* Maximum physical device number */

/* Names for the physical devices */

#define PN_T "TERMINAL"
#define PN_M "MODEM"
#define PN_P "PRINTER"

/* Structure and definitions for function keys */

#define FK_ILENGTH 2           /* No. of chars. input when func. key pressed
                                NOTE: This does NOT include the ESCAPE. */
#define FK_LENGTH 16            /* Length of string (not including fk_term) */
#define FK_ENTRIES 18           /* Number of function key entries in table */

struct _fk
{
    f
    char fk_input[FK_ILENGTH];   /* Lead-in character is not in table */
    char fk_output[FK_LENGTH];   /* Output character string */
    char fk_term;                /* Safety terminating character */
};

/* Definitions and structure for device tables */

/* Protocol bits */
/* Notes if the most significant bit is
set = 1, then the set_proto function
will logically OR in the value. This
permits Input DTR to co-exist with
XON or ETX protocol. */

#define DT_ODTR 0x8004          /* Output DTR high to send (OR ed in) */
#define DT_OXON 0x0008            /* Output XON */
#define DT_OETX 0x0010            /* Output ETX/ACK */

#define DT_IRTS 0x8040            /* Input RTS (OR-ed in) */
#define DT_RXON 0x0080            /* Input XON */

```

Figure 11-2. (Continued)

```

#define ALLPROTO 0xDC      /* All protocols combined */

struct _dt            /* Device table */
{
    char dt_f1[14];    /* Filler */
    char dt_st1;       /* Status byte 1 -- has protocol flags */
    char dt_st2;       /* Status byte 2 */
    unsigned dt_f2;    /* Filler */
    unsigned dt_etx1;  /* ETX/ACK message length */
    char dt_f3[12];    /* Filler */
};

/* Values returned by the comp_fname (compare file name) */

#define NAME_EQ 0        /* Names equal */
#define NAME_LT 1        /* Name less than mask */
#define NAME_GT 2        /* Name greater than mask */
#define NAME_NE 3        /* Name not equal (and comparison ambiguous) */

/* Structure for standard CP/M file control block */

#define FCBSIZE 36       /* Define the overall length of an FCB */

struct _fcb
{
    short fcb_disk;    /* Logical disk (0 = default) */
    char fcb_fname[11]; /* File name, type (with attributes) */
    short fcb_extent;  /* Current extent */
    unsigned fcb_s12;   /* Reserved for CP/M */
    short fcb_recnt;  /* Record count used in current extent */
    union
    {
        /* Allocation blocks can be either */
        /* Single or double bytes */
        short fcbab_short[16];
        unsigned fcbab_long[8];
    } _fcbab;
    short fcb_currec;  /* Current record within extent */
    char fcb_ranrec[3]; /* Record for random read/write */
};

/* Parameter block used for calls to the directory management routines */

#define DIR_BSZ 128      /* Directory buffer size */

struct _dirpb
{
    short dp_open;      /* 0 to request directory to be opened */
    short dp_end;       /* NZ when at end of directory */
    short dp_write;     /* NZ to write current sector to disk */
    struct _dir *dp_entry; /* Pointer to directory entry in buffer */
    char dp_buffer [DIR_BSZ]; /* Directory sector buffer */
    char dp_disk;       /* Current logical disk */
    int dp_track;       /* Start track */
    int dp_sector;      /* Start sector */
    int dp_nument;     /* Number of directory entries */
    int dp_entrem;     /* Entries remaining to process */
    int dp_sptrk;       /* Number of sectors per track */
    int dp_nabpde;     /* Number of allocation blocks per dir. entry */
    unsigned dp_nab;    /* Number of allocation blocks */
    int dp_absize;      /* Allocation block size (in Kbytes) */
};

/* The err_dir function is used to report errors found by the
   directory management routines, open_dir and rw_dir.
   Err_dir needs a parameter to define the operation being
   performed when the error occurred. The following definitions
   represent the operations possible. */

#define W_DIR 0           /* Writing directory */
#define R_DIR 1           /* Reading directory */
#define O_DIR 2           /* Opening directory */

```

Figure 14-2. (Continued)

```

/* Disk parameter block maintained by CPM */

struct _dpb
{
    unsigned dpb_sptrk;      /* Sectors per track */
    short dpb_bshift;        /* Block shift */
    short dpb_bmask;         /* Block mask */
    short dpb_emask;         /* Extent mask */
    unsigned dpb_maxabn;     /* Maximum allocation block number */
    unsigned dpb_maxden;     /* Maximum directory entry number */
    short dpb_rab0;          /* Allocation blocks reserved for */
    short dpb_rab1;          /* directory blocks */
    unsigned dpb_diskca;      /* Disk changed workarea */
    unsigned dpb_trkoff;      /* Track offset */
};

/* Disk directory entry format */

struct _dir {
    char de_userid;          /* User number or 0xE5 if free entry */
    char de_fnamel[11];       /* File name [8] and type [3] */
    int de_extent;            /* Extent number of this entry */
    int de_recent;            /* Number of 128-byte records used in last
                                allocation block */
    union
    {
        /* Allocation blocks can be either */
        /* single or double bytes */
        short de_short[16];
        unsigned de_long[8];
    } _dirab;
};

/* Disk request parameters for BIOS-level read/writes */

struct _drb
{
    short dr_disk;            /* Logical disk A = 0, B = 1... */
    unsigned dr_track;         /* Track (for SETTRK) */
    unsigned dr_sector;        /* Sector (for SETSEC) */
    char *dr_buffer;           /* Buffer address (for SETDMA) */
};

/* Search control block used by directory scanning functions */

struct _scb
{
    short scb_userid;          /* User number(s) to match */
    char scb_fnamel[11];       /* File name and type */
    short scb_extent;          /* Extent number */
    char unused[19];            /* Dummy bytes to make this look like
                                a file control block */
    short scb_length;           /* Number of bytes to compare */
    short scb_disk;             /* Current disk to be searched */
    unsigned scb_adisks;        /* Bit map of disks to be searched.
                                the rightmost bit is for disk A:. */
};

/* Code table related definitions */

#define CT_SNF 0xFFFF /* String not found */

struct _ct           /* Define structure of code table */
{
    unsigned _ct_code;        /* Code value */
    char *_ct_sp;              /* String pointer */
};

```

Figure 11-2. (Continued)

```

/* Structure for bitvectors */

struct _bv
{
    unsigned bv_bytes;      /* Number of bytes in the vector */
    char *bv_bits;          /* Pointer to the first byte in the vector */
    char *bv_end;           /* Pointer to byte following bit vector */
};

/* End of LIBRARY.H */

```

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**Figure 11-2.** (Continued)

## Library Functions

This section describes the library functions and the sections from the header file that must be included at the beginning of each utility program.

### A Minor Change to C Language

One minor problem with the BDS C Compiler is that it does not support “short” integers, or integers that are only a single byte long. It is convenient to declare certain values as short to serve as a reminder of the standard type definition. Therefore, the BDS C compiler must be “fooled” by declaring these values to be single characters. To do this, the library header file contains the declaration

```
#define short char.
```

shown in Figure 11-2, section a.

The “#define” tells the first part of the C compiler, the preprocessor, to substitute the string “char” (which declares a character variable) whenever it encounters the string “short” (which would ordinarily declare a short integer in standard C).

Note that character strings enclosed in “/\*” and “\*/” are regarded as comments and are ignored by the compiler.

### BDOS Calls

The standard library of functions that comes with the BDS C compiler includes a function to make BDOS calls, called “bdos.” It takes two parameters, and a typical call is of the following form:

```
bdos(c,de);
```

The “c” parameter represents the value that will be placed into the C register. This is the BDOS function code number. The “de” is the value that will be placed in the DE register pair.

The library header contains definitions (#define declarations) for BDOS functions 14 through 32, making these functions easier to use (Figure 11-2, c). Function 32 (Get/Set Current User Number) has two definitions; the “de” parameter is used to differentiate whether a get or a set function is to be performed.

## BIOS Calls

The BDS C standard library also contains two functions that make direct BIOS calls. These are “bios” and “biosh.” They differ only in that the bios function returns the value in the A register on return from the BIOS routine, whereas biosh, as its name implies, returns the value in the HL register pair. Examples of their use are

```
bios(jump_number,bc);
```

and

```
biosh(jump_number,bc,de);
```

Both functions take as their first parameter the number of the jump instruction in the BIOS jump vector to which control is to be transferred. For example, the console-status entry point is the third JMP in the vector. Numbering from 0, this would be jump number 2.

The library header file contains #defines for BIOS jumps 2 through 21 (Figure 11-2, d). The last group of these #defines (19 through 21) is for the “private” additions to the standard BIOS jump vectors described in Chapter 8.

Remember, though, that using direct BIOS calls makes programs more difficult to move from one system to another.

## BIOS Configuration Block Access

As you may recall, the configuration block is a collection of data structures in the BIOS. These structures are used either to store the current settings of certain user-selectable options, or to point to other important data structures in the BIOS.

One of the “private” jumps appended to the standard BIOS jump vector transfers control to a routine that returns the address in memory of a specified data structure. For example, if a utility program needs to locate the word in the BIOS that determines from which physical device the console input is to read, it can transfer control to jump 21 in the BIOS jump vector (actually the 22nd jump) with a code value of 5 in the C register. This jump transfers control to the CB\$Get\$Address code, which on its return will set HL to the address of the console input redirection vector. The utility program can then read from or write into this variable. The library header file contains #define declarations relating the code values to mnemonic names (Figure 11-2, e).

You will need to refer to the source code in Figure 8-10 to determine whether the address returned by the BIOS function is the address of the data element or the

address of a higher-level table that in turn points to the data element.

In order to access the current system date, for example, you would include the following code:

```
char *ptr_to_date;           /* declare date pointer*/
ptr_to_date = biosh(CB_DATE); /* get address */
```

The ptr\_to\_date can then be used to access the date directly.

During initial debugging of a utility, it is useful to be able to intercept all such accesses to the configuration block, partly to reassure yourself that the utility program is working as it should, and partly to ensure that the BIOS routine is returning the correct addresses to the data structures. Therefore, the utility library contains a function, "get\_cba," that gets a configuration block address (Figure 11-1, a).

At first, it appears that get\_cba is declared as a function that returns a pointer to characters. This is not strictly true. Sometimes the address it returns will point to characters, sometimes to integers, and sometimes to structures (such as the function key table).

The "printf" instruction has been left in the function in anticipation of debugging a utility. If you need to see some debug output whenever the get\_cba function is used, delete the "/\*" and "\*/" surrounding the "printf" and recompile the library.

## **BIOS Function Key Table Access**

The BIOS shown in Figure 8-10 contains code to recognize when an incoming escape sequence indicates that one of the terminal's function keys has been pressed. Instead of returning just the escape sequence, the console driver injects a previously programmed string of characters into the console input stream. For example, on a DEC VT-100 terminal, when the PF1 function key is pressed, the terminal emits the following character sequence: ESCAPE, "O", "P". The function key table contains the "OP" and a 00H-byte-terminated string of characters to be injected into the console input stream. In Figure 8-10, the example string is "FUNCTION KEY 1", LINE FEED. The library header file contains a declaration for the structure of the function key table (Figure 11-2, h).

Note the use of "#define" to declare the length of the incoming characters emitted by the terminal as well as the length of the output string.

In order to access a function key table entry, you must declare a pointer to a "\_fkt" structure like this:

```
struct _fkt *ptr_to_fkt;      /* Declare Pointer */
ptr_to_fkt = get_cba(CB_FKT); /* Set Pointer */
printf("Display the first string : %s",
       ptr_to_fkt -> fk_output);
++ptr_to_fkt;                /* Move to next entry */
```

The get\_cba function is used to return the address of the first entry in the function key table and set a pointer to it. Then the printf function (part of the

standard BDS C library) is used to print out the first string, which gets substituted for the "%s" in the quoted string. Note that the statement

```
++ptr_to_fkt
```

does not just add one to the pointer to the function key table—it adds whatever it takes to move the pointer to the next *entry* in the table.

## BIOS Device Table Access

The device tables are important structures for the serial devices served by the console, auxiliary, and list device drivers in the BIOS. They are declared at line 1500 in Figure 8-10.

The get\_cba function does not return a pointer to a specific device table, but a pointer to a table of device table addresses. Each entry in the address table corresponds to a specific device number. If there is no device table for a specific device number, then the corresponding entry in the table will be set to zero. the library header file contains definitions for the device table (Figure 11-2, i).

The device tables contain, among other things, the current serial line protocols used to synchronize the transmission and reception of data by the device drivers and the physical devices. An example utility, PROTOCOL, is shown later in the chapter. The example #define declarations and structure definition shown here are modeled on the requirements of this utility. The only relevant bytes are the two status bytes dt\_st1 and dt\_st2 and the message length used with the ETX/ACK protocol, dt\_etxml. The #defines shown are for the specific bits in the device table's status bytes. The PROTOCOL utility uses the most significant bit to indicate whether a given protocol setting can coexist with others.

To access these fields, use the following code:

```
struct _ppdt
{
    char *pdt[16];           /* Array of 16 pointers to device tables */
    } *ppdt;                 /* Pointer to array of 16 pointers */
struct _dt *dt;             /* Pointer to device table */

ppdt = get_cba(CB_DTA);    /* Set pointer to array of pointers */
dt = ppdt -> pdt[device_no]; /* Set pointer to specified device
                                table */

if (!dt)
    printf("\nError - no device table for this device.");

dt -> dt_etxml = 0;        /* Clear ETX message length */
```

## BIOS Disk Parameter Block Access

Several of the utility programs shown in this chapter must access the file directory on a given logical disk. The disk parameter block (DPB) indicates the size and location of the file directory. The library header contains a structure definition that describes the DPB (Figure 11-2, n).

To locate the DPB, you can make a direct BIOS call to the SELDSK routine, which returns the address of the disk parameter header (DPH). You then can access the DPB pointer in the DPH. Alternatively, using the BDOS, you can make the required disk the default disk and then request the address of its DPB. The code for the latter method is shown in the `get_dpb` function included in the utility library (Figure 11-1, u).

The `get_dpb` function uses a BIOS SELDSK function first to see if the specified disk is legitimate. Only then does it use the BDOS.

## Reading or Writing a Disk Using the BIOS

When you write a program that uses direct BIOS calls, you increase the possibility of problems in moving the program from one system to another. However, in certain circumstances it is necessary to use the BIOS. Reading and writing the file directory is one of these; the BDOS cannot be used to access the directory directly. The library header contains a structure declaration for a parameter block that contains the details of an “absolute” disk read or write (Figure 11-2, p).

Note the pointer to the 128-byte data buffer used to hold one of CP/M’s “records.”

The disk read and write functions are `rd_disk` (Figure 11-1, k) and `wrt_disk` (Figure 11-1, l). Both of them take a `_drb` as an input parameter, and both call the `set_disk` function to make the individual BIOS calls to SELDSK, SETTRK, and SETSEC.

Of special note is the code in `set_disk` (Figure 11-1, m) that converts a logical sector into a physical sector using the sector translation table and the SECTRAN entry point in the BIOS.

## File Directory Entry Access

All of the utility programs that access a disk directory share the same basic logic regardless of their specific task. This logic can be described best in pseudo-code:

```
while (not at the end of the directory)
{
    access the next directory entry
    if (this entry matches the current search criteria)
        {
            process the entry
        }
}
```

There are two ways of implementing this logic. The first uses the BIOS to read the directory. Entries are presented to the utility exactly as they occur in the file

directory. The second uses the BDOS functions Search First and Search Next and accesses the directory file-by-file rather than by entry. This latter method is more suited to utilities that process files rather than entries. The ERASE utility, described later in this chapter, illustrates this second method.

Three groups of functions are provided in the library: to access the next entry in the directory, to match the name in the current entry against a search key, and to assist with processing the directory.

## Directory Accessing Functions

A number of functions involve access to the file directory. The first group of such functions performs the following:

`get_nde` (get next directory entry; Figure 11-1, n)

This function returns a pointer to the next directory entry, or returns zero if the end of the directory has been reached.

`open_dir` (open directory; Figure 11-1, o)

This function is called by `get_nde` to open up a directory for processing.

`rw_dir` (read/write directory; Figure 11-1, p)

This function reads or writes the current directory sector.

`err_dir` (error on directory; Figure 11-1, q)

This general-purpose routine displays an error message if the BIOS indicates that it had problems either reading or writing the directory.

All of these functions use a directory parameter block to coordinate their activity. The library header contains the definitions for this structure (Figure 11-2, l), as well as #define declarations for operation codes used by the directory-accessing functions (Figure 11-2, m).

Before calling `get_nde`, the calling program needs to set `dp_open` to zero (forcing a call to `open_dir`) and the `dp_disk` field to the correct logical disk. The `open_dir` function sets up all of the remaining fields, using `get_dpb` to access the disk parameter block for the disk specified in `dp_disk`.

Of the remaining flags, `dp_end` will be set to true, when the end of the directory is reached, and `dp_write` must be nonzero for `rw_dir` to write the current sector back onto the disk.

The `get_nde` function includes all of the necessary logic to move from one directory entry to the next, reading in the next sector when necessary, and writing out the previous sector if the `dp_write` flag has been set to a nonzero value by the calling program. It also counts down on the number of directory entries processed, detecting and indicating the end of the directory.

The code at the beginning of the function calls `open_dir` if the `dp_open` flag is false. Note the code at the end of `open_dir` that sets the number of allocation blocks per directory entry (`dp_nabpde`). This number is computed from the maximum

allocation block number in the disk parameter block. If it is larger than 255, each allocation block must occupy a word, and there will be eight blocks per directory entry. If there are 255 or fewer allocation blocks, each will be one byte long and there will be 16 per entry. The allocation block size, in Kbytes, is computed from a simple formula.

In the early stages of debugging utilities, comment out the line that makes the call to wrt\_disk. This will prevent the directory from being overwritten. You then can test even those utilities that attempt to erase entries from the directory without any risk of damaging any data on the disk.

The last function in this group, err\_dir, is a common error handling function for taking care of errors while reading or writing the directory.

## Directory Matching Functions

The second group of functions that access the file directory matches each directory entry against specific search criteria. These include the following functions:

**setscb** (set search control block; Figure 11-1, r)

A search control block (SCB) is a structure that defines the entries in the directory that are to be selected for processing.

**comp\_fname** (compare file name; Figure 11-1, f)

This function compares the file name in the current directory entry with the one specified in the search control block.

The library header contains the structure definition for the search control block (Figure 11-2, q). This SCB is a hybrid structure. The first part of it is a cross between a file control block (FCB) and a directory entry. The last three fields, scb\_length, scb\_disk, and scb\_adisks, are peculiar to the search control block. Note that its overall length is the same as an FCB's so that the standard BDS C function set\_fcb can be used. This function sets the file name and type into an FCB, replacing "\*" with as many "?" characters as are required, and clears all unused bytes to zero.

The scb\_length field indicates to the comp\_fname (compare file name) function how many bytes of the structure are to be compared. This field will be set to 12 to compare the user number, file name, and type, or to 13 to include the extent number.

Note that scb\_disk is the *current* disk to be searched, whereas scb\_adisks is a bit map with a 1 bit corresponding to each of the 16 possible logical disks that must be searched.

The search control block is initialized by the setscb function.

Note the form of the file name that setscb expects to receive. This is described in the comments at the beginning of the function.

Several of the utility programs use their own special versions of setscb,

renaming it ssetscb (special setscb) to avoid the library version being linked into the programs.

The complementary function comp\_fname is used to compare the first few bytes of the current directory entry to the corresponding bytes of the SCB.

The comp\_fname function performs a specialized string match of the user number, the file name, the file type, and, optionally, the extent number. A "?" character in the search control block file name, type, and extent will match with any character in the file directory entry. However, in the SCB user number, a "?" will only match a number in the range 0 to 15; it will not match a directory entry that has the user number byte set to E5H (or 0xE5, as hexadecimal notation in C).

This function also returns one of several values to indicate the result of the comparison. These values are defined in the library header file (Figure 11-2, j).

## Directory Processing Functions

The final group of functions that access the directory are those that help process the directory entries themselves. These functions use a structure definition to access each directory entry (Figure 11-2, o).

A union statement is used for the allocation block numbers. These can be single- or two-byte entries, depending on the maximum number of allocation blocks that must be represented. The union statement tells the BDS C compiler whether there will be a 16-byte array of short integers (characters) or an array of eight unsigned two-byte integers.

The functions contained in this group can be divided into three subgroups:

- Those that deal with converting directory entries for display on the console.
- Those that deal with a "disk map"—a convenient array for representing logical disks and the user numbers they contain.
- Those that deal with "bit vectors"—a convenient representation of which allocation blocks on a logical disk are in use or available.

The library contains only one function to convert a directory-entry file name into a suitable form for display on the console. This is the conv\_dfname function (Figure 11-1, h). It takes the information from the specified directory entry (or, as a convenience, a search control block) and formats it into a string of the form

**uu/d:filename.typ**

The "uu" specifies the user number and the "d" specifies the disk identification.

The repetitive code at the end of the function is necessary to make sure that the characters in the file type do not have their high-order bits set. These bits are the file attributes. If they are set, they can render the characters nondisplayable on some terminals.

The second subgroup of functions, those that manipulate a “disk map,” produce an array that looks like this:

```
Disks
:
v User Numbers -->                               -Totals-
A 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 Used Free
B :
C :
D :
E :
F :
```

This disk map is used by several utility programs. For example, the SPACE utility displays a disk map that shows, for each logical disk in the system, and for each user on each logical disk, how many Kbytes of disk space are in use. The totals at the right show the total of used and free space. In another example, the FIND utility shows how many files on each disk and in each user number match the search name.

Each utility program that uses a disk map is coded:

```
unsigned disk_map[16][18];
```

Two functions are provided in the library to deal with the disk map:

**dm\_clr** (disk map clear; Figure 11-1, s)

This function fills the entire disk map with zeros.

**dm\_disp** (disk map display; Figure 11-1, t)

This function displays the horizontal and vertical caption lines for the disk map and then converts each element of the disk map to a decimal number.

The first function, **dm\_clr**, uses one of the standard BDS C functions to set a block of memory to a specific value. It presumes that the disk map is  $16 \times 18$  elements, each two bytes long.

The second function, **dm\_disp**, prints horizontal lines only for those disks specified in the bit map parameter. Here is an example of its output:

```
          0   1   2   3   4   ...   10  11  12  13  14  15  Used Free
A:    1     1                           15   241
B:   66   20   74   50     3                   245   779
C:  -- None --
(NOTE: All user groups would be shown on the terminal.)
```

The final subgroup deals with processing “bit vectors.” A bit vector is a string of bits packed eight bits per byte. Each bit is addressed by its relative number along the vector; the first bit is number 0.

An example of why bit vectors are used is a utility program that needs to scan the directory of a disk and build a structure showing which allocation blocks are in use. It can do this by accessing each active directory element and, for each nonzero allocation block number, setting the corresponding bit number in a bit vector.

The library header has a structure definition for a bit vector (Figure 11-2, s).

This vector contains the overall length of the bit vector in bytes, and two pointers. The first points to the start of the vector, the second to the end. The bytes that contain the vector bits themselves are allocated by the alloc function — one of the standard BDS C functions.

The following bit vector functions are provided in the library:

**bv\_make** (bit vector make; Figure 11-1, cc)

This function allocates memory for the bit vector (using the standard mechanism provided by BDS C) and sets all of the bits to zero.

**bv\_fill** (bit vector fill; Figure 11-1, dd)

This fills a specified vector, setting each byte to a specified value.

**bv\_set** (bit vector set; Figure 11-1, ee)

This sets the specified bit of a vector to one.

**bv\_test** (bit vector test; Figure 11-1, ff)

This function returns a value of zero or one, reflecting the setting of the specified bit in a bit vector.

**bv\_nz** (bit vector nonzero; Figure 11-1, gg)

This returns zero or a nonzero value to reflect whether *any* bits are set in the specified bit vector.

**bv\_and** (bit vector AND; Figure 11-1, hh)

This function performs a Boolean AND between two bit vectors and places the result into a third vector.

**bv\_or** (bit vector OR; Figure 11-1, ii)

This is similar to **bv\_and**, except that it performs an inclusive OR on the two input vectors.

**bv\_disp** (bit vector display; Figure 11-1, jj)

This function displays a caption line and then prints out the contents of the specified bit vector as a series of zeros and ones. Each byte is formatted to make the output easier to read.

The **bv\_make** function uses the alloc function to allocate a block from the unused part of memory between the end of a program and the base of the BDOS. It requires that two data structures be declared at the beginning of the program. These structures are declared in the library header file (Figure 11-2, b).

The **bv\_fill** function uses the standard BDS C setmem function.

The **bv\_set** function converts the bit number into a byte offset by shifting the bit number right three places. The least significant three bits of the original bit number specify which bit in the appropriate byte needs to be ORed in.

The **bv\_test** function is effectively the reverse of **bv\_set**. It accesses the specified bit and returns its value to the calling program.

The **bv\_nz** function scans the entire bit vector looking for the first nonzero

byte. If the entire vector is zero, it returns a value of zero. Otherwise, it returns a pointer to the first nonzero byte.

Both `bv_and` and `bv_or` functions take three bit vectors as parameters. The first vector is used to hold the result of either ANDing or ORing the second and third vectors together. Both of these functions assume that the output vector has already been created using `bv_make`. The shortest of the three vectors will terminate the `bv_and` or `bv_or` function; that is, these functions will terminate when they reach the end of the first (shortest) vector.

The final function, `bv_disp`, displays the title line specified by the calling program, and then displays all of the bits in the vector, with the bit number of the first bit on each line shown on the left.

None of the utility programs uses `bv_disp`—it has been left in the library purely as an aid to debugging.

Here is an example of `bv_disp`'s output:

```
Bit Vector : Allocation Blocks in Use
 0 : 0000 0000 0001 1000 1000 0001 1111 1111 1111 1111
 40 : 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1110 1011 0000 0000
 80 : 1100 0000 1111 1100 1111 1001 1100 0000 1001 1111
120 : 1110 1100 0001 1111 0000 0000 1101 1000 0001 1110
160 : 1111 1111 1110 1111 1110 1111 0000 0111 0000 0111
200 : 1111 0010
```

## Checking User-Specified Parameters

The C language provides a mechanism for accessing the parameters specified in the “command tail.” It provides a count of the number of parameters entered, “`argc`” (argument count), and an array of pointers to each of the character strings, “`argv`” (argument vector). At the beginning of the main function of each program you must define these two variables like this:

```
main(argc, argv)
{
    int argc;      /* Argument count */
    char *argv[]; /* Array of pointers to char. strings */
    /* /* Remainder of main function */
}
```

Consider the minimum case—a command line with just the program name on it:

```
A>command
```

The convention is that the first argument on the line is the name of the program itself. Hence `argc` would be set to one, and `argv[0]` would be a pointer to the program name, “`command`.”

Next consider a more complex case—a command line with parameters like the following:

```
A>command param1 123
```

In this case, argc will be three; argv[1] will be a pointer to param1; and argv[1][0] will access the 0 (the first) character of argv[1]—in this case the character “p.”

To detect whether the second parameter is present and numeric, the code will be

```
if (isdigit(argv[1][0]))
{
    /* Process digit */
}
else
{
    /* Parameter either not present or has
       alpha character at the front */
}
```

In most of the utilities, you will get a much “friendlier” program if the user need only specify enough characters of a parameter to distinguish the value entered from the other possible values. For example, consider a program that can have as a parameter one of the following values: 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, or 19200. It would be convenient if the user needed to type only the first digit, rather than having to enter redundant keystrokes. However, the values 1200 and 19200 would then be ambiguous. The user would have to enter 12 or 19. Novice users often prefer to specify the entire parameter for clarity and security.

The standard C library provides a character string comparison function, strcmp. Unfortunately, this function does not provide for the partial matching just described. Therefore, the library includes two special functions that do make this possible: strncmp (substring compare, Figure 11-1, d) and usncmp (uppercase substring compare, Figure 11-1, e). The latter function is necessary when you need to compare a substring that could contain lowercase characters; it converts characters to uppercase before the comparison.

To assist with character string manipulation, two additional functions have been included in the library. These are strscn (string scan, Figure 11-1, b) and usrcmp (uppercase string compare, Figure 11-1, c).

## Using Code Tables

A code table is a simple structure used by all of the utility programs that accept parameters that can have any of several values. The library header contains a structure definition for a code table (Figure 11-2, r).

A code table entry contains an unsigned code value and a pointer to a character string. It is used in the utility programs wherever there is a need to relate some arbitrary code number or bit pattern to an ASCII character string. For example,

to program a serial port baud-rate-generator chip to various baud rates requires different time constants for each rate. Users do not need to know what these numbers are; they only need to be able to specify the baud rate as an ASCII string.

Thus, a code table is set up as follows:

Baud Rate Constant	User's Name
0x35	"300"
0x36	"600"
0x37	"1200"
0x3A	"2400"
0x3C	"4800"
0x3E	"9600"
0x3F	"19200"

A utility program now needs to be able to perform various operations using the code table:

- Given the input parameter on the command tail, the utility must check whether the ASCII string is in the code table, display all of the legal options on the console if it is not, and return the code value for subsequent processing if it is.
- Given the current baud rate constant (held in the BIOS), the utility must scan the code table and display the corresponding ASCII string to tell the user the current baud rate setting.

The library includes specialized functions to do this, plus some additional functions to make code tables more generally usable. These functions are

`ct_init` (code table initialize; Figure 11-1, v)

This function initializes a specific entry in a code table, setting the code value and the pointer to the character string.

`ct_parc` (code table parameter return code; Figure 11-1, w)

This performs an uppercase substring match on the specified key string, returning either an error (the value CT\_SNF — string not found) or a code value.

`ct_code` (code table return code; Figure 11-1, x)

This function is similar to `ct_parc` in that it scans a code table and returns the corresponding code. It differs in the way that the comparison is done. The entire search string is compared with the string in the code table entry. A match only occurs when all characters are the same.

`ct_disps` (code table display strings; Figure 11-1, y)

This function displays all strings in a given code table. It is used either when the user has entered an invalid string, or when the utility program is requested to show what options are available for a parameter.

`ct_index` (code table return index; Figure 11-1, z)

This function, given a string, searches the code table and returns the *index*

of the entry that has a string matching the search string. The index is not the code value; it is the number of the entry in the table.

**ct\_stri** (code table string index; Figure 11-1, aa)

This function, given an entry index number, returns a pointer to the string in that entry.

**ct\_strc** (code table string code; Figure 11-1, bb)

This function, given a code number, returns a pointer to the string in the entry that has a matching code number.

## Accessing a Directory via the BDOS

One problem associated with accessing the file directory directly, as illustrated by earlier functions, is that the program is presented with directory entries in exactly the order that they occur in the directory. For some programs, such as those that process groups of files, it is better to use the BDOS Search First and Search Next functions to access the directory.

Using the BDOS, the program can process the first file name to match an ambiguous search key, then go back to the BDOS to get the name of the next file, and so on. The library header contains a structure definition for a standard CP/M file control block (Figure 11-2, k).

Notice that the first byte of the FCB is a disk number rather than the user number of the directory entry. Note also the use of a union statement to describe the allocation block numbers.

The standard BDS C library contains a function, setfcf, that is given the address of an FCB and a pointer to a string containing a file name. It converts any "\*" in the name to the appropriate number of "?", and fills the remainder of the FCB with zeros.

The example library contains the following functions designed for BDOS file directory access:

**get\_nfn** (get next file name; Figure 11-1, i)

This function is given a pointer to an ambiguous file name and a pointer to an FCB. It returns with the FCB set up to access the next file that matches the ambiguous file name.

**srch\_file** (search for file; Figure 11-1, j)

This function, used by **get\_nfn**, issues either a Search First or a Search Next BDOS call.

**conv\_fname** (convert file name; Figure 11-1, g)

This function converts a file name from an FCB into a form suitable for display on the console. It is similar to the **conv\_dfname** function described earlier except that it outputs only the disk, file name, and type (not the user number) in the form

**d:filename.typ**

To signal the get\_nfn function that you want the first file name, you must set the most significant bit of the first byte, the disk number.

Here is an example showing how to use the get\_nfn function:

```
struct _fcb fcb;           /* Declare a file control block */

setmem(fcb, FCB_SIZE, 0); /* Clear FCB to zeros */
fcb.fcb_disk = 0x80;      /* Mark FCB for "first time" */

while (get_nfn(fcb, "B:XYZ*.*"))
    /* Until get_nfn returns a zero */
{
    /* Open the file using FCB */
    /* Not at end of file */
    /* Process next record or
       Character in file*/
}
/* Close the file */
}
```

The quoted string “B:XYZ\*.\*” could also be just a pointer to a string, or a parameter on the command line, argv[n].

The last function for BDOS processing of the file directory, conv\_fname, is used to convert a file name for output to a terminal. Again, the repetitive code at the end clears the file attribute bits to avoid any side effects from the terminal.

## Utility Programs Enhancing Standard CP/M

This group of utilities is designed to enhance those supplied by Digital Research. They do not take advantage of any special features of the enhanced BIOS in Figure 8-10 and can be used on *any* CP/M Version 2.2 installation.

With the exception of the ERASE utility, all of the utilities scan down the file directory using BIOS calls, as described earlier in this chapter.

### ERASE — A Safer Way to Erase Files

There are two disadvantages to the Console Command Processor's built-in ERA command. First, it will unquestioningly erase groups of files. Second, if you have a file name with nongraphic or lowercase characters, you cannot use the ERA command, as the CCP converts the command tail characters to uppercase and terminates a file name on encountering any strange character in the string.

The ERASE utility shown in Figure 11-3 erases groups of files, but it asks the user for confirmation before it erases each file.

Rather than use the BIOS to access each directory entry, it uses the get\_nfn function, which then calls the BDOS. Thus ERASE functions equally well for files

that have multiple entries in the directory. It can use the BDOS Delete File function to erase all extents of a given file.

Here is an example console dialog showing ERASE in operation:

```
P3A>erase<CR>
ERASE Version 1.0 02/23/83 (Library 1.0)
Usage :
    ERASE fd:}file_name.typ

P3A>erase *.com<CR>
ERASE Version 1.0 02/23/83 (Library 1.0)

    Searching for file(s) matching A:????????.COM.
        Erase A:UNERASE .COM y/n? n
        Erase A:TEMP1   .COM y/n? y <== Will be Erased!
        Erase A:TEMP2   .COM y/n? n
        Erase A:TEMP3   .COM y/n? n
        Erase A:TEMP4   .COM y/n? y <== Will be Erased!
        Erase A:ERASE   .COM y/n? n

    Erasing files now...
        File A:TEMP1   .COM erased.
        File A:TEMP4   .COM erased.
```

```
#define VN "1.0 02/24/83"

/* ERASE
   This utility erases the specified file(s) logically
   by using a BDOS delete function. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

struct _fcb amb_fcb;           /* Ambiguous name file control block */
struct _fcb fcb;              /* Used for BDOS search functions */

char file_name[20];            /* Formatted for display: d:FILENAME.TYP */
short cur_disk;                /* Current logical disk at start of program */
                                /* ERASE saves the FCB's of all the
                                   files that need to be erased in the
                                   following array */

#define MAXERA 1024
struct _fcb era_fcb[MAXERA];
int ecount;                    /* Count of number of files to be erased */
int count;                     /* Used to access era_fcb during erasing */

main(argc,argv)
short argc;                   /* Argument count */
char *argv[];                 /* Argument vector (pointer to an array of char.  */
{
    printf("\nERASE Version %s (Library %s)",VN,LIBVN);
    chk_use(argc);             /* Check usage */
    cur_disk = bdos(GETDISK);  /* Get current default disk */

    ecount = 0;                /* Initialize count of files to erase */

    setfcb(amb_fcb,argv[1]);   /* Set ambiguous file name */
    if (amb_fcb.fcb_disk)      /* Check if default disk to be used */
    {
        bdos(SETDISK,amb_fcb.fcb_disk + 1); /* Set to specified disk */
    }
```

**Figure 11-3.** ERASE.C, a utility that requests confirmation before erasing

```

/* Convert ambiguous file name for output */
conv_fname(amb_fcb.file_name);
printf("\n\nSearching for file(s) matching %s.",file_name);

/* Set the file control block to indicate a "first" search */
fcb.fcb_disk |= 0x80; /* OR in the ms bit */

/* While not at the end of the directory, set the FCB
   to the next name that matches */
while(get_nfn(amb_fcb,fcb))
{
    conv_fname(fcb,file_name);
    /* Ask whether to erase file or not */
    printf("\n\nErase %s y/n? ",file_name);
    if (toupper(getchar()) == 'Y')
    {
        printf(" == Will be erased!");
        /* add current fcb to array of FCB's */
        movmem(fcb,&era_fcb[ecount],FCBSIZE);
        /* Check that the table is not full */
        if (ecount == MAXERA)
        {
            printf("\nWarning : Internal table now full. No more files can be erased");
            printf("\n until those already specified have been erased.");
            break; /* Break out of while loop */
        }
    }
    /* All directory entries processed */
}

if (ecount)
    printf("\n\nErasing files now...");

/* now process each FCB in the array, erasing the files */
for (count = 0;           /* Starting with the first file in the array */
     count < ecount;      /* Until all active entries processed */
     count++)             /* Move to next FCB */
{
    conv_fname(&era_fcb[count].file_name);
    if (bdos(DELETEF,&era_fcb[count]) == -1)          /* error? */
        printf("\n007Error trying to erase %s",file_name);
    else
        printf("\nFile %s erased.",file_name);
}
bdos(SETDISK,cur_disk); /* reset to current disk */

chk_use(argc);           /* Check usage */
/* This function checks that the correct number of
   parameters has been specified, outputting instructions if not. */

/* Entry parameter */
int argc;                /* Count of the number of arguments on the command line */

{
    /* The minimum value of argc is 1 (for the program name itself),
       so argc is always one greater than the number of parameters
       on the command line */

    if (argc != 2)
    {
        printf("\nUsage :");
        printf("\n\TERASE [d:]file_name.typ");
        exit();
    }
}

```

Figure 11-3. (Continued)

## UNERASE—Restore Erased Files

UNERASE, as its name implies, can be used to “revive” an accidentally erased file. Only files whose allocation blocks have not been reallocated to other files can be revived. The UNERASE utility shown in Figure 11-4 builds a bit vector of all the allocation blocks used by active directory entries. Then it builds a bit vector for all the allocation blocks required by the file to be UNERASEd. If a Boolean AND between the two vectors yields a nonzero vector, then one or more blocks that originally belonged to the erased file are now allocated to other files on the disk.

```
#define VN "1.0 02/12/83"

/* UNERASE --
   This utility does the inverse of ERASE; it restores
   specified files to the directory by changing the first byte of
   their directory entries from 0xE5 back to the specified user
   number. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

struct _dirpb dir_pb;           /* Directory management parameter block */
struct _dir dir_entry;          /* Pointer to directory entry */
struct _scb scb;                /* Search control block */
struct _scb scba;               /* SCB set up to match all files */
struct _dpb dpb;                /* CP/M's disk parameter block */
struct _bv inuse_bv;             /* Bit vector for blocks in use */
struct _bv file_bv;              /* Bit vector for file to be unerased */
struct _bv extents;              /* Bit vector for those extents unerased */

char file_name[20];              /* Formatted for display : un/d:FILENAME.TYP */

short cur_disk;                 /* Current logical disk at start of program
                                 NZ = show map of number of files */
int count;                      /* Used to access the allocation block numbers
                                 in each directory entry */
int user;                        /* User in which the file is to be revived */

main(argc,argv)
short argc;                     /* Argument count */
char *argv[];                   /* Argument vector (pointer to an array of chars.) */

{
    printf("\nUNERASE Version %s (Library %s)",VN,LIBVN);
    chk_use(argc);                /* Check usage */
    cur_disk = bdos(GETDISK);      /* Get current default disk */

    /* Using a special version of the set search-control-block utility,
       set the disk, name, type (no ambiguous names), the user number
       to match only erased entries, and the length to compare
       the user, name, and type.
       This special version also returns the disk_id taken from
       the file name on the command line. */
    if ((dir_pb.dp_disk = ssetscb(scb,argv[1],0xE5,12)) == 0)
        {
            /* Use default disk */
            dir_pb.dp_disk = cur_disk;
        }
    else
        {
            /* make disk A = 0, B = 1 (for SELDSK) */
            dir_pb.dp_disk--;
        }
    printf("\nSearching disk %d.",dir_pb.dp_disk);

    if(strscn(scb,"?"))
        {
            printf("\nError -- UNERASE can only revive a single file at a time.");
            exit();
        }
}
```

Figure 11-4. UNERASE.C, a utility program that “revives” erased files

```

3
/* Set up a special search control block that will match with
   all existing files. */

setsccb(scba,"*", "?", 12);      /* Set file name and initialize SCB */

if (argc == 2)                  /* No user number specified */
    user = bdos(GETUSER, 0xFF);  /* Get current user number */
else
{
    user = atoi(argv[2]);       /* Get specified number */
    if (user > 15)
    {
        printf("\nUser number can only be 0 - 15.");
        exit();
    }
}

/* Build a bit vector that shows the allocation blocks
   currently in use. SCBA has been set up to match all
   active directory entries on the disk. */
build_bv(inuse_bv, scba);

/* Build a bit vector for the file to be restored showing
   which allocation blocks will be needed for the file. */
if (!build_bv(file_bv, scb))
{
    printf("\nNo directory entries found for file %s.",
           argv[1]);
    exit();
}

/* Perform a boolean AND of the two bit vectors. */
bv_and(file_bv, inuse_bv, file_bv);

/* Check if the result is nonzero -- if so, then one or more
   of the allocation blocks required by the erased file is
   already in use for an existing file and the file cannot
   be restored. */
if (bv_nz(file_bv))
{
    printf("\n--- This file cannot be restored as some parts of it");
    printf("\n    have been re-used for other files! ---");
    exit();
}

/* Continue on to restore the file by changing all the entries
   in the directory to have the specified user number.
   Note: There may be several entries in the directory for
   the same file name and type, and even with the same extent
   number. For this reason, a bit map is kept of the extent
   numbers unerased -- duplicate extent numbers will not be
   unerased. */

/* Set up the bit vector for up to 127 unerased extents */
bv_make(extents, 16);            /* 16 * 8 bits */

/* Set the directory to "closed", and force the get_ndc
   function to open it. */
dir_pb.dp_open = 0;

/* While not at the end of the directory, return a pointer to
   the next entry in the directory. */
while(dir_entry = get_ndc(dir_pb))
{
    /* Check if user = 0xE5 and name, type match */
    if (comp_fname(scb, dir_entry) == NAME_EQ)
    {
        /* Test if this extent has already been
           unerased */
        if (bv_test(extents, dir_entry->de_extent))
        {
            /* Yes it has */
            printf("\n\tExtent #%"PRIu32" of %s ignored.",
                   dir_entry->de_extent, argv[1]);
            continue;          /* Do not unerase this one */
        }
    }
}

```

Figure 11-4. (Continued)

```

else          /* Indicate this extent unerased */
{
    bv_set(extents,dir_entry -> de_extent);
    dir_entry -> de_userid = user; /* Unerase entry */
    dir_pb.dp_write = 1;      /* Need to write sector back */
    printf("\n\nExtent %d of %s unerased.",
          dir_entry -> de_extent,argv[1]);
}
}

printf("\n\nFile %s unerased in User Number %d.",
      argv[1],user);

bdos(SETDISK,cur_disk); /* Reset to current disk */
}

build_bv(bv,scb) /* Build bit vector (from directory) */
/* This function scans the directory of the disk specified in
   the directory parameter block (declared as a global variable),
   and builds the specified bit vector, showing all the allocation
   blocks used by files matching the name in the search control
   block. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _bv *bv;           /* Pointer to the bit vector */
struct _scb *scb;          /* Pointer to search control block */
/* Also uses : directory parameter block (dir_pb) */

/* Exit parameters
   The specified bit vector will be created, and will have 1-bits
   set wherever an allocation block is found in a directory
   entry that matches the search control block.
   It also returns the number of directory entries matched. */
{
unsigned abno;            /* Allocation block number */
struct _dpb *dpb;          /* Pointer to the disk parameter block in the BIOS */
int mcount;                /* Match count of dir. entries matched */

mcount = 0;                 /* Initialize match count */
dpb = get_dpb(dir_pb.dp_disk); /* Get disk parameter block address */

/* make the bit vector with one byte for each eight allocation
   blocks + 1 */
if (!!(bv_make(bv,(dpb -> dpb_maxabn >>3)+1)))
{
    printf("\nError -- Insufficient memory to make a bit vector.");
    exit();
}

/* Set directory to "closed" to force the get_ndc
   function to open it. */
dir_pb.dp_open = 0;

/* Now scan the directory building the bit vector */
while(dir_entry = get_ndc(dir_pb))
{
    /* Compare user number (which can legitimately be
       OxE5), the file name and the type). */
    if (comp_fname(scb,dir_entry) == NAME_EQ)
    {
        ++mcount;           /* Update match count */
        for (count = 0;           /* Start with the first alloc. block */
             count < dir_pb.dp_nabde; /* For number of alloc. blks. per dir. entry */
             count++)
        {
            /* Set the appropriate bit number for
               each nonzero allocation block number */
            if (dir_pb.dp_nabde == 8)      /* assume 8 2-byte numbers */
            {
                abno = dir_entry -> _dirab.de_long[count];
            }
            else /* Assume 16 1-byte numbers */
            {

```

Figure 14-4. (Continued)

```

        abno = dir_entry -> _dirab.de_short[count];
    }
    if (abno) bv_set(by,abno); /* Set the bit */
}
}

return mcount;           /* Return number of dir. entries matched */
}

chk_use(argc)          /* Check usage */
/* This function checks that the correct number of
parameters has been specified, outputting instructions
if not. */

/* Entry Parameter */
int argc;               /* Count of the number of arguments on the command line */
{

/* The minimum value of argc is 1 (for the program name itself),
so argc is always one greater than the number of parameters
on the command line */

if (argc == 1 || argc > 3)
{
    printf("\nUsage : ");
    printf("\n\tUNERASE id:filename.typ {user}");
    printf("\n\tOnly a single unambiguous file name can be used.");
    exit();
}
} /* end chk_use */

setsccb(scb, fname, user, length) /* Special version of set search control block */
/* This function sets up a search control block according
to the file name, type, user number, and number of bytes
to compare.
The file name can take the following forms :
    filename
    filename.typ
    dfilename.typ

It sets the bit map according to which disks should be searched.
For each selected disk, it checks to see if an error is generated
when selecting the disk (i.e. if there are disk tables in the BIOS
for the disk). */

/* Entry Parameters */
struct _scb *scb;           /* Pointer to search control block */
char *fname;                /* Pointer to the file name */
short user;                 /* User number to be matched */
int length;                 /* Number of bytes to compare */

/* Exit parameters
Disk number to be searched. (A = 1, B = 2...)
*/
{
short disk_id;              /* Disk number to search */

setfcb(scb, fname);         /* Set search control block as though it
                           were a file control block. */
disk_id = scb -> scb_userno; /* Set disk_id before it gets overwritten
                           by the user number */
scb -> scb_userno = users;  /* Set user number */
scb -> scb_length = length; /* Set number of bytes to compare */
return disk_id;
} /* end setsccb */
}

```

**Figure 11-4.** (Continued)

A further complication occurs if two or more directory entries of the erased file have the same extent number. This can happen if the file has been created and erased several times. Under these circumstances, UNERASE revives the first entry with a given extent number that it encounters, and displays a message on the console both when an extent is revived and when one is ignored.

Because of the complicated nature of the UNERASE process, the utility can process only a single, unambiguous file name.

The following console dialog shows UNERASE in operation:

```
P3A>dir *.com<CR>
A: UNERASE COM : TEMP2      COM : TEMP3      COM : ERASE      COM

P3A>unerase<CR>
UNERASE Version 1.0 02/12/83 (Library 1.0)
Usage :
    UNERASE {d:}filename.typ {user}
    Only a single unambiguous file name can be used.

P3A>unerase temp1.com<CR>
UNERASE Version 1.0 02/12/83 (Library 1.0)
Searching disk A.
    Extent #0 of TEMP1.COM unerased.
    Extent #0 of TEMP1.COM ignored.

File TEMP1.COM unerased in User Number 3.

P3A>dir *.com<CR>
A: UNERASE COM : TEMP1      COM : TEMP2      COM : TEMP3      COM
A: ERASE      COM

P3A>unerase temp5.com<CR>
UNERASE Version 1.0 02/12/83 (Library 1.0)
Searching disk A.
No directory entries found for file TEMP5.COM.
```

## FIND—Find “Lost” Files

The FIND utility shown in Figure 11-5 searches all user numbers on specified logical disks, matching each entry against an ambiguous file name. It can then display either a disk map showing how many matching files were found in each user number for each disk, or the user number, file name, and type for each matched directory entry.

You can use FIND to locate a specific file or group of files, as shown in the following console dialog:

```
P3B>find<CR>
FIND Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
Usage :
    FIND d:filename.typ {NAMES}
    *:filename.typ (All disks)
    ABCD..OP:filename.typ (Selected Disks)
    NAMES option shows actual names rather than map.

P3B>find ab:*,*<CR>
FIND Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
```

```

Searching disk : A
Searching disk : B
    Numbers show files in each User Number.
        --- User Numbers --- Dir. Entries
        0 1 2 3 4 5 ... 11 12 13 14 15 Used Free
A:   1 1 8                   23 233
B:  66 20 74 55 3           252 772

P3B>find *;*.com<CR>
FIND Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
Searching disk : A
Searching disk : B
Searching disk : C
        --- User Numbers --- Dir. Entries
        0 1 2 3 4 5 ... 11 12 13 14 15 Used Free
A:   5                   23 233
B:  61 5 4 13             252 772
C: -- None --

```

```

P3B>find *.com names<CR>
FIND Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
Searching disk : B
0/B:CC      .COM 0/B:CC2      .COM 0/B:CLINK     .COM 2/B:CLIB      .COM
1/B:CPM61   .COM 1/B:MOVPCM   .COM 1/B:PSWX     .COM 0/B:SUBMIT    .COM
2/B:CDB     .COM 1/B:CPM60    .COM 0/B:DDT      .COM 0/B:EREMOTE   .COM
0/B:SPEEDSP .COM 0/B:PIP     .COM 0/B:PROTOSP   .COM 0/B:RX       .COM
0/B:TXA     .COM 0/B:EPUB    .COM 0/B:EPRIV    .COM 0/B:WSC      .COM
0/B:X       .COM 0/B:CRCK    .COM 0/B:XSUB    .COM 0/B:DU       .COM
0/B:QERA    .COM 0/B:FINDALL .COM 0/B:MOVEF    .COM 0/B:REMOTE   .COM
0/B:LOCAL   .COM 0/B:DUMP    .COM 0/B:MRESET   .COM 0/B:ELOCAL   .COM
0/B:PUTCPMF5.COM 0/B:TEST   .COM 0/B:FDUMP    .COM 0/B:INVIS    .COM
0/B:L80     .COM 0/B:LIST    .COM 0/B:PUB     .COM 0/B:LOAD     .COM
0/B:MAC     .COM 0/B:SCRUB   .COM 0/B:RXA     .COM 0/B:STAT     .COM
0/B:TX      .COM 0/B:ERASEALL.COM 0/B:WM     .COM 0/B:MSFORMAT .COM
0/B:STATUS  .COM 0/B:UNERA   .COM 0/B:MSINIT   .COM 0/B:VIS      .COM
0/B:WSVTIP  .COM 0/B:XD     .COM 0/B:NEWVE    .COM 0/B:DDUMP    .COM
0/B:FORMATMA.COM 0/B:PRIV   .COM 0/B:FCOMP    .COM 0/B:DDUMPA   .COM
0/B:PUTSYS1C.COM 0/B:DDUMPNI .COM 0/B:DSTAT   .COM 0/B:ASM      .COM
2/B:CDBTEST .COM 0/B:OLDSYS .COM 0/B:E      .COM 2/B:F/C     .COM
3/B:ERASE   .COM 3/B:FUNKEY .COM 3/B:DATE    .COM 3/B:FIND    .COM

Press Space Bar to continue...
3/B:SPACE   .COM 3/B:UNERASE .COM 3/B:MAKE     .COM 3/B:MOVE    .COM
1/B:PUTSYSWX.COM 3/B:TIME   .COM 3/B:ASSIGN   .COM 3/B:SPEED   .COM
3/B:PROTOCOL.COM 0/B:PRINTC .COM 3/B:T      .COM

```

```

#define VN "1.0 02/11/83"

/* FIND - This utility can display either a map showing on which disks
   and in which user numbers files matching the specified ambiguous
   file name are found, or the actual names matched. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

struct _dirpb dir_pb;          /* Directory Management parameter block */
struct _dir *dir_entry;         /* Pointer to directory entry (somewhere in
                                dir_pb) */
struct _scb scb;               /* Search control block */
char file_name[20];            /* Formatted for display : un/d:FILENAME.TYP */

```

**Figure 11-5.** FIND.C, a utility program that locates specific files or groups of files

```

short cur_disk;           /* Current logical disk at start of program */
int mcount;               /* Match count (no. of file names matched) */
int dmcnt;                /* Per disk match count */
int lcount;                /* Line count (for lines displayed) */

int map_flag;             /* 0 = show file names of matched files,
                           NZ = show map of number of files */

/* The array below is used to tabulate the results for each
   disk drive, and for each user number on the drive.
   In addition, two extra "users" have been added for "free"
   and "used" values. */

unsigned disk_map[16][18];    /* Disk A -> P, users 0 -> 15, free, used */
#define USED_COUNT 16          /* "User" number for used entities */
#define FREE_COUNT 17          /* "User" number for free entities */

main(argc,argv)
short argc;                /* Argument count */
char *argv[];               /* Argument vector (pointer to an array of chars.) */

{
    printf("\nFIND Version %s (Library %s)",VN,LIBVN);
    chk_use(argc);           /* Check usage */
    cur_disk = bdos(GETDISK); /* Get current default disk */
    dm_clr(disk_map);        /* Reset disk map */

    /* Set search control block
       disks, name, type, user number, extent number,
       and number of bytes to compare -- in this case, match all users,
       but only extent 0 */
    setscb(scb,argv[1], '?', 0,13); /* Set disks, name, type */

    map_flag = usstrcmp("NAMES",argv[2]); /* Set flag for map option */

    lcount = dmcnt = mcount = 0; /* Initialize counts */

    for (scb.scb_disk = 0;           /* Starting with logical disk A */
         scb.scb_disk < 16;          /* Until logical disk P */
         scb.scb_disk++)
    {
        /* Check if current disk has been selected for search */
        if (!(scb.scb_adisks & (1 << scb.scb_disk)))
            continue; /* No, so bypass this disk */

        printf("\nSearching disk : %c", (scb.scb_disk + 'A'));
        lcount++; /* Update line count */

        dir_pb.dp_disk = scb.scb_disk; /* Set to disk to be searched*/
        dmcnt = 0; /* Reset disk matched count */

        if (!map_flag) /* If file names are to be displayed */
            putchar('\n'); /* Move to column 1 */

        /* Set the directory to "closed", and force the get_ndc
           function to open it */
        dir_pb.dp_open = 0;

        /* While not at the end of the directory, set a pointer to the
           next directory entry */
        while(dir_entry = get_ndc(dir_pb))
        {
            /* Check if entry in use, to update
               the free/used counts */

            if (dir_entry -> de_userno == 0xE5) /* Unused */
                disk_map[scb.scb_disk][FREE_COUNT]++;
            else /* In use */
                disk_map[scb.scb_disk][USED_COUNT]++;

            /* Select only those active entries that are the
               first extent (numbered 0) of a file that matches
               the name supplied by the user */
    }
}

```

Figure 11-5. (Continued)

```

if (
    (dir_entry -> de_userno != 0xE5) &&
    (dir_entry -> de_extent == 0) &&
    (comp_fname(scb, dir_entry) == NAME_EQ)
)
{
    {
        mcount++; /* Update matched counts */
        dmcount++; /* Per disk count */

        if (map_flag) /* Check map option */
            {
                /* Update disk map */
                disk_map[scb.scb_disk][dir_entry -> de_userno]++;
            }
        else /* Display names */
            {
                conv_dfname(scb.scb_disk, dir_entry, file_name);
                printf("%s ", file_name);

                /* Check if need to start new line */
                if (!(dmcount % 4))
                    {
                        putchar('\n');
                        if (++lcount > 18)
                            {
                                lcount = 0;
                                printf("\nPress Space Bar to continue....");
                                getchar();
                                putchar('\n');
                            }
                    }
            }
    }

    /* End of directory */
} /* All disks searched */

if (map_flag)
{
    printf("\n          Numbers show files in each user number.");
    printf("\n          --- User Numbers ---           Dir. Entries");
    dm_disp(disk_map, scb.scb_adisks); /* Display disk map */
}

if (mcount == 0)
    printf("\n --- File Not Found --- ");

bdos(SETDISK, cur_disk); /* Reset to current disk */

chk_use(argc) /* check usage */
/* This function checks that the correct number of
   parameters has been specified, outputting instructions
   if not.
*/
/* Entry parameter */
int argc; /* Count of the number of arguments on the command line */
{
    /* The minimum value of argc is 1 (for the program name itself),
       so argc is always one greater than the number of parameters
       on the command line */

    if (argc == 1 || argc > 3)
    {
        printf("\nUsage :");
        printf("\n\tFIND filename.typ {NAMES}");
        printf("\n\t      *filename.typ (All disks)");
        printf("\n\t      ABCD..OPfilename.typ (Selected Disks)");
        printf("\n\tNAMES option shows actual names rather than map.");
        exit();
    }
}

```

Figure 11-5. (Continued)

## SPACE—Show Used Disk Space

The SPACE utility shown in Figure 11-6 scans the specified logical disks and displays a disk map that shows, for each user number on each logical disk, how many Kbytes of storage have been used. It also displays the total number of Kbytes used and free on each logical disk.

Here is an example console dialog showing SPACE in operation:

```
P3B>space<CR>
SPACE Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
Usage :
      SPACE *          (All disks)
      SPACE ABCD..OP (Selected Disks)

P3B>space *<CR>
SPACE Version 1.0 02/11/83 (Library 1.0)
Searching disk : A
Searching disk : B
Searching disk : C
      Numbers show space used in kilobytes.
      --- User Numbers ---           Space (Kb)
      0   1   2   3   4   5   ...   10  11  12  13  14  15 Used Free
A: 18 202    38
B: 692 432 656 548 36
C: 140
                                258 1196
                                2364 996
                                140 204
```

```
#define VN "1.0 02/11/83"

/* SPACE -- This utility displays a map showing the amount of space
   (expressed as relative percentages) occupied in each user number
   for each logical disk. It also shows the relative amount of space
   free. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

struct _dirpb dir_pb;           /* Directory management Parameter block */
struct _dir *dir_entry;         /* Pointer to directory entry */
struct _scb scb;               /* Search control block */
struct _dpb dpb;               /* CP/M's disk parameter block */

char file_name[20];             /* Formatted for display : un:d:FILENAME.TYP */

short cur_disk;                /* Current logical disk at start of program
                                NZ = show map of number of files */
int count;                     /* Used to access the allocation block numbers
                                in each directory entry */
int user;                      /* Used to access the disk map when calculating */

/* The array below is used to tabulate the results for each
   disk drive, and for each user number on the drive.
   In addition, two extra "users" have been added for "free"
   and "used" values.
*/
unsigned disk_map[16][18];       /* Disk A -> P, users 0 -> 15, free, used */
#define USED_COUNT 16            /* "User" number for used entities */
#define FREE_COUNT 17            /* "User" number for free entities */

main(argc,argv)
short argc;                    /* Argument count */
char *argv[];                  /* Argument vector (pointer to an array of chars.) */
{
```

**Figure 11-6.** SPACE.C, a utility that displays how much disk storage is used or available

```

printf("\nSPACE Version %s (Library %s)",VN,LIBVN);
chk_use(argc);           /* Check usage */
cur_disk = bdos(GETDISK); /* Get current default disk */

dm_clr(disk_map);        /* Reset disk map */

ssetscb(scb,argv[1]);   /* Special version : set disks,
                           name, type */

for (scb.scb_disk = 0;      /* Starting with logical disk A: */
     scb.scb_disk < 16;    /* Until logical disk P: */
     scb.scb_disk++)
{
    /* Check if current disk has been selected for search */
    if (!(scb.scb_adisks & (1 << scb.scb_disk)))
        continue;          /* No, so bypass this disk */

    printf("\nSearching disk : %c", (scb.scb_disk + 'A'));
    dir_pb.dp_disk = scb.scb_disk; /* Set to disk to be searched */

    /* Set the directory to "closed", and force the get_ndc
       function to open it */
    dir_pb.dp_open = 0;

    /* While not at the end of the directory, set a pointer
       to the next entry in the directory */
    while (dir_entry = get_ndc(dir_pb))
    {
        if (dir_entry -> de_userno == 0xE5)
            continue;          /* Bypass inactive entries */

        for (count = 0;           /* Start with the first alloc. block */
             count < dir_pb.dp_nabpde; /* For number of alloc. blks. per dir. entry */
             count++)
        {
            if (dir_pb.dp_nabpde == 8)      /* Assume 8 2-byte numbers */
            {
                disk_map[scb.scb_disk][dir_entry -> de_userno]
                    += (dir_entry -> _dirab.de_longCount) > 0 ? 1 : 0;
            }
            else /* Assume 16 1-byte numbers */
            {
                disk_map[scb.scb_disk][dir_entry -> de_userno]
                    += (dir_entry -> _dirab.de_shortCount) > 0 ? 1 : 0;
            }
        } /* All allocation blocks processed */
    } /* End of directory for this disk */

    /* Compute the storage used by multiplying the number of
       allocation blocks counted by the number of Kbytes in
       each allocation block. */

    for (user = 0; /* Start with user 0 */
         user < 16; /* End with user 15 */
         user++) /* Move to next user number */
    {
        /* Compute size occupied in Kbytes */
        disk_map[scb.scb_disk][user] *= dir_pb.dp_absz;
        /* Build up sum for this disk */
        disk_map[scb.scb_disk][USED_COUNT] += disk_map[scb.scb_disk][user];
    }

    /* Free space = (# of alloc. blks * # of kbyte per blk)
       - used Kbytes
       - (directory entries * 32) / 1024 ... or divide by 32 */
    disk_map[scb.scb_disk][FREE_COUNT] = (dir_pb.dp_nab * dir_pb.dp_absz)
        - disk_map[scb.scb_disk][USED_COUNT]
        - (dir_pb.dp_nument >> 5); /* Same as / 32 */
} /* All disks Processed */

printf("\n                                Numbers show space used in kilobytes.");
printf("                                --- User Numbers ---                                Space (Kb)");
dm_disp(disk_map,scb.scb_adisks); /* Display disk map */

```

Figure 11-6. (Continued)

```

bdos(SETDISK,cur_disk); /* Reset to current disk */
}

ssetscb(scb,ldisks) /* Special version of set search control block */

/* This function sets up a search control block according
   to just the logical disks specified. The disk are specified as
   a single string of characters without any separators. An
   asterisk means "all disks." For example --
      ABGH      (disks A:, B:, G: and H:)
      *          (all disks for which SELDSK has tables)

It sets the bit map according to which disks should be searched.
For each selected disk, it checks to see if an error is generated
when selecting the disk (i.e. if there are disk tables in the BIOS
for the disk).
The file name, type, and extent number are all set to "?" to match
all possible entries in the directory. */

/* Entry parameters */
struct _scb *scb;        /* Pointer to search control block */
char *ldisks;            /* Pointer to the logical disks */

/* Exit Parameters
   None.
*/
{
int disk;                /* Disk number currently being checked */
unsigned adisks;         /* Bit map for active disks */

adisks = 0;               /* Assume no disks to search */

if (*ldisks)             /* Some values specified */
{
    if (*ldisks == '*')    /* Check if "all disks" */
    {
        adisks = 0xFFFF;    /* Set all bits */
    }
    else                   /* Set specific disks */
    {
        while(*ldisks)     /* Until end of disks reached */
        {
            /* Build the bit map by getting the next disk
               id. (A - P), converting it to a number
               in the range 0 - 15, and shifting a 1-bit
               left that many places and OR ing it into
               the current active disks.
            */
            adisks |= 1 << (toupper(*ldisks) - 'A');
            ++ldisks;          /* Move to next character */
        }
    }
}
else /* Use only current default disk */
{
/* Set just the bit corresponding to the current disk */
adisks = 1 << bdos(GETDISK);

/* Set the user number, file name, type, and extent to "?"
   so that all active directory entries will match */
/*      0123456789012      */
strcpy(&scb -> scb_usuario,"?????????????????");

/* Make calls to the BIOS SELDSK routine to make sure that
   all of the active disk drives have disk tables for them
   in the BIOS. If they don't, turn off the corresponding
   bits in the bit map. */

for (disk = 0;           /* Start with disk A: */
     disk < 16;          /* Until disk P: */
     disk++)             /* Use next disk */
{
    if ( !(1 << disk) & adisks)
        continue;          /* Avoid selecting unspecified disks */
}

```

Figure 11-6. (Continued)

```

if (biosh(SELDSK,disk) == 0) /* Make BIOS SELDSK call */
    /* Returns 0 if invalid disk */
    /* Turn OFF corresponding bit in mask
       by AND-ing it with bit mask having
       all the other bits set = 1. */
    adisks &= ((1 << disk) ^ 0xFFFF);
}

scb -> scb_adisks = adisks; /* Set bit map in scb */

} /* End ssetscb */

chk_use(argc); /* Check usage */
/* This function checks that the correct number of
   parameters has been specified, outputting instructions
   if not. */

/* Entry parameter */
int argc; /* Count of the number of arguments on the command line */
{
    /* The minimum value of argc is 1 (for the program name itself),
       so argc is always one greater than the number of parameters
       on the command line */

    if (argc != 2)
    {
        printf("\nUsage : ");
        printf("\n\tSPACE %s (All disks)");
        printf("\n\tSPACE ABCD..OP (Selected Disks)");
        exit();
    }
} /* End chk_use */

```

Figure 11-6. (Continued)

## MOVE—Move Files Between User Numbers

The MOVE utility shown in Figure 11-7 moves files from one user number to another on the same logical disk. The movement is achieved by changing the user number in all the relevant directory entries. This is much faster than copying the files. It also avoids having multiple copies of the same file on the disk.

Here is a console dialog showing MOVE in operation:

```

P3B>move<CR>
MOVE Version 1.0 02/10/83 (Library 1.0)
Usage :
    MOVE d:filename.typ to_user {from_user} {NAMES}
        *:filename.typ (All disks)
        ABCD..OP:filename.typ (Selected Disks)
    NAMES option shows names of files moved.

P3B>dir *.com<CR>
B: ERASE COM : FUNKEY COM : DATE COM : FIND COM
B: SPACE COM : UNERASE COM : MAKE COM : MOVE COM
B: TIME COM : ASSIGN COM : SPEED COM : PROTOCOL COM

P3B>move *.com 0 names<CR>
MOVE Version 1.0 02/10/83 (Library 1.0)

Moving file(s) 3/B:????????.COM -> User 0.

```

```

0/B:ERASE   .COM  0/B:FUNKEY  .COM  0/B:DATE   .COM  0/B: FIND   .COM
0/B:SPACE   .COM  0/B:UNERASE .COM  0/B:MAKE   .COM  0/B: MOVE   .COM
0/B:TIME    .COM  0/B:ASSIGN  .COM  0/B:SPEED  .COM  0/B:PROTOCOL.COM

P3B>user 0<CR>
POB>dir
B: ERASE   COM : FUNKEY  COM : DATE   COM : FIND     COM
B: SPACE   COM : UNERASE COM : MAKE   COM : MOVE     COM
B: TIME    COM : ASSIGN  COM : SPEED  COM : PROTOCOL COM

```

```

#define VN "1.0 02/10/83"

/* MOVE -- This utility transfers file(s) from one user number to
another, but on the SAME logical disk. Files are not actually
copied -- rather, their directory entries are changed. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

struct _dirpb dir_pb;           /* Directory management Parameter block */
struct _dir *dir_entry;         /* Pointer to directory entry */
struct _scb scb;               /* Search control block */

#define DIR_BSZ 128                /* Directory buffer size */
char dir_buffer[DIR_BSZ];       /* Directory buffer */

char file_name[20];             /* Formatted for display : un/d:FILENAME.TYP */
short name_flag;               /* NZ to display names of files moved */

short cur_disk;                /* Current logical disk at start of program */
int from_user;                 /* User number from which to move files */
int to_user;                   /* User number to which files will be moved */

int mcount;                    /* Match count (no. of file names matched) */
int dmcnt;                     /* Per-disk match count */
int lcount;                    /* Line count (for lines displayed) */

main(argc,argv)
short argc;                   /* Argument count */
char *argv[];                  /* Argument vector (pointer to an array of chars.) */
{
    printf("\nMOVE Version %s (Library %s)",VN,LIBVN);

    chk_use(argc);              /* Check usage */

    to_user = atoi(argv[2]);      /* Convert user no. to integer */
    /* Set and check destination user number */
    if(to_user > 15)
    {
        printf("\nError -- the destination user number cannot be greater than 15.");
    }

    /* Set the current user number */
    from_user = bdos(GETUSER,0xFF);

    /* Check if source user number specified */
    if (!isdigit(argv[3][0]))
    {
        /* Set and check source user number */
        if((from_user = atoi(argv[3])) > 15)
        {
            printf("\nError -- the source user number cannot be greater than 15.");
            exit();
        }
        /* Set name suppress flag from parameter #4 */
        name_flag = usstrcm("NAMES",argv[4]);
    }
    else
    {
        /* No source user specified */
    }
}

```

Figure 11-7. MOVE.C, a utility program that changes files' user numbers

```

/* Set name suppress flag from parameter #3 */
name_flag = usstrcmp("NAME!", argv[3]);
}

/* To simplify the logic below, name_flag must be made
   NZ if it is equal to NAME_EQ, 0 if it is any other value */
name_flag = (name_flag == NAME_EQ ? 1 : 0);

if (to_user == from_user)      /* To = from */
{
    printf("\nError - 'to' user number is the same as 'from' user number.");
    exit();
}

/* Set the search control block file name, type, user number,
   extent number, and length -- length matches user number, file
   name, and type. As the extent number does not enter into the
   comparison, all extents of a given file will be found. */
setscb(scb,argv[1],from_user,'?',13);

cur_disk = bdos(GETDISK);      /* Get current default disk */
lcount = dmcount = mcount = 0;  /* Initialize counts */

for (scb.scb_disk = 0;          /* Starting with logical disk A: */
     scb.scb_disk < 16;        /* Until logical disk P: */
     scb.scb_disk++)           /* Move to next logical disk */
{
    /* Check if current disk has been selected for search */
    if (!(scb.scb_adisks & (1 << scb.scb_disk)))
        continue;             /* No, so bypass this disk */
    /* convert search user number and name for output */
    conv_dfname(scb.scb_disk,scb.file_name);
    printf("\n\nMoving file(s) %s -> User %d.",file_name,to_user);

    lcount++;                /* Update line count */

    dir_pb.dp_disk = scb.scb_disk; /* Set to disk to be searched*/
    dmcount = 0;                 /* Reset disk matched count */

    if (name_flag)            /* If file names are to be displayed */
        putchar('\n');         /* Move to column 1 */

    /* Set the directory to "closed" to force the get_ndc
       function to open it. */
    dir_pb.dp_open = 0;

    /* While not at the end of the directory, set a pointer
       to the next directory entry */
    while(dir_entry = get_ndc(dir_pb))
    {
        /* Match those entries that have the correct
           user number, file name, type, and any
           extent number. */

        if (
            (dir_entry->de_userid != 0xE5) &&
            (comp_fname(scb.dir_entry) == NAME_EQ)
        )
        {

            dir_entry->de_userid = to_user;      /* Move to new user */
            /* Request sector to be written back */
            dir_pb.dp_write = 1;

            mcount++;                /* Update matched counts */
            dmcount++;               /* Per-disk count */

            if (name_flag) /* Check map option */
            {
                conv_dfname(scb.scb_disk,dir_entry,file_name);
                printf("%s ",file_name);

                /* Check if need to start new line */
                if (!(dmcount % 4))
                {
                    putchar('\n');
                    if (++lcount > 16)

```

**Figure 11-7.** (Continued)

```

        {
        lcount = 0;
        printf("\nPress Space Bar to continue....");
        getchar();
        putchar('\n');
        }

    }

}

if (lcount == 0)
    printf("\n --- No Files Moved --- ");

bdos(SETDISK,cur_disk); /* Reset to current disk */
}

chk_use(argc)           /* Check usage */
/* This function checks that the correct number of
   parameters has been specified, outputting instructions
   if not */
/* Entry Parameter */
int argc;               /* Count of the number of arguments on the command line */
{

/* The minimum value of argc is 1 (for the program name itself),
   so argc is always one greater than the number of parameters
   on the command line */

if (argc == 1 || argc > 5)
{
    printf("\nUsage : ");
    printf("\n\tMOVE filename.typ to_user {from_user} {NAMES}");
    printf("\n\t      *filename.typ (All disks)");
    printf("\n\t      ABCD..OPfilename.typ (Selected Disks)");
    printf("\n\tNAMES option shows names of files moved.");
    exit();
}
}

```

**Figure 11-7.** (Continued)

### **Other Utilities**

The utility programs described in this section are by no means a complete set. You may want to develop many other specialized utility programs. Some possibilities are:

## FILECOPY

A more specialized version of PIP could copy ambiguously specified groups of files. Of special importance would be the ability to read a file containing the names of the files to be copied. A useful option would be the ability to detect the setting of the unused file attribute bit and copy only files that have been changed.

## **PROTECT/UNPROTECT**

This pair of utilities would allow you to “hide” files in user numbers greater than 15. Files so hidden could not be accessed other than by UNPROTECTing them, thereby moving them back into the normal user number range.

**RECLAIM**

This utility would read all sectors on a disk (using the BIOS). Any bad sectors encountered could then be logically removed by creating an entry in the file directory, with allocation block numbers that would effectively "reserve" the blocks containing the bad sectors.

**OWNER**

This utility, given a track or sector number, would access the directory and determine which file or files were using that part of the disk. This is useful if you have a bad sector or track on a disk. You then can determine which files have been damaged.

**Utility Programs for the Enhanced BIOS**

This section describes several utility programs that work with the enhanced BIOS shown in Figure 8-10. Several of these utilities work directly with the physical devices on the computer system, which can vary from computer to computer. The library header contains #define declarations for device numbers and names for physical devices (Figure 11-2, f and Figure 11-2, g).

These #define statements are used to build a physical-device code table. If you have more physical devices or want to change the names by which you refer to the devices, you will need to change these definitions.

All of these utilities share some common features in the way that they are invoked. If they are called without any parameters, they display instructions on the console regarding what parameters are available. If they are called with the word "SHOW" (or "S", "SH", and so forth) as a parameter, they display the current settings of whatever attribute the utility controls.

**MAKE — Make Files "Invisible" or "Visible"**

The MAKE utility shown in Figure 11-8 is designed to operate in conjunction with the public files option implemented in the enhanced BIOS of Figure 8-10. It has two modes of operation — making files "invisible" or "visible."

An invisible file is one in user 0 which has been set to Read-Only and System status. When the public files option is enabled, these files cannot be seen when you use the DIR command, nor can they be erased accidentally.

A visible file is one that has been set to Read/Write and Directory status.

When files are made invisible, they are transferred from the current user number to user 0. When files are made visible, they are transferred from user 0 to the current user number.

Here is an example console dialog showing MAKE in operation:

```
P3B>make<CR>
MAKE Version 1.0 02/12/83 (Library 1.0)
```

**Figure 11-8.** (Continued)

**SPEED—Set Baud Rates**

The SPEED utility shown in Figure 11-9 sets the baud rate for a specific serial device. Here is an example console dialog that shows several of the options:

```
P3B>speed<CR>
SPEED 1.0 02/17/83
The SPEED utility sets the baud rate speed for each physical device.
Usage is : SPEED physical-device baud-rate, or
           SPEED SHOW      (to show current settings)

Valid physical devices are:
    TERMINAL
    PRINTER
    MODEM

Valid baud rates are:
    300
    600
    1200
    2400
    4800
    9600
    19200

P3B>speed show<CR>
SPEED 1.0 02/17/83
Current Baud Rate settings are :
    TERMINAL set to 9600 baud.
    PRINTER set to 9600 baud.
    MODEM set to 9600 baud.

P3B>speed m 19<CR>
SPEED 1.0 02/17/83
Current Baud Rate settings are :
    TERMINAL set to 9600 baud.
    PRINTER set to 9600 baud.
    MODEM set to 19200 baud.

P3B>speed xyz 12<CR>
SPEED 1.0 02/17/83
Physical Device 'XYZ' is invalid or ambiguous.
Legal Physical Devices are :
    TERMINAL
    PRINTER
    MODEM
```

```
#define VN "\nSPEED 1.0 02/17/83"
/* This utility sets the baud rate speed for each of the physical
   devices. */
#include <LIBRARY.H>
struct _ct_ct_pdev[MAXPDEV + 2];      /* Physical device table */
/* Hardware specific items */
```

**Figure 11-9.** SPEED.C, a utility that sets the baud rate for a specific device

```

/* Baud rates for serial ports */
#define B300 0x35 /* 300 baud */
#define B600 0x36 /* 600 baud */
#define B1200 0x37 /* 1200 baud */
#define B2400 0x3A /* 2400 baud */
#define B4800 0x3C /* 4800 baud */
#define B9600 0x3E /* 9600 baud */
#define B19200 0x3F /* 19200 baud */
struct _ct ct_ct_br[10]; /* Code table for baud rates (+ spare entries) */

/* Parameters on the command line */
#define PDEV argv[1] /* Physical device */
#define BAUD argv[2] /* Baud rate */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{
printf(VN); /* Display sign-on message */
setup(); /* Set up code tables */
chk_usage(argc); /* Check correct usage */

/* Check if request to show current settings */
if (usstricmp("SHOW",argv[1]))
{
    /* No -- assume setting is required */
    set_baud(get_pdev(PDEV),get_baud(BAUD)); /* Set baud rate */
}

show_baud(); /* Display current settings */

} /* end of program */

setup() /* set up the code tables for this program */
{
    /* Initialize the physical device table */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[0],T_DEVN,PN_T); /* Terminal */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[1],P_DEVN,PN_P); /* Printer */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[2],M_DEVN,PN_M); /* Modem */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[3],CT_SNF,"*"); /* Terminator */

    /* Initialize the baud rate table */
    ct_init(ct_br[0],B300,"300");
    ct_init(ct_br[1],B600,"600");
    ct_init(ct_br[2],B1200,"1200");
    ct_init(ct_br[3],B2400,"2400");
    ct_init(ct_br[4],B4800,"4800");
    ct_init(ct_br[5],B9600,"9600");
    ct_init(ct_br[6],B19200,"19200");
    ct_init(ct_br[7],CT_SNF,"*"); /* Terminator */
}

unsigned
get_pdev(ppdev) /* Get physical device */
/* This function returns the physical device code
   specified by the user in the command line. */
char *ppdev; /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval; /* Return value */

retval = ct_parc(ct_pdev,ppdev); /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF) /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Physical Device '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",ppdev);
    printf("\nLegal Physical Devices are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_pdev); /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval; /* Return code */
}

unsigned
get_baud(pbaud)
/* This function returns the baud rate time constant for
   the baud rate specified by the user in the command line */

```

Figure 11-9. (Continued)

```

char *pbaud;           /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval;        /* Return value */
retval = ct_parc(ct_br,pbaud); /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF)    /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Baud Rate '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
          pbaud);
    printf("\nLegal Baud Rates are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_br);      /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval;          /* Return code */
}

set_baud(pdevc,baudc) /* Set the baud rate of the specified device */
int pdevc;             /* Physical device code */
short baudc;           /* Baud rate code */
/* On some systems this may have to be a
   two-byte (unsigned) value */
{
short *baud_rc;         /* Pointer to the baud rate constant */
/* On some systems this may have to be a
   two-byte (unsigned) value */
/* Note: the respective codes for accessing the baud rate constants
   via the get_cba (get configuration block address) function are:
   Device #0 = 19, #1 = 21, #2 = 23. This function uses this
   mathematical relationship */

/* Set up pointer to the baud rate constant */
baud_rc = get_cba(CB_D0_BRC + (pdevc << 1));

/* Then set the baud rate constant */
*baud_rc = baudc;

/* Then call the BIOS initialization routine */
bios(CIOINIT(pdevc));
}

show_baud()            /* Show current baud rate */
{
int pdevns;             /* Physical device number */
short baudc;           /* Baud rate code */
/* On some systems this may have to be a
   two-byte (unsigned) value */
short *baud_rc;         /* Pointer to the baud rate constant */
/* On some systems this may have to be a
   two-byte (unsigned) value */
/* Note: the respective codes for accessing the baud rate constants
   via the get_cba (get configuration block address) function are:
   Device #0 = 19, #1 = 21, #2 = 23. This function uses this
   mathematical relationship */

printf("\nCurrent baud rate settings are :");

for (pdevn = 0; pdevn <= MAXPDEV; pdevn++) /* All physical devices */
{
    /* Set up pointer to the baud rate constant --
       the code for the get_cba function is computed
       by adding the physical device number #2 to
       the Baud Rate code for device #0 */

    baud_rc = get_cba(CB_D0_BRC + (pdevn << 1));

    /* Then set the baud rate constant */
    baudc = *baud_rc;

    printf("\n\t%s set to %s baud.", 
          ct_strc(ct_pdev,pdevn), /* Get ptr. to device name */
          ct_strc(ct_br,baudc)); /* Get ptr. to baud rate */
}
}

chk_use(argc)           /* Check correct usage */
int argc;               /* Argument count */
{

```

Figure 11-9. (Continued)

```

if (argc == 1)
{
    printf("\nThe SPEED utility sets the baud rate speed for each physical device.");
    printf("\nUsage is : SPEED physical-device baud rate, or");
    printf("\n           SPEED SHOW      (to show current settings)");
    printf("\n\nValid physical devices are: ");
    ct_disps(ct_pdev);
    printf("\nValid baud rates are: ");
    ct_disps(ct_brd);
    exit(0);
}

```

Figure 11-9. (Continued)

## PROTOCOL—Set Serial Line Protocols

The PROTOCOL utility shown in Figure 11-10 is used to set the protocol for a specific serial device.

The drivers for each physical device can support several serial line protocols. The protocols are divided into two groups, depending on whether they apply to data output by or input to the computer.

Note that the output DTR and input RTS protocols can coexist with other protocols. The strategy is first to set the required character-based protocol and then to set the DTR/RTS protocol. There is an example of this in the following console dialog:

```

P3B>protocol<CR>
PROTOCOL Vn 1.0 02/17/83
PROTOCOL sets the physical device's serial protocols.
          PROTOCOL physical-device direction protocol {message-length}

Legal physical devices are :
        TERMINAL
        PRINTER
        MODEM

Legal direction/protocols are :
        Output DTR
        Output XON
        Output ETX
        Input RTS
        Input XON

Message length can be specified with Output ETX.

P3B>protocol show<CR>
PROTOCOL Vn 1.0 02/17/83
        Protocol for TERMINAL - None.
        Protocol for PRINTER - Output XON
        Protocol for MODEM - Input RTS

P3B>protocol m o e 128<CR>
PROTOCOL Vn 1.0 02/17/83
        Protocol for TERMINAL - None.
        Protocol for PRINTER - Output XON

```

Protocol for MODEM - Output ETX Message Length 128 bytes.

```
P3B>protocol m o d<CR>
PROTOCOL Vn 1.0 02/17/83
    Protocol for TERMINAL - None.
    Protocol for PRINTER - Output XON
    Protocol for MODEM - Output DTR Output ETX Message Length
        128 bytes.
```

```
#define VN "\nPROTOCOL Vn 1.0 02/17/83"
/* PROTOCOL -- This utility sets the serial port protocol for the
   specified physical device. Alternatively, it displays the
   current protocols for all of the serial devices. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

/* Code tables used to relate ASCII strings to code values */
struct _ct_ct_iprotocol3; /* Code table for input protocols */
struct _ct_ct_oprotocol4; /* Code table for output protocols */
struct _ct_ct_dproto7; /* Code table for displaying protocols */
struct _ct_ct_pdev[MAXPDEV + 2]; /* Physical device table */
struct _ct_ct_io[3]; /* Input, output */

/* Parameters on the command line */
#define PDEV argv[1] /* Physical device */
#define IO argv[2] /* Input/output */
#define PROTO argv[3] /* Protocol */
#define PROTOL argv[4] /* Protocol message length */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{
printf(VN); /* Display sign-on message */
setup(); /* Set up code tables */
chk_use(argc); /* Check correct usage */

/* Check if request to show current settings */
if (usstrcmp("SHOW",argv[1]))
{
    /* No -- assume a set is required */
    set_proto(get_pdev(PDEV), /* Physical device */
              /* Input/output and protocol */
              get_proto(get_io(IO),PROTO),
              PROTOL); /* Protocol message length */
}
show_proto();
} /* end of program */

setup() /* Set up the code tables for this program */
{
    /* Initialize the physical device table */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[0],0,PN_T); /* Terminal */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[1],1,PN_P); /* Printer */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[2],2,PN_M); /* Modem */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[3],CT_SNF,""); /* Terminator */

    /* Initialize the input/output table */
    ct_init(ct_io[0],0,"INPUT");
    ct_init(ct_io[1],1,"OUTPUT");
    ct_init(ct_io[2],CT_SNF,""); /* Terminator */

    /* Initialize the output protocol table */
    ct_init(ct_oprotocol[0],DT_DDDR,"DTR");
    ct_init(ct_oprotocol[1],DT_OXON,"XON");
    ct_init(ct_oprotocol[2],DT_OETX,"ETX");
```

**Figure 11-10.** PROTOCOL.C, a utility that sets the protocol governing input and output of a specified serial device

```

ct_init(ct_oproto[3],CT_SNF,"*");      /* Terminator */

        /* Initialize the input protocol table */
ct_init(ct_iprotocol[0],DT_IRTS,"RTS");
ct_init(ct_iprotocol[1],DT_IXON,"XON");
ct_init(ct_iprotocol[2],CT_SNF,"*");      /* Terminator */

        /* Initialize the display protocol */
ct_init(ct_dproto[0],DT_ODTR,"Output DTR");
ct_init(ct_dproto[1],DT_OXON,"Output XON");
ct_init(ct_dproto[2],DT_OETX,"Output ETX");
ct_init(ct_dproto[3],DT_IRTS,"Input RTS");
ct_init(ct_dproto[4],DT_IXON,"Input XON");
ct_init(ct_dproto[5],CT_SNF,"*");
}

unsigned
get_pdev(ppdev)           /* Get physical device */
/* This function returns the physical device code
   specified by the user in the command line. */
char *ppdev;              /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval;           /* Return value */

retval = ct_parc(ct_pdev,ppdev); /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF)          /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Physical Device '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
          ppdev);
    printf("\nLegal Physical Devices are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_pdev);        /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval;               /* Return code */
}

unsigned
get_io(pio)                /* Get input/output parameter */
char *pio;                  /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval;           /* Return value */

retval = ct_parc(ct_io,pio); /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF)          /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Input/Output direction '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
          pio);
    printf("\nLegal values are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_io);        /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval;               /* Return code */
}

unsigned
get_proto(output,ppproto)
/* This function returns the protocol code for the
   protocol specified by the user in the command line. */
int output;                 /* =1 for output, =0 for input */
char *ppproto;              /* Pointer to character string */

{
unsigned retval;           /* Return value */

if (output)                 /* OUTPUT specified */
{
    /* Get code for ASCII string */
    retval = ct_parc(ct_oproto,ppproto);
    if (retval == CT_SNF)          /* If string not found */
    {
        printf("\n\007Output Protocol '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
               ppproto);
        printf("\nLegal Output Protocols are : ");
        ct_disps(ct_oproto);      /* Display valid protocols */
        exit();
    }
}

```

Figure 11-10. (Continued)

```

else
{
    /* INPUT specified */
    if (ct_Parc(ct_iprot, pproto))
    {
        if (retval == CT_SNF)           /* If string not found */
        {
            printf("\n\007Input Protocol '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
                   pproto);
            printf("\nLegal Input Protocols are : ");
            ct_Disps(ct_iprot);      /* Display valid protocols */
            exit();
        }
    }
    return retval;                  /* Return code */
}

set_proto(pdevc, protoc, ppplen)
int pdevc;                      /* Physical device code */
unsigned protoc;                /* Protocol byte */
char *ppplen;                  /* Pointer to protocol length */
{
    struct _ppdt
    {
        char *pdtt[16];          /* Array of 16 pointers to the device tables */
    };
    struct _ppdt *ppdt;          /* Pointer to the device table array */
    struct _dt *dt;              /* Pointer to a device table */

    ppdt = get_cba(CB_DTA); /* Set pointer to array of pointers */
    dt = ppdt -> pdt[pdevc];

    if (!dt)                    /* Check if pointer in array is valid */
    {
        printf("\nError -- Array of Device Table Addresses is not set for device #Xd.",
               pdevc);
        exit();
    }

    if (protoc & 0x8000)        /* Check if protocol byte to be set
                                 directly or to be OR ed in */
    {
        /* OR ed */
        dt -> dt_sti |= (protoc & 0x7F);
    }
    else
    {
        /* Set directly */
        dt -> dt_sti = (protoc & 0x7F);
    }

    if ((protoc & 0x7F) == DT_OETX) /* If ETX/ACK, check for message
                                    length */
    {
        if (isdigit(*ppplen))      /* Check if length present */
        {
            /* Convert length to binary and set device
               table field. */
            dt -> dt_etxml = atoi(ppplen);
        }
    }
}

show_proto()                     /* Show the current protocol settings */
{
    struct _ppdt
    {
        char *pdtt[16];          /* Array of 16 pointers to the device tables */
    };
    struct _ppdt *ppdt;          /* Pointer to the device table array */
    struct _dt *dt;              /* Pointer to a device table */
    int pdevc;                  /* Physical device code */
    struct _ct *dproto;         /* Pointer to display protocols */

    ppdt = get_cba(CB_DTA); /* Set pointer to array of pointers */
    /* For all Physical devices */
}

```

Figure 14-10. (Continued)

```

for (pdevc = 0; pdevc <= MAXPDEVS; pdevc++)
{
    /* Set pointer to device table */
    dt = ppdt -> pdt[pdevc];

    if (dt) /* Check if pointer in array is valid */
    {
        printf("\n\tProtocol for %s = ",ct_src(ct_pdev,pdevc));
        /* Check if any protocols set */
        if (!(dt -> dt_sti & ALLPROTO))
        {
            printf("None.");
            continue;
        }

        /* Set pointer to display protocol table */
        dproto = ct_dproto;
        while (dproto -> _ct_code != CT_SNF)
        {
            /* Check if protocol bit set */
            if (dproto -> _ct_code & dt -> dt_sti)
            {
                /* Display protocol */
                printf("%s ",dproto -> _ct_sp);
            }
            ++dproto; /* Move to next entry */
        }
        /* Check if ETX/ACK protocol and
         message length to be displayed */
        if (dt -> dt_sti & DT_OETX)
            printf(" Message length %d bytes.",dt -> dt_etxml);
    }
}

chk_use(argc); /* Check for correct usage */
int argc; /* Argument count on command line */
{
if (argc == 1)
{
    printf("\nPROTOCOL sets the physical device's serial protocols.");
    printf("\n\tPROTOCOL physical-device direction protocol {message-length}");
    printf("\n\nLegal physical devices are :");
    ct_disps(ct_pdev);
    printf("\nLegal direction/protocols are :");
    ct_disps(ct_dproto);
    printf("\n\tMessage length can be specified with Output ETX.\n");
    exit();
}
}

```

Figure 11-40. (Continued)

## ASSIGN — Assign Physical to Logical Devices

The ASSIGN utility shown in Figure 11-11 sets the necessary bits in the physical input/output redirection bits in the BIOS. It assigns a logical device's input and output to physical devices. Input can only be derived from a single physical device, while output can be directed to multiple devices.

Here is an example console dialog showing ASSIGN in action:

```

P3B>assign<CR>
ASSIGN Vn 1.0 02/17/83
ASSIGN sets the Input/Output redirection.
      ASSIGN logical-device INPUT physical-device
      ASSIGN logical-device OUTPUT physical-dev1 {phy_dev2..}
      ASSIGN SHOW   (to show current assignments)

```

```

Legal logical devices are :
    CONSOLE
    AUXILIARY
    LIST

Legal physical devices are :
    TERMINAL
    PRINTER
    MODEM

P3B>assign show<CR>
ASSIGN Vn 1.0 02/17/83
Current Device Assignments are :
    CONSOLE INPUT is assigned to - TERMINAL
    CONSOLE OUTPUT is assigned to - TERMINAL
    AUXILIARY INPUT is assigned to - MODEM
    AUXILIARY OUTPUT is assigned to - MODEM
    LIST INPUT is assigned to - PRINTER
    LIST OUTPUT is assigned to - PRINTER

P3B>assign a o i m p<CR>
ASSIGN Vn 1.0 02/17/83
Current Device Assignments are :
    CONSOLE INPUT is assigned to - TERMINAL
    CONSOLE OUTPUT is assigned to - TERMINAL
    AUXILIARY INPUT is assigned to - MODEM
    AUXILIARY OUTPUT is assigned to - TERMINAL PRINTER MODEM
    LIST INPUT is assigned to - PRINTER
    LIST OUTPUT is assigned to - PRINTER

```

```

#define VN "\nASSIGN Vn 1.0 02/17/83"
#include <LIBRARY.H>
struct _ct ct_pdev[MAXPDEV + 2];      /* Physical device table */

/* Names of logical devices */
#define LN_C    "CONSOLE"
#define LN_A    "AUXILIARY"
#define LN_L    "LIST"
struct _ct ct_ldev[4];                /* Logical device table */

struct _ct ct_io[3];                 /* Input, output */

/* Parameters on the command line */
#define LDEV argv[1]   /* Logical device */
#define IO argv[2]     /* Input/output */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{
    printf(VN);      /* Display sign-on message */
    setup();         /* Set up code tables */
    chk_use(argc);  /* Check correct usage */

    /* Check if request to show current settings */
    if (usstrcmp("SHOW",argv[1]))
        {           /* No, assume a set is required */

```

**Figure 11-11.** ASSIGN.C, a utility that assigns a logical device's input and output to two physical devices

```

        /* NOTE : the number of physical devices to
       Process is given by argc - 3 */
       set_assign(get_ldev(LDEV),get_io(IO),argc - 3,argv);
    }
show_assign();

}

setup()           /* Set up the code tables for this program */
{
    /* Initialize the physical device table */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[0],0,PN_T);      /* Terminal */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[1],1,PN_P);      /* Printer */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[2],2,PN_M);      /* Modem */
    ct_init(ct_pdev[3],CT_SNF,"*"); /* Terminator */

    /* Initialize the logical device table */
    ct_init(ct_ldev[0],0,LN_C);      /* Terminal */
    ct_init(ct_ldev[1],1,LN_A);      /* Auxiliary */
    ct_init(ct_ldev[2],2,LN_L);      /* List */
    ct_init(ct_ldev[3],CT_SNF,"*"); /* Terminator */

    /* Initialize the input/output table */
    ct_init(ct_iot[0],0,"INPUT");
    ct_init(ct_iot[1],1,"OUTPUT");
    ct_init(ct_iot[2],CT_SNF,"*");   /* Terminator */

}

unsigned
get_ldev(pldev)      /* Get logical device */
/* This function returns the logical device code
   specified by the user in the command line. */
char *pldev;          /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval;        /* Return value */
retval = ct_parc(ct_ldev,pldev);      /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF)          /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Logical device '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
          pldev);
    printf("\nIllegal logical devices are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_ldev);          /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval;          /* Return code */
}

unsigned
get_io(pio)           /* Get input/output parameter */
char *pio;              /* Pointer to character string */
{
unsigned retval;        /* Return value */
retval = ct_parc(ct_io,pio);      /* Get code for ASCII string */
if (retval == CT_SNF)          /* If string not found */
{
    printf("\n\007Input/output direction '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
          pio);
    printf("\nIllegal values are : ");
    ct_disps(ct_io);          /* Display all values */
    exit();
}
return retval;          /* Return code */
}

set_assign(ldevc,output,argc,argv)      /* Set assignment (I/O redirection) */
int ldevc;                  /* Logical device code */
int output;                 /* I/O redirection code */
int argc;                   /* count of arguments to process */
char *argv[];               /* Replica of parameter to main function */
{
unsigned *redirs;           /* Pointer to redirection word */
int pdevc;                  /* Physical device code */
unsigned rd_val;

/* Get the address of the I/O redirection word.

```

Figure 11-11. (Continued)

```

This code assumes that get_cba code values
are ordered:
    Device #0, input & output
    Device #1, input & output
    Device #2, input & output

The get_cba code is computed by multiplying the
logical device code by 2 (that is, shift left 1)
and added onto the code for Device #0, input
Then the output variable (0 = input, 1 = output)
is added on  */

redir = get_cba(CB_CI + (ldevc << 1) + output);

rd_val = 0;      /* Initialize redirection value */

/* For output, assignment can be made to several physical
   devices, so this code may be executed several times */
do
{
    /* Get code for ASCII string */
    /* NOTE: the physical device parameters start
       with parameter #3 (argv[3]). However argc
       is a decreasing count of the number of physical
       devices to be processed. Therefore, argc + 2
       causes them to be processed in reverse order
       (i.e. from right to left on the command line) */

    pdevc = ct_parc(ct_pdev, argv[argc + 2]);

    if (pdevc == CT_SNF)           /* If string not found */
    {
        printf("\n007Physical device '%s' is invalid or ambiguous.",
               argv[argc + 2]);
        printf("Illegal physical devices are : ");
        ct_disps(ct_pdev);        /* Display all values */
        exit();
    }
    /* Repeat this loop for as long as there are
       more parameters (for output only) */
    else
    {
        /* Build new redirection value by OR ing in
           a one-bit shifted left pdevc places. */
        rd_val |= (1 << pdevc);
    }
} while (--argc && output);

*redir = rd_val;      /* Set the value into the config. block */
}

show_assign()           /* Show current baud rate */
{
int rd_code;           /* Redirection code for get_cba */
int ldevn;             /* Logical device number */
int pdevn;             /* Physical device number */
unsigned rd_val;       /* Redirection value */
unsigned *prd_val;     /* Pointer to the redirection value */

/* Note: the respective codes for accessing the redirection values
   via the get_cba (get configuration block address) function are:
   Device #0 console input -- 5
   Device #0 console output -- 6
   Device #1 auxiliary input -- 7
   Device #1 auxiliary output -- 8
   Device #2 list input -- 9
   Device #2 list output -- 10

   This function uses this mathematical relationship */

printf("\nCurrent device assignments are :");

/* For all get_cba codes */
for (rd_code = CB_CI; rd_code <= CB_LO; rd_code++)
{
    /* Set pointer to redirection value */
    prd_val = get_cba(rd_code);
    /* Get the input redirection value */
}

```

Figure 11-11. (Continued)

```

rd_val = *prd_val;      /* This also performs byte reversal */

/* Display device name. The rd_code is converted to a
device number by subtracting the first code number
from it and dividing by 2 (shift right one place).
The input/output direction is derived from the
least significant bit of the rd_code. */

printf("\n\t%#s is assigned to - ",
      ct_src(ct_ldev,(rd_code - CB_CI) >> 1),
      ct_src(ct_io,((rd_code & 0x01) ^ 1)));

/* For all physical devices */
for (pdevn = 0; pdevn < 16; pdevn++)
{
    /* Check if current physical device is assigned
       by AND-ing with a 1-bit shifted left pdevn times */
    if (rd_val & (1 << pdevn)) /* Is device active? */
    {
        /* Display physical device name */
        printf("#s",ct_src(ct_pdev,pdevn));
    }
}

}

chk_usage(argc);      /* Check for correct usage */
int argc;             /* Argument count on command line */
{
if (argc == 1)
{
    printf("\nASSIGN sets the Input/Output redirection.");
    printf("\n\ASSIGN logical-device INPUT physical-device");
    printf("\n\ASSIGN logical-device OUTPUT physical-dev1 (phy_dev2..)");
    printf("\n\ASSIGN SHOW (to show current assignments)");
    printf("\n\nLegal logical devices are :");
    ct_disps(ct_ldev);
    printf("\nLegal physical devices are :");
    ct_disps(ct_pdev);
    exit();
}
}

```

Figure 11-11. (Continued)

## DATE — Set the System Date

The DATE utility shown in Figure 11-12 sets the system date in the configuration block, along with a flag that indicates that the DATE utility has been used. Other utility programs can use this flag as a primitive test of whether the system date is current.

Here is an example console dialog:

```

P3B>date<CR>
DATE Vn 1.0 02/18/83
DATE sets the system date. Usage is :
      DATE mm/dd/yy
      DATE SHOW (to display current date)

P3B>date show<CR>
DATE Vn 1.0 02/18/83
      Current Date is 12/18/82

P3B>date 2/23/83<CR>
DATE Vn 1.0 02/18/83
      Current Date is 02/23/83

```

```

#define VN "\nDATE Vn 1.0 02/18/83"

/* This utility accepts the current date from the command tail,
   validates it, and set the internal system date in the BIOS.
   Alternatively, it can be requested just to display the current
   system date. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

char *date;           /* Pointer to the date in the config. block */
char *date_flag;     /* Pointer to date-set flag */
int mm,dd,yy;        /* Variables to hold month, day, year */
int mcount;          /* Match count of numeric values entered */
int count;           /* Count used to add leading 0's to date */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{
printf(VN);           /* Display sign-on message */
date = get_cba(CB_DATE);    /* Set pointer to date */
date_flag = get_cba(CB_DFLAGS);/* Set pointer to date-set flag */

if (argc != 2)         /* Check if help requested (or needed) */
    show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */

if (usstrcmp("SHOW", argv[1])) /* Check if not SHOW option */
{
    /* Convert specified time into month, day, year */
    mcount = sscanf(argv[1],"%d/%d/%d",&mm,&dd,&yy);
    if (mcount != 3)      /* Input not numeric */
        show_use();      /* Display correct usage and exit */

    /* NOTE: The following validity checking is
       simplistic, but could be expanded to accommodate
       more context-sensitive checking: days in the month,
       leap years, etc. */
    if (mm > 12 || mm < 1) /* Check valid month, day, year */
    {
        printf("\nMonth = %d is illegal.",mm);
        show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */
    }
    if (dd > 31 || dd < 1)
    {
        printf("\nDay = %d is illegal.",dd);
        show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */
    }
    if (yy > 90 || yy < 83) /* <== NOTE ! */
    {
        printf("\nYear = %d is illegal.",yy);
        show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */
    }

    /* Convert integers back into a formatted string */
    sprintf(date,"%2d/%2d/%2d",mm,dd,yy);
    date[8] = 0xA;        /* Terminate with line feed */
    date[9] = '^0';       /* New string terminator */

    /* Change " 1 / 2 / 3" into "01/02/03" */
    for (count = 0; count < 7; count+=3)
    {
        if (date[count] == ' ')
            date[count] = '0';

        /* Turn flag on to indicate that user has set date */
        *date_flag |= DATE_SET;
    }
    printf("\n\tCurrent Date is %s",date);
}

show_use()           /* Display correct usage and exit */
{
printf("\nDATE sets the system date. Usage is :");
printf("\n\tDATE mm/dd/yy");
printf("\n\tDATE SHOW (to display current date)\n");
exit();
}

```

Figure 11-12. DATE.C, a utility that makes the current date part of the system

## TIME—Set the System Time

The TIME utility shown in Figure 11-13 sets the current system time. Like DATE, TIME sets a flag so that other utilities can test that the system time is likely to be current.

Here is an example console dialog:

```
P3B>time<CR>
TIME Vn 1.0 02/18/83
TIME sets the system time. Usage is :
    TIME hh:mm:ss
    TIME SHOW (to display current time)

P3B>time show<CR>
TIME Vn 1.0 02/18/83
    Current Time is 13:08:44

P3B>time 5:47<CR>
TIME Vn 1.0 02/18/83
    Current Time is 05:47:00
```

```
#define VN "\nTIME Vn 1.0 02/18/83"

/* This utility accepts the current time from the command tail,
   validates it, and sets the internal system time in the BIOS.
   Alternatively, it can just display the current system time. */

#include <LIBRARY.H>

char *time;           /* Pointer to the time in the config. block */
char *time_set;       /* Pointer to the time set flag */
int hh,mm,ss;         /* Variables to hold hours, minutes, seconds */
int mcount;           /* Match count of numeric values entered */
int count;             /* Count used to add leading zeros to time */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char *argv[];
{
    printf(VN);          /* Display sign-on message */
    time = get_cba(CB_TIMEA);      /* Set pointer to time */
    time_flag = get_cba(CB_DTFFLAGS); /* Set pointer to the
                                         time-set flag */
    hh = mm = ss = 0;        /* Initialize the time if seconds or
                             minutes are not specified */

    if (argc != 2)          /* Check if help requested (or needed) */
        show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */

    if (usstrcmp("SHOW",argv[1])) /* Check if not SHOW option */
    {
        /* Convert time into hours, minutes, seconds */
        mcount = sscanf(argv[1],"%d:%d:%d",&hh,&mm,&ss);
        if (!mcount)          /* Input not numeric */
            show_use();      /* Display correct usage and exit */

        if (hh > 12)          /* Check valid hours, minutes, seconds */
        {
            printf("\n\007Hours = %d is illegal.",hh);
            show_use();        /* Display correct usage and exit */
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 11-13. TIME.C, a utility that makes the current time part of the system

```

if (mm > 59)
{
    printf("\n\007Minutes = %d is illegal.",mm);
    show_use(); /* Display correct usage and exit */
}
if (ss > 59)
{
    show_use(); /* Display correct usage and exit */
    printf("\n\007Seconds = %d is illegal.",ss);
}

/* Convert integers back into formatted string */
sprintf(time,"%2di%2d:%2d",hh,mm,ss);
time[8] = 0xA; /* Terminate with line feed */
time[9] = '\0'; /* New string terminator */

/* Convert " 1: 2: 3" into "01:02:03" */
for (count = 0; count < 7; count+=3)
{
    if (time[count] == ' ')
        time[count] = '0';
}
/* Turn bit on to indicate that the time has been set */
wtime_flag |= TIME_SET;
}

printf("\n\tCurrent Time is %s",time);
}

show_use() /* Display correct usage and exit */
{
printf("\nTIME sets the system time. Usage is :");
printf("\n\tTIME hh:mm:ss");
printf("\n\tTIME SHOW (to display current time)\n");
exit();
}

```

**Figure 11-13.** TIME.C, a utility that makes the current time part of the system (continued)

## FUNKEY—Set the Function Keys

The FUNKEY utility shown in Figure 11-14 sets the character strings associated with specific function keys. In the specified character string, the character "<" is converted into a LINE FEED character. Here is an example console dialog:

```

P3B>funkey<CR>
FUNKEY sets a specific function key string.
    FUNKEY key-number "string to be programmed<"
        (Note : '<' is changed to line feed.)
        (      key-number is from 0 to 17.)
        (      string can be up to 16 chars.)
    FUNKEY SHOW      (displays settings for all keys)

P3B>funkey show<CR>
FUNKEY Vn 1.0 02/18/83
    Key #0 = 'Function Key 1<'
    Key #1 = 'Function Key 2<'

P3B>funkey 0 "PIP B:=A;*:*[V]<<CR>

P3B>funkey show<CR>
FUNKEY Vn 1.0 02/18/83
    Key #0 = 'PIP B:=A;*:*[V]<'
    Key #1 = 'Function Key 2<'

```

```

#define VN "\nFUNKEY Vn 1.0 02/18/83"
#include <LIBRARY.H>

int fnum;                                /* Function key number to be programmed */
char fstring[20];                         /* String for function key */
struct _fkt *pfk;                          /* Pointer to function key table */

main(argc,argv)
int argc;
char argv[];
{
    if (argc == 1 || argc > 3)
        show_use();

    pfk = get_cba(CB_FKT); /* Set pointer to function key table */

    if (usstrcmp("SHOW",argv[1]))
    {
        if (!isdigit(argv[1][0]))
            {
                printf("\n\007'%s' is an illegal function key.", argv[1]);
                show_use();
            }

        fnum = atoi(argv[1]); /* Convert function key number */

        if (fnum > FK_ENTRIES)
            {
                printf("\n\007Function key number %d too large.",fnum);
                show_use();
            }

        if (get_fs(fstring) > FK_LENGTH)
            {
                printf("\n\007Function key string is too long.");
                show_use();
            }

        pfk += fnum; /* Update pointer to string */
                    /* Copy string into function key table */

        /* Check if function key input present */
        if (!(pfk->fk_input[0]))
            {
                printf("\n\007Error : Function Key # %d is not set up to be programmed.",fnum);
                show_use();
            }
        strcpy(pfk->fk_output,fstring);
    }
    else          /* SHOW function specified */
    {
        printf(VN);           /* Display sign-on message */
        show_fun();
    }
}

get_fs(string)
char string[];
{
    char *tail;             /* Pointer to command tail */
    short tcount;           /* Count of TOTAL characters in command tail */
    int slen;               /* String length */

    tail = 0xB0;            /* Command line is in memory at 0080H */
    tcount = *tail++;       /* Set TOTAL count of characters in command tail */
    slen = 0;                /* Initialize string length */

    while(tcount--)
    {
        if (*tail++ == '"') /* Scan for first quotes */
            break;
    }
}

```

**Figure 11-14.** FUNKEY.C, a utility that sets the character strings associated with specific function keys

```

}
if (!tcount)           /* No quotes found */
{
    printf("\n\007No leading quotes found.");
    show_use();
}

++tcount;             /* Adjust tail count */
while(tcount--)       /* For all remaining characters in tail */
{
    if (*tail == '\"')
    {
        string[slen] = '\0';   /* Add terminator */
        break;                /* Exit from loop */
    }
    string[slen] = *tail++; /* Move char. from tail into string */

    if (string[slen] == '<')
        string[slen] = 0xA;
    ++slen;
}
if (!tcount)           /* No terminating quotes found */
{
    printf("\n\007No trailing quotes found.");
    show_use();
}
return slen;           /* Return string length */
}

show_fun()            /* Display settings for all function keys */
{
struct _fkt *pfkt;    /* Local pointer to function keys */
int count;             /* Count to access function keys */
char *lf;               /* Pointer to "<" character (LINE FEED) */

pfkt = get_cba(CB_FKT); /* Set pointer to function key table */
for (count = 0; count <= FK_ENTRIES; count++)
{
    if (pfkt->fk_input[0])      /* Key is programmed */
    {
        /* Check if at physical end of table */
        if (pfkt->fk_input == 0xFF)
            break; /* Yes -- break out of for loop */
        strcpy(fstring,pfkt->fk_output);
        /* Convert all 0x0A chars to "<" */
        while (*lf = strscn(fstring,"\\012"))
        {
            *lf = '<';
        }

        printf("\n\tKey #\d = \"%s\"",count,fstring);
    }
    ++pfkt;           /* Move to next entry */
}
}

show_use()
{
printf("\nFUNKEY sets a specific function key string.");
printf("\n\tFUNKEY key-number \042string to be programmed\042 ");
printf("\n\t          (Note : '<' is changed to line feed.)");
printf("\n\t          (key-number is from 0 to %d).",
FK_ENTRIES-1);
printf("\n\t          (      string can be up to %d chars.)",
FK_LENGTH);
printf("\n\tFUNKEY SHOW          (displays settings for all keys)");
exit();
}

```

Figure 11-14. (Continued)

## Other Utilities

Because of space limitations, not all of the possible utility programs for the BIOS features can be shown in this chapter. Others that would need to be developed in order to have a complete set are

### PUBLIC/PRIVATE

This pair of utilities would turn the public files flag on or off, making the files in user 0 available from other user numbers or not, respectively.

### SETTERM

This program would program the CONOUT escape table, setting the various escape sequences as required. It could also program the characters in the function key table that match with those emitted by the terminal currently in use.

### SAVESYS

This utility would save the current settings in the long term configuration block.

### LOADSYS

This would load the long term configuration block from a previously saved image.

### DO

This utility would copy the command tail into the multi-command buffer, changing “\” into LINE FEED, and then set the forced input pointer to the multi-command buffer. As a result, characters from the multi-command buffer would be fed into the console input stream as though they had been typed one command at a time.

### SPARE

This utility would work in conjunction with the hard-disk bad-sector management in your disk drivers. It would spare out bad sectors or tracks on the hard disk. This done, all subsequent references to the sectors or tracks would be redirected to a different part of the disk.

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Error Messages Displayed  
Miscellaneous Errors

## Error Messages

This chapter lists the error messages that emanate from standard CP/M and its utility programs. It does not include any error messages from the BIOS; these messages, if any, are the individualized product of the programmers who wrote the various versions of the BIOS.

The error messages are shown in alphabetical order, followed (in parentheses) by the name of the program or CP/M component outputting the message. Messages are shown in uppercase even if the actual message you will see contains lowercase letters. Additional characters that are displayed to "pretty up" the message have been omitted. For example, the message "**\*\* ABORTED \*\***" will be listed as "**ABORTED**".

Following each message is an explanation and, where possible, some information to help you deal with the error.

The last section of the chapter deals with known errors or peculiarities in CP/M and its utilities. Read this section so that you will recognize these problems when they occur.

## Error Messages Displayed

### ? (CCP)

The CCP displays a question mark if you enter a command name and there is no corresponding "command.COM" file on the disk.

It is also displayed if you omit the number of pages required as a parameter in the SAVE command.

### ? (DDT)

DDT outputs a question mark under several circumstances. You must use context (and some guesswork) to determine what has gone wrong. Here are some specific causes of problems:

- DDT cannot find the file that you have asked it to load into memory. Exit from DDT and investigate using DIR or STAT (the file may be set to System status and therefore invisible with DIR).
- There is a problem with the data in the HEX file that you have asked DDT to load. The problem could be a bad check-sum on a given line or an invalid field somewhere in the record. Try typing the HEX file out on a console, or use an editor to examine it. It is rare to have only one or two bad bits or bytes in a HEX file; large amounts of the file are more likely to have been corrupted. Therefore, you may be able to spot the trouble fairly readily. If you have the source code for the program, reassemble it to produce another copy of the HEX file. If you do not have the source code, there is no reliable way around this problem unless you are prepared to hand-create the HEX file—a difficult and tedious task.
- DDT does not recognize the instruction you have entered when using the "A" (assemble) command to convert a source code instruction into hexadecimal. Check the line that you entered. DDT does not like tabs in the line (although it appears to accept them) or hexadecimal numbers followed by "H". Check that the mnemonic and operands are valid, too.

### ?? = (DDT)

This cryptic notation is used by DDT when you are using the "L" (list disassembled) command to display some part of memory in DDT's primitive assembly language form. DDT cannot translate all of the 256 possible values of a byte. Some of them are not used in the 8080 instruction set. When DDT encounters an untranslatable value, it displays this message as the instruction code, followed by the actual value of the byte in hexadecimal.

You will see this if you try to disassemble code written for the Z80 CPU, which

uses unassigned 8080 instructions. You will also see it if you try to disassemble bytes that contain ASCII text strings rather than 8080 instructions.

### **ABORTED (STAT)**

If you enter any keyboard character while STAT is working its way down the file directory setting files to \$DIR (Directory), \$SYS (System), \$R/W (Read/Write), or \$R/O (Read-Only) status, then it will display this message, stop what it is doing, and execute a warm boot.

By contrast, if you enter the command

**A>stat \*.\*<cr>**

to display all of the files on a disk, there is no way that the process can be aborted.

### **ABORTED (PIP)**

This message is displayed if you press any keyboard character while PIP is copying a file to the list device.

### **BAD DELIMITER (STAT)**

If your BIOS uses the normal IOBYTE method of assigning physical devices to logical devices, you use STAT to perform the assignment. The command has this format:

**STAT RDR:=PTR:**

STAT displays this message if it cannot find the “=” in the correct place.

### **BAD LOAD (CCP)**

This is probably the most obscure error message that emanates from CP/M. You will get this message if you attempt to load a COM file that is larger than the transient program area. Your only recourse is to build a CP/M system that has a larger TPA.

### **BAD PARAMETER (PIP)**

PIP accepts certain parameters in square brackets at the end of the command line. This message is displayed if you enter an invalid parameter or an illegal numeric value following a parameter letter.

### **BDOS ERROR ON d: BAD SECTOR (BDOS)**

The BDOS displays this message if the READ and WRITE functions in your BIOS ever return indicating an error. The only safe response to this message is to type CONTROL-C. CP/M will then execute a warm boot. If you type CARRIAGE RETURN, the error will be ignored—with unpredictable results.

A well-implemented BIOS should include disk error recovery and control so that the error will never be communicated to the BDOS. If the BIOS gives you the option of ignoring an error, do so only when you are reasonably sure of the outcome or have adequate backup copies so that you can recreate your files.

### **BDOS ERROR ON d: FILE R/O (BDOS)**

You will see this message if you attempt to erase (ERA) a file that has been set to Read-Only status. Typing any character on the keyboard causes the BDOS to perform a warm boot operation. Note that the BDOS does not tell you *which* file is creating the problem. This can be a problem when you use ambiguous file names in the ERA command. Use the STAT command to display all the files on the disk; it will tell you which files are Read-Only.

This message is also displayed if a program tries to delete a Read-Only file. Again, it can be difficult to determine which file is causing the problem. Your only recourse is to use STAT to try to infer which of the Read-Only files might be causing the problems.

### **BDOS ERROR ON d: R/O (BDOS)**

This looks similar to the previous message, but it refers to an entire logical disk instead of a Read-Only file. However, it is rarely output because you have declared a disk to be Read-Only. Usually, it occurs because you changed diskettes without typing a CONTROL-C; CP/M will detect the new diskette and, without any external indication, will set the disk to Read-Only status.

If you or a program attempts to write any data to the disk, the attempt will be trapped by the BDOS and this message displayed. Typing any character on the keyboard causes a warm boot—then you can proceed.

### **BDOS ERROR ON d: SELECT (BDOS)**

The BDOS displays this message if you or a program attempts to select a logical disk for which the BIOS lacks the necessary tables. The BDOS uses the value returned by SELDSK to determine whether a logical disk “exists” or not.

If you were trying to change the default disk to a nonexistent one, you will have to press the RESET button on your computer. There is no way out of this error.

However, if you were trying to execute a command that accessed the nonexistent disk, then you can type a CONTROL-C and CP/M will perform a warm boot.

### **BREAK x AT y (ED)**

This is another cryptic message whose meaning you cannot guess. The list that follows explains the possible values of “x.” The value “y” refers to the command ED was executing when the error occurred.

x	<b>Meaning</b>
#	Search failure. ED did not find the string you asked it to search for.
?	Unrecognized command.
0	File not found.
>	ED's internal buffer is full.
E	Command aborted.
F	Disk or directory full. You will have to determine which is causing the problem.

## **CANNOT CLOSE, READ/ONLY? (SUBMIT)**

SUBMIT displays this message if the disk on which it is trying to write its output file, “\$\$.SUB”, is physically write protected. Do not confuse this with the disk being *logically* write protected.

The standard version of SUBMIT writes the output file onto the current default disk, so if your current default disk is other than drive A:, you may be able to avoid this problem if you switch the default to A: and then enter a command of the form

**A>submit b:subfile<cr>**

## **CANNOT CLOSE DESTINATION FILE (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if the destination disk is physically write protected. Check the destination disk. If it is write protected, remove the protection and repeat the operation.

If the disk is not protected, you have a hardware problem. The directory data written to the disk is being written to the wrong place, even the wrong disk, or is not being recorded on the medium.

## **CANNOT CLOSE FILES (ASM)**

ASM displays this message if it cannot close its output files because the disk is physically write protected, or if there is a hardware problem that prevents data being written to the disk. See the paragraph above.

## **CANNOT READ (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if you attempt to read information from a logical device that can only output. For example:

**A>pip diskfile=LST:<cr>**

PIP also will display this message if you confuse it sufficiently, as with the following instruction:

**A>pip file1=file2;file3<cr>**

## CANNOT WRITE (PIP)

PIP displays this message if you attempt to output (write) information to a logical device that can only be used for input, such as the RDR: (reader, the anachronistic name for the auxiliary input device).

## CHECKSUM ERROR (LOAD)

LOAD displays this message if it encounters a line in the input HEX file that does not have the correct check sum for the data on the line.

LOAD also displays information helpful in pinpointing the problem:

```
CHECKSUM ERROR
LOAD ADDRESS 0110 <- First address on line in file
ERROR ADDRESS 0112 <- Address of next byte to be loaded
BYTES READ:
0110:
0110: 00 33 22 2B 02 21 27 02 <- Bytes preceding error
```

Note that LOAD does not display the check-sum value itself. Use TYPE or an editor to inspect the HEX file in order to see exactly what has gone wrong.

## CHECKSUM ERROR (PIP)

If you ask PIP to copy a file of type HEX, it will check each line in the file, making sure that the line's check sum is valid. If it is not, PIP will display this message. Unfortunately, PIP does not tell you which line is in error—you must determine this by inspection or recreate the HEX file and try again.

## COMMAND BUFFER OVERFLOW (SUBMIT)

SUBMIT displays this message if the SUB file you specified is too large to be processed. SUBMIT's internal buffer is only 2048 bytes. You must reduce the size of the SUB file; remove any comment lines, or split it into two files with the last line of the first file submitting the second to give a nested SUBMIT file.

## COMMAND TOO LONG (SUBMIT)

The longest command line that SUBMIT can process is 125 characters. There is no way around this error other than reducing the length of the offending line. You will have to find this line by inspection—SUBMIT does not identify the line.

One way that you can remove a few characters from a command line is to rename the COM file you are invoking to a shorter name, or use abbreviated names for parameters if the program will accept these.

## CORRECT ERROR, TYPE RETURN OR CTL-Z (PIP)

This message is a carryover from the days when PIP used to read hexadecimal data from a high-speed paper tape reader. If PIP detected the end of a physical roll

of paper tape, it would display this message. The user could then check to see if the paper tape had torn or had really reached its end. If there was more tape to be read, the user could enter a CARRIAGE RETURN to resume reading tape or enter a CONTROL-Z to serve as the end-of-file character.

Needless to say, it is unlikely that you will see this message if you do not have a paper tape reader.

### **DESTINATION IS R/O, DELETE (Y/N)? (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if you try to overwrite a disk file that has been set to Read-Only status. If you type "Y" or "y", PIP will overwrite the destination file. It leaves the destination file in Read/Write status with its Directory/System status unchanged. Typing any character other than "Y" or "y" makes PIP abandon the copy and display the message

**\*\* NOT DELETED\*\***

You can avoid this message altogether if you specify the "w" option on PIP's command line. For example:

```
A>pip destfile=srcfile[w]<cr>
```

PIP will then overwrite Read-Only files without question.

### **DIRECTORY FULL (SUBMIT)**

This message is displayed if the BDOS returns an error when SUBMIT tries to create its output file, " \$\$\$.SUB ". As a rough and ready approximation, use "STAT \*.\*" to see how many files and extents you have on the disk. Erase any unwanted ones. Then use "STAT DSK:" to find out the maximum number of directory entries possible for the disk.

You may also see this message if the file directory has become corrupted or if the disk formatting routine leaves the disk with the file directory full of some pattern other than ESH.

You can assess whether the directory has been corrupted by using "STAT USR:". STAT then displays which user numbers contain files. If the directory is corrupt, you will normally see user numbers greater than 15.

It is not easy to repair a corrupted directory. "ERA \*.\*" erases only the files for the current user number, so you will have to enter the command 16 times, once for each user number from 0 to 15. Alternatively, you can reformat the disk.

### **DISK OR DIRECTORY FULL (ED)**

Self-explanatory.

**DISK READ ERROR (PIP)**  
**DISK WRITE ERROR (SUBMIT)**  
**DISK WRITE ERROR (PIP)**

These messages will normally be preceded by a BIOS error message. They will only be displayed if the BIOS returns indicating an error. As was described earlier, this is unlikely if the BIOS has any kind of error recovery logic.

**END OF FILE, CTL-Z? (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if, while copying a HEX file, it encounters a CONTROL-Z (end of file). Again, the underlying idea is based on the concept of physical paper tape. When you saw this message, you could look at the tape in the reader, and if it really was at the end of the roll, enter a CONTROL-Z on the keyboard to terminate the file. Given any other character, PIP would read the next piece of tape.

**ERROR : CANNOT CLOSE FILES (LOAD)**

LOAD displays this message if you have physically write protected the disk on which it is trying to write the output COM file.

**ERROR : CANNOT OPEN SOURCE (LOAD)**

LOAD displays this message if it cannot open the HEX file that you specified in the command tail.

**ERROR : DISK READ (LOAD)**  
**ERROR : DISK WRITE (LOAD)**

These two messages would normally be preceded by a BIOS error message. If your BIOS includes disk error recovery, you would not normally see these messages; the error would have been handled by the BIOS.

**ERROR : INVERTED LOAD ADDRESS (LOAD)**

LOAD displays this message if it detects a load address less than 0100H in the input HEX file. It also displays the actual address input from the file, so you can examine the HEX file looking for this address to determine the likely cause of the problem.

Note that DDT, when asked to load the same HEX file, will do so without any error—and will probably damage the contents of the base page in so doing.

**ERROR : NO MORE DIRECTORY SPACE (LOAD)**

Self-explanatory.

## **ERROR ON LINE N (SUBMIT)**

SUBMIT displays this message if it encounters a line in the SUB file that it does not know how to process. Most likely you have a file that has type .SUB but does not contain ASCII text.

The first line of the SUB file is number 001.

## **FILE EXISTS (CCP)**

The CCP displays this message if you attempt to use the REN command to rename an existing file to a name already given to another file.

Use "STAT \*.\*" to display all of the files on the disk. DIR will show only those files that have Directory status, and you may not be able to see the file causing the problem.

## **FILE IS READ/ONLY (ED)**

ED displays this message if you attempt to edit a file that has been set to Read-Only status.

## **FILE NOT FOUND (STAT)**

### **FILENAME NOT FOUND (PIP)**

STAT and PIP display their respective messages if you specify a nonexistent file. This applies to both specific and ambiguous file names.

## **INVALID ASSIGNMENT (STAT)**

STAT can be used to assign physical devices to logical devices using the IOBYTE system described earlier. It will display this message if you enter an illogical assignment. Use the "STAT VAL:" command to display the valid assignments.

## **INVALID CONTROL CHARACTER (SUBMIT)**

SUBMIT is supposed to be able to handle a control character in the SUB file—the notation being "<sup>^</sup>x", where "x" is the control letter. In fact, the standard release version of SUBMIT cannot handle this notation. A patch is available from Digital Research to correct this problem.

Given that this patch has been installed, SUBMIT will display this message if a character other than "A" to "Z" is specified after the circumflex character.

## **INVALID DIGIT (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if it encounters non-numeric data where it expects a numeric value.

## INVALID DISK ASSIGNMENT (STAT)

STAT displays this message if you try to set a logical disk to Read-Only status and you specify a parameter other than "R/O." Note that there is no leading "\$" in this case (as there is when you want to set a file to Read-Only).

## INVALID DRIVE NAME (USE A, B, C, OR D) (SYSGEN)

SYSGEN displays this message if you attempt to load the CP/M system from, or write the system to, a disk drive other than A, B, C, or D.

## INVALID FILE INDICATOR (STAT)

STAT outputs this message if you specify an erroneous file attribute. File attributes can only be one of the following:

\$DIR	Directory
\$SYS	System
\$R/O	Read-Only
\$R/W	Read/Write

## INVALID FORMAT (PIP)

PIP displays this message if you enter a badly formatted command; for example, a "+" character instead of an "=" (on some terminals these are on the same key).

## INVALID HEX DIGIT (LOAD)

LOAD displays this message if it encounters a nonhexadecimal digit in the input HEX file, where only a hex digit can appear. LOAD then displays additional information to tell you where in the file the problem occurred:

```
INVALID HEX DIGIT
LOAD ADDRESS 0110  <- First address on line in file
ERROR ADDRESS 0112  <- Address of byte containing non-hex
BYTES READ:
0110:
0110: 00 33      <- Bytes preceding error
```

## INVALID MEMORY SIZE (MOVCPM)

MOVCPM displays this message if you enter an invalid memory size for the CP/M system size you want to construct.

## INVALID SEPARATOR (PIP)

PIP displays this message if you try to concatenate files using something other than a comma between file names.

**INVALID USER NUMBER (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if you enter a user number outside the range 0 to 15 with the “[gn]” option (where “n” is the user number).

**NO 'SUB' FILE PRESENT (SUBMIT)**

SUBMIT displays this message if it cannot find a file with the file name that you specified and with a type of .SUB.

**NO DIRECTORY SPACE (ASM)****NO DIRECTORY SPACE (PIP)**

Self-explanatory.

**NO FILE (CCP)**

The CCP displays this message if you use the REN (rename) command and it cannot find the file you wish to rename.

**NO FILE (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if it cannot find the file that you specified.

**NO MEMORY (ED)**

ED displays this message if it runs out of memory to use for storing the text that you are editing.

**NO SOURCE FILE ON DISK (SYSGEN)**

This error message is misleading. SYSGEN does not read source code files. The message should read “INPUT FILE NOT FOUND”.

**NO SOURCE FILE PRESENT (ASM)**

In this case, ASM really does mean that the source code file cannot be found. Remember that ASM uses a strange form of specifying its parameters. ASM uses the file name that you enter and then searches for a file of that name, but with file type .ASM. The three characters of the file type that you specify are used to represent the logical disks on which the source, hex, and list files, respectively, are to be placed.

**NO SPACE (CCP)**

The CCP displays this message if you use the SAVE command and there is insufficient room on the disk to accommodate the file.

### **NOT A CHARACTER SOURCE (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if you attempt to copy characters from a character output device, such as the auxiliary output device (known to PIP as PUN:).

### **OUTPUT FILE WRITE ERROR (ASM)**

ASM will display this message if the BDOS returns an error from a disk write operation. If your BIOS has disk error recovery logic, you should never see this message.

### **PARAMETER ERROR (SUBMIT)**

SUBMIT uses the “\$” to mark points where parameter values are to be substituted. If you have a single “\$” followed by an alphabetic character, SUBMIT will display this message. Use “\$\$” to represent a real “\$”.

### **PERMANENT ERROR, TYPE RETURN TO IGNORE (SYSGEN)**

SYSGEN displays this message if the BIOS returns an error from a disk read or write operation. If your BIOS has disk error recovery logic, you should never see this message.

### **QUIT NOT FOUND (PIP)**

PIP displays this message when it cannot find the string specified in the “[Qcharacter string^Z]” option, meaning “Quit copying when you encounter this string.”

### **READ ERROR (CCP)**

The CCP displays this message if the BIOS returns an error from a disk read or write operation. If your BIOS includes disk error recovery logic, you should not see this error message.

### **RECORD TOO LONG (PIP)**

PIP displays this message if it encounters a line longer than 80 characters while copying a HEX file. Inspect the HEX file using the TYPE command or an editor.

### **REQUIRES CP/M 2.0 OR NEWER FOR OPERATION (PIP)**

### **REQUIRES CP/M VERSION 2.0 OR LATER (XSUB)**

Self-explanatory.

### SOURCE FILE INCOMPLETE (SYSGEN)

SYSGEN displays this message if the file that you have asked it to read is too short. Use STAT to check the length of the file.

### SOURCE FILE NAME ERROR (ASM)

ASM displays this message if you specify an ambiguous file name: that is, one that contains either “\*” or “?”.

### SOURCE FILE READ ERROR (ASM)

ASM displays this message if it encounters problems reading the input source code file. Check the input file using the TYPE command or an editor.

### START NOT FOUND (PIP)

PIP displays this message when it cannot find the string specified in the “[Scharacter string^Z]” option, meaning “Start copying when you encounter this string.”

### SYMBOL TABLE OVERFLOW (ASM)

ASM displays this message when you have too many symbols in the source code file. Your only recourse is to split the source file into several pieces and arrange for ORG (origin) statements to position the generated object code so that the pieces fit together.

### SYNCRONIZATION ERROR (MOVCPM)

Apart from the spelling error, this message is designed to be cryptic. MOVCPM displays it when the Digital Research serial number embedded in MOVCPM does not match the serial number in the version of CP/M that you are currently running.

### SYSTEM FILE NOT ACCESSIBLE (ED)

ED displays this message if you attempt to edit a file that has been set to System status. Use STAT to set the file to Directory status.

### TOO MANY FILES (STAT)

STAT displays this message if there is insufficient memory available to sort and display all of the files on the specified disk. Try limiting the number of files it has to sort by judicious use of ambiguous file names.

### UNRECOGNIZED DESTINATION (PIP)

PIP displays this message if you specify an “illegal” destination device.

## VERIFY ERROR (PIP)

If you use the “[v]”(verify) option of PIP when copying to a disk file, PIP will write a sector to the disk, read it back, and compare the data. PIP displays this message if the data does not match.

If there is a problem with your disk system, you should have seen some form of disk error message preceding this one. If there is no preceding message, then you have a problem with the main memory on your system.

## Wrong CP/M Version (Requires 2.0) (STAT)

Self-explanatory.

## (XSUB ACTIVE) (XSUB)

This is not really an error message, but you may mistake it for one. XSUB is the eXtended SUBMIT program. Without it, SUBMIT can only feed command lines to the Console Command Processor. XSUB allows character-by-character input into any program that uses the BDOS to read console input.

XSUB is initiated by being the first command in a SUB file. Once initiated it stays in memory until the end of the SUB file has been reached. Until that happens, XSUB will output this message every time a warm boot occurs as a reminder that it is still in memory.

## XSUB Already Present (XSUB)

XSUB will display this message if it is already active and you attempt to load it again.

## Miscellaneous Errors

This section deals with errors that are not accompanied by any error message. It is included here to help you recognize a problem after it has already occurred. The errors are shown grouped by product.

## ASM: Fails to Detect Unterminated IF Clause

If you use the IF pseudo-operation, it must be followed by a matching ENDIF. ASM fails to detect the case that the end of the source file is encountered *before* the ENDIF.

If the condition specified on the IF line is false, you could have a situation in which ASM would ignore the majority of the source file without comment.

### **ASM: Creates HEX File That Cannot Be Loaded**

If you omit the ORG statement at the front of a source file, ASM will assemble the code originated at location 0000H. This file will crash the system if you try to load it with DDT. The message “ERROR: INVERTED ADDRESS” will be shown from LOAD.

### **CP/M: Signs On and Then Dies Without A> Prompt**

After the BIOS has signed on, it transfers control to the Console Command Processor. The CCP then attempts to log in the system disk, reading the file directory and building the allocation vector. If your file directory has been badly corrupted, it can cause the system to crash. Use another system disk and try to display the directory on the bad disk.

### **DDT: Loads HEX File and Then Crashes the System**

DDT does not check the addresses specified in a HEX file. If you have forgotten to put an ORG statement at the front of the source file, or more subtly, if your source program has “wrapped around” by having addresses up at 0FFFFH and “above,” the assembler will start assembling at 0000H again.

### **DIR: Shows Odd-Looking File Names**

If you have odd-looking file names, or the vertical lines of “:” that DIR uses to separate the file names are misaligned, then the file directory has been corrupted. One strategy is to format a new disk, copy all of the valid files to it, and discard the corrupted disk.

### **DIR: Shows More than One Entry with the Same Name**

This can happen if you use a program that creates a new file without asking the BDOS to delete any existing files of the same name. It can also happen if you use the custom MOVE utility carelessly.

To remedy the situation proceed as follows:

- Use PIP to copy the specific file to another disk. Do not use an ambiguous file name; specify the duplicated file name exactly. PIP will copy the first instance of the file it encounters in the directory.
- Use the ERA command to erase the duplicated file. *This will erase both copies of the file.*
- Use PIP to copy back the first instance of the file.

## STAT: User Numbers > 15

If you use the "STAT USR:" command to display which user numbers contain active files, and user numbers greater than 15 are displayed, then the file directory on the disk has been corrupted.

Use PIP to copy the valid files from legitimate user numbers, and then discard the corrupted disk.

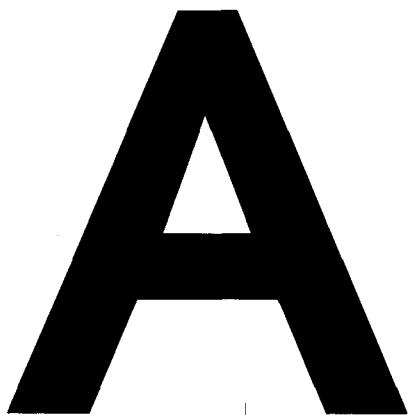
## SUBMIT: Fails to Start Submit Procedure

There are several reasons why SUBMIT will not initiate a SUB file:

- You are using the standard release version of SUBMIT and your current default disk is other than drive A:. SUBMIT builds its "\$\$\$\$.SUB" file on the default disk, but the CCP only looks on drive A: for "\$\$\$\$.SUB". Use the following procedure to modify SUBMIT to build its "\$\$\$\$.SUB" file on drive A:

```
A>DDT SUBMIT.COM<cr>
DDT VERS 2.2
NEXT PC
0600 0100
-s5bb           <- Change 5bb
05BB 01 00<cr>    <- from 00 (default drive)
05BC 24 .<cr>        to 01 (drive A:)
-^C
A>SAVE 5 SUBMIT.COM<cr>
A>_
```

- If you forgot to terminate the last line of the SUB file with a CARRIAGE RETURN.
- If your SUB file contains a line with nothing but a CARRIAGE RETURN on it (that is, a blank line).



## ASCII Character Set

The American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) consists of a set of 96 displayable characters and 32 nondisplayed characters. Most CP/M systems use at least a subset of the ASCII character set. When CP/M stores characters on a diskette as text, the ASCII definitions are used.

Several of the CP/M utility programs use the ASCII Character Code. Text created using ED is stored as ASCII characters on diskette. DDT, when displaying a "dump" of the contents of memory, displays both the hexadecimal and ASCII representations of memory's contents.

ASCII does not use an entire byte of information to represent a character. ASCII is a seven-bit code, and the eighth bit is often used for *parity*. Parity is an error-checking method which assures that the character received is the one transmitted. Many microcomputers and microcomputer devices ignore the *parity bit*, while others require one of the following two forms of parity:

### *Even Parity*

The number of binary 1's in a byte is always an even number. If there is an odd number of 1's in the character, the parity bit will be a 1; if there is an even number of 1's in the character, the parity bit is made a 0.

### *Odd Parity*

The number of binary 1's in a byte is always an odd number. If there is an

even number of 1's in the character, the parity bit will be a 1; if there is an odd number of 1's in the character, the parity bit is made a 0.

Alternative ways of *coding* the information stored by the computer include the 8-bit EBCDIC (Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code), used by IBM, and a number of *packed binary* schemes, primarily used to represent numerical information.

**Table A-1.** ASCII Character Codes

				b7 →	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
b4	b3	b2	b1	Row \ Col.	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	0	0	0	NUL	DLE	SP	0	@	P	'	p
0	0	0	1	1	SOH	DC1	!	1	A	Q	a	q
0	0	1	0	2	STX	DC2	"	2	B	R	b	r
0	0	1	1	3	ETX	DC3	#	3	C	S	c	s
0	1	0	0	4	EOT	DC4	\$	4	D	T	d	t
0	1	0	1	5	ENQ	NAK	%	5	E	U	e	u
0	1	1	0	6	ACK	SYN	&	6	F	V	f	v
0	1	1	1	7	BEL	ETB	'	7	G	W	g	w
1	0	0	0	8	BS	CAN	(	8	H	X	h	x
1	0	0	1	9	HT	EM	)	9	I	Y	i	y
1	0	1	0	10	LF	SUB	*	:	J	Z	j	z
1	0	1	1	11	VT	ESC	+	;	K	[	k	{
1	1	0	0	12	FF	FS	'	<	L	\	l	}
1	1	0	1	13	CR	GS	-	=	M	]	m	~
1	1	1	0	14	SO	RS	.	>	N	^	n	
1	1	1	1	15	SI	US	/	?	O	-	o	DEL
NUL Null				DC1 Device control 1								
SOH Start of heading				DC2 Device control 2								
STX Start of text				DC3 Device control 3								
ETX End of text				DC4 Device control 4								
EOT End of transmission				NAK Negative acknowledge								
ENQ Enquiry				SYN Synchronous idle								
ACK Acknowledge				ETB End of transmission block								
BEL Bell or alarm				CAN Cancel								
BS Backspace				EM End of medium								
HT Horizontal tabulation				SUB Substitute								
LF Line feed				ESC Escape								
VT Vertical tabulation				FS File separator								
FF Form feed				GS Group separator								
CR Carriage return				RS Record separator								
SO Shift out				US Unit separator								
SI Shift in				SP Space								
DLE Data link escape				DEL Delete								

**Table A-2.** ASCII Character Codes in Ascending Order

Hexadecimal	Binary	ASCII	Hexadecimal	Binary	ASCII
00	000 0000	NUL	30	011 0000	0
01	000 0001	SOH	31	011 0001	1
02	000 0010	STX	32	011 0010	2
03	000 0011	ETX	33	011 0011	3
04	000 0100	EOT	34	011 0100	4
05	000 0101	ENQ	35	011 0101	5
06	000 0110	ACK	36	011 0110	6
07	000 0111	BEL	37	011 0111	7
08	000 1000	BS	38	011 1000	8
09	000 1001	HT	39	011 1001	9
0A	000 1010	LF	3A	011 1010	:
0B	000 1011	VT	3B	011 1011	;
0C	000 1100	FF	3C	011 1100	<
0D	000 1101	CR	3D	011 1101	=
0E	000 1110	SO	3E	011 1110	>
0F	000 1111	SI	3F	011 1111	?
10	001 0000	DLE	40	100 0000	
11	001 0001	DC1	41	100 0001	A
12	001 0010	DC2	42	100 0010	B
13	001 0011	DC3	43	100 0011	C
14	001 0100	DC4	44	100 0100	D
15	001 0101	NAK	45	100 0101	E
16	001 0110	SYN	46	100 0110	F
17	001 0111	ETB	47	100 0111	G
18	001 1000	CAN	48	100 1000	H
19	001 1001	EM	49	100 1001	I
1A	001 1010	SUB	4A	100 1010	J
1B	001 1011	ESC	4B	100 1011	K
1C	001 1100	FS	4C	100 1100	L
1D	001 1101	GS	4D	100 1101	M
1E	001 1110	RS	4E	100 1110	N
1F	001 1111	US	4F	100 1111	O
20	010 0000	SP	50	101 0000	P
21	010 0001	!	51	101 0001	Q
22	010 0010	"	52	101 0010	R
23	010 0011	#	53	101 0011	S
24	010 0100	\$	54	101 0100	T
25	010 0101	%	55	101 0101	U
26	010 0110	&	56	101 0110	V
27	010 0111	,	57	101 0111	W
28	010 1000	(	58	101 1000	X
29	010 1001	)	59	101 1001	Y
2A	010 1010	*	5A	101 1010	Z
2B	010 1011	+	5B	101 1011	[
2C	010 1100	,	5C	101 1100	\
2D	010 1101	-	5D	101 1101	]
2E	010 1110	.	5E	101 1110	^
2F	010 1111	/	5F	101 1111	-

**Table A-2.** ASCII Character Codes in Ascending Order (Continued)

Hexadecimal	Binary	ASCII	Hexadecimal	Binary	ASCII
60	110 0000		70	111 0000	p
61	110 0001	a	71	111 0001	q
62	110 0010	b	72	111 0010	r
63	110 0011	c	73	111 0011	s
64	110 0100	d	74	111 0100	t
65	110 0101	e	75	111 0101	u
66	110 0110	f	76	111 0110	v
67	110 0111	g	77	111 0111	w
68	110 1000	h	78	111 1000	x
69	110 1001	i	79	111 1001	y
6A	110 1010	j	7A	111 1010	z
6B	110 1011	k	7B	111 1011	{
6C	110 1100	l	7C	111 1100	
6D	110 1101	m	7D	111 1101	}
6E	110 1110	n	7E	111 1110	~
6F	110 1111	o	7F	111 1111	DEL

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## CP/M Command Summary

This appendix summarizes the command line format and the function of each CP/M built-in and transient command. The commands are listed in alphabetical order.

### ASM Command Lines

**ASM filename<cr>** Assembles the file filename.ASM; uses the currently logged disk for all files.

**ASM filename.opt<cr>** Assembles the file filename.ASM on drive o: (A:,B:,...,P:). Writes HEX file on drive p: (A:,B:,...,P:), or skips if p: is Z:.

Writes PRN file on drive t: (A:,B:,...,P:), sends to console if p: is X:; or skips if p: is Z:.

## DDT Command Lines

**DDT<cr>** Loads DDT and waits for DDT commands.

**DDT x:filename.typ<cr>** Loads DDT into memory and also loads filename.typ from drive x: into memory for examination, modification, or execution.

## DDT Command Summary

- A<sub>ssss</sub>** Enters assembly language statements beginning at hexadecimal address ssss.
- D** Displays the contents of the next 192 bytes of memory.
- D<sub>ssss,ffff</sub>** Displays the contents of memory starting at hexadecimal address ssss and finishing at hexadecimal address ffff.
- F<sub>ssss,ffff,cc</sub>** Fills memory with the 8-bit hexadecimal constant cc starting at hexadecimal address ssss and finishing with hexadecimal address ffff.
- G** Begins execution at the address contained in the program counter.
- G,<sub>bbbb</sub>** Sets a breakpoint at hexadecimal address bbbb, then begins execution at the address contained in the program counter.
- G,<sub>bbbb,cccc</sub>** Sets breakpoints at hexadecimal addresses bbbb and cccc, then begins execution at the address contained in the program counter.
- G<sub>ssss</sub>** Begins execution at hexadecimal address ssss.
- G<sub>ssss,bbbb</sub>** Sets a breakpoint at hexadecimal address bbbb, then begins execution at hexadecimal address ssss.
- H<sub>x,y</sub>** Hexadecimal sum and difference of x and y.
- I<sub>filename.typ</sub>** Sets up the default file control block using the name filename.typ.
- L** Lists the next eleven lines of assembly language program disassembled from memory.
- L<sub>ssss</sub>** Lists eleven lines of assembly language program disassembled from memory starting at hexadecimal address ssss.
- L<sub>ssss,ffff</sub>** Lists the assembly language program disassembled from memory starting at hexadecimal address ssss and finishing at hexadecimal address ffff.

<b>Mssss,ffff,dddd</b>	Moves the contents of the memory block starting at hexadecimal address ssss and ending at hexadecimal address ffff to the block of memory starting at hexadecimal address dddd.
<b>R</b>	Reads a file from disk into memory (use "I" command first).
<b>Rnnnn</b>	Reads a file from disk into memory beginning at the hexadecimal address nnnn higher than normal (use "I" command first).
<b>Sssss</b>	Displays the contents of memory at hexadecimal address ssss and optionally changes the contents.
<b>Tnnnn</b>	Traces the execution of (hexadecimal) nnnn program instructions.
<b>Unnnn</b>	Executes (hexadecimal) nnnn program instructions, then stops and displays the CPU register's contents.
<b>X</b>	Displays the CPU register's contents.
<b>Xr</b>	Displays the contents of CPU or Flag r and optionally changes them.

## DIR Command Lines

- DIR x:<cr>** Displays directory of all files on drive x:. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, the currently logged drive is used.
- DIR x:filename.typ<cr>** Displays directory of all files on drive x: whose names match the ambiguous or unambiguous filename.typ. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, the currently logged drive is used.

## DUMP Command Line

- DUMP x:filename.typ <cr>** Displays the hexadecimal representations of each byte stored in the file filename.typ on drive x:. If filename.typ is ambiguous, displays the first file which matches the ambiguous file name.

## ED Command Line

- ED x:filename.typ <cr>** Invokes the editor, which then searches for filename.typ on drive x: and creates a temporary file x:filename.\$\$\$ to store the edited text. The filename.typ is unambiguous. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, the currently logged drive is assumed.

## ED Command Summary

**NOTE:** Non-alphabetic commands follow the "Z" command.

- nA** Append lines. Moves "n" lines from original file to edit buffer. 0A moves lines until edit buffer is at least half full.
- +/-B** Begin/Bottom. Moves CP.  
 +B moves CP to beginning of edit buffer  
 -B moves CP to end of edit buffer.
- +/-nC** Move by characters. Moves CP by "n" character positions.  
 + moves forward  
 - moves backward.
- +/-nD** Delete characters. Deletes "n" characters before or after the CP in the edit buffer.  
 + deletes before the CP  
 - deletes after the CP.
- E** End. Ends edit, closes files, and returns to CP/M; normal end.
- nFstring^Z** Find string. Finds the "n"th occurrence of string, beginning the search after the CP.
- H** Move to head of edited file. Ends edit, renames files, and then edits former temporary file.
- I<cr>** Enter insert mode. Text from keyboard goes into edit buffer after the CP; exit with CONTROL-Z.
- Istring^Z** Insert string. Inserts string in edit buffer after the CP.
- Istring<cr>** Insert line. Inserts string and CRLF in the edit buffer after the CP.
- nJfindstring^Zinsertstring^Zendstring^Z** Juxtaposition. Beginning after the CP, finds findstring, inserts insertstring after it, then deletes all following characters up to but not including endstring; repeats until performed "n" times.
- +/-nK** Kill lines. Deletes "n" lines.  
 + deletes after the CP  
 - deletes before the CP.
- +/-nL** Move by lines. Moves the CP to the beginning of the line it is in, then moves the CP "n" lines forward or backward.  
 + moves forward  
 - moves backward.
- nMcommandstring^Z** Macro command. Repeats execution of the ED commands in

commandstring “n” times. “n” = 0, “n” = 1, or “n” absent repeats execution until error occurs.

**nNstring^Z** Find string with autoscan. Finds the “n”th occurrence of string, automatically appending from original file and writing to temporary file as necessary.

**O** Return to original file. Empties edit buffer, empties temporary file, returns to beginning of original file, ignores previous ED commands.

**+/-nP** Move CP and print pages. Moves the CP forward or backward one page, then displays the page following the CP. “nP” displays “n” pages, pausing after each.

**Q** Quit edit. Erases temporary file and block move file, if any, and returns to CP/M; original file is not changed.

**R<cr>** Read block move file. Copies the entire block move file X\$\$\$\$\$.LIB from disk and inserts it in the edit buffer after the CP.

**Rfilename<cr>** Read library file. Copies the entire file filename with extension LIB from the disk and inserts it in the edit buffer after the CP.

**n\$findstring^Zreplacestring^Z** Substitute string. Starting at the CP, repeats “n” times: finds findstring and replaces it with replacestring.

**+/-nT** Type lines. Displays “n” lines.

  + displays the “n” lines after the CP

  - displays the “n” lines before the CP.

If the CP is not at the beginning of a line

  0T displays from the beginning of the line to the CP

  T displays from the CP to the end of the line

  0TT displays the entire line without moving the CP.

**+/-U** Uppercase translation. After +U command, alphabetic input to the edit buffer is translated from lowercase to uppercase; after -U, no translation occurs.

**OV** Edit buffer free space/size. Displays the decimal number of free (empty) bytes in the edit buffer and the total size of the edit buffer.

**+/-V** Verify line numbers. After +V, a line number is displayed with each line displayed; ED’s prompt is then preceded by the number of the line containing the CP. After -V, line numbers are not displayed, and ED’s prompt is “\*”.

- nW** Write lines. Writes first "n" lines from the edit buffer to the temporary file; deletes these lines from the edit buffer.
- nX** Block transfer (Xfer). Copies the "n" lines following the CP from the edit buffer to the temporary block move file X\$\$\$\$\$.LIB; adds to previous contents of that file.
- nZ** Sleep. Delays execution of the command which follows it. Larger "n" gives longer delay, smaller "n" gives shorter delay.
- n:** Move CP to line number "n." Moves the CP to the beginning of the line number "n" (*see "+/-V"*).
- :m** Continue through line number "m." A command prefix which gives the ending point for the command which follows it. The beginning point is the location of the CP (*see "+/-V"*).
- +/-n** Move and display one line. Abbreviated form of +/−nLT.

## ERA Command Lines

**ERA x:filename.typ<cr>** Erases the file filename.typ on the disk in drive x:. The filename and/or typ can be ambiguous. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, the currently logged drive is used.

**ERA x:.\*<cr>** Erases all files on the disk in drive x:. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, the currently logged drive is used.

## Line Editing Commands

**CONTROL-C** Restarts CP/M if it is the first character in command line. Called *warm start*.

**CONTROL-E** Moves to the beginning of next line. Used for typing long commands.

**CONTROL-H or BACKSPACE** Deletes one character and erases it from the screen (CP/M version 2.0 and newer).

**CONTROL-J or LINE FEED** Same as CARRIAGE RETURN (CP/M version 2.0 and newer).

**CONTROL-M** Same as CARRIAGE RETURN (<cr>).

**CONTROL-P** Turns on the list device (usually your printer). Type it again to turn off the list device.

**CONTROL-R** Repeats current command line (useful with version 1.4); it verifies the line is corrected after you delete several characters (CP/M version 1.4 and newer).

**CONTROL-S** Temporarily stops display of data on the console. Press any key to continue.

**CONTROL-U or CONTROL-X** Cancels current command line (CP/M version 1.4 and newer).

**RUBOUT (RUB) or DELETE (DEL)** Deletes one character and echoes (repeats) it.

## Load Command Line

**LOAD x:filename<cr>** Reads the file filename.HEX on drive x: and creates the executable program file filename.COM on drive x:.

## MOVCPM Command Lines

**MOVCPM<cr>** Prepares a new copy of CP/M which uses all of memory; gives control to the new CP/M, but does not save it on disk.

**MOVCPM nn<cr>** Prepares a new copy of CP/M which uses "nn" K bytes of memory; gives control to the new CP/M, but does not save it on disk.

**MOVCPM \* \* <cr>** Prepares a new copy of CP/M that uses all of memory, to be saved with SYSGEN or SAVE.

**MOVCPM nn \* <cr>** Prepares a new copy of CP/M that uses "nn" K bytes of memory, to be saved with SYSGEN or SAVE.

The "nn" is an integer decimal number. It can be 16 through 64 for CP/M 1.3 or 1.4. For CP/M 2.0 and newer "nn" can be 20 through 64.

## PIP Command Lines

**PIP<cr>** Loads PIP into memory. PIP prompts for commands, executes them, then prompts again.

**PIP pipcommandline<cr>** Loads PIP into memory. PIP executes the command pip-commandline, then exits to CP/M.

## PIP Command Summary

**x:new.typ=y:old.typ[p]<cr>** Copies the file old.typ on drive y: to the file new.typ on drive x:, using parameters p.

**x:new.typ=y:old1.typ[p],z:old2.typ[q]<cr>** Creates a file new.typ on drive x: that

consists of the contents of file old1.typ on drive y: using parameters p followed by the contents of file old2.typ on drive z: using parameters q.

**xfilename.typ=dev:[p]<cr>** Copies data from device dev: to the file filename.typ on drive x:.

**dev:=x:filename.typ[p]<cr>** Copies data from filename.typ on drive x: to device dev:.

**dst:=src:[p]<cr>** Copies data to device dst: from device src:.

## PIP Parameter Summary

B	Specifies block mode transfer.
Dn	Deletes all characters after the "n"th column.
E	Echoes the copying to the console as it is being performed.
F	Removes form feed characters during transfer.
Gn	Directs PIP to copy a file from user area "n."
H	Checks for proper Intel Hex File format.
I	Ignores any :00 records in Intel Hex File transfers.
L	Translates uppercase letters to lowercase.
N	Adds a line number to each line transferred.
O	Object file transfer (ignores end-of-file markers).
Pn	Issues page feed after every "n"th line.
Qs^Z	Specifies quit of copying after the string "s" is encountered.
R	Directs PIP to copy from a system file.
Ss^Z	Specifies start of copying after the string "s" is encountered.
Tn	Sets tab stops to every "n"th column.
U	Translates lowercase letters to uppercase.
V	Verifies copy by comparison after copy finished.
W	Directs PIP to copy onto an R/O file.
Z	Zeroes the "parity" bit on ASCII characters.

## PIP Destination Devices

CON:	PUN:	LST:	Logical devices
TTY:	PTP:	LPT:	
CRT:	UP1:	UL1:	
UC1:	UP2:		Physical devices
OUT:	PRN:		Special PIP devices

## PIP Source Devices

CON:	RDR:	Logical devices	
TTY:	PTR:		
CRT:	UR1:		
UC1:	UR2:	Physical devices	
NUL:	EOF:	INP:	Special PIP devices

## REN Command Line

**REN newname.typ=oldname.typ<cr>** Finds the file oldname.typ and renames it newname.typ.

## SAVE Command Line

**SAVE nnn x:filename.typ<cr>** Saves a portion of the Transient Program Area of memory in the file filename.typ on drive x: where nnn is a decimal number representing the number of pages of memory. Drive x: is the option drive specifier.

## STAT Command Lines

**STAT<cr>** Displays attributes and amount of free space for all diskette drives accessed since last warm or cold start.

**STAT x:<cr>** Displays amount of free space on the diskette in drive x:..

**STAT x:filename.typ<cr>(CP/M 2.0 and newer)** Displays size and attributes of file(s) filename.typ on drive x:. filename.typ may be ambiguous. x: is optional; if omitted, currently logged drive is assumed.

**STAT x:filename.typ \$atr<cr>** Assigns the attribute atr to the file(s) filename.typ on drive x:. File filename.typ may be ambiguous. Drive x: is optional; if omitted, currently logged drive is assumed.

**STAT DEV:<cr>** Reports which physical devices are currently assigned to the four logical devices.

**STAT VAL:<cr>** Reports the possible device assignments and partial STAT command line summary.

**STAT log:=phy:<cr>** Assigns the physical device phy: to the logical device log: (may be more than one assignment on the line; each should be set off by a comma).

**STAT USR:<cr>(CP/M 2.0 and newer)** Reports the current user number as well as all user numbers for which there are files on currently logged disks.

**STAT x:DSK<cr> (CP/M 1.4 and newer)** Assigns a temporary write-protect status to drive x:.

### **SUBMIT Command Lines**

**SUBMIT filename<cr>** Creates a file \$\$.SUB which contains the commands listed in filename.SUB; CP/M then executes commands from this file rather than the keyboard.

**SUBMIT filename parameters<cr>** Creates a file \$\$.SUB which contains commands from the file filename.SUB; certain parts of the command lines in filename.SUB are replaced by parameters during creation of \$\$.SUB. CP/M then gets commands from this file rather than the keyboard.

### **SYSGEN Command Line**

**SYSGEN<cr>** Loads the SYSGEN program to transfer CP/M from one diskette to another.

### **TYPE Command Line**

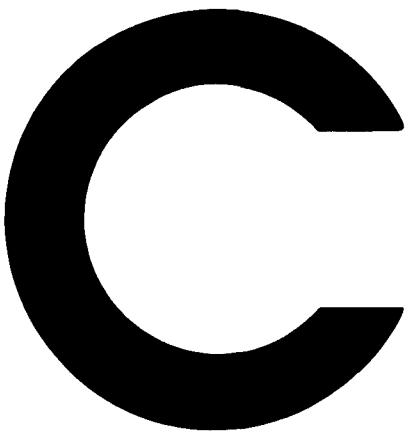
**TYPE x:filename.typ<cr>** Displays the contents of file filename.typ from drive x: on the console.

### **USER Command Line**

**USER n<cr>** Sets the User Number to "n," where "n" is an integer decimal number from 0 to 15, inclusive.

### **x: Command Line**

**x:<cr>** Changes the currently logged disk drive to drive x:. Drive x: can be "A" through "P."



## Summary of BDOS Calls

**Table C-1.** BDOS Function Definitions for CP/M-80 Version 2.2

Function		Entry Parameter(s)	Exit Parameter(s)	Explanation
No.	Name			
00	SYSTEM RESET	None	None	Restarts CP/M-80 by returning control to the CCP after reinitializing the disk subsystem.
01	CONSOLE INPUT	None	A = ASCII character	Returns the next character typed to the character calling program.  Any non-printable character is echoed to the screen (like BACKSPACE, TAB, or CARRIAGE RETURN). Execution does not return to the calling program until a character has been typed. Standard CCP control characters are recognized and their actions performed (CONTROL-P begins or ends printer echoing and so on).

**Table C-1.** (Continued)

Function		Entry Parameter(s)	Exit Parameter(s)	Explanation
No.	Name			
02	CONSOLE OUTPUT	E = ASCII character	None	Displays the character in the E register on the console device. Standard CCP control characters are recognized and their actions performed (CONTROL-P begins or ends printer echoing and so on.).
03	READER INPUT	None	A = ASCII character	Returns the next character received from the reader device to the calling program. Execution does not return to the calling program until a character is received.
04	PUNCH OUTPUT	E = ASCII character	None	Transmits the character in the E register to the punch device.
05	LIST OUTPUT	E = ASCII character	None	Transmits the character in the E register to the list device.
06	DIRECT CONSOLE IN DIRECT CONSOLE OUT	E = FF hex E = ASCII character	A = ASCII	If register E contains an FF hex, the console device is interrogated to see if a character is ready. If no character is ready, a 00 is returned to the calling program in register A; otherwise the character detected is returned in register A. If register E contains any character other than an FF hex, that character is passed to the console display. All CCP control characters are ignored. The user must protect the program against nonsensical characters being sent from or received by the console device.
07	GET IOBYTE	None	A = IOBYTE	Places a copy of the byte stored at location 0003 hex in the A register before returning control to the calling program.
08	SET IOBYTE	E = IOBYTE	None	Places a copy of the value in register E into the memory location of 0003 hex before returning control to the calling program.
09	PRINT STRING	DE = String address	None	Sends the string of characters stored beginning at the address stored in the DE register pair to the console device. All characters in subsequent addresses are sent until BDOS encounters a memory location which contains a 24 hex (an ASCII "\$"). The CCP control characters are checked for and performed if encountered.

**NOTE:** CP/M-80 always copies the contents of the H register in the A register if nothing is to be specifically returned in the A register. Some manufacturers, specifically Microsoft, make use of such information to reduce movement of information between the H and A registers.

**Table C-1.** (Continued)

Function		Entry Parameter(s)	Exit Parameter(s)	Explanation
No.	Name			
0A	READ CONSOLE BUFFER	DE = Buffer address	Data in buffer	This function performs essentially the same as the CCP would in that it takes the characters the user types and stores them into the buffer that begins at the address stored in the DE register pair. The first byte in the buffer pointed to by the DE pair must be the maximum length of the command; BDOS will place the number of characters encountered in the second byte, with the typed command beginning with the third byte pointed to by the DE pair. All standard CCP editing characters are recognized during the command entry.
0B	GET CONSOLE STATUS	None	A = Status	BDOS checks the status of the console device and returns a 00 hex if no character is ready, FF hex if a character has been typed.
0C	GET VERSION NUMBER	None	HL = Version	If the byte returned in the H register is 00 hex then CP/M is present, if 01, then MP/M is present. The byte returned in the L register is 00 if the version is previous to CP/M 2.0, 20 hex if the version is 2.0, 21 hex if 2.1 and so on.
0D	RESET DISK SYSTEM	None		Used to tell CP/M to reset the disk subsystem. Should be used any time diskettes are changed.
0E	SELECT DISK	E = Disk number	None	Selects the disk to be used for subsequent disk operations. A 00 hex in the E register indicates disk A, a 01 hex indicates disk B, etc.
0F	OPEN FILE	DE = FCB address	A = 'Found' / not found code	Used to activate a file on the current disk drive and current user area. BDOS scans the first 14 bytes of the designated FCB block and attempts to find a match to the filename in the block. A 3F hex (ASCII "?") can be used in any of the filename positions to indicate a "don't care" character. If a match is found, the relevant information about that file is filled into the rest of the FCB by CP/M-80. A value of 00 hex to 03 in register A upon return indicates the open operation was successful, while an FF hex indicates that the file could not be found. If question marks are used to identify a file, the first matching entry is used.

**NOTE:** CP/M-80 always copies the contents of the H register in the A register if nothing is to be specifically returned in the A register. Some manufacturers, specifically Microsoft, make use of such information to reduce movement of information between the H and A registers.

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