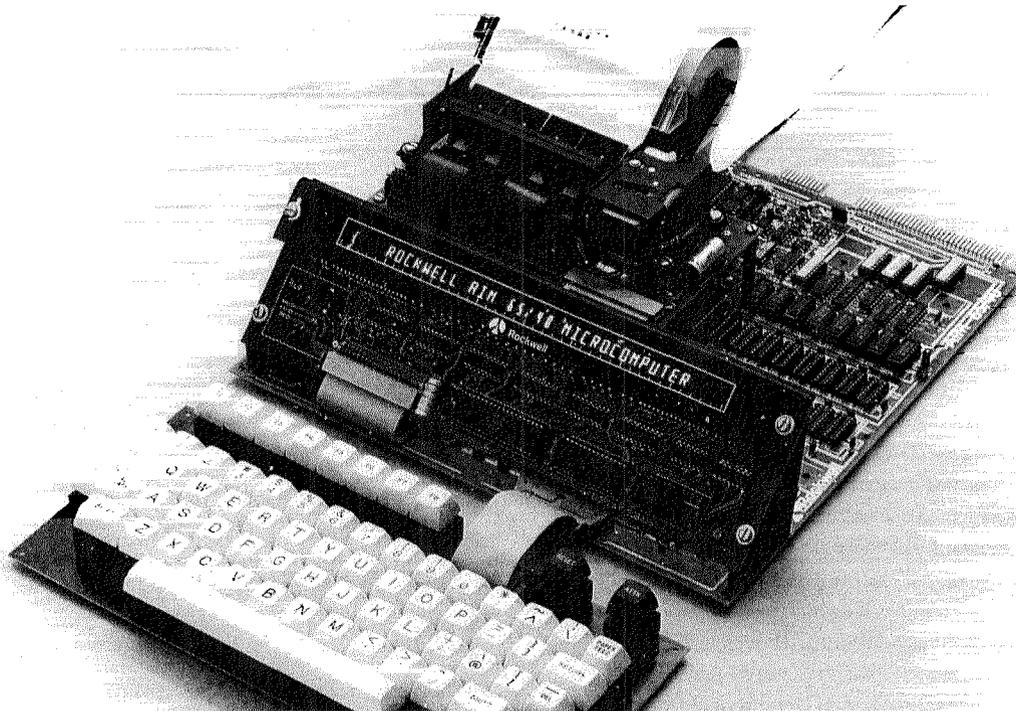


# INTERACTIVE

ISSUE NO. 5

## AIM 65/40 . . .



## THE NEXT GENERATION!

- |          |  |           |                                  |
|----------|--|-----------|----------------------------------|
| <b>2</b> | <b>For Your Information</b>                  | <b>13</b> | <b>TTY Output Utility</b>        |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Coming Soon . . .</b><br><b>AIM 65/40</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>Data Statement Generator</b>  |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Data Files for AIM 65</b><br><b>BASIC</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>Cassette Load Utility</b>     |
| <b>6</b> | <b>More BASIC Data Files</b>                 | <b>19</b> | <b>Interrupt Driven Keyboard</b> |
| <b>9</b> | <b>A Move/Relocate Program</b>               | <b>21</b> | <b>A Basic Hint</b>              |
|          |  | <b>22</b> | <b>Letters to the Editor</b>     |
|          |  | <b>24</b> | <b>Easy RS232C</b>               |



Rockwell International

...where science gets down to business

## EDITOR'S CORNER

I want to thank all you supporters who have been sending in articles, comments, suggestions etc. It's nice to know that INTERACTIVE has so many fans out there. We have a pretty good mix of articles in this issue with maybe a bias towards data files. But, that's what you seem to be interested in.

Keep in mind that this publication is a dynamic entity. You are the force behind it. Whatever you collectively say GOES. If you wish to influence the direction we're taking, then write an article about the subject you'd like to see. It's as simple as that!

I would like to see more articles on how to interface the AIM 65 to different devices such as A/D, D/A, counter chips, DVM chips, speech synthesizers, graphic output, etc. etc. . . .

How about it?

I have received some good stuff in the area of CAD (Computer Aided Design). Not enough for a complete issue, though, so I'll start running them in issue #6 (or #7).

We're getting ready to do another update on the AIM 65 User's Guide. If you have found any errors or think we could explain something better, let us know. Send all comments to the attention of THE DOCUMENTATION MANAGER, Rockwell Intl., POB 3669, RC55, Anaheim, CA 92803.

Two interesting articles appeared recently in EDN magazine. The January 7, 1981 issue carried two articles which featured AIM 65. One of them showed how a mechanical engineer could simulate a physical model on a BASIC language equipped AIM 65. The other article gave complete details (hardware and software) so an AIM 65 (or other 6502/6522 system) could control the intensity or speed of ac operated devices such as lamps or motors through an interrupt driven zero crossing detector.

If you don't have access to this magazine, we can send you reprints of the articles. Just ask for EDN #1 if you want the ac power interface or EDN #2 for the digital simulation article. Send requests to the attention of SALES SUPPORT SERVICES, Rockwell Intl., POB 3669, RC55, Anaheim, CA 92803.

All subscription correspondence and articles should be sent to:

**EDITOR, INTERACTIVE  
ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL  
POB 3669, RC 55  
ANAHEIM, CA 92803**

COPYRIGHT 1981 ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

Rockwell does not assume any liability arising out of the application or use of any products, circuit, or software described herein, neither does it convey any license under its patent rights nor the patent rights of others. Rockwell further reserves the right to make changes in any products herein without notice.

A version of the PASCAL programming language is now "in the works" for AIM 65. At this point, all the information I can give you is that it will consist of a five ROM set and be a subset of Standard Pascal which was defined in a book called "Pascal User Manual and Report" by Jensen and Wirth. No, there's no data sheet as of yet so please don't call or write until we say that more information is available. This is not a product announcement . . . just some advance information that is intended to give a hint about where Rockwell is heading. More on Pascal later.

Eric C. Rehnke  
Newsletter Editor

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

From the Editor:

Here are some books that may help you along on the road to mastering microcomputers.

**BASIC FOR HOME COMPUTERS** by Albrecht, Finke, and Brown.  
Published by John Wiley & Sons (605 Third Ave., New York, NY 10016).

**PROGRAMMING AND INTERFACING THE 6502** by Marvin De Jong. Published by Howard W. Sams & Co. (4300 W. 62nd St., Indianapolis, Ind 46268).

THE FOLLOWING BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FROM ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL AT SPECIAL PRICES:

**6502 SOFTWARE DESIGN** by Leo J. Scanlon. Published by Howard W. Sams & Co. 6502 Assembly language tutorial and hardware interfacing examples. \$7.00 (U.S. & Canada) \$9.00 (overseas)

**MICROCOMPUTER SYSTEMS ENGINEERING** by Camp, Smay, and Triska. Published by Matrix Publishers (30 NW 23rd Place, Portland, ORE 97210) General intro to microcomputing, 6502, 6800, and 8080 Assembly language programming, and some system design principles. \$17.00 for U.S. and Canada and \$19.00 overseas.

**AIM 65 LABORATORY MANUAL AND STUDY GUIDE** by Leo J. Scanlon. Published by John Wiley & Sons. Provides 17 programming and I/O experiments for the AIM 65. \$5.00 (U.S. & Canada) or \$7.00 (overseas)

**ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS** for books available from Rockwell: Orders must be accompanied by payment. U.S. and Canadian orders must be by check or money order and overseas payment must be drawn on U.S. bank. California residents add 6% state tax. Send orders to the attention of SALES SUPPORT SERVICES, Rockwell Intl, POB 3669, RC55, Anaheim, CA 92803.

## CORRECTION TO THE AIM 65 USER'S GUIDE

There seems to be a problem with the program on pages 8-37 and 8-38 of the AIM 65 User's Guide (Rev 3, December 1979). Insert the sequence `HERE JMP HERE` between `;CONTINUE` and the dotted line

(Continued on page 22)

## **COMING SOON . . . AIM 65/40**

Rockwell International will shortly be introducing the AIM 65/40. The AIM 65/40 microcomputer is made up of an R6502 based single board computer with on-board expansion to 65 kilobytes of memory, a full graphic 280 × N dot matrix or 40-column alphanumeric printer, a 40-character alphanumeric display, and a full ASCII keyboard with user assignable function keys.

An advanced generation of Rockwell's popular AIM 65 microcomputer, the AIM 65/40 will be available as a complete system or as individual computer and intelligent peripheral modules.

The AIM 65/40 Series 1000 single board computer modules feature system address expansion up to 128K bytes with on-board memory up to 48 kilobytes of RAM and up to 32 kilobytes of ROM or EPROM. Six level priority interrupt logic and six 16-bit multi-mode timers are included for flexibility in production automation and laboratory control applications. Extensive I/O capability provides an RS-232C asynchronous communications interface channel with programmable data rates of up to 19,200 baud for terminals or modems, plus a 20 ma current loop TTY interface, dual audio cassette interfaces, and two user-definable 8-bit parallel ports with handshake control two 16-bit timer/counters and an 8-bit serial shift register.

Three additional 8-bit parallel ports are directly programmable as dictated by the user's application to provide more TTL level I/O or interface to keyboards, displays, and printer modules. Manufacturer supplied ROM resident software included with the AIM 65/40 Series 1000 computer provide I/O drivers for the intelligent peripherals and more. The printer connector is compatible with the Centronics parallel interface that is so popular with high speed dot matrix printers.

A buffered system bus accommodates off-board expansion via Rockwell's RM 65 microcomputer modules which include intelligent peripheral controllers for mini or standard floppy disks, CRT monitors and the IEEE-488 instrumentation bus, plus additional communications interfaces and a selection of RAM, ROM and PROM memory expansion options up to 128K bytes of memory and memory-mapped I/O capacity.

The AIM 65/40 Model 0600 graphics printer module consists of an intelligent microprocessor controller integrated with the printer mechanism. This module operates in two modes. Character mode operation

prints upper and lower case ASCII characters, mathematical symbols, and semi-graphics character font formatted as 40-characters/line at 240 lines/minute. Full graphics mode outputs any data pattern desired as a 280×N dot matrix. With its own microprocessor controller, user changeable character generator ROM, thermal head drivers, motor control, and parallel handshake ASCII interface, this freestanding peripheral minimizes demand on the AIM 65/40 central processor, permitting maximum system performance.

The Model 0400 display module features a bright, crisp vacuum fluorescent 40-character alphanumeric display. This stand-alone module has its own microprocessor controller for display of alphanumeric, special, and limited graphics characters, parallel handshake ASCII interface, support circuitry and operates from a single +5 volt power supply. Special control commands permit variable display timing, cursor control, auto-scroll, and character blinking.

The Model 0200 keyboard module provides a terminal style alphanumeric and special character keyboard matrix with 64 keys, including locking ALL CAPS, control, and eight user definable function keys. Three keys labelled ATTN, RESET, and PAPER FEED have dedicated lines to the interface connector.

The AIM 65/40 Series 5000 incorporates a ROM resident software system and integrates all four modules into a complete microcomputer system. The interactive monitor software controls the AIM 65/40 system with single keystroke, self-prompting commands, supports software development with assembler, debug and control commands. A multi-file text editor supports both line and screen editing functions. Optional languages include a fully symbolic R6500 assembler and BASIC. FORTH, PASCAL, and PL/65 software packages are in development.

The AIM 65/40 is expected to be available sometime during the third quarter of 1981.

For price and delivery information contact your local Rockwell sales office.



## DATA FILES FOR AIM-65 BASIC

**Jerry K. Radke**  
**U.S. Dept. of Agriculture**

The storage and retrieval of data on a permanent (or semipermanent) medium is often necessary. Unfortunately, Rockwell AIM-65 BASIC does not provide data file capability for its cassette recorder interface. Even worse, Microsoft does not provide a listing of the BASIC it wrote for the AIM-65 so the user can easily modify it. However, the procedure presented here will provide the user of the AIM-65 with a cassette data file capability that is relatively painless though not very elegant.

I use two short BASIC subroutines to open files (one each for read and write) and one to write an end-of-file. These statements start at 9000. I usually reserve certain blocks of data statement numbers for certain subroutines which can be saved and loaded individually, e.g. 4000's are reserved for my real-time clock and timing subroutines, 5000's are my sorting subroutines, 6000's are for my formatted printing subroutines, etc. This allows me to build programs using these standard subroutines as modules.

In addition to the three subroutines, some BASIC statements are needed in the main program to control the tape recorder(s) and to select the active output device (AOD) and active input device (AID). The remote control lines to the tape recorders should be functional. The minimum procedure to write on tape is to call the subroutine at 9000 to open a file, set the AOD to "tape", print (via BASIC "PRINT" statements) to tape, returning AOD to "display", and finally end-filing the tape by calling the subroutine at 9100. This causes the 80 byte tape buffer to fill and dump to tape in blocks while automatically turning the tape recorder on and off. Reading tapes is performed by calling the subroutine at 9200 to open the file, setting the AID tape, "INPUTting" the data, and returning the AID to the "keyboard".

To make the data files compatible with text files that are written and read by EDITOR, a few additional things should be done. The first five characters "PRINTed" to the tape buffer should be the filename. (The first position in the buffer was set to indicate block zero by statement 9010 thus the filename takes up characters 2 through 6). The 7th character must not be a CR (SOD) or it will not be accepted by EDITOR as a text file. EDITOR also wants to see two consecutive CR's at the end of the file to indicate EOF. The EOF subroutine does this as well as filling the rest of the block with "nulls". However, the user is free to set up his 80 byte blocks to suit his own needs, e.g. a special character to indicate EOF. Obviously, to read data from tapes, a proper INPUT format is necessary to match the way the data is stored. The filename will also need to be INPUT from block 0.

The program on page 5 gives an example that we can follow. Statements 20 through 50 load array P\$. Statement 60 inputs a title for the data (not the filename). Statements 90-120 sets up tape recorder 1 or 2 for output and turns the tape controls off. (User should respond with a 1 or 2 to

statement 90). At statement 120, place tape recorder in "record" mode and answer query. Input "filename" at 140. Statements 150-230 actually do the writing to tape. Note that 170 prints the filename, a comma, and the number of data lines (N). Commas are necessary if more than one data element are to be read per line. Statement 240 turns the tape recorders on to allow the user to reposition the tapes if necessary. The tape read example is similar. Statements 560-630 input the data, 640-690 prints the data, and 700 turns the tape controls back on. The user can place the recorder in the "play" mode after the prompt "?" is displayed for statement 580. Of course, the tape should be properly placed in a gap just before the start of the desired file.

Statements should be kept to a minimum while the AOD or AID is set to "tape". If data is going to be written or read several different times in the program, return AOD or AID to "keyboard/display" after each PRINT or INPUT loop or routine. In other words, only have the AOD or AID set to "tape" when absolutely necessary. I have not tried all combinations possible, but do know that data can be easily written or corrected by the EDITOR and read as data by BASIC. I would be interested in hearing about any "discoveries" you make. If you have questions, I can be reached at 612/589-3411 during normal working hours.

This procedure offers quite a bit of flexibility, and I have left it this way even though a neater package could be written using WHEREIN and WHEREOUT and putting almost everything in the subroutines. One thing to remember with this routine is that the tape must be positioned so that block zero will be the first block read. This can be changed if desired, however. Also, a search procedure could be used to locate block zero of a given file.

### MINIMUM STATEMENTS TO WRITE ON CASSETTE TAPE

```
*
*
*
GOSUB 9010      OPEN FILE WRITE
POKE 42003,84   ACTIVE OUTPUT DEVICE SET TO
                "TAPE"
*
*
                USER PRINT STATEMENTS TO
                TAPE
*
POKE 42003,13   ACTIVE OUTPUT DEVICE
                RETURNED TO "DISPLAY"
GOSUB 9110      WRITE EOF ON TAPE
END
```

### MINIMUM STATEMENTS TO READ FROM TAPE

```
*
*
*
GOSUB 9210      OPEN FILE (READ)
```

```

POKE 42002,84    ACTIVE INPUT DEVICE SET TO
                  "TAPE"
*
*
*
POKE 42002,13    ACTIVE INPUT DEVICE RETURNED
                  TO "KEYBOARD"
*
*
*
USER PROGRAM
END
    
```

```

70  INPUT "STORE ON TAPE Y/N" ;A$
80  IF A$ = "N" THEN STOP
90  INPUT "T = "; T:T=T-1
100 POKE 42037, T:REM: SET TAPOUT
110 POKE 43008,204:REM: TURN TAPES OFF
120 INPUT "TAPE READY Y/N";A$
130 IF A$ = "N" THEN STOP
140 INPUT "FILENAME" ;A$
150 GOSUB 9010:REM: OPEN FILE
160 POKE 42003,84:REM: TAPE AOD
170 PRINT A$ ; " " ; N
180 PRINT H$
190 FOR I=0 TO N-1
200 PRINT I + 1 ; " " ; P$(I)
210 NEXT I
220 POKE 42003,13:REM: DISPLAY AOD
230 GOSUB 9110:REM: WRITE EOF
240 POKE 43008,252:REM: TURN TAPES ON
250 END
    
```

```

500 REM: TAPE READ EXAMPLE
510 DIM R(40), R$(40)
520 INPUT "READ TAPE Y/N"; A$
530 IF A$ = "N" THEN STOP
540 INPUT "T = "; T:T=T-1
550 POKE 42036,T:REM: SET TAPIN
560 GOSUB 9210:REM: OPEN FILE
570 POKE 42002,84:REM: TAPE AID
580 INPUT A$,N
590 INPUT H$
600 FOR I=0 TO N-1
610 INPUT R(I),R$(I)
620 NEXT I
630 POKE 42002,13
640 PRINT " "
650 PRINT! " ";PRINT!H$
660 FOR I=0 TO N-1
670 PRINT! R(I); TAB(5);R$(I)
680 NEXT I
690 PRINT! " "
700 POKE 43008.252
710 END
    
```

Some useful locations:

Hex	Decimal	Label	Remarks
\$0115	277	BLK	Block count for input (must be zero to start)
\$0116	278	TABUFF	80 byte tape buffer starts here
\$0168	360	BLKO	Block count for output (set to zero)
\$A409	41993	GAP	Block gap for tape recorder
\$A411	42001	PRIFLG	Printer "ON" = 0, "OFF" = 128 (\$80)

## TAPE SUBROUTINES

```

9000 REM: OPEN
      FILE (WRITE)
9010 POKE 278,0    $0116 TO 0 (SET 1ST CHAR IN BUFF
                  FOR BLK 0)
9020 POKE 42039,1 SET OUTPUT TAPE POINTER
                  ($A437) TO "1"
9030 POKE 360,0   BLOCK COUNT ($0168) TO ZERO
9040 POKE 41993,22 SET TAPE GAP
                  ($A409) TO $16
9050 RETURN
9100 REM: WRITE-
      EOF
9110 POKE 42003,84 SET OUTFLG TO "T"
9115 PRINT CHR$(13) OUTPUT OD,OD,QA
9120 NL=80-PEEK   CHECK POINTER FOR BUFFER
                  (42039) SPACE
9130 FOR NC=1 TO NL FILL BUFFER WITH NULLS
9140 PRINT CHR$(0);
9150 NEXT NC
9160 POKE 42003,13 SET OUTFLG TO "D"
9170 RETURN
9200 REM: OPEN
      FILE (READ)
9210 POKE 277,0   SET BLOCK ($0115) TO ZERO
9220 POKE 42038,80 SET COUNTER ($A436) TO END
                  ($50)
9230 RETURN
    
```

## EXAMPLE PROGRAM

```

1  DIM P$(40)
10 REM: TAPE WRITE EXAMPLE
20 INPUT "# ENTRIES" ;N
30 FOR I=0 TO N-1
40 PRINT "ENTRY # " ; I + 1 ; :INPUT P$(I)
50 NEXT I
60 INPUT "TITLE" ;H$
    
```

# MORE BASIC DATA FILES

**Steve West and Frank Nunneley  
Johannesburg, South Africa**

*(EDITOR'S NOTE: Yes, I know that you've already seen a data file handling program. But, this program is a bit different and it shows a neat way to add new commands to AIM 65 BASIC.)*

The ability to process and store data on cassette greatly enhances the usefulness of BASIC programs.

Any system of this type should be easy to use. The method described here extends the instruction set of BASIC to include instructions to open and close files and to input and output data. The new instructions are:

*(Continued from previous page)*

\$A409	41993	GAP	Block gap for tape recorder
\$A411	42001	PRIFLG	Printer "ON" = 0, "OFF" = 128 (\$80)
\$A434	42036	TAPIN	Tape 1 or 2 controls for input ) default = 1 ) if not changed
\$A435	42037	TAPOUT	Tape 1 or 2 controls for output ) (otherwise last)
\$A436	42038	TAPTR	Tape buffer pointer for input
\$A437	42039	TAPTR2	Tape buffer pointer for output (1) (2)
\$A800	43008	DRB	Data Reg B for monitor 6522—PB4 and PB5 turn tape controls on and off.

Hex	Decimal	Remarks:
\$CC	204	Both tapes OFF
\$DC	220	Tape 1 on, 2 off
\$EC	236	Tape 2 on, 1 off
\$FC	252	Both tapes on

### Useful Monitor Subroutines

Hex	Decimal	Hi Decimal	Lo Decimal	Remarks
\$E6BD	59069	230	189	Toggle Tape #1 control
\$E6CB	59083	230	203	Toggle Tape #2 control

**PRINT# 'NAME'1** Opens a cassette output file. The name of the file is in single quotes and is followed by the recorder number. (Default is T=1)

**PRINT#A,B\$** Outputs data to the currently open output file. Format is identical to standard PRINT statement.

**PRINT##** Closes current output file.

**INPUT# 'NAME'2** Opens an input file by finding the file 'NAME'. The file name is again followed by the recorder number (Default to tape recorder 1)

**INPUT#A\$,B\$** Inputs data from currently open input file.

**INPUT##** Closes Input file.

Only one tape buffer is available while BASIC is in use, thus only one I/O file can be open at a time.

To use BASEX, BASIC must be limited to 3883 bytes in response to the question "MEMORY SIZE?" when entering BASIC. Answer "WIDTH?" as before, then ESCape to monitor and Load BASEX from cassette. Reenter BASIC using 6 and the extension program is ready to work. This order is important as the divert routine on page zero must be modified after BASIC is initialized.

The assembly listing follows. When entering this file in source it is recommended that the editor be placed above \$800; the assembler symbol table can be placed between 200 and 800. This way the Editor won't be corrupted when the program is tested. After entering BASIC after assembling the file it will be necessary to modify the instructions on page zero using Mneumonic Entry. After the file is working and the initialization procedure from tape is used this is *not* required.

```
<*>=C8
<I>
00C8 4C JMP 0F2D
00CB EA NOP
00CC
<
```

When the file is working dump it (object) to cassette, the link to the extension must be included here.

```
<D>
FROM=F2D TO=FFF
OUT=T F=BASEX T=1
MORE?Y
FROM=C8 TO=CB
MORE?N
```

```

2000          ;** TAPE DATA FILES      0F63  20 AC EB      EXIT      JSR  PLXY
2000          ; STEVE WEST AUG '80      0F66  68          PLA
                                           0F67  38          SEC
                                           0F68  60          RTS
2000          PHXY      = $EB9E
2000          PLXY      = $EBAC
2000          CRLF      = $E9F0
2000          LL        = $E8FE
2000          OUTFLG    = $A413
2000          INFLG     = $A412
2000          OUTDIS    = $EF05
2000          TOBYTE    = $F18B
2000          DILINK    = $A406
2000          DUMPTA    = $E56F
2000          TAPOUT    = $A435
2000          TAPIN     = $A434
2000          DRB       = $A800
2000          DU11      = $E50A
2000          NAME      = $A42E
2000          LOADTA    = $E32F
2000          PNTR      = $C6
2000          * = $F2D
0F2D
0F2D          BASEXT
0F2D  C9 97          CMP  ##97
0F2F  F0 0C          BEQ  PRINT
0F31  C9 84          CMP  ##84
0F33  F0 34          BEQ  INPUT
0F35  C9 3A          CMP  ##3A
0F37  B0 03          BCS  NOTNUM
0F39  4C CC 00      JMP  $CC
0F3C  60          NOTNUM RTS
0F3D  48          PRINT  PHA
0F3E  20 9E EB      JSR  PHXY
0F41  A0 01          LDY  #1
0F43  B1 C6          LDA  (PNTR),Y
0F45  C9 23          CMP  #'#
0F47  F0 06          BEQ  STATAP
0F49          PR1
0F49  20 FE EB      JSR  LL
0F4C  4C 63 0F      JMP  EXIT
0F4F          STATAP
0F4F  A9 54          LDA  #'T
0F51  8D 13 A4      STA  OUTFLG
0F54  C8          INY
0F55  B1 C6          LDA  (PNTR),Y
0F57  C9 27          CMP  #''''
0F59  F0 39          BEQ  OPENFL
0F5B  C9 23          CMP  #'#
0F5D  F0 4C          BEQ  CLOSE
0F5F          ST1
0F5F  88          DEY
0F60  20 A0 0F      JSR  UPFNTR
                                           0F63  20 AC EB      EXIT      JSR  PLXY
                                           0F66  68          PLA
                                           0F67  38          SEC
                                           0F68  60          RTS
                                           INPUT
                                           PHA
                                           JSR  PHXY
                                           LDY  #1
                                           LDA  (PNTR),Y
                                           CMP  #'#
                                           BNE  PR1
                                           LDA  #'T
                                           STA  INFLG
                                           INY
                                           LDA  (PNTR),Y
                                           CMP  #''''
                                           BEQ  LOADFL
                                           CMP  #'#
                                           BEQ  OFFTAP
                                           JMP  ST1
                                           LOADFL
                                           JSR  RDNAME
                                           STY  TAPIN
                                           JSR  LOADTA
                                           JMP  EXIT
                                           OPENFL
                                           JSR  RDNAME
                                           STY  TAPOUT
                                           JSR  DUMPTA
                                           JMP  EXIT
                                           UPFNTR
                                           TYA
                                           CLC
                                           ADC  FNTR
                                           STA  FNTR
                                           BCC  UP1
                                           INC  FNTR+1
                                           UP1
                                           RTS
                                           CLOSE
                                           JSR  CRLF
                                           JSR  CRLF
                                           JSR  DU11
                                           OFFTAP
                                           LDA  ##CF
                                           AND  DRB
                                           STA  DRB
                                           JSR  LL
                                           JSR  PLXY
                                           PLA
                                           LDA  ##BE
                                           SEC
                                           RTS
                                           RDNAME
                                           INY

```

0FCB	20 A0 0F		JSR UPFNTR	60	the output file is opened and called
0FCB	A0 00		LDY #0		"NAMES"
0FCD	B1 C6	NEXT	LDA (PNTR),Y	100	.LAST indicates that the last name
0FCF	C9 27		CMP #' '		has been entered
0FD1	F0 0E		BEQ ENDNAM	140	end of output to TAPE routine
0FD3	99 2E A4		STA NAME,Y	200	start of input from TAPE routine
0FD6	C8		INY	220	looks for file with NAME= "NAMES"
0FD7	C0 05		CPY #5	230	prints heading (1st string in file)
0FD9	D0 F2		BNE NEXT	260	inputs name from TAPE
0FDB	20 A0 0F		JSR UPFNTR	270	has last been read?
0FDE	4C EE 0F		JMP RD1	280	echos to printer
0FE1	20 A0 0F	ENDNAM	JSR UPFNTR	300	closes file
0FE4	A9 20		LDA #'	600	TP=0 (both tapes OFF)
0FE6	99 2E A4	EN1	STA NAME,Y		TP=1 (#1 ON, #2 OFF)
0FE9	C8		INY		TP=2 (#1 OFF, #2 ON)
0FEA	C0 05		CPY #5		TP=3 (both tapes ON)
0FEC	D0 F8		BNE EN1		
0FEE		RD1			
0FEE	A0 01		LDY #1		
0FF0	B1 C6		LDA (PNTR),Y		
0FF2	C9 32		CMP #'2	10	PRINT!" EXAMPLE PROGRAM"
0FF4	F0 AA		BEQ UPFNTR	30	PRINT!" "
0FF6	C9 31		CMP #'1	40	REM STORE NAMES ON CASSETTE
0FF8	D0 03		BNE RD2	45	TP=1;GOSUB600
0FFA	20 A0 0F		JSR UPFNTR	50	PRINT" TAPE TO RECORD"
0FFD	88	RD2	DEY	55	GETA\$:IF A\$="" THEN55
0FFE	60		RTS	58	TP=0;GOSUB600
0FFF			*=\$CB	60	PRINT#'NAMES'"NAME LIST"
00C8		DIVERT		70	FOR I=1TO30
00CB	4C 2D 0F		JMP BASEXT	80	INPUTA\$
00CB	EA		NOF	90	PRINT#A\$ : REM # SO TO TAPE
00CC			.END	100	IF A\$=".LAST"THEN120

As a final note, the BASIC data files are EDITOR compatible so that data to be processed can be produced by using the EDITOR.

### AN EXAMPLE PROGRAM ILLUSTRATING THE USE OF THE NEW COMMANDS

Notes: No tape number was specified when opening the files thus tape recorder 1 is used (default)

At 600 is a subroutine to toggle the tapes to make rewind and fast forward possible.

### SOME COMMENTS ON THE EXAMPLE BASIC PROGRAM:

Line Number	Action
45	turn tape #1 ON
55	wait for key when operator is ready
58	turn both tapes OFF

```

10 PRINT!" EXAMPLE PROGRAM"
30 PRINT!" "
40 REM STORE NAMES ON CASSETTE
45 TP=1;GOSUB600
50 PRINT" TAPE TO RECORD"
55 GETA$:IF A$="" THEN55
58 TP=0;GOSUB600
60 PRINT#'NAMES'"NAME LIST"
70 FOR I=1TO30
80 INPUTA$
90 PRINT#A$ : REM # SO TO TAPE
100 IF A$=".LAST"THEN120
110 NEXT
120 REM CLOSE FILE
130 PRINT##
140 END
200 REM READ NAMES FROM TAPE
210 PRINT"TAPE TO PLAY"
220 INPUT#'NAMES'#$
230 PRINT!TAB(5)#$
240 PRINT!" "
250 FOR I=1TO30
260 INPUT#A$
270 IFA$=".LAST"THEN300
280 PRINT!A$
290 NEXT
300 INPUT##
310 PRINT" D O N E ! ! "
320 END
590 REM TAPE ON/OFF
600 POKE43008,207ANDPEEK(43008)OR16*TP
610 RETURN

```

# A MOVE/RELOCATE ROUTINE

**Anthony Chandler,  
Montreal, Canada**

## SUMMARY

This routine will, at the user's option, either MOVE a block of data or RELOCATE a machine-language program from one area of memory into any other area of RAM from \$0200 up. It can perform both forward and backward shifts, and resides entirely in Page Zero.

## INTRODUCTION

Often the need arises to shift a block of data or a machine-language program from one set of locations in memory to another.

If a block of data, such as a "look-up" table has to be shifted, then a simple MOVE routine which sequentially reads each byte of data in the SOURCE area and writes it into the DESTINATION area is sufficient. Examples of MOVE routines are given on pages 6-26 and 6-27 of the R6500 Programming Manual.

However, if a machine-language program has to be shifted, then a simple MOVE routine may not be satisfactory. Those instructions in the program which use the absolute addressing mode (such as JMP 0345 or LDA 0567) have operands in the form of an address. If the operand points to an address within the span of the program being re-located, then the instruction must be modified so that its operand points to the corresponding address in the destination area. On the other hand, if the instruction refers to an address outside the span of the program, then it must be moved without alteration.

In order to shift programs, a more complex routine which calculates the necessary address changes is required.

In AIM 65, the memory area available for programs extends from address \$0200 up to the limit of installed RAM (\$1000 if 4K of memory is installed). Any MOVE/RELOCATE routine which occupies part of this area will naturally be restrictive, since the area it took up could not be used. A special effort has been made to enable the following routine to be located entirely in Page zero, which is not normally used for program instructions, so as to leave the entire working area from \$0200 up free.

## DESCRIPTION

Fig. 1 is a disassembly of the MOVE/RELOCATE routine. The program itself occupies addresses \$0000-\$00DD. Addresses \$00EB-\$00FF are "borrowed" from the Text Editor "Find" command for temporary storage, pointers and prompt messages. Loading of the "RELOC" routine will not disturb any operations of the Text Editor except the "Find" command and only then if an attempt is made to find a character string longer than 12 characters. The Text buffer addresses, stored in \$00DF-\$00E9 are preserved.

## EXECUTION—RELOCATE

The program starts at \$0000 and can be run using the \*=0000 command or by setting up a linkage to \$0000 via one of the Function keys. The following example illustrates the entries necessary to re-locate a program presently residing at addresses \$0456 to \$0567 to a destination starting at address \$0234. In this example, the *address* of the last instruction is \$0567—the last byte of the program might be at \$0569, if the program terminated with a 3 byte instruction.

### PROGRAM PROMPTS

S = START ADDRESS  
F = FINISH ADDRESS  
D = DESTINATION ADDRESS  
MR = MOVE/RELOCATE

\* = 0000

G/

S= Enter 0456 (NOTE—NO ERRORS PERMITTED. IF INCORRECT DIGIT THEN RE-START PROGRAM)

S=0456F= Enter 0567

S=0456F=0567D= Enter 0234

(Display wraps around)

0456F=0567D=0234MR= Enter "R" (for re-locate)  
(any other key except "M" will do)

The routine will run, displaying a disassembly of the source program as the re-location takes place.

On completion, control returns to the Monitor. The next free available address following the re-located program (\$0348 in the above example) will be found by examining memory locations 00F5-00F6 (LSB first—4803)

## EXECUTION—MOVE

If the source addresses, \$0456 to \$0567 contain data (or text) then a similar procedure is followed.

In this case, however, the Source Finish address entered in response to the prompt "F=" should be one address less than that of the last byte of data (for example, 0566 instead of 0567).

After entering the addresses, the response to the move/relocate prompt "MR=" should be "M" for move.

The Destination Finish address to be found at \$00F5-00F6 will be the address of the last byte of data moved (for example \$0345). The next free address is \$0346.



0011	20	JSR	E973	REDOUT—SEE IF USER WANTS MOVE OR RELOCATE	0051	A5	LDA	F2	
0014	C9	CMP	#4D	IF HE SAYS "M" THEN—	0053	65	ADC	F4	
0016	F0	BEQ	007E	GO TO MOVE ROUTINE FOR STRAIGHT COPY	0055	AA	TAX		TEMPORARILY STORE HI-BYT SUM IN X
0018	A5	LDA	ED	OTHERWISE, GET CURRENT SOURCE ADDRESS FROM ED/	0056	38	SEC		NOW SUBTRACT SOURCE START ADDRESS FROM SUM
001A	8D	STA	A425	EE AND PUT IT IN SAVPC AT A425/A426	0057	68	PLA		GET LO-BYT SUM
001D	A5	LDA	EE		0058	E5	SBC	EB	
001F	8D	STA	A426		005A	48	PHA		STORE IT ON STACK
0022	20	JSR	F46C	DISASM—INTERPRET INSTRUCTION & DISPLAY IT	005B	8A	TXA		GET HI-BYT SUM FROM X
0025	A5	LDA	EA	LENGTH—ACCUMULATOR HAS LENGTH MINUS ONE	005C	E5	SBC	EC	
0027	C9	CMP	#02	IS IT A 3-BYTE INSTRUCTION?	005E	A0	LDY	#02	
0029	D0	BNE	006E	NO—SO GO MAKE STRAIGHT COPY	0060	91	STA	(F5),Y	PUT ADJUSTED OPERAND INTO CURRENT
002B	A0	LDY	#01	YES—IS A 3-BYTE SO MAY HAVE TO ALTER	0062	88	DEY		DESTINATION PLUS 3
002D	B1	LDA	(ED),Y	GET FIRST BYT OF OPERAND	0063	68	PLA		
002F	85	STA	F1		0064	91	STA	(F5),Y	AND PLUS 2
0031	C8	INY			0066	88	DEY		
0032	B1	LDA	(ED),Y	SECOND BYT OF OPERAND	0067	B1	LDA	(ED),Y	NOW GET OP-CODE FROM CURRENT SOURCE
0034	85	STA	F2	OPERAND INTO F1/F2	0069	91	STA	(F5),Y	PUT IT IN CURRENT DESTINATION
0036	38	SEC		SUBTRACT SOURCE START ADDRESS FROM OPERAND	006B	4C	JMP	0071	GO TO UPDATE AND END CHECK
0037	A5	LDA	F1	TO SEE IF OPERAND POINTS TO ADDRESS BELOW	006E	20	JSR	00C6	MAKE STRAIGHT COPY OF COMPLETE INSTRUCTION
0039	E5	SBC	EB	SOURCE START	0071	20	JSR	00AD	INCREMENT CURRENT SOURCE AND DESTINATION ADDRESSES BY LENGTH OF INSTRUCTION PLUS ONE
003B	A5	LDA	F2		0074	20	JSR	EA13	CLEAR THE DISPLAY (CRLOW)
003D	E5	SBC	EC		0077	20	JSR	00A3	SEE IF PAST END—CARRY CLEAR IF SO
003F	90	BCC	006E	IF SO—CARRY CLEAR AND NO CHANGE REQUIRED	007A	B0	BCS	0018	NOT AT END SO GO BACK FOR NEXT INSTRUCTION
0041	A5	LDA	EF	SUBTRACT OPERAND FROM SOURCE FINISH ADDRESS	007C	90	BCC	008D	BRANCH ALWAYS (AT END)
0043	E5	SBC	F1	TO SEE IF OPERAND POINTS TO ADDRESS ABOVE	007E				THE FOLLOWING ROUTINE IS JUMPED TO IF USER REQUIRES A MOVE OPERATION RATHER THAN RELOCATE. IT TRANSFERS A STRAIGHT COPY, BYTE BY BYTE FROM SOURCE INTO DESTINATION
0045	A5	LDA	F0	SOURCE FINISH	007E	A9	LDA	#01	SET LENGTH TO ONE
0047	E5	SBC	F2		0080	85	STA	EA	
0049	90	BCC	006E	IF SO—CARRY CLEAR AND NO CHANGE REQUIRED.	0082	20	JSR	00C6	TRANSFER THE DATA
004B	18	CLC		OPERAND REQUIRES CHANGING SO PREPARE TO ADD. ADD OPERAND TO	0085	20	JSR	00AF	INCREMENT CURRENT SOURCE AND DESTINATION ADDRESSES BY ONE
004C	A5	LDA	F1	DESTINATION START ADDRESS	0088	20	JSR	00A3	SEE IF PAST END—CARRY CLEAR IF SO
004E	65	ADC	F3						
0050	48	PHA		TEMPORARILY STORE LO-BYT SUM ON STACK					

008B	B0	BCS	007E	NOT AT END SO BACK FOR NEXT BYT OF DATA	00AD	E6	INC	EA	ADD ONE TO LENGTH
008D	4C	JMP	FEE9	PATC10—CLEAR DISPLAY —HOME TO MONITOR —REVELATION 6.14	00AF	18	CLC		
0090				THIS SUB-ROUTINE GETS A 4-DIGIT ADDRESS AND STORES IT, LO-BYT FIRST, IN TWO ADJACENT PAIRS OF THE STORE STARTING AT \$00EB. WHEN CALLED FOR THE FIRST TIME, X = 0	00B0	A5	LDA	EA	
0090	20	JSR	E3FD	RBYTE—GET TWO DIGITS (HI ORDER)	00B2	65	ADC	ED	
0093	95	STA	EC,X	STORE THEIR HEX VALUE	00B4	85	STA	ED	
0095	95	STA	EE,X	SAME AGAIN	00B6	90	BCC	00BA	
0097	20	JSR	E3FD	RBYTE—GET NEXT TWO DIGITS (LO ORDER)	00B8	E6	INC	EE	
009A	95	STA	EB,X	STORE	00BA	18	CLC		
009C	95	STA	ED,X	AGAIN	00BB	A5	LDA	EA	
009E	E8	INX		INCREMENT X READY FOR NEXT ADDRESS	00BD	65	ADC	F5	
009F	E8	INX			00BF	85	STA	F5	
00A0	E8	INX			00C1	90	BCC	00C5	
00A1	E8	INX			00C3	E6	INC	F6	
00A2	60	RTS			00C5	60	RTS		
00A3				THIS SUB-ROUTINE CHECKS TO SEE IF THE CURRENT SOURCE ADDRESS HAS EXCEEDED THE SOURCE FINISH ADDRESS—IF SO, THE MOVE OR RELOCATE IS COMPLETE.	00C6				THIS SUB-ROUTINE IS CALLED WHEN NO MODIFICATION OF THE OPERAND IS REQUIRED. IT COPIES A COMPLETE INSTRUCTION FROM THE ADDRESS POINTED TO BY CURRENT SOURCE, INTO THE ADDRESS POINTED TO BY CURRENT DESTINATION
00A3	38	SEC			00C6	A4	LDY	EA	GET LENGTH OF INSTRUCTION
00A4	A5	LDA	EF		00C8	B1	LDA	(ED),Y	GET BYT FROM SOURCE
00A6	E5	SBC	ED		00CA	91	STA	(F5),Y	PUT IT IN DESTINATION
00A8	A5	LDA	FO		00CC	88	DEY		
00AA	E5	SBC	EE		00CD	CO	CPY	#FF	ANY MORE ?
00AC	60	RTS		IF NOT PAST END, CARRY REMAINS SET	00CF	DO	BNE	00C8	YES—GO BACK FOR NEXT BYTE
00AD				THIS SUB-ROUTINE INCREMENTS THE CURRENT SOURCE AND CURRENT DESTINATION STORES BY AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE LENGTH OF THE LAST- INTERPRETED INSTRUCTION PLUS ONE, SO AS TO POINT TO THE NEXT INSTRUCTION TO BE READ	00D1	60	RTS		
				IF DATA IS BEING MOVED, THE LENGTH (IN \$00EA) IS SET TO #01 AND THIS SUB IS ENTERED AT \$00AF SO THAT SOURCE AND DESTINATION ADDRESSES ARE INCREMENTED BY ONE EACH TIME	00D2	B9	LDA	00F7,Y	GET THE CHARACTER
					00D5	20	JSR	E97A	OUTPUT—DISPLAY THE CHARACTER
					00D8	C8	INY		READY FOR NEXT CHARACTER
					00D9	C9	CMP	#3D	IS IT "" ?
					00DB	D0	BNE	00D2	NO—SO GET ANOTHER CHARACTER
					00DD	60	RTS		

# TTY OUTPUT UTILITY PROGRAMS

**Mark Reardon**  
**Rockwell International**

Many peripheral devices (printers, CRT Monitors) can use inputs in the form of a 20 ma current loop or RS-232. The AIM 65 has a built-in 20 ma current loop that can be utilized, or the loop can be modified to being an RS-232 (DOC. No. 230: RS-232C Interface for AIM 65).

One large problem still remains. For the AIM 65 Firmware to use the TTY port, the Keyboard/TTY switch must be in the TTY position. Unfortunately, the AIM 65 then uses the TTY port for all of the inputs that usually come from its Keyboard. Most printers have no way of communicating back to the AIM 65. In order for the keyboard to retain control, one of the following programs can be used. Each uses the TTY subroutine in the AIM 65 Monitor (OUTTTY=\$EEA8). They also require the user to enter the correct values for the baud rate in locations \$A417 and \$A418. The first program (ECHO) utilizes the DILINK (\$A406) vector to intercept all data on the way to the display/printer and then redirects it to both the TTY and display/printer. If this program or any other program that modifies DILINK is assembled on the AIM 65 the object code has to be directed to an external device.

If the object code is directed to memory, the AIM 65 will lock up. To free it, the power has to be turned off. Reset will not correct the problem. The second program (UOUT) is a user output program. It allows the user to select the TTY port by responding to the OUT= prompt with a U.

In this way any command that uses the Outall subroutine will direct its output to the TTY port. AIM 65 Basic uses Outall for all of its printing commands. Unfortunately, AIM 65 Basic also sets the Outflag to equal P. To use the user output program the instruction: "POKE 42003,85," needs to be inserted.

In actual use there have been two major sources of failure with these programs. The easiest to cure is if the baud rate isn't entered properly. To determine the appropriate values do the calculations as shown below. The second source of trouble has been that different manufacturers have designed their peripheral requiring different inputs than are provided. In these situations these two programs had to be modified to satisfy the peripheral's needs.

```

                                ECHO PROGRAM
0000      OUTTTY=$EEA8
0000      CR=$0D
0000      LF=$0A
0000      NULL=$FF
0000      DILINK=$A406
0000      *=DILINK
A406      00 02      .WOR ECHO      :SET VECTOR TO THIS ROUTINE
A408      *= $200
0200      C9 0D      ECHO          CMP #CR      :CR?
0202      D0 0A      BNE NOTCR    :No, JUST OUTPUT IT
0204      20 A8 EE    JSR OUTTTY   :YES, ADD LF AND NULL
0207      A9 0A      LDA #LF
0209      20 A8 EE    JSR OUTTTY
0200      A9 FF      LDA #NULL
020E      4C A8 EE    NOTCR      JMP OUTTTY   :OUTPUT AND RTS
0211      .END
    
```

```

                                UOUT PROGRAM
0000      OUTTTY=$EEA8
0000      CR=$0D
0000      LF=$0A
0000      NULL=$FF
0000      UOUT=$10A
0000      *=UOUT
010A      00 02      .WOR START    :VECTOR TO PROGRAM
010C      *= $200
0200      90 12      START      BCC RETRN    :NO SETUP
0202      68          PLA          :A ON STACK
0203      C9 0D      CMP #CR      :IF CR ALSO SEND
0205      D0 0A      BNE NOTCR    :A LF AND NULL
0207      20 A8 EE    JSR OUTTTY   :OUTTTY ALSO SENDS
020A      A9 0A      LDA #LF      :TO DISPLAY/PRINTER
0200      20 A8 EE    JSR OUTTTY
020F      A9 FF      LDA #NULL
0211      4C A8 11   NOTCR      JMP OUTTTY
0214      60          RETRN      RTS
0215      .END
    
```

## METHOD TO CALCULATE BAUD RATES FOR THE AIM 65

When used with terminals running at 1200 baud and up, the Rockwell AIM 65 needs to have the Baud Rate entered manually. To calculate the values to enter perform the procedure outlined below:

Note: All variables are integers and have us/bit as their units.

1.  $10^6 / (\text{Baud Rate}) = X$
2.  $X - 67 \text{ us/b} = Y$
3.  $Y / 256 = Z \text{ remainder } W$
4.  $\$A417 = Z \text{ in Hex}$
5.  $\$A418 = W \text{ in Hex}$

Examples: Baud Rate 4800

1.  $10^6 / 4800 \text{ Baud} = 208$
2.  $208 - 67 \text{ us/b} = 141$
3.  $141 / 256 = 0 \text{ Remainder } 141$
4.  $\$A417 = 0_{10} = 00_{16}$
5.  $\$A418 = 141_{10} = 8D_{16}$

Baud Rate 150

1.  $10^6 / 150 \text{ Baud} = 6667$
2.  $6667 - 67 \text{ us/b} = 6600$
3.  $6660 / 256 = 25 \text{ Remainder } 200$
4.  $\$A417 = 25_{10} = 19_{16}$
5.  $\$A418 = 200_{10} = C8_{16}$

# DATA STATEMENT GENERATOR

**G. Brinkmann**  
**W. Germany**

Remember the last time you had to convert a machine language program to data statements so your Basic program could poke it into RAM somewhere? I'll bet you really enjoyed having to convert each hex byte into decimal and then typing it in. No? Well, then maybe you'll find this program will come in handy next time around.

What it does is convert hex data to decimal and generate BASIC data statements with the decimal data. The statements that it generates are sent out to the audio cassette interface which is used as temporary storage. The input is in the form of hex numbers which could come from the conversion program itself, as is in the example or, from memory with a minor change to the conversion program.

Note that this approach needs only one tape without remote control and only "on board" assembly language routines. The following example converts the first 26 HEX-values of R. Reccia's program (INTERACTIVE 1) into BASIC-DATA-Statements and writes them to tape.

It works as following:

- the HEX-values of the assembler language program are put into the BASIC-Program by DATA-statements. They must be ended by an "END" DATA (or any other special mark, see lines 90, 260).
- In line 190 you are asked for the line-number of the first DATA-statement to be generated, depending on your BASIC-program.
- Line 210 performs a call to WHEREO and opens the outfile. If it is a tape, with a gap of 80 (POKE 41993,128).
- The main loop starts at line 230, the STRING S\$ is filled with the statement-number and the constant "DATA".
- In line 260 we read the HEX-input-data until "END". The data is added to S\$ after converting to decimal in a subroutine. Each DATA-line takes 10 items.
- The PRINT-statements (line 350) write the STRING S\$ to any open output, adds 1 to the statement-number and goes to the start of the main loop (line 230). Note that until now the first statement-line has a linenumber of d+1 (where d was your input).

—If the END-mark has been read, the last DATA-statement will be printed, followed by the statement-line "d" with a counter of all DATA-items.

—The file will be closed in line 410 through a jump to B52B, a BASIC-routine which prints a CTRL/Z, closes the file and waits for the new input.

—The HEX to DECIMAL conversion takes place in statement 450–560 and uses the STRING H\$ in 170. Leading zeroes in the HEX-numbers are not needed.

—If an error occurs, the faulty item will be printed to the printer and the file is closed. Therefore, you should make a trial run before going to tape (by hitting RETURN after OUT=) and any error will go to the printer (which has not to be on).

When everything worked ok until now, you have a file with DATA-statements on tape. To read it into your actual program, just use a statement as

```
100READ N:FOR I = 0 TO N-1:READ X:POKE xxxx+I,X:NEXT
```

Remember, the first DATA-statement contains a counter of the following DATA-items. So you don't have to bother about it, the first READ will get it for you. This is extremely useful during the test phase, where changes occur quite frequently.

The next step is to load the statements into your BASIC program with the LOAD command. Be sure that you have chosen the right line-number, the LOAD command will over-write duplicate line-numbers. However, while testing, it might save you deleting the old lines.

If you are working with the ASSEMBLER and the BASIC at the same time, you could change the READ in line 260 to PEEK's. This saves you the initial typing in of DATA-statements and the conversion will be done by BASIC. However, you should either use a counter or a unique mark as 0,0,0 to find an end to the data.

Of course, the data need not to be in memory at all. You can generate DATA-statements by reading from keyboard or by using your BASIC-program to compute them from other data. I use this program regularly while computing moving averages and other statistics and then replacing the old values by the new ones for the next run.

```

70 DATAA9,B7,BD,2,A8,20,10,F2,A9,23,20,4A,F2
80 DATAA2,0,BD,69,0F,20,4A,F2,EB,C9,21,D0,F5
90 DATA END
100 REM HEX TO DECIMAL
110 REM GENERATES DATA-LINES ON TAPE-FILE
120 REM G. BRINKMANN
130 REM AUF'M GRAEVERICH 19A
140 REM D-5414 VALLENDAR
150 REM WEST GERMANY
160 REM INIT
170 H$="0123456789ABCDEF?"
180 REM FIRST LINE FOR COUNT OF DATA ITEMS
190 INPUT"NR OF FIRST DATA-LINE" :D1:D=D1+1
200 REM OPEN TAPE-FILE WITH LONG GAP
210 POKE 4,113:POKE 5,232:POKE 41993,128
220 X=USR(0)
230 S$=STR$(D)+"DATA"
240 REM 10 ITEMS PER LINE
250 FOR N=1 TO 10
260 READ A$:IF A$="END" THEN 390
270 REM SUBROUTINE HEX -> DECIMAL
280 GOSUB 470
290 REM ON ERROR CLOSE FILE
300 IF A1$<>"ER"THEN 310
305 POKE 42003,13:PRINT!"ERROR IN LINE " :D:GOTO430
310 IFN>1 THEN S$=S$+", "
320 REM STRING CONCATENATION
330 S$=S$+A1$:NEXT
340 REM OUTPUT TO ANY OPEN FILE: INC LINE NUMBER
370 PRINT S$:D=D+1:GOTO 230
380 REM PRINT LAST LINE AND THEN FIRST
390 PRINT S$
400 S$=STR$(D1)+"DATA"+STR$((D-D1-1)*10+N-1)
410 PRINT S$
420 REM CLOSE OUTPUT FILE
430 POKE 4,43:POKE 5,181:X=USR(0)
440 REM JUMP TO BASIC INPUT
450 END
460 REM SUBROUTINE HEX -> DECIMAL
470 IF LEN(A$)=1 THEN A$="0"+A$
480 FOR I=1 TO 17
490 IF MID$(A$,1,1)=MID$(H$,I,1) THEN A=16*(I-1):GOTO 520
500 REM AFTER LAST NEXT => ERROR
510 NEXT:GOTO 580
520 FOR I=1 TO 17
530 IF MID$(A$,2,1)=MID$(H$,I,1) THEN A=A+I-1:GOTO560
540 NEXT:GOTO 580
550 REM IT'S A GOOD ONE
560 A1$=STR$(A):RETURN
570 REM PRINT ERROR MSG
580 A1$="ER":RETURN

```

# CASSETTE LOAD UTILITY

## ... For AIM 65

**Mark Reardon**  
**Rockwell International**

This multi-purpose utility program allows you to load programs with offset and recover programs that have load errors.

For example, suppose you wish to reload a program to reside at \$0500 that was originally dumped from \$0200. First, start the program by pressing the 'F1' key. The 'FROM=' prompt should appear first. Enter 0200 to specify where the program used to reside in memory and press

the 'RETURN' key. Answer the 'TO=' prompt with 0500 to show where the program is going to be loaded. (Programs can only be offset by even page amounts. For example, if a program originally resided at \$0236, it could only be offset to \$0436, \$0636, \$0A36 etc. not \$0400, \$0777, or \$0100. Get it? This is because the offset calculation is done only on the page number (upper byte) and not the byte number (lower byte).)

The rest of the cassette load prompts are the same as the normal ones in the standard cassette load routine.

This program will also let you load a program even though there are loading errors. This, at least, gives you a chance to recover a program that would otherwise be impossible to recover. The normal cassette load routines will stop when an error occurs.

```

2000          NAME      = $A42E
2000          CKSUM     = $A41E
2000          TAPAR     = $A436
2000          ADDR      = $A41C
2000          S1        = $A41A
2000          TEMP      = $0117
2000          †
2000          TAISSET   = $EDEA
2000          GETTAP    = $EE29
2000          PLXY      = $EBAC
2000          PHXY      = $EB9E
2000          NAMO      = $EBCF
2000          OUTALL    = $E9BC
2000          SADDR     = $EB78
2000          COMIN     = $E1A1
2000          FROM      = $E7A3
2000          TO        = $E7A7
2000          ADDRS1    = $F910
2000          CRLOW     = $EA13
2000          BLANK     = $E83E
2000          CHEKA     = $E54E
2000          NXTADD    = $E2CD
2000          NUMA      = $EA46
2000          CLRCK     = $EB4D

2000          * = $10C          † SET UP F1 KEY
010C          JMP START
010C 4C 61 00

010F          * = $00
0000 00          ERRO  .BYT $00
0001 45 52          MSG  .BYT 'ERRORS IN '
000B 4C 4F          MSG1 .BYT 'LOADIN', $C7
0011 C7
0012 44 4F 4E          MSG2 .BYT 'DON', $CE
0015 CE

```

```

0016 20 9E EB    TAPE   JSR PHXY
0019 20 EA ED    READ   JSR TAISSET      ‡SET UP TAPE
001C 20 29 EE    SYNC   JSR GETTAP       ‡GET A CHAR
001F C9 23              CMP  #'#         ‡BLOCK START
0021 F0 06              BEQ  FOUND
0023 C9 16              CMP  ##16        ‡SYN?
0025 D0 F2              BNE  READ
0027 F0 F3              BEQ  SYNC
0029 A2 00          FOUND  LDX  #0           ‡STORE IN BUFFER
002B 20 29 EE    MORE   JSR GETTAP       ‡GET A CHAR
002E 9D 16 01      STA  TEMP-1,X
0031 EB              INX
0032 E0 52              CPX  ##52        ‡BUFF FULL
0034 D0 F5              BNE  MORE        ‡NO
0036 20 AC EB      JSR  FLXY
0039 60              RTS

003A 20 9E EB    COUNT  JSR PHXY
003D AE 36 A4      LDX  TAPAR       ‡BUFF POINTER
0040 E0 4F              CPX  #79         ‡BUFF EMPTY
0042 D0 05              BNE  TIBI        ‡NO
0044 20 16 00      JSR  TAPE        ‡READ A BLOCK
0047 A2 00          LDX  #00         ‡RESET POINTER
0049 BD 17 01    TIBI   LDA  TEMP,X     ‡GET CHAR
004C EB              INX             ‡INC BUFF POINTER
004D 8E 36 A4      STX  TAPAR       ‡SAVE POINTER
0050 20 AC EB      JSR  FLXY
0053 E0 00              CPX  #00         ‡X<>0 THEN ADD CKSUM
0055 F0 09              BEQ  RET
0057 4C 4E E5      JMP  CHEKA       ‡ADD TO CKSUM

005A A5 00          ERROR  LDA  ERRO       ‡0=NO ERRORS
005C D0 02              BNE  RET
005E E6 00          INC  ERRO       ‡MAKE<>0
0060 60          RET   RTS

0061 20 A3 E7    START  JSR  FROM        ‡ORIG ADDR
0064 20 3E E8      JSR  BLANK       ‡LEAVE A SPACE
0067 20 10 F9      JSR  ADDRS1      ‡ADDR TO S1
006A 20 A7 E7      JSR  TO          ‡NEW ADDR
006D 38              SEC
006E AD 1D A4      LDA  ADDR+1
0071 ED 1B A4      SBC  S1+1
0074 8D 1B A4      STA  S1+1        ‡OFFSET VALUE
0077 20 13 EA      JSR  CRLOW       ‡CLEAR DISPLAY
007A 20 CF E8      JSR  NAMO        ‡FILE NAME
007D 20 16 00    BLOCK  JSR  TAPE
0080 A2 05          LDX  #5
0082 8E 36 A4      STX  TAPAR
0085 AD 16 01      LDA  TEMP-1     ‡BLK NO
0088 D0 F3              BNE  BLOCK       ‡NOT BLK 0
008A BD 16 01    AGAIN  LDA  TEMP-1,X
008D DD 2D A4      CMP  NAME-1,X   ‡CMP NAMES
0090 D0 EB              BNE  BLOCK       ‡DIFFERENT

```

```

0092 CA DEX
0093 D0 F5 BNE AGAIN
0095 A2 0A LDX #MSG1-MSG
0097 20 F2 00 JSR OUT ;DISPLAY LOADING
009A 20 3A 00 GETCH JSR COUNT ;GET A CHAR
009D C9 3B CMP #' ;RECORD START
009F D0 F9 BNE GETCH
00A1 20 4D EB JSR CLRCK ;CLEAR CKSUM
00A4 EB INX
00A5 20 3A 00 JSR COUNT ;RECORD LENGTH
00A8 AA TAX
00A9 F0 39 BEQ STOP ;0=DONE
00AB 20 3A 00 JSR COUNT
00AE 18 CLC
00AF 6D 1B A4 ADC S1+1 ;ADD OFFSET
00B2 8D 1D A4 STA ADDR+1
00B5 20 3A 00 JSR COUNT
00B8 8D 1C A4 STA ADDR
00BB 20 3A 00 LOAD2 JSR COUNT ;GET DATA AND STORE
00BE A0 00 LDY #0
00C0 20 78 EB JSR SADDR ;STORE AND CMP
00C3 ;TO ELIMINATE MEMORY FAIL ERRORS
00C3 ;REMOVE 'BEQ OK' AND 'JSR ERROR'
00C3 F0 03 BEQ OK ;DID MEM ACCEPT?
00C5 20 5A 00 JSR ERROR
00C8 C8 OK INY ;Y=1
00C9 20 CD E2 JSR NXTADD ;ADD Y TO ADDR
00CC CA DEX ;COUNT BYTES
00CD D0 EC BNE LOAD2
00CF 20 3A 00 JSR COUNT
00D2 CD 1F A4 CMP CKSUM+1
00D5 D0 08 BNE ERR
00D7 20 3A 00 JSR COUNT
00DA CD 1E A4 CMP CKSUM
00DD F0 BB BEQ GETCH ;CKSUMS OK
00DF 20 5A 00 ERR JSR ERROR
00E2 D0 B6 BNE GETCH

00E4 20 13 EA STOP JSR CRLW
00E7 A2 00 LDX #00
00E9 A5 00 LDA ERRO ;0 IF NO ERRORS
00EB 86 00 STX ERRO
00ED F0 01 BEQ NOE
00EF 2C ,BYT $2C ;CODE FOR BIT ABS
00F0 A2 11 NOE LDX #MSG2-MSG ;FINAL MSG AND RTS
00F2 B5 01 OUT LDA MSG,X
00F4 48 PHA
00F5 20 BC E9 JSR OUTALL
00F8 EB INX
00F9 68 PLA
00FA 10 F6 BPL OUT ;MSB=1
00FC 60 RTS
00FD ,END

```

# INTERRUPT-DRIVEN KEYBOARD FOR THE AIM 65

**Dr. Will Cronyn  
Borrego Springs, CA**

A common requirement in interactive computer systems is the entry of ASCII characters through the keyboard at random or erratic intervals when a program is executing. The program may be computational, process control, monitoring or some combination of these or other functions. The AIM 65 monitor routines require an explicit call to the keyboard and all (i.e. READ, RBYTE, etc.) except RCHEK demand a response before execution continues. The results would be disastrous if your AIM 65 controlled desert irrigation system had to wait 4 weeks before resuming execution for you to return from your summer vacation in Alaska to answer the question: Do you want the citrus put on a 3-days-a-week watering schedule? You could lace your program with calls to RCHEK but such calls, which consume 959 microseconds each (if there is no keyboard entry), can consume a large fraction of the execution time of the computer in spite of the fact that they are utilized for only a tiny fraction of the time.

One solution to the problem was described by De Jong in issue 3 of *Interactive*. He suggested the fundamental solution to the problem: generate interrupts for which the interrupt service routine looks for a keyboard entry. To allow continuation of program execution in the absence of a keyboard entry, De Jong modified AIM Monitor routines. The result is an interrupt routine which requires \$A3 (163) bytes of code in 87 lines. In addition to the fairly lengthy code, it does not appear that his routines are fully debounced, i.e. debounced on both keystroke initiation and termination.

My solution is to use two interrupt service routines: one to jump from an executing main program to JSR READ, and the other to jump from READ (in the most likely event that no keyboard entry is available) back into the main program. Not only does this approach work but also it uses unmodified monitor routines and is instructive in its utilization of a dynamically programmed interrupt vector. The interrupt service routines require \$40 (64) bytes of code in 29 lines.

## DETAILED PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

There are three parts to the code which appears in the listing: (1) system configuration and initialization, \$200-22B; (2) a "main" program which provides an immediate, positive verification that the interrupt-driven keyboard is functioning properly, \$22C-24C; and (3) the interrupt routines themselves in a location which would be appropriate for most 4K AIM applications, \$FCO-FFF. The interrupt routine sequences and configurations can best be understood by referring to the  $\overline{IRQ}$  signal display. The T1 timer counter (\$A004,5) is loaded with \$FFFF, which produces an interrupt 65 milliseconds execution of the main program begins. The

timer latch (\$A006,7) is loaded with \$4000. Thus, in the T1 free-run mode (UACR loaded with \$40), when T1 times out after 65 milliseconds, which results in a jump to MNSVC, the contents of the T1 latch is transferred to the counter, thereby setting up another interrupt 16 milliseconds later. The interrupt vector is reconfigured to RDSVC and the T1 latch is loaded with \$FFFF. Thus after 16 milliseconds in MNSVC the interrupt results in a jump to RDSVC, which returns program execution to the "main" program for another 65 milliseconds. Parameters for the next cycle are established by reconfiguring the interrupt vector to MNSVC and loading the T1 latch with \$4000.

It may appear that 16 milliseconds is a long time to decide whether or not READ will actually be presented with a keyboard entry. However, because of timing requirements in READ which are based on the need to debounce key stroke and key release (a total of about 11 milliseconds) this time cannot be significantly reduced. In tests I performed, errors were evident at an allowance of \$2800 microseconds, while none were seen at \$2C00. I tested the program at keystroke rates up to about 540/minute (my maximum single-key stroking rate) with no sign of errors.

Note that the stack pointer is saved in SAVSP when MNSVC is entered. This procedure is required because normally, i.e. when there is no keyboard entry for READ, exit from READ is achieved through use of the interrupt rather than through an RTS within READ itself. Thus the stack is not properly restored and since there are 3 layers of subroutines within READ it would be unnecessarily difficult and risky to keep track of the depth of the stack when READ is exited via interrupt.

The "main" program was a key element in testing and debugging the interrupt-driven keyboard. Through the display of "?" at the rate of about 3/second, with a carriage return/line feed after 10 "?", it provides an immediate indication that both the "main" program and the keyboard program are functioning. Of course a character entered through the keyboard would normally be placed in a buffer accessible to other parts of the program instead of simply being displayed via OUTPUT. The source code, even in its fully annotated form, is short enough that it, the Assembler symbol table, and the object code can all be co-resident in the AIM during development or modification.

```

2000          $THIS PROGRAM ENABLES
2000          $THE AIM-65 TO HAVE
2000          $AN INTERRUPT-DRIVEN
2000          $KEYBOARD, I.E. ENTRY
2000          $WITHOUT EXPLICIT
2000          $ENTRY CALLS, 3 PARTS
2000          $TO THIS CODE: 1-INT-
2000          $TERRUPT CONFIGURA-
2000          $TION; 2- DUMMY MAIN
2000          $PROGRAM WHICH DIS-
2000          $PLAYS 3"/SEC, 10
2000          $"?"/LINE; 3-INTER-
2000          $RUPT SERVICE ROU-
2000          $TINES, WRITTEN BY:
    
```

```

2000      $DR.WILL CRONYN      0226  A9 40      LDA #40
2000      $SYMBIOTIC DATA COMM 0228  8D 07 A0     STA UT1LL+1
2000      $ P.O. BOX 626      022B  58          CLI
2000      $BORREGO SPRINGS,CA
2000      $714-767-5498 92004 022C          $START "MAIN" PROGRAM
2000      $9NEC1980.          022C  A2 0A     BEGIN LDX #10
2000      $MONITOR ROUTINES.  022E          $ DONT HAVE INTRUPTS
2000      $ALL EXCEPT "READ" 022E  78        $DURING PRINT OF "?"
2000      $ARE FOR DUMMY MAIN  022F  20 D4 E7     IDLE SEI
2000      $PROGRAM.          0232  58        JSR RM
2000      NUNA   =$EA46        0233  20 3F 02     CLI
2000      CRLF   =$E9F0        0236  CA        JSR DELAY
2000      OUTPUT =$E97A       0237          DEX
2000      READ   =$E93C       0237  D0 F5     $ ARE WE UP TO 10?
2000      RM     =$E7D4       0239  20 F0 E9     BNE IDLE
2000      $IRQ VECT/T1 CONFIG. 023C  4C 2C 02     JSR CRLF
2000      IRQV4  =$A400       023C          JMP BEGIN
2000      UACR   =$A00B       023F          $FOR DELAY HAVE 2
2000      UT1L   =$A004       023F          $LOOPS-OUTSIDE=$80,
2000      UT1LL  =$A006       023F          $ INDEX=CNTR.
2000      UIER   =$A00E       023F          $INSIDE=$FF,INDEX=Y
2000      $ PAGE 0 VARIABLES  0241  A9 80     DELAY LDY #$FF
2000      *=$00          0241  A9 80     LDA #$80
2000      CNTR   *=*+1       0243  85 00     STA CNTR
2000      $ MAIN ONLY.       0245  88        LOOP1 DEY
2000      $ INTERRUPT CONFIG  0246  D0 FD     BNE LOOP1
2000      *=$0200         0248  C6 00     DEC CNTR
2000      $T1 FREE-RUN MODE?  024A  D0 F9     BNE LOOP1
2000      $DISABLE ALL VIA   024C  60        RTS
2000      $INTRPTS EXCEPT T1 024D          $INTRPT SRVC RTNS.
2000      $MNSVC LEAPS FROM
2000      $"MAIN" TO READ $RDSVC
2000      $LEAPS FROM READ TO
2000      $"MAIN" - BECAUSE OF
2000      $INTRPT-DRIVEN EXIT
2000      $FROM READ, MUST SAVE
2000      $STCK PNTR @ SAUSP.
2000      $NEXT INTRPT AFTER
2000      $MNSVC IS RDSVC & UU
2000      $SAUSP *=*+1
2000      $MNSVC PHA
2000      $TXA
2000      $PHA
2000      $TSX
2000      $STX SAUSP
2000      $SET INTRPT VECTOR
2000      $FOR NEXT INTRPT
2000      $CYCLE (NOT CURRENT)
2000      $LDA #<RDSVC
2000      $STA IRQV4
2000      $LDA #>RDSVC
2000  A9 C1          LDA #<MNSVC
2000  8D 00 A4      STA IRQV4
2000  A9 0F          LDA #>MNSVC
2000  8D 01 A4      STA IRQV4+1
2000  A9 40          LDA #40
2000  8D 0B A0      STA UACR
2000  A9 7F          LDA #7F
2000  8D 0E A0      STA UIER
2000  A9 C0          LDA #C0
2000  8D 0E A0      STA UIER
2000  A9 FF          LDA #FF
2000  8D 04 A0      STA UT1L
2000  8D 05 A0      STA UT1L+1
2000  A9 00          LDA #0
2000  8D 06 A0      STA UT1LL

```

# A BASIC HINT

**Howard A. Chinn**  
**S. Yarmouth, MA**

Issue No. 1 of INTERACTIVE called attention to the use of the AIM 65 text editor for editing BASIC programs. Mention was not made, however, of the use of the text editor to write BASIC programs that contain both direct (calculator mode) and indirect (programming mode) commands. This feature (which is not available on a TRS-80 until you upgrade to a disc system) provides an opportunity for many interesting applications.

Listing No. 1 is that of a short demonstration program prepared in the text editor and printed using the *Editor's* "L" command. This program was recorded on tape using the *Editor's* "L" command. Next, BASIC is entered and the program loaded using BASIC'S "LOAD" and with the printer turned "OFF" (for this particular demonstration). Listing No. 2 was generated automatically *while the program was being loaded!*

Listing No. 2 shows that a title and explanation is printed without the distracting "REM"'s. Program lines 10 to 40 are then placed in RAM. Next, the POKE command turned the printer "ON". The list command did its thing just as if you had typed in the command using the keyboard. And, finally, the "RUN" command ran the program automatically and since the printer was still "ON" the result is shown on the printout. The program, of course, resides in RAM. It could have been made to disappear had the original listing contained "NEW" at its end.

In a nutshell, when using the AIM 65 text editor any entry without a line number becomes a direct command and those with line numbers are indirect commands that are placed in RAM in the usual fashion.

The possibilities of this feature of the AIM 65 are limited only by your imagination.

Now, can someone tell me how to write a BASIC program in the text editor including the essential "CTRL Z" and a command to automatically turn off the cassette recorder after a dump to tape?

(The "Z" at the end of Listing #1 is a control Z).

LISTING NO. 1

```
=(L)
/
OUT=
?!"BASIC PGM VIA EDITOR"
?!"=====
=====
?!"AUTOMATICALLY LISTS
AND RUNS PROGRAM"
?!"ALSO TURNS PRINTER ON
AUTOMATICALLY"
?!"FOR LIST AND RUN"
10 FOR N=1 TO 5
20?N"X15="N*15
30 NEXT N
40 END
POKE 42001, 128
LIST
RUN
Z
```

LISTING NO. 2

```
BASIC PGM VIA EDITOR
=====
=====
AUTOMATICALLY LISTS AND
RUNS PROGRAM
ALSO TURNS PRINTER ON
AUTOMATICALLY
FOR LIST AND RUN
LIST
10 FOR N =1 TO 5
20 PRINTN"X15="N*15
30 NEXT N
40 END
RUN
1 X15= 15
2 X15= 30
3 X15= 45
4 X15= 60
5 X15= 75
```

```
0FCF 8D 01 A4          STA IRQV4+1
0FD2                $LENGTH-NEXT INTRPT
0FD2                $ CYCLE=$FFFF USEC
0FD2 A9 FF          LDA #FFF
0FD4 8D 06 A0          STA UTILL
0FD7 A9 FF          LDA #FFF
0FD9 8D 07 A0          STA UTILL+1
0FDC 58             CLI
0FDD 20 3C E9        JSR READ
0FE0                $DONT ALLOW INTRPT
0FE0                $ DURING OUTPUT
0FE0 78             SEI
0FE1 20 7A E9        JSR OUTPUT
0FE4                $@ EXIT FRM MNSVC
0FE4                $SET INTRPT FOR LEAF
0FE4                $ FROM "MAIN"
0FE4 A9 C1          RDSVC LDA #<MNSVC
0FE6 8D 00 A4          STA IRQV4
```

```
0FE9 A9 0F          LDA #>MNSVC
0FEB 8D 01 A4          STA IRQV4+1
0FEE                $AT TERM OF THIS
0FEE                $INTRPT CYCLE NEXT
0FEE                $WILL HAVE 16 MSEC
0FEE A9 00          LDA #0
0FF0 8D 06 A0          STA UTILL
0FF3 A9 40          LDA #40
0FF5 8D 07 A0          STA UTILL+1
0FF8                $NOW RESTORE A,X,SP
0FF8 AE C0 0F        LDX SAVSP
0FFB 9A             TXS
0FFC 68             PLA
0FFD AA             TAX
0FFE 68             PLA
0FFF 40             RTI
1000                ,END
```

(Continued from page 2)

above the IRQ Interrupt Processing section of the program. Also change the instruction BNE INTRET in the IRQ Interrupt Processing section to read BEQ INTRET.

The disassembly listing will also have to be changed. Add a JMP 0388 instruction between the CLI and LDA #40 instructions. The BNE 0392 will then be changed to BEQ 0395 because that part of the program is shifted upwards in memory.

## UNHELPFUL USR HELPER

For some unknown reason, the following program lines were omitted from the BASIC USR HELPER article on page 18 of issue #3.

The following lines are required:

```
0 DB=13*11+11:F=15:FA=15*16+10:GO TO 3
1 POKE4,DB:POKE5,F:RETURN:SET UP FOR SETARD
2 POKE4,FA:POKE5,F:RETURN:SET UP FOR CALLIT
3 REM PROGRAM MAY START HERE
```

Note that the definition on line 0 will speed up operation by eliminating the required conversions to decimal every time lines 1 or 2 are called.

## NEWSLETTER REVIEW

From the Editor:

The Sept/Oct issue of the Target, a newsletter dedicated entirely to the AIM 65 was, perhaps, the best issue of that newsletter that I've seen. In it were two articles that should tickle the fancy of most any serious AIM 65 user. The first article showed how to hook up the new General Instrument Programmable Sound Generator (AY3-8910) to the Aim 65 and presented a software driver to make the thing generate telephone touch tones from phone numbers which are stored in memory.

I have played with this chip quite a bit and am really impressed with all its capability. The AY3-8910 interfaces very easily with the user R6522.

The other neat article that was in the issue presented complete plans (hardware and software) for an EPROM programmer that can program virtually all of the most popular EPROMS—2708, both styles of the 2716 and 2532. The software is self prompting and the hardware design is complete down to the AC power supply.

The Sept/Oct issue (1980) of Target is easily worth the \$6.00 yearly subscription rate (it's published bimonthly). Outside of the U.S. and Canada the price is \$12.00. Contact Donald Clem, RR#2, Spencerville, OH 45887.

## BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AIM-65 USERS GROUP

Workers in the behavioral and biological sciences who are currently using, or are interested in using the AIM 65 are invited to participate in a user's group now forming. Areas of interest include hardware and software for experimental control, data acquisition, statistical analyses, and other applications. If interested, please write, outlining areas of interest, current and planned projects, etc., to Dr. J. W. Moore, Jr., Box 539 MTSU, Murfreesboro, TN 37132.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Eric:

In a previous letter I complained about the lack of readability of many of the programs in issues #1 and #2 of INTERACTIVE. This letter is to thank you and commend you for the fine job you have done in issue #3 in rendering the programs more readable. The only one which is faint at all but still is quite readable is the simultaneous equations from George Sellers.

Here is a question you might be able to answer in the journal. Does anyone have a machine language program which will make a software conversion from ASCII to Baudot and output serial Baudot on the AIM 65's 20 miliampere current loop? A relay could then be used to transfer the Baudot to the 60 miliampere current loop of a Model 15 five level teletype. A perhaps related question—can the 20 miliampere TTY loop output of the AIM 65 be used to output to a printer and still use the AIM 65 keyboard? If so, where would the KBD/TTY switch be placed?

Another question—Since the AIM 65 monitor has routines in it which convert shifted characters so that the output is entirely capitals (no lower case) how can the AIM 65 board be used to feed a printer the necessary codes for lower case? I thought perhaps Dr. DeJong's program for the Interrupt Driven Keyboard on page 12 would answer this, but his routine contains at location 0C7F "if alpha characters do not shift" just as does the monitor. Could one just leave out the routine between 0C7F and 0C85 and get lower case characters output?

Keep plugging along and keep up the good work. Happy to see that INTERACTIVE is getting larger all the time. Thanks.

Sincerely,

John U. Keating, M.D.  
8415 Washington Blvd.  
Indianapolis, IN 46240

Dear John,

*I don't know of any program available to convert the TTY port to Baudot. Doesn't sound too difficult, however. See the program on page 13 of this issue for the procedure for using the TTY port without regard to the TTY/KBD switch. I would assume that lower case output could be achieved by modifying an input program (such as DeJong's) and writing a new output program.*

Eric

Dear Editor,

I must apologize. I am rather negligent in sending in programming "goodies" to share and this contribution does not make up for it. However, I noticed in Issue 2, there was an 18 line step disassembler. This should make it even easier; excluding the F3 jump, it is only 3 lines long. If printout is desired, it requires all of 4 lines.

0112	JMP	00D0	(this is arbitrary)
00D0	INC	A419	

```
00D3   JSR   E71D
00D6   RTS
```

To run, toggle the printer off. Next, disassemble the first instruction of the program under examination using the K command and a RETURN following the / prompt. This sets up the various flags and registers. To disassemble subsequent instructions, just press the F3 key.

The printing version goes as follows:

```
0112   JMP   00D0      (again, this is arbitrary)

00D0   INC   A419
00D3   JSR   E71D
00D6   JSR   F04A
00D9   RTS
```

Toggle the printer off, and disassemble the first instruction as above. Hit the PRINT key to print the first instruction. Each press of F3 will disassemble and print the next line.

Michael L. Brachman  
3513 Lake Ave. #307  
Wilmette, IL 60091

Dear Editor:

I think I've hit on a good way to build data files on tape from AIM BASIC. This is an alternative to the method described by Ralph Reccia in Issue No. 1.

To write a file on tape, insert the following line in the BASIC code before the first PRINT statement you wish to send to tape:

```
POKE4,113:POKE5,232:X=USR(X)
```

This line calls the monitor subroutine WHEREO, which issues the familiar prompts OUT=, F=, T=. Answer these prompts with T, your desired file name, and 1 or 2. This initializes a tape file with the given name. From here on, all BASIC PRINT statements will direct output to the tape buffer, and when the buffer is filled it will be dumped to tape.

Don't forget to close the tape file before leaving the BASIC program. This is necessary to ensure recording the last dab of output. To close, insert the following line after the last PRINT which you want directed to tape:

```
POKE4,10:POKE5,229:X=USR (X)
```

This calls the monitor subroutine DU11, which closes the file and redirects output to the display/printer. As a final touch, optional but nice, stop the tape recorder by inserting the line:

```
POKE43008,207 AND PEEK(43008).
```

(I've assumed that you have the tape recorder remote control connected.)

To read a tape file, insert the following code before the INPUT statements:

```
POKE4,72:POKE5,232:X=USR(X)
```

This calls WHEREI, which issues input prompts, searches for the desired file, and loads the first block into the buffer. Additional blocks are loaded as they are needed. To restore normal operation, insert the line:

```
POKE42002,13
```

A potential problem on input from tape and be sidestepped by ending the file with a distinctive end-of-file flag, say 9999, when it is written. Thus, the end of file can be detected on input by testing each datum as it is read. There is room for some ingenuity here.

Adroit use of POKE42002,84 and POKE42002,13 permit reading alternately from the tape and from the keyboard. The tape file need not be re-initialized each time. POKE42003,84 and POKE42003,13 serve a similar function for output.

Incidentally, I've found that the tape recorder remote controls as provided on the AIM65 interject intolerable noise into the recordings. This is because the power ground is in common with the signal ground and it can be remedied by electrically isolating the power circuit. I use optoisolators and transistors, but the relay method shown on the back page of Issue No. 1 is probably better.

The TEXT EDITOR can also be useful in dealing with these files. For example, I've prepared a data file of our natural gas usage for the past five years. For this, it was convenient to set up a text file in which each line was one month's gas use. After appending an end-of-file flag, this file was dumped on tape under the file name GAS by means of the editor's L command. The advantage here is that the file can be proofed prior to recording with the help of the T, B, U, D, K, I, and F commands.

How about sending BASIC output to a serial printer? I've found that when the KB/TTY switch is in the TTY position, output is routed to the serial port. Unfortunately, this also disables the keyboard. One way out is to insert the line

```
WAIT 43008,08.08
```

which stops program execution until the KB/TTY switch is thrown to TTY. To restore normal operation, insert

```
WAIT 43008,08
```

which again halts execution until the switch is returned to KB. Don't forget to set the baud rate parameters.

I have found the AIM65 to be very educational, as was the case with the KIM-1 before it. I use both. I appreciate the support Rockwell is giving AIM65 through this newsletter, as well as through peripherals and tech notes.

Earl O. Knutson  
51 Ralph Place  
Morristown, N.J. 07960

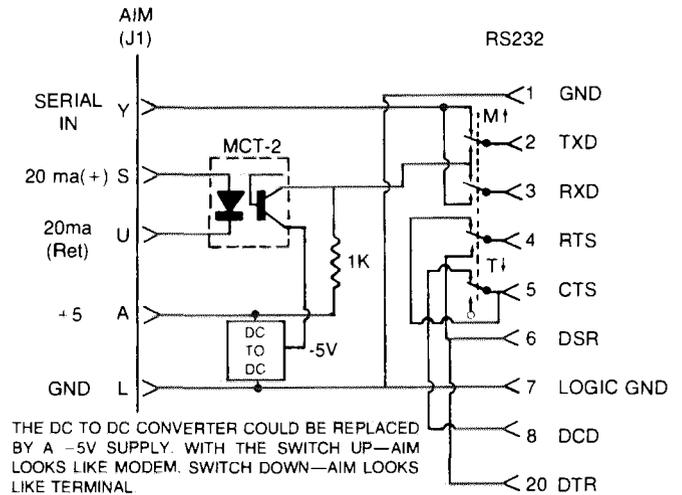
# EASY RS232C

**R. M. Dumse**  
**Rockwell Int'l**

To meet the RS232C requirements it is necessary to convert the TTL levels of the 6500 Series I/O devices on the AIM to RS232C levels. TTL levels are defined as values below 0.8V for a logical zero and above 2.4V for a logical one, with 0V and 5V being the outside limits. The middle region is undefined, meaning a TTL device operating with an input between 0.8V and 2.4V could interpret it to be either a zero or a one. Its output is therefore indeterminate. To have TTL circuits work correctly we must make sure that these levels are correct. RS232 levels are different. A logical one is defined to be any voltage between -3V and -15V, a logical zero between +3V and +15V in the "C" version. The region between -3V and +3V is indeterminate. Note that this is inverted to the way we normally think of logic, a one being negative going and a zero being positive.

To communicate across an RS232 interface, the AIM must be able to send and receive all RS232 signals at these levels. Although not well documented, the AIM is already equipped with a receiver that will translate RS232 signals to TTL levels. This receiver accepts an input from pin Y on the Applications (J1) Connector. Part of the circuitry used is shared with the 20ma current loop receiver. The 20ma current loop transmitter can easily be converted to RS232 levels off the board with the circuitry detailed below.

Not yet mentioned is the fact that RS232 devices communicate serially. The format is generally selectable with at least one mode that is identical to the Teletype format used by the AIM with one start bit and two stop bits. We can therefore use the software in the AIM's Monitor to communicate when the convertor is added.



If the device to be connected has a "handshaking" version of the RS232, it is necessary to generate handshaking signals that allow continuous communication. The circuit shown below uses a scheme of simply "wrapping around" any handshaking signals to meet this end. That is, when it is set to be a modem, a Request To Send (RTS) is wrapped around to the Clear To Send (CTS) line. (Note: To further confuse the issue these signals are negative logic. A zero, meaning level between +3V and +15V, is considered the true condition ie: a Request To Send is a positive voltage when true.)

The circuit shown will work well at speeds in excess of 9600 baud if the AIM 65 used has a 3.3K ohm resistor in R24. This resistor is labelled on the board and can be found behind the printer. Older AIM 65's have a 1K ohm resistor in that position which will not work. Replacing that resistor with the higher value will correct the problem, but will void the AIM's warranty. Refer to section 9. 2. 3. of the AIM 65 USER'S GUIDE for direction on initializing and operating the serial interface.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR  
 ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL  
 P.O. Box 3669, RC55  
 Anaheim, CA 92803 U.S.A.

Bulk Rate  
 U.S. POSTAGE  
 RATE  
 Santa Ana Calif.  
 PERMIT NO. 15