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Basic 8.0

The Enhanced Graphics System For The C128

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Required Equipment

Commodore C128 (or C128D) Computer in C128 80 column Mode only

At Least 1 disk drive (1541, 1571, 1581 and compatibles)

RGB Monitor

Supported Hardware Options

External RAM Expansion

Model 1700 128K RAM cartridge, or

Model 1750 512K RAM cartridge

Internal 64K RAM Expansion for the 8563 Video Display Chip  
(New C128D model comes with the 64K already built in.)

Model 1351 Proportional Mouse

Standard Joystick

Dot Matrix Printer (See Chapter 11 for specific printers)

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The BASIC PAINT Work Disk contains the included 80 column color paint program, as well as menus, fonts and requestors. It is a RunTime Program, meaning it contains only the runtime library, not the editor. You cannot edit or list the program,



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and you cannot sell or give it away. The **BASIC PAINT** disk is also an autoboot disk. Just plug in a 1351 mouse into port one or a joystick into port two and boot the disk. You will be presented with a series of menus and requestors that allow you to configure the program to your system.

The **BASIC 8.0 RunTime Disk** is the only legal way to sell or give away programs you have written with **BASIC 8.0**. It contains the **RunTime Library**, which is a program that allows **BASIC 8.0** programs to run, but not edited or listed. This disk also contains the **WORKBENCH** program, which is simply a **BASIC 8.0** program that allows you to use a mouse to load and run **BASIC 8.0** programs. This disk too is a autoboot disk. It will load and activate the **RunTime Library**, and then it loads and runs the **WIOS WORKBENCH**. You can put your own programs and their required files on this disk, where they can be loaded by pointing the mouse and selecting them with the mouse buttons. Or you can alter the booting sequence of the **RunTime Disk** in order to directly load and run your program. See Chapter Seven for details.

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We made a very deliberate decision to not put any type of copy protection on the disk, so you could easily make working disks. At this time, nearly all new Commodore software is protected. So why not **BASIC 8.0**? We believe that C128 users deserve to be trusted. We believe in giving you value for your money. So on this disk is not only the first truly unique C128 software package (**BASIC 8.0**), there is a **FREE** run time system that can be used by registered owners to produce program disks that will run your **BASIC 8.0** programs without using the **BASIC 8.0**

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editor disk. These run time systems can be given away or sold without you paying us royalties! So if you write an exceptional program you want to share, you can do so legally without infringing on our copyright. (These run time programs can only be ran, not edited or altered by the user.)

If that isn't enough, there is also a bonus program written in **BASIC 8.0** called **BASIC PAINT**. This is a very powerful graphic paint package, actually more powerful than most commercial systems available for sale. This program is also copyrighted, so you may not give it away or sell it. Use **BASIC PAINT** just as a paint system, or use it to create pictures, brushes and patterns for use in your **BASIC 8.0** programs.

Besides informing you that making copies of **BASIC 8.0** and **BASIC PAINT** and giving them away (or selling them) is illegal and makes you subject to criminal penalties, please consider this. We spent two years developing this system for the C128, at a time when most software developers were ignoring your software needs. We have given you one of the most powerful graphic languages ever produced on eight bit machines, a free run time system for the programs you develop, as well as a powerful paint package. We have trusted you by allowing you to make copies of the disk for your own use. If we find that all this is not respected and piracy occurs anyway, other software being developed by us may well never show up, or may be protected if it does.

But if you show the proper restraint and do not give out illegal copies, rest assured we will follow with more powerful, unique and **unprotected** software for your C128. And who knows, other companies may follow our lead!

**FOREWORD**

The Commodore 128 personal computer was released in mid 1985 as the logical upgrade path to the popular C64 computer. In order to address the wants and needs of the potential C128 computer buyers, Commodore asked for suggestions about what the users would like in this new computer system. The major suggestions were implemented. These were C64 compatibility, a faster high capacity disk drive, more standard memory and ram expansion capability, a higher level BASIC language, and a professional 80 column color display. All these improvements over the C64 allowed Commodore to create what is perhaps the most powerful 8 bit microcomputer yet released to the public, and they explain why in a little more than a year over one million C128's have been sold.

One problem associated with the C128 has been the limited amount of software developed for its native C128 mode. This is mainly because of the C64 compatibility as software developers wanted to play it safe and only released software that would run in C64 mode. This lack of real C128 mode software has led to a good deal of anger and disappointment in the C128 buying public, yet they have stayed with their chosen computer system. And of the one hundred or so native C128 packages available after a year, most have been productivity packages like word processors, spreadsheets and databases. Interestingly enough the ones that have been successful have all catered to the C128's 80 column display capabilities.

While the built in Basic 7.0 has a very large base of commands that take advantage of the C128's 40 column graphics capability, almost nothing is available to the BASIC programmer

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to access the C128's 80 column graphics possibilities, which are quite extensive and actually more powerful than the supported 40 column graphics. In fact Commodore originally stated that there would be no high resolution RGB graphics (except text) as the 8563 chip was not designed to support them and any that could be added via software would be too slow to be usable. The authors of **Basic 8.0** demonstrated that high speed monochrome graphics were not only possible, but quite practical in an early copyrighted language extension called Ultra Hires. This small graphics language generated such an avalanche of world-wide interest that we decided to see just how extensive the graphics of the 8563 were. Our criteria was to produce the most powerful and productive graphics system ever developed for a 8 bit computer. With **Basic 8.0** we more than succeeded.

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CHAPTER ONE  
INTRODUCTION TO THE BASIC 8.0  
PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE

**Basic 8.0** is a new and exciting programming environment for the C128 computer owner. It allows you to use an entirely new aspect of graphics on the C128, graphics that actually exceed the high resolution and power that the C128 and C64 user have come to expect. Yet it does so while being compatible with the existing advanced non-graphic commands of Basic 7.0 that are built into the computer.

Why is **Basic 8.0** so powerful? Well, first of all it offers an extremely high resolution graphics display of 640 X 200 pixels on the screen at the same time (twice the resolution of 40 column mode). This screen memory is completely separate from the normal system ram contained in the computer, and unlike the 40 column graphic screen it does not use any of the users valuable programming ram. Secondly, the normal bitmap graphics used on microcomputers are a two dimensional system. With **Basic 8.0** however, its drawing commands work in a three dimensional environment, and the BASIC programmer has a great deal of control over perspective, rotation, viewing angles, the origin and depth of view. Furthermore, it gives the programmer commands to generate three dimensional solid surfaces, a power usually only available on much more expensive computers. Third, **Basic 8.0** offers the RGB graphics user five different types of graphic displays, four of which can use all 16 colors on the screen at the same time. It is also possible to have several screens in memory simultaneously, each with a different color resolution and/or screen size. Fourth, **Basic 8.0** has many other special

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and unique features. For example you can make Virtual screens that are much larger than the normal 640 X 200 displayable screen. By using the **SCRDEF** command you can create custom screens that are up to 2040 pixels wide or over 800 pixels tall. Conversely, by using the **MODE** command you can easily switch between any of the 32 predefined graphic screens. There are also commands to **SCROLL** a screen, save and load screens and brushes, define a **LOGO**, **PAINT** with exotic color **PATTERNS** of your own design, create **WINDOWS**, make printed copies of your images on many different printers (and in many different sizes as well as in color) and much more.

Another important feature of **Basic 8.0** is it's total support of the C128 and its hardware expansion capabilities. Obviously the 80 column RGB display is used. And of course the **Basic 8.0** user can make use of the 1541,1571 and 1581 disk drives. Support for a number of different dot matrix printers allow programs to create hardcopy of the graphic screens. **Basic 8.0** also is one of the first commercial software packages to support the 1700 and 1750 ram expansion modules. You will find that the new 1351 proportional mouse has found a home here in **Basic 8.0** programs, and you can still use a joystick too. You will even find that the extra 64K video ram expansion for the 8563 chip being installed in tens of thousands of C128's by their owners (and already present in the new C128D) is completely supported. **Basic 8.0** can use in one way or another the whole 704 K ram that can be installed in the C128, as well as virtually every peripheral device. In fact everytime you upgrade your C128 computer, you will find **Basic 8.0** waiting with even more capabilities for you to use!

The following chapters will help you learn about **Basic 8.0** and its commands and techniques. They are divided into several sections: screens and modes, 3d graphics, solid shapes, memory management, data structures, the mouse/joystick/pointer system, printers and more. Following these chapters you will find a **Basic 8.0 ENCYCLOPEDIA**, which is an organized directory of the commands and their syntax. Here every command is listed and each parameter explained. Then comes the **Basic 8.0 MEMORY MAP**, which simply shows the areas of the computer that are used by the ROMS, RAM and **Basic 8.0** itself. Finally the appendix contains information on the data compression algorithms used, the file format for the graphics, 3d data file structures and more!

The hardware in the C128 that lets **Basic 8.0** generate all these special graphics is the **8563 Video Display Chip**. This is a very powerful RGB display processor that is a new addition to the Commodore computer family. It is controlled through 37 registers that are completely separate from the normal C128 operating system. It is only possible to address the 8563 registers and its video display ram through two locations in the C128. These are **\$D600 (Address Register)** and **\$D601 (Data Register)**. Programming the 8563 can be quite complex, and explains why graphics were thought to be infeasible, though obviously not impossible. On a standard C128 the 8563 video chip has 16k of dedicated display ram you can use, but it is quite possible to expand that ram to 64k, opening a whole new world of C128 and **Basic 8.0** graphics.

**Basic 8.0** allows you to access these new capabilities as well as creating many additional features in your own programs. It does this while still supporting the built in **Basic 7** commands



(except of course the 40 column graphics commands).

How does **Basic 8.0** work? Well, the language is what is known as a **wedge**. A wedge is a machine language program that is **wedged** into the computers BASIC interpreter where the new commands can be executed (and evaluated) along with the old. One of the problems associated with these types of languages is the fact they slow down the normal basic interpreter simply by adding more commands. **Basic 8.0** does **not** work this way because we did not want to slow down your programs. Instead we choose a method called a **syntax error wedge**. This technique prefixes the new commands with a character that is not used by BASIC in any of its' normal commands. So when this character is encountered in a statement, the operating system jumps to the routine that handles syntax errors. We have taken over that function, and check for one of our commands when an error occurs. If it is a real syntax error the program passes it on to the operating system for evaluation. If however we find it to be a **Basic 8.0** command it jumps to our new interpreter. Only then is the new command interpreted. This technique saves a great deal, of time in processing the program, especially when (like in **Basic 8.0**) the added language consists of a large number of new commands. This time savings means your programs run as fast as is possible.

The special character used to prefix all **Basic 8.0** commands is the @ character. It is easy to see in your programs, and does not require pressing the shift key on the C128 keyboard to use. And, finally it should make it far easier for a compiler to be developed for the **Basic 8.0** language, should a developer wish to do so.

Basic 8.0 COMMAND SUMMARY

@ANGLE  
@ARC  
@BOX  
@BRUSHPATRN  
@BUFFER  
@CBRUSH  
@CHAR  
@CIRCLE  
@CLEAR  
@COLOR  
@COPY  
@CYLNDR  
@DIR\$  
@DISPLAY  
@DOT  
@DRWMODA  
@DRWMODB  
@FETCH  
@FLASH  
@FONT  
@GROW  
@HCOPY  
@LINE  
@LOGO  
@LSTRUCT  
@MODE  
@MOUSE  
@ORIGIN  
@PAINT  
@PATTERN  
@PIXEL  
@PTR  
@SCALE  
@SCLIP  
@SCRDEF  
@SCREEN  
@SCROLL  
@SDAT  
@SEND  
@SPHERE  
@SPOOL  
@SSTRUCT  
@STASH  
@STORE  
@STRUCT  
@STYLE  
@TEXT  
@TOROID  
@VIEW  
@WALRUS  
@WINDOWCLOSE  
@WINDOWOPEN  
@ZOOM

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**STARTING BASIC 8.0**

To start **BASIC 8.0** turn on your disk drive and RGB monitor. If you are using a dual monitor (like the 1902) make sure it is in RGB mode. Press the 40/80 column key on the C128 down. Put the **BASIC 8.0 Work Disk** in the drive, and turn on the computer. The system will autoboot (load and run itself). When it is finished loading, you can then run one of the supplied utility programs or write your own.

**CHAPTER TWO  
SCREENS AND MODES**

There are five different screen formats supported by BASIC 8. The key difference between them lies not in the screen pixel resolution, but rather in the color resolution or color cell size. In monochrome graphics mode there is no color information stored for a color cell, so there is only two colors, foreground and background, available to the screen. Therefore a 640 X 200 monochrome screen requires 16000 bytes of ram for the bitmap, and no ram for color information. To use many colors at once you must have somewhere in memory to store the color information, or attributes. On the C128 a single attribute byte controls the color information for a color cell. Each attribute is responsible for storing the color information for a specific area of the screen known as the color cell. A color cell is always 8 bits (pixels) wide, and can be either 2, 4, 8 or 16 scanlines (pixels) tall. Each color cell can have any 2 colors, a foreground color and a background color, from a palette of 16 colors. The larger the color cell, the smaller the amount of ram required for color attributes. The smaller the color cell the more ram required for color attributes. So when using the multicolor modes some ram in addition to the bitmap ram is required to store the color information, with the exact amount depending on the color cell and screen size.

The five possible display modes are defined as such:

<u>Mode</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Color Resolution</u>
0	Monochrome	No color cell
1	Color Mode 1	8 X 2 pixel color cell
2	Color Mode 2	8 X 4 pixel color cell
3	Color Mode 3	8 X 8 pixel color cell
4	Color Mode 4	8 X 16 pixel color cell

For some point of reference look at display mode 3. It uses an 8 X 8 pixel color cell, which means that each of the 8 X 8 cells on the screen in this display mode can have their own unique pair of colors, one for the foreground and the other for the background. This is the same color resolution as the C64 or C128 composite high resolution screens color capacity, yet the bitmap has twice the horizontal screen resolution of the composite mode. Each color cell requires 1 byte of attribute memory in addition to the bitmap ram requirements. Using a 640 X 200 display with an 8 X 8 color cell requires 16000 bytes for the bitmap and 2000 bytes for the color attributes totaling 18000 bytes of ram. This is obviously more than the 16K built in for the 8563 to use and since none of the C128's system ram can be directly accessed for 80 column graphic purposes it is not possible to display a full 640 X 200 color screen in any of the color modes with only the standard 16K. That's why we strongly recommend you have the full 64K video ram installed in your C128 (see appendix). The ram requirements for a 640 X 200 screen in each display mode are :

<u>DISPLAY MODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>COLOR CELL SIZE</u>	<u>RAM REQUIRED</u>
0	Monochrome	0	16000
1	Color Mode 1	8 X 2	24000
2	Color Mode 2	8 X 4	20000
3	Color Mode 3	8 X 8	18000
4	Color Mode 4	8 X 16	17000

As you can see it is not possible to have these full screen colors without the extra ram. If you have installed the full 64K of ram (or have a C128D) you can use any display mode as well as virtual screens larger than 640 x 200. However in a standard C128 there is only 16K, so to get around this limitation and still provide color, you must define screens that are less than

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200 pixels high, which frees some ram to be used for color information. You can define your own screens using the @SCRDEF (SCREEN DEFINITION) command, or simply use the @MODE,0 command to define 8 separate screens designed for the 16K C128. These screens already make allowances for the limited memory, and create screen displays of various heights and resolutions. They are as follows:

SCREEN 0	640 X 200	Monochrome	
SCREEN 1	640 X 192	Color 8 X 16	
SCREEN 2	640 X 176	Color 8 X 8	
SCREEN 3	640 X 152	Color 8 X 4	
SCREEN 4	640 X 104	Color 8 X 2	
SCREEN 5	640 X 176	Color 8 X 8	Interlaced
SCREEN 6	640 X 152	Color 8 X 4	Interlaced
SCREEN 7	640 X 104	Color 8 X 2	Interlaced

After using the @MODE,0 command you can work on any of the above screens by just using the @SCREEN,n command, where n is 0-7. We have found the @SCREEN,2 (640 X 176 Color, 8 X 8 color cell) the most generally useful color display in the standard, unexpanded C128. If your needs are such that a smaller display (640 X 152 or 640 X 104) is useful, by all means use those screens. The extra color capability is exceptional, and it allows for strikingly beautiful color displays. If you need a larger color display in a 16K system, use @SCREEN,1 for a 640 X 192 color display using a 8 X 16 color cell. You can use only one of the @MODE,0 screens at any one time, but you can switch very easily between the different screen types. You can also maintain the different screens in memory as brushes, or @STORE them to disk until needed. Depending on the size of your program, you can @STASH several screens in the C128's ram banks 0 and 1. However, if you have the 1700 or 1750 Ram Expansion cartridges you can have dozens of screens, fonts, brushes, logos

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and patterns in memory at one time.

If you have the 64K video ram expansion installed in your C128 (see Appendix) or own a C128D your screen possibilities are enhanced virtually 1000%! You can now use all four @MODE commands. @MODE,1-3 offers twenty four spectacular screen combinations. Besides 640 X 200 monochrome screens there is every possible 640 X 200 color screen (8 X 16, 8 X 8, 8 X 4 and 8 X 2). There is a large variety of VIRTUAL SCREENS (screens larger than what can be displayed on the monitor at once), including monochrome displays such as 1280 X 409, 640 X 819, 2040 X 252 and 800 X 655 pixels. There are many virtual color screens as well, up to 640 X 728 pixels. @MODE,1 and @MODE,2 both contain combinations that allow two to four screens in memory at once, regardless of the screen size or type. Of course, you can use the @SCRDEF command to custom design screens of any size using any of the five color types. When used it overrides the definition given that screen number by @MODE,n. Take a look at the various screens in each mode, because it is likely most of the screens you want will be there; if not, then make some of your own design. You can find a detailed list of the screens in each mode in the chapter BASIC 8 COMMAND ENCYCLOPEDIA under @MODE; the complete syntax of @SCRDEF is also listed there.

You activate your chosen graphic screen with the command @SCREEN,draw screen, view screen. The draw screen and view screen signifies which of the possible (at one time) 8 screen definitions to use as your current drawing screen and viewing screen. They do not have to be the same, so you can be looking at one screen while drawing on another (in 64K video ram systems). This is ideal for many applications, and can be used

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for double buffered displays, a technique often used for animation. And screens can be saved or loaded with the @STORE and @DISPLAY commands.

At times you will need the use of the normal text screen, and you can return to it quite easily with @TEXT. This initializes the C128 80 column text display, using the standard character fonts. If you want to install custom fonts in text mode, using the @FONT command will allow you to load any two fonts into memory for use with the 80 column text display.

Another powerful command is @WINDOWOPEN. This command allows you to define special subwindow areas of the screen. The upper left corner of the window becomes the screen location 0,0. Both the windows size and location is user defined, and once defined all subsequent drawing commands default to it. It stays the default output until another @WINDOWOPEN or @SCREEN command is issued or you give the command @WINDOWCLOSE. Once opened, the window can be cleared, filled with color, drawn into, etc. If clipping is on, objects drawn outside the window are clipped.

Most, but not all, of the graphic commands work on the current window. Those that do not (like @STASH, @FETCH, @COPY etc) are not drawing commands. In the BASIC 8.0 COMMAND ENCLYCLOPEDIA each command is defined and if it does not respond to the @WINDOWOPEN command, it will be clearly labeled as such.

Here is a simple example program that will define a @MODE,0 640 X 176 color screen, clear the display and set up some default drawing colors.

```
10 @WALRUS,0:REM define the 16K ram mode
20 @MODE,0:REM Select the 8 screens available to 16K users
30 @COLOR,0,8,0:REM black background, red drawing color, black border
40 @SCREEN,2,2:REM use the 640 x 176 color display 8x8 cells
50 @CLEAR,0:REM clear the display
60 SLEEP 5:REM wait 5 seconds
```

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70 @TEXT:REM return to text mode

A final note. The different color screens are not compatible. You cannot display an 8 x 8 screen in an 8 x 2 mode. The same is true for brushes. They can only use the color mode from which they were created. Monochrome screens and brushes can be loaded into any screen, although they will not contain any color information. Color screens and brushes of any color cell resolution can be displayed in a monochrome screen, with the color information ignored by the monochrome display. By going through a monochrome intermediary, you can transfer the bitmap of screens and brushes from different color modes.

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CHAPTER THREE  
GRAPHICS

**BASIC 8.0** has all the graphics shapes you would expect from a graphics oriented language. It has **@DOT**, **@LINE**, **@BOX**, **@ARC**, **@CIRCLE**, **@PAINT** and more. These are normally rather standard commands, but this is **BASIC 8.0**, not some simple graphics system. Each of these commands offers far more than found in any other language. For example, each of them works in 3 dimensions. That's right, 3D! Each point is defined as an element of a **X,Y,Z** coordinate system. This is far more advanced than the simpler 2D system used on other graphic systems. It allows you to define and draw complex 3D objects without complex (and slow) mathematical calculations. It doesn't stop there either. **BASIC 8.0** has some powerful pattern capabilities that allows you to define patterns **n** bytes wide by **m** pixels deep and in color. This is especially useful with the **@PAINT** command, but also the drawing commands (and the character command) can be told to draw in the current pattern. That means your lines, circles, boxes, dots, arcs and letters can all be patterned (like the AMIGA). There's more! Each of the drawing commands (except **@DOT**) can be given a **height** parameter that allows you to **multidraw** it. You can define both the **direction** and the **step value** used by the height parameter with the **@GROW** command. The syntax is **@GROW,x step,y step,z step**; these step parameters can be positive or negative values. Therefore it is possible to grow in several dimensions and directions, **all at the same time!** If the step value is 1 or -1, the line is drawn as a solid. If it is 0 there is no growth in that direction. If greater or less than 1 or -1 then each layer of the graphic is stepped by that number of lines. What can you do with this? Well, for one thing it allows

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lines of different weights. For another, when used with the @CIRCLE command it allows you to draw cylinders. Used with the @ARC or @BOX commands it allows you to draw 3D bars of various shapes, or use a subtended arc and make 3D pie wedges for graphs or charts.

@BOX allows shearing which means to pull the base left or right from its position, while holding the top still. These parameters allow you to specify a shear direction (X or Y) and a shear value (how far to shear it). This allows you to make complex 3D bars very easily.

@ARC offers a few special features too. While it can be used for circles or ellipses, it can also be used for generating segments of a curve by specifying the start and ending angles of the arc. You can set the increment of the arc (angle between the lines used to draw the arc) to create other geometric shapes. The smaller the increment, the smoother the line. The larger the increment, the more noticeable the lines. If you define an increment of 45 degrees, the arc becomes an octagon (8 sides). Use 60 degrees and it's a hexagon (6 sides), 90 degrees and you have a diamond, and 120 degrees for a triangle.

When using pixel oriented graphics, a problem arises. The pixel is not symmetrical, rather it is bigger in the Y direction than the X. This means if you draw a 100 pixel horizontal line and a 100 pixel vertical line, the vertical line will be physically longer. To compensate for this BASIC 8.0 has the command @SCALE. There are three scale modes available. The first, @SCALE,0 is the normal mode. Here the Y pixel is longer than the X, so a 640 X 200 pixel screen is just that. @SCALE,1 tells the graphic primitives to use a different pixel scale. The

640 X 200 physical pixel screen becomes a 640 X 512 logical screen. There are no more real pixels displayed but they are addressed differently. This new graphic scale means that in the example above, both 100 pixel lines are the same physical length. @SCALE,2 doubles the logical scale of @SCALE,1. The screen now becomes 1280 X 1024 logical pixels. Again here we have no additional pixels, only a better logical addressing where all the addressible points are the same size. It is very important not to confuse these logical screens with virtual screens. Virtual screens really are physically larger in terms of real pixels. If you are working in a large virtual screen and change the scale the virtual screen is adjusted accordingly. To determine the new pixel ranges, use these formulas:

@SCALE,1

NewX = OldMaxX, NewY = OldMaxY/.39

@SCALE,2

NewX = OldMaxX\*2, NewY = (OldMaxY/.39)\*2

OldMaxX and OldMaxY are the largest X and Y values in the current screen.

A word about using @SCALE is in order. While it does compensate for the C128's non-symmetrical pixel, it has the drawback of slowing the rate of drawing. That's because the scaled points must be converted to the physical screen pixels. So don't use @SCALE 1 or 2 in situations where speed is important.

@PATTERN allows you to specify one of the 192 structures as the current pattern. You can fill an enclosed area with the @PAINT command. @PAINT uses the currently defined pattern, if pattern mode has been selected in @DRWMODA, otherwise @PAINT uses the current color for a solid paint. @PATTERN allows you to create incredibly detailed patterned fills, and of course the

pattern can be in color. Anything you can define as a brush can be used as a pattern. Just @STASH the screen area you want in memory as a brush, then use @BRUSHPATRN to make that brush into a pattern. For information on defining a pattern structure see the chapter on structures or the BASIC 8.0 ENCYCLOPEDIA.

You can also find out information on any specified pixel with the command @PIXEL. It allows you to tell if a given pixel is on, and what the colors are within its color cell.

When using the multicolor modes, it is easy to set the drawing, background and border color with the @COLOR command. It allows each to be any of 16 colors. Normally there is no different border color in the C128 RGB mode, but while in color mode BASIC 8.0 was able to get around that limitation. You can also use the @CLEAR command to fill the current screen or window with the colors of your choice, or even to fill it with one of 255 different simple patterned shades based upon the numbers 0-255.

Another graphic command is @CHAR. @CHAR allows you to write on the graphics screen using any character font you want. You can use the two built in fonts, or you can load a new font into a structure and use it. The characters can be enlarged up to 16 times in both the x and y directions. You can position the character string anywhere on the active drawing screen. If you are using the color modes you can specify the foreground and/or the background color of the character by inserting control codes in the string. You can also give the direction to print the character string. The direction can be left, right, up, down or combinations of them, like up and to the right. And there are many special character control codes in addition to colors

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available. For example, you can underline, rotate, flip, mirror, reverse, pattern, complement, inverse and blank under the character string, just by including the proper control code. For details of the @CHAR command see the BASIC 8.0 ENCYCLOPEDIA (CHAPTER 10).

There are other commands used with the graphic commands that modify the way they are used. The commands are @DRWMODA and @DRWMOB. Each allows you to turn on and off different drawing modes. For example, you can use @DRWMODA to draw, erase or use the XOR (complement) mode when drawing pixels. You can turn on and off patterned drawing. You can merge a pattern with the screen, and set the clipping flag. (Clipping chops off the drawing commands when they leave the edges of the current screen or window.) You can also change from perspective to parallel 3D drawing modes with the @DRWMOB command as well as setting the Unplotlast and Unplotvertex flags, so that when drawing multiheight objects they have a more obvious 3D appearance. All the parameters of @DRWMODA and @DRWMOB are explained in the BASIC 8.0 COMMAND ENCYCLOPEDIA.

```

10 @WALRUS,0:REM 16K video ram system
20 @MODE,0:REM use 16K screens
30 @SCREEN,2,2:REM use 640 x 176 screen
40 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0:REM define drawmoda using JAM1 color
50 @DRWMOB,0,0,0
60 @COLOR,0,8,0:@CLEAR,0:REM set colors, clear screen
70 FOR I=1 TO 100:REM Define random lines and colors
80 X1=INT(RND(1)*640)
90 Y1=INT(RND(1)*176)
100 Z1=INT(RND(1)*100)
110 X2=INT(RND(1)*640)
120 Y2=INT(RND(1)*176)
130 Z2=INT(RND(1)*100)
140 C=INT(RND(1)*15)+1
150 @COLOR,0,C,0
160 @LINE,X1,Y1,Z1,X2,Y2,Z2,1
170 NEXT I
180 SLEEP 5:REM wait 5 seconds
190 @CLEAR:@TEXT:REM return to text mode
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```



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CHAPTER FOUR  
THREE DIMENSIONAL GRAPHICS  
Commands and Theory

Many of BASIC 8.0's graphic commands work in three dimensions, or 3 space. In order to increase the graphics power available, there are a number of special commands that effect how the graphics are drawn. But before discussing them, a short explanation of 3 dimensional graphics and its terms is necessary.

Three dimensional graphics means there are three coordinate axis used to define a point. In normal microcomputer graphics only 2 dimensions are used. They are labeled X and Y, where the X axis is horizontal to the screen and Y is vertical (up and down). In three space, a new axis is defined, Z. This Z axis is directed into and out of the screen. (See Figure 4.1)

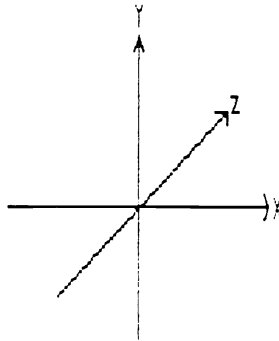


Figure 4.1 3D Coordinate Axis

There are two viewing methods commonly used in 3D graphics. One is **parallel**, where the Z coordinate is simply used to offset the point when converted to the 2D space of the screen. The other is **perspective** viewing, which uses a point in 3 space as



its **vanishing point**. Perspective makes objects drawn near to the viewer (Z values decrease) appear bigger, and objects drawn away from the observer toward the vanishing point (Z values increase) appear smaller. You can select perspective or parallel mode by using the **@DRWMOB** command. The vanishing point has no effect when using parallel mode.

When drawing in perspective mode, objects that approach the vanishing point appear to be smaller. If they reach the vanishing point they become a single point, and if they exceed it they become larger (to our eyes). By being able to define the vanishing point (with the **@ORIGIN** command) you can control the degree of three dimensional perspective your images will assume.

Another aspect of 3 space that effects the way we perceive a 3D object is its **origin**. The origin is essentially the center of the universe to your object, line or point. When you rotate, you are rotating around the origin. The default center of rotation is the 3D point 0,0,0. Sometimes you don't want an object to rotate around this point, because, depending on your position in space relative to this default origin, you can end up with your object completely off the screen. If you wanted to rotate an object around its own center and stay in the same screen location you would have a problem. **BASIC 8.0** removes this difficulty by allowing you to define any spot in 3 space as the center of rotation. To control where the origin is as well as the vanishing point, use the **@ORIGIN** command. For example, if your object was a cube, by setting the center of origin to the center of the cube your object would rotate around its own center, and stay in the same spot while doing so.

In **BASIC 8.0** you can make a 3D object or point appear

different with parallel drawing mode set by using the @VIEW command. @VIEW sets the position of your eye around the Y axis. It has the effect of a simple rotation of your eye (not your data) around the Y axis, so when you draw you see your object at a different point of view.

In order to have complete rotation control, BASIC 8.0 uses the @ANGLE command. It allows you to set global rotation values that are used by all the drawing commands (except @CIRCLE), as well as the rotation sequence.

There are three different axis in 3 space, the X, Y and Z axis. You can rotate your objects in any of these three directions, both in the positive and negative directions. You can rotate in more than one axis at once, which results in a multiple transformation of the object. When rotating in several directions at once, the end results differs based on what sequence you rotate (XYZ, XZY, YXZ, YZX, ZXY or ZYX). An object rotated in the sequence XYZ will appear different from one rotated in XZY, even if the angles of rotation are the same. All of these parameters are definable with the @ANGLE command. When you draw with the graphic commands they respond to the currently defined @ANGLE setting. The default is @ANGLE,0,0,0,0 (no rotation). Once set to another value, all the drawing commands output their functions accordingly. For example, if you are drawing an arc, and the @ANGLE is defined to be a 45 degree rotation around the Y axis (@ANGLE,0,45,0,0), the resulting arc will appear to be rotated 45 degrees in the Y axis. The commands @DOT, @LINE, @BOX, @ARC, and @CIRCLE all will respond to the given @ANGLE. Most importantly, you can change the rotation angle as many times as your program requires. However, remember

that complex rotations will decrease the speed of your graphics (although only a tiny fraction of what they would be if mathematically rotated in basic).

Here is an example of a BASIC 8.0 program that draws a rotated line using the @ANGLE command to rotate it around the Z axis. Notice that the line definition is never changed, only the @ANGLE values change.

```

10 @WALRUS,0:REM 16 K VIDEO MODE
20 @MODE,0:REM USE FIRST 8 SCREEN DEFINITIONS
30 @SCREEN,0,0:REM MONOCHROME SCREEN 640 X 200
40 @SCALE,0:REM USE NORMAL SCALE
50 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0:@DRWMOdB,0,0,0:REM STANDARD MODES
60 @ANGLE,0,0,0,0:REM DEFAULT NO ROTATION
70 @ORIGIN,320,100,0,320,100,200:REM ORIGIN IN SCREEN CENTER
80 @CLEAR,0:@COLOR,0,8,0:REM CLEAR SCREEN, SET COLOR TO RED
90 FOR AN=0 TO 360 STEP 20 :REM CHANGE ANGLE BY 20 DEGREES
100 @ANGLE,0,0,AN,0:REM ROTATE LINE AN DEGREES AROUND Z
110 @LINE,200,100,0,440,100,0,1:REM DRAW LINE
120 NEXT AN
130 GETKEY AS:REM WAIT FOR A KEY PRESS
140 REM CLEAR ALTERED ROTATION VALUES
150 @ANGLE,0,0,0,0
160 REM RETURN TO TEXT MODE
170 @TEXT

```

In addition to these 3D drawing commands, there are several designed to be used to generate SOLID 3D OBJECTS. These are based upon techniques developed for the C64 computer by Mr. Richard Rylander and first published in the May 1985 Dr. Dobb's Journal. Because of the 3D nature of our work, Mr. Rylander allowed us to convert his solids algorithms to the C128 for use in BASIC 8.0. We wish to thank him for his great work and generosity.

The Rylander Solid commands allow you to generate textured (halftone or random) solid images such as SPHERES, TORIDS, CYLINDERS and SPOOLS. You have a great deal of control over clipping the objects, shading and texture. It cannot be

emphasized enough the incredible graphics possibilities of the solid generation commands.

The solid commands differ from the regular 3D graphic commands in that they are defined using the normal 2D X,Y system. You can not use a Z coordinate value when defining their positions.

Perhaps the most interesting of the Rylander shapes is the sphere. It allows you to generate a solid spherical object, which can be used in many drawings or illustrations for quite a dramatic effect. The command is @SPHERE,X,Y,RADIUS. It will place the sphere at the given coordinate X,Y (remember these commands have no Z axis control). You can change the clipping, shading and lighting with the @STYLE and @SCLIP commands.

You can create a toroidal shape (somewhat donut shaped) with the command @TOROID. This allows you to define both the inside radius and the outside radius, as well as the view (horizontal, vertical or top) so the shape can be quite different looking with the same command.

Another of the Rylander shapes is SPOOL. A spool surface can be thought of as the inside of the toroid surface. Created with the @SPOOL command, it allows you to specify the inner and outer radius, and two viewpoints, horizontal and vertical.

The final Rylander solid shape is the CYLINDER shape. This will create a horizontal or vertical cylinder, with you defining its radius, halflength and view.

To make these even more useful, there are two command that can be used to define the characteristics of the solids in much the same way as @DRWMODA and @DRWMOdB define the drawing commands.

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@STYLE sets up the shading (textured or halftoned), scaling (symmetrical or elongated) and lighting (normal or backlite). @SCLIP allows you to only draw part of the solid, and clip the rest. This makes it easier to combine the shapes into more complex solids.

While the solids commands do not respond to the 3D commands (@ANGLE, @VIEW etc) they do respond to the @COLOR, @WINDOWOPEN/@WINDOWCLOSE and bitmap screen (@COPY, @STASH/@FETCH) commands.

Here is a simple example that creates a green textured sphere.

```
10 @MODE,0
20 @SCREEN,2
30 @COLOR,0,5,0:@CLEAR,0
40 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0:@DRWMOdB,0,0,0
50 @STYLE,0,1,1
60 @SPHERE,320,200,50
70 GETKEY A$
80 @TEXT
```

An important point should be made about the 3D drawing and 3D solid commands. Your program, when it finishes up and exits, should set the ANGLE, VIEW, DRWMOD's, ORIGIN etc back to the default values. Otherwise the next program will begin in these modes. Always finish with @ANGLE,0,0,0,0 and @DRWMODA,0,0,0,0,0,0,0. (See Appendix D)

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CHAPTER FIVE  
MEMORY MANAGEMENT  
BUFFERS, STRUCTURES AND OTHER DELIGHTS

**BASIC 8.0** is able to utilize up to 10 different 64K banks of ram for storage. Two of these are ram banks 0 and 1, which are the two standard ram banks used by the C128 itself. The other 8 are made available when you install external ram via the 1700 or 1750 ram expansion cartridges. If you have added the 1700 ram expansion cartridge, which has 128K of ram, you have then added two addition banks, bringing the total available 64K banks to 4. If you have added the 1750 ram expansion cartridge it adds 512K additional ram, giving you 8 additional banks of 64K for a total of 10 banks.

**BASIC 8.0** allows you to access that ram by the use of a data structure system. Each of the 10 banks is referred to as a **BUFFER**. The **BUFFER** numbers are 0-9, where 0 and 1 are the standard C128 banks 0 and 1, and **BUFFERS** 2-9 are the external banks added with the ram expansion. You can also define where in the ram bank a **BUFFER** will begin and it's size in order to effectively use the system ram banks 0 and 1. Obviously you cannot just use all the ram in banks 0 and 1, as that would leave no room for programs and variables; yet very few programs use every byte in those banks. That leaves some for use as **BUFFERS**; but it is far better to have the external ram for structures, and leave internal ram for programs. For example, let's define a **BUFFER** in ram bank 1. Since this bank is also used for basic program variables you should adjust the variable start or end pointers so that your buffer doesn't corrupt your variables or visa versa.

```
POKE 47,0:POKE 48,68:CLR  
@BUFFER,1,1024,16384
```

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This example uses ram bank 1 as the **BUFFER**, with it starting at decimal 1024 and is 16384 bytes long. It moves the start of variables in bank 1 up 16K to make room for the data buffer. That's enough for several fonts, or even a full screen monochrome picture. If you have the external ram expansion installed, you could use several of its ram banks instead. For example;

```
@BUFFER,2,0,65535 :rem use external ram bank 0, use all 64k
@BUFFER,3,0,65535 :rem use external ram bank 1, use all 64k
@BUFFER,4,0,65535 :rem use external ram bank 2, use all 64k
@BUFFER,5,0,65535 :rem use external ram bank 3, use all 64k
```

This gives you a total of 256k of ram to use as **BASIC 8.0 STRUCTURE** storage. You can use all 10 banks if you wish, or any combination. With the external ram installed and used for storage, you can use banks 0 and 1 just for your program and its variables, allowing for very large and graphically complex programs.

#### **STRUCTURES**

Once you have declared your **BUFFERS**, you can define structures to use that memory. There are 4 types of structures you can define. There is the **PATTERN** structure, used to define a bitmap pattern (of any size) and its' color (if any). There is the **LOGO** type, which is used to generate one or more character strings. For example, you could define a structure that would print to a specific place on the screen, with a particular font, and any defined size. You can define many character fonts with the **FONT** structure, allowing you to have an unlimited number of different character fonts all at once. Finally there is the **BRUSH** type of structure, which is a rectangular area of bitmap (including color if it is present). Brushes allow you to pick up any area of the screen and save them to memory or disk, flip

them, mirror or reverse them, then put them back on the screen where ever you want. If you are using color the color is saved and manipulated as well. You can even compress them to their smallest possible size for compact storage. Even more impressive is that a brush can be copied to another STRUCTURE as a pattern type. This allows ANYTHING you can place on the screen to be used as a pattern!

The data structure is defined using the commands @STRUCT, @SDAT, and @SEND. These commands work together to create different types of usable structures. The command @STRUCT includes the structure number (0-191) used to identify which structure when using later commands. Then the structure type (1-4), followed by a BUFFER number, and an address in the buffer. Once you have defined the type, use the command @SDAT (Structure DATA) to send whatever data is appropriate. You can use Basic 7.0 commands within the @STRUCT:@SDAT:@SEND block, for example FOR NEXT, DO WHILE LOOP etc., to generate data. You can use the @SDAT and @SEND commands to find the next available address in the buffer, as they return that information value when used. For example, if you are using the @SDAT command to send pattern data, the next available address in the BUFFER is found by using @SDAT like this;

```
@BUFFER,2,0,65535 :rem external ram, 64k buffer
@STRUCT,2,1,2,0:rem struct 2,type pattern,buffer 2,address 0
AD = @SDAT,pattern data, pattern data, pattern data
rem AD = next address available
@SEND :rem finished defining pattern structure
```

#### A) Loading and Saving STRUCTURES

STRUCTURES come in four types, pattern, logo, character and



**brush.** You use the commands @LSTRUCT and @SSTRUCT to load and save all four types of STRUCTURES. When you want to load you define a BUFFER that can be used to store the data, then use @LSTRUCT to load it into memory. If you have a STRUCTURE in memory you want to save, then @SSTRUCT can be used to store it to disk. Here is a small example that loads the supplied 160 column character font into a STRUCTURE to be used with the @CHAR command.

```
@BUFFER,9,0,65535 : REM use external ram bank 9, all 64 k
@LSTRUCT,0,8,9,0,"FNT.160 COL":REM STRUCT0, DRIVE 8,BUFFER 9,
                          Address 0,filename
AD=@SEND :REM AD now has the next address in BUFFER 9
```

This short program segment has now added a 160 column character font to external ram memory as structure 0, where you can use it with the @CHAR command. If we wanted to add another font as well, the program would continue this way.

```
@LSTRUCT,1,8,9,AD,"FNT.COMPUTER":REM STRUCT#1,DRIVE8,BUFFER
                          9,Address AD,filename
AD=@SEND :REM AD now has the next address in BUFFER 9
```

We could now begin using the different fonts with the @CHAR command, indicating which one we wanted with it's STRUCTURE number. However, perhaps we want to load some BRUSH types also. We still use @LSTRUCT to load.

```
@LSTRUCT,2,8,9,AD,filename :REM STRUCT#2,DRIVE8,BUFFER 9,
                          Address AD,filename
AD=@SEND :REM AD now has next available address in BUFFER 9
```

We now have easily loaded two fonts and a BRUSH in as user recallable STRUCTURES. We could have loaded LOGO or PATTERN types just as easily. The @LSTRUCT command allows you total control, for example, you might have created on the screen an object that you want to save as a BRUSH. Continuing our program above (still using BUFFER 9) we will @STASH it to a STRUCTURE, then save it to disk.

```

OA=AD :REM Save starting address of this Structure
AD=@STASH,3,9,AD,0,0,100,100,1 :REM STASH area of screen
                                0,0 to 100,100 to
                                STRUCTURE 3 in BUFFER 9
                                in compressed format. AD
                                now contains the next
                                address in BUFFER 9.

@SSTRUCT,3,8,filename :REM SAVE STRUCTURE
@SEND :REM Save the file

```

We have now saved the BRUSH as a disk file, but it is also still available in memory to be used. We could @FETCH it to the screen, use @CBRUSH (ChangeBRUSH) to flip, reverse or mirror it, or even use @BRUSHPATRN (BRUSH to PATTERN) to make a pattern out of it. Of course, since it is stored on the disk we can always reload it at another time.

#### B) PATTERN STRUCTURES

BASIC 8.0 has a very extensive pattern capability. You can define a pattern from 1 to 255 bytes wide, and up to 255 pixels deep. If you wish, it can also contain foreground and background information for each color cell in the pattern. Once defined, the pattern can be loaded to and from disk, and used to fill an enclosed area with the @PAINT command. It can also be used in the graphic drawing commands as draw pattern by setting the appropriate parameter in @DRWMODA. The syntax of the PATTERN STRUCTURE is :

```

@STRUCT,4,1,9,AD:REM STRUCT#4,pattern,BUFFER 9,Address AD
@SDAT,2,8,1,1 :REM 2 bytes X 8 pixels bitmap, 1 X 1 color
@SDAT,255,255,128,0,128,0,128,0,255,255,0,128,0,128,0,128
:REM That is the bitmap data for a brickwall
@SDAT,206 :REM color (brown on lite grey), AD=next address
AD=@SEND

```

STRUCTURE 4 is now defined as a PATTERN type. You can use it by specifying STRUCTURE 4 when you use the PATTERN command. You can make small simple patterns, or very complex ones. The easiest way to make a pattern is to convert a BRUSH to a PATTERN

with the command @BRUSHPATRN.

### C) LOGO STRUCTURES

LOGO STRUCTURES are a special form of the @CHAR command. They allow you to print a number of different character strings out by a single command. So certain often used strings can be save and loaded directly from the disk. A good example of a LOGO STRUCTURE is a menu of options. It could be stored as a BRUSH, but a LOGO requires much less memory because it is text data, not bitmap data. Here is an example of a LOGO STRUCTURE.

```

OA=AD:REM SAVE AD FOR NEXT EXAMPLE
LA=XXXX :REM LA (LOGO Address in BUFFER 1)
@STRUCT,5,2,1,LA :REM STRUCT#5, LOGO, BUFFER 9, Address LA
@SDAT,1,CHARSET STRUCT#,14,16,0,2,2,2,13,"MENU OPTION 1"
@SDAT,1,CHARSET STRUCT#,14,32,0,2,2,2,13,"MENU OPTION 2"
@SDAT,1,CHARSET STRUCT#,14,48,0,2,2,2,13,"MENU OPTION 3"
@SDAT,1,CHARSET STRUCT#,14,64,0,2,2,2,13,"MENU OPTION 4"
@SDAT,0 :REM Finished the LOGO
AD=@SEND :REM complete this STRUCTURE, AD is next address
@STRUCT,5,8,"LOGO.MENU":REM Save LOGO STRUCTURE
@SEND :REM save LOGO to disk
LA=AD:REM SAVE NEXT ADDRESS IN BUFFER 1
AD=OA:REM RESTORE AD FOR NEXT EXAMPLE

```

When defining LOGO STRUCTURES, the first parameter of the @SDAT command should be either 0 or 1. A 0 indicates you are finished, while a 1 means continue, I have more data to give. And, because the character string data in LOGO's are accessed by the CHAR command (in much the same way as a string variable) ALL LOGO structures must be stored in BUFFER 1 (system bank 1). Remember, LOGO structures in BUFFER 1 only!

### D) CHARACTER FONT STRUCTURES

BASIC 8.0 has the capability of using virtually unlimited fonts. These fonts can be defined with any standard character editor used for the C64 or C128. They must be converted to the proper BASIC 8.0 format for a CHARACTER STRUCTURE with the utility program Font Converter supplied on your BASIC 8.0 disk.

All this program does is add a small header file to the beginning of the font so **BASIC 8.0** can tell what kind of **STRUCTURE** it is. (For information on file formats see the Appendix.) **CHARACTER STRUCTURES** must be loaded into memory with the **@LSTRUCT/@SEND** command. After that they are available whenever you need them. Continuing our program examples above:

```
@LSTRUCT,6,8,9,AD,"FNT.TECH":REM STRUCT#,DRIVE#,BUFFER9,AD,name
AD=@SEND:REM Get the font, AD=next Address in BUFFER 9
```

#### E) BRUSH STRUCTURES

Perhaps the most useful type of **STRUCTURE** is the **BRUSH STRUCTURE**. This type allows you to **@STASH** and **@FETCH** a piece of the screen, any size, back and forth from memory. Of course you can also save it to disk, where it can be recalled as a **BRUSH** with the **@LSTRUCT**, or even displayed directly with the **@DISPLAY** command. **BRUSHES** can also be manipulated with the **@CBRUSH** (ChangeBRUSH) command. This can make flipped, reversed or mirrored images of your brush. Or use the **@BRUSHPATRN** command to make a copy of a **BRUSH** as a **PATTERN STRUCTURE**.

```
@STASH,7,9,AD,0,0,100,100,0:REM STASH screen 0,0-100,100 as
brush structure #7. Do not
compress the data.
AD=next BUFFER 9 address
@CBRUSH,7,0,0,1:REM FLIP BRUSH IN MEMORY
@SSTRUCT,7,8,"BRUSH.TWO":REM Prepare to save BRUSH
@SEND:REM Save To Disk as BRUSH.TWO
AD=@BRUSHPATRN,7,8,9,AD:REM Make Pattern Structure #8
@FETCH,7,0,100,0:REM FETCH FLIPPED BRUSH TO SCREEN
```

A **BRUSH** can be loaded to a **STRUCTURE** and saved from a **STRUCTURE**. It can be returned to the screen with the **@FETCH** command, or loaded directly to the screen from disk with **@DISPLAY**. When loaded with the **@DISPLAY** command, the brush is returned to exactly where it was stored from, or you can specify the **X** and **Y** to load it to. Other areas of the screen are not affected.



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CHAPTER SIX  
ADDITIONAL BASIC 8.0 COMMANDS

BASIC 8.0 offers a number of other interesting advanced commands. For example, if you have the extra 64K video ram installed for the 8563 video chip (the new C128D comes with it standard, older C128's do not) you can make use of the @SCROLL command. @SCROLL allows you to move in one of eight directions at any of 255 speeds and up to 255 units. The directions are up, up/right, right, down/right, down, down/left, left and up/left. The speed is from 0-254, where 0 is the fastest. Each unit of speed adds a 0.0255 second delay between increments. The X scroll unit is on the byte level, while the Y scroll unit is in pixels. Or, by beginning your parameter list for SCROLL with 255, you can move directly to a specified scanline. Use @SCROLL with virtual screens (screens wider than 640 or higher than 200) to move around.

One very important aspect of any graphics system (language or application) is in getting what is on your screen to a printer. In order to make it easy, we have created installable printer drivers that allow you to create a hardcopy of the screen. The programmable command to do so is called HCOPY, and just as BASIC 8.0 is very flexible, so is it's hardcopy capabilities.

There are 11 different printers that are directly supported by BASIC 8.0. The default (built in) is EPSON, but if your printer is different merely load in one of the other drivers. (See chapter on printers for instructions on installing a printer driver.) Since the screen size you can use with BASIC 8.0 can differ, and also since many printers have different dot densities and different horizontal resolutions, HCOPY was designed to allow

you to print in a variety of different ways. The syntax of HCOPIY is:

**@HCOPIY,Secondary Address,Height (1-4),Density (1-7),Rotation Flag**

The secondary address for printer bitmap mode differs from printer to printer. (See chapter on **BASIC 8.0** printer drivers for secondary address of your printer.) The height flag is how large to make your printout, with 1 the smallest and 4 very tall. The density parameter allows you to change the dot density of your printer, if possible. (Not all printers have more than one density, but some like the EPSON and PANASONIC have seven different settings. By setting to a larger density, you can print an image smaller than it would have been in a lower density.) Finally, the rotation flag allows you to rotate the printed image 90 degrees. With some printers, like the Commodore MPS 801 or Seikosha 1000, the image is always rotated because these printers cannot even print 640 dots per line (the smallest horizontal screen resolution).

To make it possible for even more printers to be supported, Chapter Eleven lists the assembly language source code for every printer driver. Experienced programmers can use these as a base to develop even more printer drivers.

#### **MOUSE, JOYSTICK and POINTERS**

**BASIC 8.0** also offers mouse and joystick control, along with a very precise graphic pointer function. You choose between the mouse (the 1351 proportional mouse, **NOT** the 1350 joystick mouse) and a joystick with **@MOUSE,1,DEVICE,X,Y[,Joystick speed]**. This activates the IRQ controller reading routine. As long as it remains on it will then constantly update (internally) the position of the mouse or joystick. You can then find the current

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X and Y value with the @MOUSE function. It will return the X or Y value, where it can be used to position the arrow with the @PTR,1,X,Y,PTR DEF# command. For example;

```
@MOUSE,1,0,320,100  starts the mouse reader using the mouse
                    and positions it at 320,100
@MOUSE,1,1,320,100,2 starts the mouse reader using the joystick
                    and positions it at 320,100 moving 2 pixels
@MOUSE,0            turns off the IRQ mouse reader
MX=@MOUSE,2,0      returns the current mouse x position to MX
MY=@MOUSE,2,1      returns the current mouse y position to MY
```

The pointer function has three basic forms. One turns off the pointer while the other two are used for positioning.

```
@PTR,0            Turn off the pointer and restore the old image.
@PTR,1,MX,MY,PTR DEF (0-15) Turn on at MX,MY using the
                        pointer definition given and "floats" over bitmap.
@PTR,2,MX,MY,PTR DEF (0-15) Turn on at MX,MY using the
                        pointer definition given and draws on the bitmap
```

Programming the mouse/pointer system is quite easy. First you turn on the proper mode (mouse or joystick) at the location you want to start. Then just use the @MOUSE,2 command to find the X and Y positions, and set the pointer position to those locations. Here is a small example program that will initialize the mouse, and move the pointer as you move the mouse.

```
10 TRAP 140:REM PRESS RUN/STOP KEY TO EXIT PROGRAM
20 @WALRUS,0:REM 16K MODE
30 @MODE,0:REM USE MODE 0 SCREENS
40 @SCREEN,0:REM USE SCREEN 0, MONOCHROME
50 @COLOR,0,4,0:REM SET COLOR
60 @CLEAR,0:REM CLEAR SCREEN
70 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0;@DRWMOdB,0,0,0:REM JAM 1 MODE
80 MX=320:MY=100:REM INITIAL X, Y
85 OX=MX:OY=MY:REM SAVE VALUES
90 @MOUSE,1,0,MX,MY:REM USE 1351 MOUSE
100 @PTR,1,MX,MY,0:REM USE ARROW POINTER (0) AT MX,MY
110 MX=@MOUSE,2,0:MY=@MOUSE,2,1:REM FIND NEW MX,MY
115 IF MX=OX AND MY=OY THEN GOTO 110:REM ANY MOVEMENT?
120 @PTR,1,MX,MY,0:REM REPOSITION POINTER AT NEW MX,MY
125 OX=MX:OY=MY:REM UPDATE OLD VALUES
130 GOTO 110:REM CONTINUE TO CHECK FOR MOVEMENT
140 @PTR,0:@MOUSE,0:REM TURN OFF POINTER AND MOUSE READER
150 @TEXT:REM RETURN TO TEXT MODE
```

Another useful command is @FLASH. This command allows you



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to reverse a rectangular area of the screen, from 1 to 255 times. It is very useful for bringing something to a users attention. If you are in monochrome mode, it reverses the bitmap. If you are in color mode only the color information is reversed (which is very fast compared to the bitmap flash).

Another **BASIC 8.0** command that is both exotic as well as useful is the command **@ZOOM**. This command allows you to fetch an uncompressed brush from memory as an enlarged version of the brush. And it can do so in a number of different sizes.

Since **BASIC 8.0** is a bitmap graphics language, it offers very little for use in 80 column text mode. However, there are two text commands. The first is **@TEXT**, which returns your program to text mode from graphics mode. It also re-initializes some of the various parameters back to their default values. For example, **@ANGLE** is set to 0,0,0,0 and **@SCALE** is set to 0.

The other text mode command is **@FONT**. This command allows you to set the two character sets available in text mode to any font you wish. Just load in the font as a structure and specify in the **@FONT** command which structure to use as a font. It is downloaded to the 8563 chip, where it becomes available in text mode. Once a **@TEXT** command has been issued, the standard character fonts are restored, so it will be necessary to re-issue the **@FONT** command.

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Chapter Seven  
Making A Distributable Disk  
The Run-Time Module

The ability to give away (or sell) programs written with BASIC 8.0 centers around the RunTime Library supplied with your BASIC 8.0 system. When you first booted your original disk, you were offered the option of making a Basic 8.0 Run Time Disk. If you have not yet done so, you should get a blank disk and create one. If you have already done so, make a backup of the Run Time Disk. It is this disk that you are allowed to distribute.

The Run Time Disk is a autoboot disk, meaning it will load and run when you boot the computer ( if the disk is, in the drive). The normal startup sequence will install the BASIC 8.0 Run Time System, then load and run the WIOS WORKBENCH (see Chapter Nine). To use your program under the WORKBENCH, save your program on the Run Time Disk with a filename that starts with the letters B8. and is followed with a filename less than 12 characters. For example, if your program is called 'CHARTMAKER' you would save it with the name

**B8.CHARTMAKER**

on the WORKBENCH disk. When the WIOS WORKBENCH is automatically ran on bootup, it will be able to find the CHARTMAKER program.

However, you may want to have your program be loaded directly, bypassing the WIOS WORKBENCH. In that case, you will need to change one of the programs on the Run Time Disk.

To do this, insert a your working copy of the Run Time Disk. Save your program to this disk. Then load the program called:

**STARTUP**

and type **LIST** and press return. You will see the single line:

**10 RUN "WORKBENCH"**

To change the bootup sequence in order to autoboot your

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BASIC 8.0 program, type the following line

```
10 RUN "filename" (RETURN)
```

(the {RETURN} means press the RETURN KEY). The filename should be the name of your program.

To make sure the new line has been entered correctly, type LIST and then RETURN. You should see

```
10 RUN "filename"
```

as the only line in the program. If it is wrong, retype the line as instructed above and check it again. If it is okay, then type:

```
SCRATCH "STARTUP" (RETURN)  
ARE YOU SURE? Y (RETURN)
```

The C128 will ask:  
You reply Y and press return

You have now erased the startup file. At this point you need to save the newly modified (with your filename in place of WORKBENCH) program as STARTUP. To do so type:

```
DSAVE "STARTUP" (RETURN)
```

You have now created a BASIC 8.0 Run Time Disk that will automatically load and run your program. As a registered owner of BASIC 8.0, you may give away this Run Time Disk, or sell it if you wish. Remember, this is the only way you may give away programs using the BASIC 8.0 language!

**Chapter Eight**  
**BASIC PAINT**  
**The 80 Column Color Paint Program**

Along with all the added programming capabilities of **BASIC 8.0**, you also get a complete graphics application. This program, written completely in **BASIC 8.0**, is called **BASIC PAINT** ( (c) 1987 WALRUSOFT ). **BASIC PAINT** has several very important uses. First and foremost, it is meant to be a stand alone graphics paint program, complete in every detail. You can use it simply to draw or paint pictures for your amusement or as a means of artistic expression. Secondly, it is meant to be an accessory to the **BASIC 8.0** programmer. You can use it to create pictures, brushes, icons or patterns that can be used later in your own **BASIC 8.0** programs. And finally, **BASIC PAINT** is meant to be an example of what you can do with the programming power offered by **BASIC 8.0**.

As mentioned, **BASIC PAINT** offers all the standard computer paint package graphic functions (freehand draw, line, box, circle and polygon) found in most commercial programs. You can add text, fill areas (with solids and patterns) and print your pictures. But **BASIC PAINT** goes further than that. You can add 3D solids to your pictures, cut and paste to and from a clipboard, zoom in for precise editing, and even lock your image for later recall (lock acts like an oops function). You control the program with a pointer using either a mouse or joystick, you can change your pointer to eight different shapes, and can set the drawing modes in many combinations of draw, erase, complement and pattern. You can also draw using thick lines or very thin lines, with the exact size being up to you.

**BASIC PAINT** works in all five graphic modes supported by  
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**BASIC 8.0.** You have your choice of monochrome and the four color resolutions (8 x 16, 8 x 8, 8 x 4 and 8 x 2). And just like **BASIC 8.0**, **BASIC PAINT** supports the 1700 and 1750 external ram expansion modules. Even more exciting, if your C128 has the full 64K of video ram you can use **BASIC PAINT** to draw on several size virtual vertical screens.

**BASIC PAINT** is designed to be simple to use, even intuitive in nature. It is essentially a mouse driven program, controlled by the mouse, the left and right mouse buttons and graphic icons. (Icons are pictures that represent a particular function.) By pointing to a icon and pressing the left mouse button (or the joystick button) you select that icon's function. At times you will want to indicate that you are finished doing something, or perhaps you will want to change your mind and return to the previous option. This is accomplished by clicking the right mouse button (or the ESCAPE key if you are using a joystick). This left button (for selection) and right button (for ESCAPE) system becomes very natural after a while. In fact, if you are using a mouse, the only keyboard input is when you are saving an image or if you want to shear a box. (If you are using a joystick the keyboard ESCAPE key is used instead of the mouse right button.)

To use **BASIC PAINT**, simply insert the **BASIC PAINT Work Disk** in your C128 and boot it, either by turning on the computer or (if it is already on) by pressing the reset button. The program will autoboot, and you will quickly be presented with a special type of menu called a **requestor** (see Figure 1). This requestor menu is requesting information on how your computer is equipped, so **BASIC PAINT** will work best with your system. (You should  
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always keep your working copy of the BASIC PAINT disk in drive 8 when using it as it will often need to load requestors and menus from the disk.)

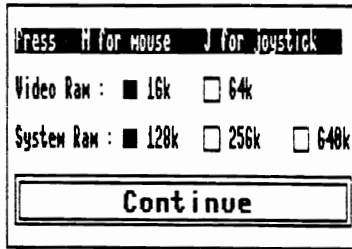


Figure 1

The first thing to do is indicate what type of controller you are using (see figure 1). If you have the 1351 mouse (inserted in port 1 only), press M. If you are using a joystick (inserted in port 2 only), press J. Once you have done so, you will notice an arrow pointer appear on the screen. You can now use your chosen control device to move this pointer, and the select button (left mouse button or the joystick button) to indicate your choices to the computer.

Next tell the computer how much ram your 80 column video chip has installed. If your computer is a standard C128 and has not been modified, you have 16K. That is the default selection. If your C128 has had the 64K video ram installed (the C128D comes with the extra ram), point to the 64K box and click the select button (left mouse button). Notice how the box becomes black. This indicates you have now selected 64K of video ram. (WARNING! If you do NOT have 64K, it does no good at all to make this choice and choosing it will cause the program to work incorrectly.)

Next, choose the amount of system ram your C128 has

installed. If your computer does not have any extra ram you have 128K, the default. If you have the 1700 expansion cartridge you have a total of 256K, and if you have the 1750 cartridge you have a total of 640K. Point to the appropriate box and click the select button.

If you have made a mistake and selected the wrong options, you can change them quite easily by simply pointing to the correct box and clicking the select button. Once you have the proper settings, point to the CONTINUE box and click the select button, and these values will be used by BASIC PAINT during this session.

Once you have selected the CONTINUE box, BASIC PAINT will display a new requestor menu. Depending on your previous choices, you will be offered a selection of graphic screen type to choose from.

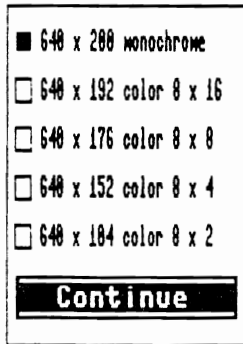


Figure 2

If your system has 16K of video ram, the second requestor menu (Figure 2) allows you to choose one of five different screens. These are the same screens allowed in MODE 0 of BASIC 8.0. They differ on the size of the color cell and the total size of the screen. (See Chapter Two for more information on Chapter Eight

screens.) Choose the screen you wish to work with by pointing to the proper box and clicking the select button, then click on the CONTINUE box. You will then proceed to the main drawing screen.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Monochrome
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 x 16 Color
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 x 8 Color
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 x 4 Color
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 x 2 Color
<b>Continue</b>	

Figure 3

If your system has the full 64K of video ram, you are also presented with a requestor menu (Figure 3) asking for the screen type, however no screen sizes are listed. Choose the screen type you want, you will then be presented with a third requestor menu that asks for the actual size of the screen you want. These third menus (see Figure 4-8) offer screens greater than 200 pixels high, although only a viewport of 640 x 200 pixels is visible at one time. When you are drawing the screen will automatically scroll up and down to keep up with the mouse.

Monochrome	8 x 16 Color	8 x 8 Color	8 x 4 Color	8 x 2 Color
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 200	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 200	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 200	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 200	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 200
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 300	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 400	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 300	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 300	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 300
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 400	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 600	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 400	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 400	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 400
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 500	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 700	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 600	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 600	<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 500
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 600				
<input type="checkbox"/> 640 x 800				
<b>Continue</b>				
<b>Continue</b>				

FIGURES 4-8



**Figure 4-8**

At this point the screen will display the WALRUS logo screen and indicate the amount of video ram you have chosen. It then clears and the **BASIC PAINT** drawing screen is created.

**Figure 9**

This screen consists of the drawing area and a strip of icons (pictures) at the top of the screen (Figure 9). Each icon represents one or more graphic functions, and they can be selected by pointing with the arrow and clicking the select button. When additional choices are required, submenus will appear. You can make the additional selections, or use the right button to **ESCAPE** back one step. Once you have made your selection, the icon strip disappears and the screen is made available for your drawing activity. When you are finished with that function, click the right button of the mouse to **escape** back to the menu(s) (or use the **ESCAPE** key if you are using the joystick). Here is a description of each function.

#### **FREEHAND DRAW**

To draw in a freehand mode, move the pointer to the first icon in the icon strip. The wiggly line represents drawing. With the pointer on the icon, click the select (left mouse) button. The icon strip will disappear, leaving the entire screen available for drawing. To draw hold down the left mouse button and move the mouse. A line will follow the pointer's tip. When you wish to stop drawing, let off the button. You can then move

to another location and start drawing again, or click the right mouse button (or ESCAPE key if using a joystick) to restore the icon strip. You will notice that the lines you have drawn are black on the grey screen. These are the default colors. You can change them with the color icon (be sure and set the JAM options in the drawmode icon properly).

#### **LINE**

The second icon represents the line function. To draw lines, point to this icon and click the select button on your controller. As before, the icon strip disappears. Point to where you want the line to start and click the select button. The pointer will disappear, leaving you with a flashing line. As you move the mouse this line will follow you, a process called rubber-banding. Move the tip of the line to where you want it to end, and click the select button. The line will quit rubber-banding, but will continue to flash. At this point you can click the select button to accept this line, causing it to be drawn in the current color and mode, or if you decide it is not what you want you can click the right mouse button and it will disappear. You can then either draw another line, or click the right button and escape back to the icon strip. You can also use the right button to escape while actually rubber-banding the line. You will notice that when you escape while rubber-banding the pointer returns to the exact spot where you started the line. And when you have actually drawn a line, it starts exactly where the line ends.

#### **BOX**

Box allows you to draw rectangles and works very much like the line function. Point to the box icon and click the select

button. The icon strip disappears, and you are free to move the pointer to any spot on the screen. When you have the pointer where you want one of the corners of the rectangle to be, click the select button. Just as with line the pointer goes away, only this time you have a box that rubber-bands, not a line. If the starting location was not correct, click the right button to escape and start the box again, otherwise move it's corner to create the size and position you want. When it is just as you want it, click the select button and again you have a flashing box that is waiting for the select button to accept and be drawn or the escape button to cause it to be erased. However, box has a couple of extra features at this point. You can press the X or Y key, and this will allow you to **shear** the flashing box in the indicated direction. (Shearing means to move one side while holding the opposite side still.) This allows you to create more complex shapes. Once you have begun shearing you have the same options as in normal box mode, that is to select or escape. Once selected you can still escape and start over as before. When you have finished drawing your boxes you can use the right button to escape back to the icon strip.

#### POLYGONS

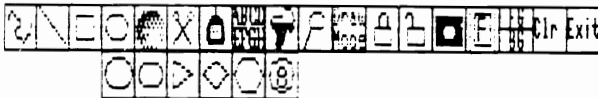


Figure 10

The circle icon represents the polygon menu. Select this icon and a new submenu (Figure 10) appears. This submenu has six icons, circle, ellipse, triangle, diamond, hexagon and octagon. You can select one of these by pointing and clicking at the

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desired object, or use the right button to escape back to the icon strip.

If you chose circle, the icons disappear and you are free to move anywhere in the screen. Place the pointer on the spot where the center of the circle is to be and click the left button. The pointer is replaced with a rubber-banding line. This line represents the radius of the circle, which is the distance from the center of the circle to its edge. When you have the radius the size you want, click the left button and the circle will be drawn over and over. If it is correctly sized and placed, click the left mouse button, otherwise use the right button to escape and start over. You can repeat this as often as you wish. When you are finished, use the right button to escape back to the polygon submenu, where you can select another shape or escape again back to the main icon strip.

The other five shapes (ellipse, triangle, diamond, hexagon and octagon) work somewhat differently. When they are selected, you again point to where the center is to be and click the left button. Only here, instead of a single line you get two lines. These represent the two different radius required for these types of shapes, the X radius and the Y radius. As you move the mouse (or joystick) you will notice they each change in length. With a little practice you can quickly become quite skilled at using this technique for these complex polygons. And as always, use the left button to select and the right button to escape back to the polygon submenu and main icon strip.

#### **SOLIDS**



Figure 11

The solids icon also represents a more complex submenu. When the solid icon is selected, a submenu (Figure 11) is presented that offers eight different shapes and two drawing styles. The shapes are sphere, horizontal, vertical and topview toroids, horizontal and vertical spools and horizontal and vertical cylinders. The two style options on the right side of the menu represent the type of texture (random or halftone). You can change the texture freely from the menu by pointing and clicking with the left selection button.

Sphere is controlled just like circle. Point to where the center is to be and click the left button. The pointer is replaced with a single line, (the radius). Move the line to make the proper radius, then click the left button. A beautiful solid sphere will be quickly drawn. Once it is finished, you can create another or click the right button to escape back to the solids submenu.

The other solids use the two line radius method. In the case of the horizontal and vertical spools, cylinders and toroids, they are fairly straight forward and easy. The topview toroid also uses two lines, but in this case they represent the inside radius and the outside radius. It is possible to select it such that the outside radius is smaller than the inside, an obvious impossibility. In that case the pointer appears as a question mark for a couple of seconds, meaning essentially "Say What?". Practice using the solids for a while and their use will

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become quite clear and easy.

Use the right button to escape to the submenu, where you can select a different shape or escape again to the main icon strip.

#### **CUT**

The icon shaped like a pair of scissors is used to cut a rectangular area of the screen to the clipboard area, where it can be copied (pasted) to another location, or saved to disk as a brush (from the disk menu), or even used as a pattern for the fill function. CUT **does not** erase the area you have selected.

To cut an area, select the cut icon and position the pointer at one corner of the desired rectangle and click the left button. The pointer is replaced with a rubber-banded box, which you then use to enclose the area you want to put in the clipboard. Again use the left button to select, and the box will be adjusted to the boundaries required by the graphic mode you are in (color modes always round up and down to the edges of the color cell, and the rectangle must always begin and end on an even byte boundary. For more information on this see GRID mode in the drawmodes section.) At this point you can accept by clicking with the left button, or reject and escape with the right button. Once you have selected, you can then escape back to the icon strip, or replave the current contents of the clipboard with a new object. You can only have one item in the clipboard at a time.

#### **PASTE**

The paste jar icon is used to paste (copy) the contents of the clipboard back on the screen. To use point to the paste jar  
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icon and click the left button. Then point to the position where you want the upper left corner of the clipboards object to be and click the left button to paste it on the screen. You can repeat this as often as you wish, making many copies of a single object. When you are finished, click the right button to escape back to the icon strip.

When pasting while in the color modes, keep in mind that the color memory of the object has been stored in the clipboard as well as the bitmap. So if your pasted object overlaps upon an area with a different set of colors than that found in the clipboard, the old screen colors in that area will be replaced with those of the stashed object.

#### **TEXT**

Choosing the text icon loads another submenu. This one offers a number of different fonts, as well as allowing you to set the height and width of the font you are using. To select a font, point to the one you want and click the select button. It will be loaded into the memory of the computer where it can be used. To change the height, point to the letters **Ht** and click once. Then click on the up or down arrows to change the height. To change the width, point to the letters **Wd** and click once. Again, the arrows are used to increase or decrease the width of the character.

If you have selected the special 160 column font, set your width to 0. (This is the only time the width should be less than 1.)

When you are ready to type your characters, point to the word **DRAW** and click once. The menus disappear, and you can position your letters with the mouse pointer or with the keyboard

cursor keys. Wherever the pointer rests is the top of the character cell. You may type whatever you wish. Pressing RETURN moves the cursor down one line and flush left on the screen (if there is enough room to do so). To exit this mode press the escape button. Remember, the text responds to the draw modes DRAW and COMPLEMENT in the DRAWMODE submenu.

#### **FILL**

The FILL icon is used to paint an enclosed area with either a solid color or the current pattern, depending on the drawmode in use at the time of the fill action. To fill just point at the icon and click with the select button. The icon strip disappears and the pointer can be moved to any spot on the screen. Point to a spot within the area to fill and click the select button. (Remember to only fill a completely enclosed area, as it will leak out and fill the whole screen!) The area will then be filled. When it is finished you can repeat it again, or escape back to the main icons.

#### **ZOOM**

The ZOOM icon (it looks like a magnifying glass) allows you to zoom into a small area for editing. Point to it and click on the select button. The icon strip is removed and you can then move to the general area you wish to edit. Once there click the select button and a box will appear. You can then move the box to enclose the exact area you wish. Click the select button again, and a ZOOM window will appear, and it will fill with the magnified image of the smaller box's contents.

Once it is filled you can move the mouse to the points you wish to edit and change them by clicking with the select button. If the pixel is already on it is turned off, if off it is turned

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on. The dot will be in the current color and drawmode. To change these there are icons to change color and drawmode outside the ZOOM window. Once you are finished editing, use the escape button to close the ZOOM window. You can then ZOOM into another area, or escape back to the main icon strip. **NOTE: ZOOM does not work in 8 x 16 mode!**

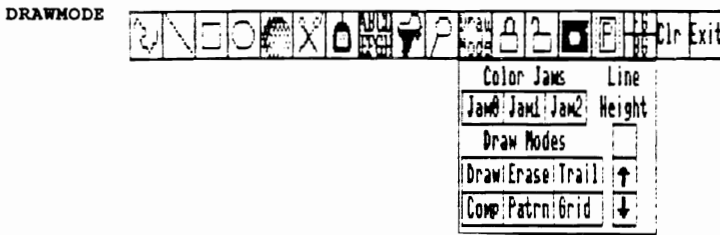


Figure 12

The DRAWMODE icon represents a second submenu (Figure 12). Once selected this menu appears and you can select the functions you want. One set of functions is called the COLOR JAMS. These set the various JAM modes. Jam0 uses the color information found on the screen, and it ignores your choice of colors in the icon strip. Jam1 uses your foreground color choice, but ignores your background color. Instead it uses the background colors it finds in the area you are drawing in. JAM2 uses both of your current color choices, foreground and background.

The other set of modes concern the type of bitmap drawmode you wish. These are DRAW, ERASE, COMPLEMENT, PATTERN, TRAIL and GRID.

Draw is the normal drawing mode. This simply means you want to draw in normal mode using a solid line.

Complement mode produces a reverse image. The points that

are already off are turned on, those on are turned off. (You will notice that the pointer also responds to this mode.)

Erase sets the mode to turn off all points that you draw on. Use this mode to remove (unpaint) an area. If you want you can change the pointer from the arrow to another definition (from the main icon strip) in order to make a larger eraser.

Pattern mode turns on and off the pattern drawmode. When off all drawing and filling is done in solid mode. When on the current pattern is used when drawing.

Trail mode is used when in freehand drawing. Instead of drawing it leaves a trail of the current pointer definition. Trail always uses the JAM0 mode, regardless of the settings in the JAM options.

Grid sets the drawing mode to a grid. The grid is always 8 pixels wide, and is as tall as the color cell size. This is very useful when cutting and pasting, as it allows you more precision when performing these functions.

One addition feature is found in the DRAWMODE menu. This is the line height. You can change the line thickness by pointing to the up or down arrows, changing the line size found in the box.

#### **LOCK**

Lock allows you to store a copy of the screen in memory (if you have the available memory free in the form of the 1700 or 1750 ram cartridges) in case you wish to restore it later after making some change you don't like. Once a screen is locked, you can restore it by choosing the CLEAR SCREEN option.

#### **UNLOCK**

Unlock turns off LOCK mode, allowing you to completely clear

the screen.

### DISK

The DISK icon loads a submenu that makes available many disk functions, as well as the ability to convert brushes in the clipboard into patterns.

LOAD PICTURE	Loads a directory of available brushes to be loaded as pictures. Just point and select, or return to the <b>MAIN MENU</b> .
SAVE PICTURE	A input box opens where you type in a filename to save the current picture to the currently selected drive. The name should start with 'PICT.'
LOAD BRUSH	Load a directory of brushes that can be loaded into the clipboard as brushes, or you can return to the <b>MAIN MENU</b> .
SAVE BRUSH	A input box opens where you type in a filename to save the current clipboard to the currently selected drive. The name should start with 'BRUS.'
LOAD PATTERN	Load a directory of patterns that can be loaded into the pattern clipboard, or you can return to the <b>MAIN MENU</b> .
SAVE PATTERN	A input box opens where you type in a filename to save the current pattern clipboard to the current drive. The file should begin with 'PATR.'
BRUSHTOPATTERN	This copies the contents of the brush (CUT & PASTE) clipboard to the pattern clipboard, where it can be used as a pattern (if pattern is set in DRAWMODES) or it can be saved as a pattern using SAVE PATTERN.
DIRECTORY	Loads a directory of all files on the current disk.
CHANGE DEVICE	Change your disk drive from drives 8-12. <b>CAUTION:</b> BASIC PAINT requires the disk with it's files and requestors to always be in device 8. By changing the device, you only change the input/output of user created files (brushes, pictures and patterns). When a menu requestor is needed it will still be loaded from device 8.
CHANGE DRIVE	Switches between drive 0 and 1 for users of dual drives. BASIC PAINT menu requestors will always be loaded from drive 0.

### PRINT

The PRINT icon displays a submenu that requests several

types of information. It asks for the HEIGHT of the printout, which can be up to 4. It allows you to set the DENSITY of the printout from 1-7. You can set the hardcopy to be rotated or unrotated, and you can set the secondary address to whatever your printer (and interface) requires for graphics screen dumps. And it allows you to switch between the various printer drivers. (If you change the printer type the appropriate driver will be loaded from disk and installed.) When you have the settings you want press the ESCAPE button and you will be presented with a small requestor that simply says PRINT. If you still want to print, point at it and click the select button. (Make sure you have your printer hooked up and turned on.) If you wish to change your mind click the ESCAPE button and you will abort the printing process. The next time you return to the PRINT submenu it will remember your last settings.

See Chapter 11 on printers for information on your specific printer.

#### **COLOR**

Colors are set by the FG/BG color box. To change these colors, point at the top of the box (for ForeGround) or the bottom (for BackGround) and click the select button. If you are using monochrome, the entire display will change as a result. If you are in color mode, only the contents of the color box will reflect the new colors. However, if you draw (while in JAM1 or JAM2 DRAWMODES) you will use these selected colors.

#### **CLR**

The CLR icon is used to clear the display. If in color mode it clears the image using the current colors for foreground and background. However, if the screen has been LOCKed, clicking on

clear will simply restore it to the LOCKed image.

#### EXIT

The EXIT icon will open a small window in the upper left side of the screen. You may exit the program completely start it again (perhaps to draw in a different mode). Or, if you change your mind you can click the ESCAPE button and return to drawing.

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Finally, if you are at the main icon strip there are a couple of additional features you can access from the keyboard.

1) If you are using a joystick, you can change your drawing speed by pressing the +/- keys. (The faster you draw with the joystick, the coarser the resolution.)

2) You can change the pointer to one of eight definitions by pressing the ALT key and one of the keys 0-7 (at the same time). There are several interesting shapes, some of which you may prefer to the arrow.

If your pointer seems to disappear when it is inside a solid color area, remember it is NOT a sprite. It shares the same color memory as the image it rests upon. To make it always visible, set the draw mode to COMP. However, when drawing the complement mode draws on areas where the bitmap is empty, and reverses where it is already on. COMPLEMENT mode is not always the best choice when drawing, but it does offer some interesting effects.

If you have questions about BASIC PAINT's screens and modes, see Chapter 2 for further information.

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WIOS WORKBENCH  
And Other Supplied Utilities

WIOS WORKBENCH

The WIOS (Walrusoft Icon Operating System) WORKBENCH is really nothing more than a BASIC 8.0 program. It uses a few of the new commands, along with some standard BASIC 7 commands, to emulate the increasingly popular graphics user interface. It will load and run any program written in BASIC 8.0 that starts with the letters BS. and are followed by a filename that does not exceed 12 characters.

The WIOS WORKBENCH supports up to 4 disk drives, including the 1541, 1571 and 1581 drives. When it is first run it checks to see how many disk drives are present, then puts up on the screen a simple requestor that asks if you are using a mouse (port 1) or a joystick (port 2). Press the appropriate key (M or J) and you will then see one or more disk icons labeled DRIVE N (N is 8-11). The arrow pointer is also active. By moving the control device (mouse or joystick) the pointer will move. To see the contents of a drive, move the pointer to the drive you want and press the left mouse button (or the joystick firebutton). (Make sure there is a disk in the drive!)

Once you have pressed the button, a window will open and some brief disk activity will occur. If any files are found (that start with BS.XXXXX) the name of the file and a small icon that looks like a flowchart is shown in the window. A total of ten files can be seen in the window at one time. If there is more than 10 files, you can see them by putting the arrow pointer on the little scroll arrows (at the bottom of the window) and clicking the left mouse button (or joystick firebutton). If

there are any more files, the screen will shift and the new files will be displayed. To move back the other direction, click on the other **scroll arrow**. If you see the program you want, just point to it and click the button and it will load and run.

If the file you want is not there, point to the **close gadget** in the upper left corner of the window (**NOT THE SCREEN!**) and click the button. This will instantly close the window. You can then point to another disk icon, or remove the disk from the drive and insert another and repeat the process.

If you want to exit the **WIOS WORKBENCH**, use the **close gadget** in the upper left corner of the screen. Clicking on this gadget will close the screen and return to text mode. If you want to run it again, insert the disk with the **WORKBENCH** and type:

**RUN "WORKBENCH"**

The **WORKBENCH** program, like many of the supplied programs written in **BASIC 8.0**, is meant to be both useful and instructive. It is a real (although somewhat limited) graphic interface. It allows a user to load **BASIC 8.0** applications quickly and easily, even if they don't even know how to find a directory by the normal methods. For that reason, it is the standard startup program on your **BASIC 8.0 RUNTIME DISK** (It is also on the **BASIC 8.0 WORK DISK**). All you (the **BASIC 8.0** programmer) have to do to share your programs is to **DSAVE** them to the runtime disk with the name **B8.XXXXX** and the **WORKBENCH** will allow users to simply boot, point, click and go!

However, like all the supplied **BASIC 8.0** programs, the **WORKBENCH** is meant to be instructive. It demonstrates many aspects of programming in **BASIC 8.0**, and is a good place to look for examples of using the language.

**BASIC 8.0 Utilities**  
**PICT CONVERTER/FONT CONVERTER/LOGO MAKER**

This is a set of utility programs that are used for various special functions.

The **PICT CONVERTER** allows you to convert pictures made with **ULTRA HIRES** (a early graphics language for the 80 column C128) to **BASIC 8.0** format.

The **FONT CONVERTOR** will convert a standard 40 column font created with any C64/C128 font editor to the **BASIC 8.0** structure format. The font must be a simple binary file. Once converted, it can be loaded with the **@LSTRUCT** command in **BASIC 8.0** programs.

The **LOGO MAKER** utility allows you to make **LOGO** structures that can be loaded directly with the **@LSTRUCT** command. Just follow the prompts and it will do all the work of creating your **LOGO**.





@ANGLE Angle will perform a rotation of how your object (line, box, circle, dot and arc) is viewed around the X,Y,Z axis. Your data remains unchanged, but the result is one of a 3D transformation around the given axis in the given rotation sequence. This rotation occurs when you render graphics.

## SYNTAX:

@ANGLE,X angle, Y angle, Z angle, Rotation Sequence

X angle - -360 to 360 X angle of rotation  
 Y angle - -360 to 360 Y angle of rotation  
 Z angle - -360 to 360 Z angle of rotation  
 Rotation Sequence - 0-5 Order in which rotation about the various axis is performed. Different sequences give different results. If rotation sequence is greater than 5 than rotation sequence defaults to 0.

<u>Sequence #</u>	<u>Rotation Sequence</u>
0	XYZ
1	XZY
2	YXZ
3	YZX
4	ZXY
5	ZYX

**@ARC** Used to draw ellipse, arcs, polygons, pie wedges, subtended arcs

**SYNTAX:**

**@ARC,Center X,Center Y,Center Z,X radius,Y radius,Starting angle,Ending angle,Increment,Thickness,Subtend Flag**

Center X - 0-65535 X center of arc  
 Center Y - 0-65535 Y center of arc  
 Center Z - -32768 to 32767 Z center of arc

X radius 0-65535 radius of arc in horizontal direction  
 Y radius 0-65535 radius of arc in vertical direction

Starting angle -360 to 360 angle at which to start arc  
 Ending angle -360 to 360 angle at which to end arc

Increment 1-180 smoothness of the arc (angle between lines)  
 1-8 very smooth  
 30 12 sides  
 45 8 sides  
 60 6 sides  
 90 4 sides  
 120 3 sides

Thickness - 0-65535 Number of times the @ARC is drawn stepping by the value defined by the @GROW command.

Subtend Flag - 0-1 0 = do not subtend arc  
 non 0 = draw lines from starting and ending angle to center of arc.

ARC is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.

**@BOX** Draw a box or rectangle

SYNTAX:

**@BOX,X1,Y1,Z1,X2,Y2,Z2,Shear direction,Shear value,Thickness**

X1 - 0-65535 Corner 1 X coordinate of box.  
 Y1 - 0-65535 Corner 1 Y coordinate of box.  
 Z1 - -32768 to 32767 Corner 1 Z coordinate of box.  
 X2 - 0-65535 Opposite diagonal corner X coordinate of box.  
 Y2 - 0-65535 Opposite diagonal corner Y coordinate of box.  
 Z2 - -32768 to 32767 Opposite diagonal corner Z coordinate of box.

Shear direction 0-2 0=no shear  
 1=X shear (move corners 3&4 right or left)  
 2=Y shear (move corners 2&3 up or down)  
 3=X & Y shear  
 4 or greater produces a value of 0-3, depending  
 on the valueAND3.

Shear value -32768 to 32767 number of pixels to move the affected  
 corners depending on direction of shear.

Thickness - 0-65535 Number of times the box is drawn stepping  
 by the value defined by the @GROW command.

BOX is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.

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**@BRUSHPATRN** Convert a brush to a pattern. Allows any piece of a screen to be used as a pattern for the paint command.

SYNTAX:

**@BRUSHPATRN,Brush Structure #, Pattern Structure #, Buffer #, Address**

Brush Structure # - Brush # to convert to pattern  
Pattern Structure # - Destination pattern structure 0-191  
Buffer # - Buffer to store the structure  
Address - Address in Buffer for pattern

**@BRUSHPATRN** works on any uncompressed brush that is no more than 255 bytes (2040 pixels) wide and 255 scan lines (pixels) deep. If the brush is color, the pattern is color.

**A=@BRUSHPATRN,0,1,2,1024**

**IF A=-1** then wrong structure type or brush is compressed.

**ELSE A=**next address in the destination pattern buffer.

**@BUFFER** Defines an area in each bank to be used as data storage of Structures.

## SYNTAX:

**@BUFFER, Buffer #, Beginning Address, Size**

Buffer # - 0-9 Indicates which of the 10 banks to use  
 0 System Ram Bank 0  
 1 System Ram Bank 1  
 2-9 Expansion Ram Banks 0-7

\* Buffer numbers greater than 9 default to 9. \*

Beginning Address - 0-65535 Indicates where BUFFER will begin in designated bank.

Size - 0-65535 Indicates the amount of continuous ram to be used as a BUFFER.

NOTE: @BUFFER doesn't check if size is greater than the amount left after the beginning address is defined.

For example:

@BUFFER,1,32000,65535 Buffer starts at 32000 for 65335 bytes  
 This will give unpredictable (and probably unpleasant) results

**@CBRUSH** Change a non-compressed BRUSH in memory

SYNTAX:

**@CBRUSH,STRUCTURE #,REVERSE, REFLECT, FLIP**

Structure # 0-191 Number of STRUCTURE with BRUSH data

REVERSE 0-1 0 No Reverse  
1 Reverse

REFLECT 0-1 0 No Reflect  
1 Reflect

FLIP 0-1 0 No Flip  
1 Flip

Once a BRUSH is modified with @CBRUSH, you can @FETCH it to the screen in its new form. You can combine the commands to do several actions at once.

If structure is wrong type or compressed, -1 is returned.

**ex., e=@cbrush,structure#,reverse,reflect,flip**

**@CHAR** Outputs a text string to the 8563 bitmap screen.

**SYNTAX:**

**@CHAR,Structure#,Column,Row,Height,Width,Direction,"Character String"**

Structure#	-	0-191	indicate a ram resident font in a user defined structure.
		254	indicates uppercase/lowercase ROM font.
		255	indicates uppercase/graphics ROM font.
Column	-	0-255	Horizontal column number
Row	-	0-819	Vertical scan line (pixel)
Height	-	1-16	height of character
Width	-	0-16	Width of character
			0 indicates 160 col char set
			Values greater than 16 default to 16.
Direction	-	0-7	Indicates direction to print
		0	Print up
		1	Print up & right
		2	Print right
		3	Print down & right
		4	Print down
		5	Print left & down
		6	Print left
		7	Print left & up
		Greater than 7	becomes 0-7
String	-		Text string to print.
			String can contain special control codes embeded within the character string to be printed. These control codes are created by pressing the CTRL key and the indicated letter.

CONTROL CODES

CTRL-B	Blank cell under character
CTRL-I	Inverse cell (AND) with character
CTRL-O	Overwrite cell (OR) with character
CTRL-X	Complement cell (XOR) with character
CTRL-F	Flip character upside down (Toggle)
CTRL-P	Pattern character (Toggle)
CTRL-U	Underline character (Toggle)
CTRL-Y+	Rotates character left 90 degrees
CTRL-Y-	Rotates character right 90 degrees
CTRL-Y	Resets character upright
CTRL-Z	Mirror Image character (toggle)
CTRL-RVS ON	Reverse on
CTRL-RVS OFF	Reverse off
<b>COLOR CTRL CODES</b>	
CTRL-C	By itself turns Jam 0 color control on
CTRL-CForeground Color	Sets character color (Jam 1)
CTRL-CForegroundBackground Color	This is Jam 2 mode.
Foreground or Background color	is set by pressing
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the CTRL Key or CBM Key and the appropriate color key.

CTRL-Cursor

Up,down,left,right

These work on a 8 X 8 cell only

SHIFTED CLR

Clears screen with last FC/BG colors.

HOME

Places cursor at 0,0 position in window.

FULL CHARACTER WRAP IS SUPPORTED IN OUTPUT WINDOW IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

**@CIRCLE** Draws a fast circle.

SYNTAX:

**@CIRCLE,Center X,Center Y,Center Z,Radius,Thickness**

Center X - 0-65535            X center of circle  
 Center Y - 0-65535            Y center of circle  
 Center Z - -32768 to 32767    Z center of circle

Radius 0-65535    radius of circle

Thickness - 0-65535 Number of times the circle is drawn stepping  
 by the value defined by the @GROW command.

CIRCLE is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.

The @CIRCLE command produces a symmetrical circle, but in SCALE 0 it will appear to be an ellipse (due to the unsymmetrical y direction). Setting SCALE to 1 or 2 will allow you to make a proper circle. Or use @ARC with the x radius and y radius adjusted accordingly.

**@CLEAR** Clear the bitmap screen

SYNTAX:

**@CLEAR, Bitmap Fill Value[, Background Color, Foreground Color]**

Bitmap Fill Value - 0-255 Fills bitmap area with given value  
0 clear window  
1 Only the windows color information  
is affected, bitmap image is untouched.  
255 solid window  
2-254 various vertical striped windows result

Color parameters are optional. If omitted current colors are used.

Background Color - 0-15 Sets Background color

Foreground Color - 0-15 Sets Foreground color

If a window was opened with the border flag set, every time the window is cleared the border is drawn in the current drawmode on the inside boundaries of the window. This will continue to occur until the window is closed.

**@COLOR** Defines colors for foreground, background and border

**SYNTAX:**

**@COLOR,background color, foreground color,outline (border) color**

Background color : 0-15 See color table

Foreground color : 0-15 See color table

Outline Color : 0-15 See color table

**NOTES:** Outline color achieved only in multicolor modes.

**COLOR TABLE**

0	Black
1	Dark Grey
2	Blue
3	Lite Blue
4	Green
5	Lite Green
6	Cyan
7	Lite Cyan
8	Red
9	Lite Red
10	Purple
11	Lite Purple
12	Brown
13	Yellow
14	Lite Grey
15	White

If using monochrome mode the effect of the @COLOR command will be to change the display colors immediatly. In color modes the border will change at once, but only subsequent graphic commands will use the new colors.

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**@COPY** @COPY moves a rectangular area of screen to any other defined screen area. It uses the 8563 block write capabilities, and is very fast. It works on the column (8 pixel) level horizontally and scan lines (pixels) vertically when in monochrome. When in color the y values are adjusted to the color cell size.

**SYNTAX:**

**@COPY,Source Screen,Start X, Start Y,DX,DY,Destination Screen,EX,EY**

Source Screen : 0-7 as defined by @MODE or @SCRDEF

Start X : 0-2047 Defined as pixels, but rounded down to nearest column.

Start Y : 0-819 Defined as scan lines (pixels) but rounded down to color cell.

DX : Distance in pixels, rounded up to columns

DY : Distance in scan lines (pixels) rounded up to next color cell.

Destination Screen : 0-7 as defined by @MODE or @SCRDEF

EX : Ending X at destination screen, rounded down to nearest column

EY : Ending Y at destination screen, in scan lines (pixels)

\*\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\*\* @COPY WILL NOT WORK RELIABLY WHEN VIEWING A VIRTUAL HORIZONTAL SCREEN GREATER THAN 640 PIXELS. YOU MAY USE @COPY ON A VERTICAL VIRTUAL SCREEN, BUT @COPY WILL ONLY WORK ON VIRTUAL HORIZONTAL SCREENS IF YOU ARE VIEWING A NON-VIRTUAL HORIZONTAL SCREEN. FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU HAVE TWO SCREENS, ONE THAT IS A HORIZONTAL VIRTUAL OF 1280 X 200 AND ANOTHER THAT IS 640 X 400 VERTICAL VIRTUAL. YOU CAN @COPY ON THE 1280 X 200 IF YOU ARE VIEWING THE 640 X 400. ATTEMPTS TO @COPY ON THE 1280 X 200 WHILE VIEWING IT WILL CAUSE THE COPIED BITMAP TO BE DISTORTED. THIS IS DUE TO A BUG IN THE 8563 ADDRESS INCREMENT PER ROW REGISTER.

IF START X,Y PLUS DX,DY IS OUT OF BOUNDS THEN SOURCE RECTANGLE COPIED IS CLIPPED. IF END X,Y PLUS DX,DY IS OUT OF BOUNDS THEN DESTINATION RECTANGLE IS CLIPPED, AND X,Y,DX,DY,EX,EY ARE SCALED IF NECESSARY.

@CYLNR Draw solid cylinder

SYNTAX:

@CYLNR,X,Y,Radius,Halfen,View

X	-	0-XMax
Y	-	0-YMax
Radius	-	1-255
Halfen	-	1-128
View	-	0/1 type of cylinder
		0 horizontal
		1 vertical

@DIR\$ Read a directory entry  
Requires considerable setup from basic

SYNTAX:

L=@DIR\$

@DIR\$ returns a string to the first variable in your program. The variable must be a string type. @DIR\$ returns a value equal to the length of the string found. You must use the LEFT\$(VAR\$,L) to remove any trailing null values. Here is an example routine that will search the directory for all BRUS. files.

VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS

dn=device#  
sd=drive side (0 or 1)  
dp\$=directory pattern to seek  
de=directory index variable = ends up as last index in de\$()  
de\$=directory entry variable...This must be first variable in your program.

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10 de$="                ":rem de$=16 spaces
20 dim de$(244):rem maximum number of possible files
30 dp$="brus.":rem look for brush files
40 dn=8:sd=0:rem drive 8, side 0
50 de=0:rem number of directory entries
60 open 3,dn,0,"$"+mid$(str$(sd),2)+":"+dp$+"*":rem open file
70 l=@DIR$:rem l is the length of the string now in de$
80 if st<>0 then 110
90 de$(de)=left$(de$,l)
100 de=de+1:goto 70
110 close 3
120 rem print out all found entries
130 for i=0 to de:print de$(i):next i

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The pattern used in the open command is a wildcard used to search for specific files. To get all the files on a directory, just use the \$ as the search string. The variable sd is used in case of a dual drive. And the array used to store the filenames, DE\$(244) is dimensioned to the number 244 in order to work with the 1581 disk drive, which can store a larger number of file entries than the 1541 or 1571 disk drives (144 each).

@DISPLAY Recalls a @STORED screen or brush to the designated screen at the location from which it was stored or a specified location.

## SYNTAX:

**@DISPLAY,SCREEN#,DEVICE #,DRAWMODE,"FILENAME"[,X,Y]**

SCREEN# - The number of the screen the file is to be loaded to. It does not have to be the screen you are currently viewing.

DEVICE # - The drive number you are using, ex. 8

DRAWMODE - 0-3  
 0 Erase under (replace)  
 1 Merge with (OR)  
 2 Common (AND)  
 3 Complement (XOR)

FILENAME - The name of the screen or brush to load. It will be loaded to the area of the screen it was saved from (ie., the same X,Y coordinates).

X,Y - Optional screen locations to display brush to.

NOTE: If you use the optional X,Y parameters for displaying a brush to a position other than the default values, there is one thing to watch for. If Y is greater than the original Y it was saved from, (0 in the case of a picture, the Y hotspot in the case of a brush), then THERE IS NO CLIPPING PERFORMED IN THE Y DIRECTION!. So be sure your brush or picture will fit in the area and not overrun the bottom of the current screen display. If it does, unusual (and probably visually unpleasant) screen effects occur. This will happen only with @DISPLAY.



@DOT Plots a single pixel in 3 space

SYNTAX:

@DOT,X,Y,Z

- X - 0-65535 X coordinate of point. Highest visible X is equal to Xmax of virtual screen, or Window width.
- Y - 0-65535 Y coordinate of point. Highest visible Y is equal to Ymax of virtual screen, or Window depth.
- Z - -32768 to 32767 Z coordinate of point. Z value of 0 is the plane of the screen. Positive values are directed into the screen, while negative vales are directed towards the viewer.

DOT is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.

**@DRWMOD** Two Commands to define global drawing modes to be used with graphic commands.

## SYNTAX:

**@DRWMODA, Jam, InverseVideo, Complement, Undraw, Pattern, Merge, Clip**  
**@DRWMOdB, Zview, Unplotlast, Unplotvertex**

**Jam** : 0-2 Updates color memory when drawing on a color screen.  
 0 Uses foreground/background colors found in cell. (Fastest)  
 1 Uses background color in cell and foreground color set by @COLOR command.  
 2 Uses foreground/background colors set by @COLOR command.

**InverseVideo** : 0-1 Reverses colors set by Jam option.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Complement** : 0-1 Turns on XOR mode. Pixels on are turned off, pixels off are turned on.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Undraw** : 0-1 Turns on erase mode. Actually unplots all pixels.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Pattern** : 0-1 Uses previously defined pattern when drawing.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Merge** : 0-1 Merge pattern with screen using OR mode, pixels on are unaffected.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Clip** : 0-1 Turns on and off global screen/window clipping.  
 0 on  
 1 off

**\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*** The default is 0, CLIPPING ON. Turn it off for an increase in drawing speed.

**\*\*\*\*\* DRWMOdB values may be used in any combination \*\*\*\*\***

**Zview** : 0-1 Turns on either parallel or perspective 3D  
 0 Perspective on (objects drawn toward vanishing point appear smaller as they approach it).  
 1 Parallel on. Retains object shape and size but it is offset based upon Z coordinate.

**Unplotlast** : 0-1 Unplots last iteration of a multi-height drawing of a graphic primitive (i.e., lines, circles, boxes etc). Used to make 3D bars from boxes.  
 0 off  
 1 on

**Unplotvertex** : 0-1 Unplots vertices of graphic primitives (i.e., circles, arcs, boxes etc) Also used to give 3D appearances of bars, tubes etc.

**@FETCH** To recall a @STASHed area to the display screen.

SYNTAX:

**@FETCH,STRUCTURE#,X,Y,DRAW MODE**

STRUCTURE#	- 0-191	The structure # used when @STASHing
X	-	The screen X location to recall the BRUSH to. X is rounded down to the start of the current byte.
Y	-	The screen Y location to recall the BRUSH to. Y is rounded up to the top of the current color cell.
Draw Mode	- 0-3	
	0	Erase under (replace)
	1	Merge with (OR)
	2	Common (AND)
	3	Complement (XOR)

**@FLASH** Reverse a rectangular area of the screen 1-255 times

SYNTAX:

**@FLASH,X,Y,DX,DY,Number Of times to flash[,FAST]**

**X** - Screen X 0-639  
**Y** - Screen Y 0-Ymax  
**DX** - Number of pixels wide (X+DX)<640  
**DY** - Number of pixels down (If using color, rounded up to color cell)  
**Number** - Number of times to reverse the rectangle 1-255  
**FAST** 0-1 OPTIONAL PARAMETER (DEFAULT IS 1)  
 0 No fast FLASH, use bitmap regardless of graphic mode.  
 1 Use fast FLASH, means reverse color cells only when in color graphic mode.

\*\*\*\*\* WARNING \*\*\*\*\* @FLASH, like @COPY will not work on a horizontal virtual screen. The screen must be 640 pixels wide, no wider. Y depth is irrelevant.

**@FONT** Loads a custom font to 8563 chip ram for use on the text screen. Two complete fonts can be resident at one time (512 total chars).

SYNTAX:

**@FONT,Charset #,Structure #**

Charset #	-	0-1	Indicates which character set to replace (Character set consist of 256 characters) Value greater than 1 defaults to 1
Structure #	-	0-191	Indicates the data structure that contains the ram resident character font data.
		254	Uppercase/Lowercase ROM font in bank 14
		255	Uppercase/Graphics ROM font in bank 14

**@GROW** Step value for the X, Y and Z axis when using the multidrawing (thickness) parameter of the graphic drawing commands. Minus value indicates negative direction.

**SYNTAX:**

**@GROW, X step, Y step, Z step**

- X step - -32768 to 32767 Step value in X direction (i.e., left and right). A value of 1 indicates a solid line, n>1 steps lines by n.
- Y step - same as X step except up and down
- Z step - same as X step except towards or away from viewer.

@HCOPY Print a hardcopy of the current screen on a dot matrix printer.

## SYNTAX:

@HCOPY,Sec Address,height,density,rotation

Sec Address See chapter on printer drivers for specifics  
Height 1-4 Height of printed output  
Density 1-7 Allows for variable densities, if printer  
supports different densities. See chapter  
on printer drivers for specific capabilities  
of supported printers.  
Rotation 0-1 0 means no rotation  
1 means rotate 90 degrees. Some printers  
(like MPS 801) are ALWAYS rotated.

**@LINE** Draw a line in 3 space

SYNTAX:

**@LINE, X1, Y1, Z1, X2, Y2, Z2, Thickness**

X1 - 0-65535 Starting X coordinate of line.  
Y1 - 0-65535 Starting Y coordinate of line.  
Z1 - -32768 - 32767 Starting Z coordinate of line.  
  
X2 - 0-65535 Ending X coordinate of line.  
Y2 - 0-65535 Ending Y coordinate of line.  
Z2 - -32768 - 32767 Ending Z coordinate of line.

Thickness - 0-65535 Number of times the line is drawn stepping  
by the value defined by the @GROW command.

**LINE** is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.



@LOGO Draws a logo using the @CHAR command. LOGO screen position is defined within the LOGO itself.

SYNTAX:

**@LOGO,Structure number**

Structure number 0-191 selects which structure to use as @LOGO data.  
If Structure is of wrong type it returns a value of -1

**example     A=@LOGO,STRUCTURE Number**  
**IF A=-1 THEN ERROR IN STRUCTURE TYPE**

NOTE     Because LOGO uses the CHAR command, (which get string data from the variable bank 1) all LOGO structures MUST be in BUFFER 1 (System Bank 1). Use the @BUFFER command to define a buffer in bank 1.

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@LSTRUCT Loads a structure into memory

SYNTAX:

**@LSTRUCT,STRUCT #, DEVICE #,BUFFER #,BUFFER ADDRESS,FILENAME**

STRUCT # - 0-191

DEVICE # - 8-11

BUFFER # - 0-9

BUFFER ADDRESS - 0-65500

FILENAME - name of structure on disk you want to load

\*\*\* @LSTRUCT MUST BE FOLLOWED BY @SEND \*\*\*

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@MODE Specify's which of the four group of predefined screens (graphic modes) to be used as display areas. For unexpanded 8563 chip ram (16K) only **MODE 0** (default) is available.

**SYNTAX:**

**@MODE,mode#[,Interlace Flag]**

Mode# - 0-3 Which of the 4 screen sets to use

Interlace Flag - 0/1 Interlace option [ Optional parameter ]  
0 No Interlace Sync  
1 Use Interlace Sync (Not all monitors can display interlace sync.)

MODE# : 0-3

0 For use with 16K or 64K chip ram Mixed Types

\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\* Only 1 screen is available at a time in Mode 0

@SCREEN,0 - 640 X 200 Monochrome screen  
@SCREEN,1 - 640 X 192 Color 8 X 16 cell  
@SCREEN,2 - 640 X 176 Color 8 X 8 cell  
@SCREEN,3 - 640 X 152 Color 8 X 4 cell  
@SCREEN,4 - 640 X 104 Color 8 X 2 cell  
@SCREEN,5 - 640 X 176 Color 8 X 8 cell interlaced  
@SCREEN,6 - 640 X 152 Color 8 X 4 cell interlaced  
@SCREEN,7 - 640 X 104 Color 8 X 2 cell interlaced

1 For use with 64K chip ram only - Mixed Types

\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\* SCREENS 0, 1, and 2 can be used at the same time, or  
SCREENS 0, 1, and 3 can be used at the same time, or  
SCREENS 4, 5, and 6 can be used at the same time, or  
SCREEN 7.

@SCREEN,0 - 640 X 200 Monochrome  
@SCREEN,1 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 8 cell  
@SCREEN,2 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 2 cell  
@SCREEN,3 - 640 X 300 Monochrome Virtual  
@SCREEN,4 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 8 cell  
@SCREEN,5 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 8 cell  
@SCREEN,6 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 8 cell  
@SCREEN,7 - 640 X 728 Color 8 X 8 cell Virtual

2 For use with 64K chip ram only

\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\* SCREENS 0, 1, 2 and 3 can be used at the same time, or  
SCREENS 3, 4 and 5, or  
SCREENS 4, 6 and 7, or

@SCREEN,0 - 640 X 200 Monochrome  
@SCREEN,1 - 640 X 200 Monochrome  
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@SCREEN,2 - 640 X 200 Monochrome  
@SCREEN,3 - 640 X 200 Monochrome  
@SCREEN,4 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 2 cell  
@SCREEN,5 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 2 cell  
@SCREEN,6 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 4 cell  
@SCREEN,7 - 640 X 200 Color 8 X 4 cell

3 For use with 64K chip ram

\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\* ONLY ONE SCREEN CAN BE USED AT ONCE!

@SCREEN,0 - 1280 X 409 Monochrome Virtual  
@SCREEN,1 - 640 X 819 Monochrome Virtual  
@SCREEN,2 - 2040 X 252 Monochrome Virtual  
@SCREEN,3 - 800 X 655 Monochrome Virtual  
@SCREEN,4 - 640 X 546 Color 8 X 2 cell Virtual  
@SCREEN,5 - 640 X 655 Color 8 X 4 cell Virtual  
@SCREEN,6 - 640 X 728 Color 8 X 8 cell Virtual  
@SCREEN,7 - 640 X 768 Color 8 X 16 cell Virtual

\*\*\* NOTE \*\*\* Interlaced mode screens merely change the display to Interlaced Sync Mode. These SCREENS are duplicates of a non-interlaced display. For more information on Interlace Sync mode see the appendix.

@MOUSE Commands to turn on and off the interrupt Mouse and Joystick, and return the current X and Y position.

SYNTAX:

@MOUSE,1,DEVICE,X,Y[,Joystick Increment]

1 - Activate IRQ reader

DEVICE - 0/1  
 0 mouse (Port 1)  
 1 joystick (Port 2)

X - 0-2047 horizontally, depending on Screen X Max

Y - 0-819 Vertically, depending on Screen Y Max

Joystick Increment - Required ONLY FOR JOYSTICK - NOT MOUSE!  
 1-255 Controls number of pixels the arrow moves when using the joystick.  
 If increment=0 then no movement is possible.

@MOUSE,0 Turn OFF interrupt reader

@MOUSE,2,0 Returns X coordinate of mouse (or joystick)

X=@MOUSE,2,0

@MOUSE,2,1 Returns Y coordinate of mouse (or joystick)

Y=@MOUSE,2

READING THE MOUSE BUTTONS (PORT 1)

To read the LEFT MOUSE button on the 1351 mouse:

10 IF JOY(1)>127 THEN PRINT "LEFT MOUSE BUTTON IS PUSHED"

To read the RIGHT MOUSE button on the 1351 mouse:

10 IF JOY(1)=1 THEN PRINT "RIGHT MOUSE BUTTON IS PUSHED"

READING THE JOYSTICK BUTTON (PORT 2)

To read the JOYSTICK FIREBUTTON:

10 IF JOY(2)>127 THEN PRINT "JOYSTICK FIRE BUTTON PRESSED!"

**@ORIGIN** Establishes center of rotation and vanishing point (used for perspective draw mode). Vanishing point determines where an object will appear as a single point if drawn in perspective drawmode. Allows varied depths in Z axis.

**SYNTAX:**

**@ORIGIN, Center X, Center Y, Center Z, Vanish X, Vanish Y, Vanish Z**

Center X - 0-65535 (Value can be larger than Virtual X)

Center Y - 0-65535 (Value can be larger than Virtual Y)

Center Z - -32768 to 32767

Vanish X - 0-65535

Vanish Y - 0-65535

Vanish Z - -32768 to 32767

**NOTE: All X,Y coordinates are scaled to current scale factor.**

**@PAINT** Paint an area with pattern or solid.

SYNTAX:

**@PAINT,X,Y,Bank#,Address,Size**

X = 0-XMax x coordinate to start paint from.

Y = 0-YMax y coordinate to start paint from.

Bank# = 0-1 C128 **system ram bank** for PAINT stack area. The more complex the area to be filled, the larger the stack area you need. If the stack fills up the paint action stops, but the program continues from the next statement. Make sure you don't use memory where your program resides.

Address = 0-65535 Starting address in designated bank for stack area

Size = 0-65535 Size of stack area in bytes

To determine if an error condition occurs, use;

ER=@PAINT,X,Y,BANK#,BANK ADDRESS,STACK SIZE

IF ER=0 then no error occurs

IF ER=-1 then an error occurred, PAINT aborted.

NOTES:

1. @PAINT works on SCALED coordinates.
  2. For many programs we suggest you use 1K of ram in Bank 0 starting at 57343.
- ex; @PAINT,X,Y,0,57343,1024 :REM Use 1K stack at 57343

@PATTERN

SYNTAX:

**@PATTERN, Structure number**

Structure number - 0-191 Indicates which of the possible 192 STRUCTURES to use as pattern data. If indicated STRUCTURE is not of a pattern type then error status is -1.

**example**    **A=@PATTERN, STRUCTURE number**  
If A=(-1) then Structure was wrong type.  
If A <>(-1) then Pattern was successfully defined.



**@PIXEL** Function to tell if a pixel is on/off or the color of that cell.

SYNTAX:

**@PIXEL,X,Y,Mode**

X - 0-65535 x coordinate of point to get value of.  
 Y - 0-65535 y coordinate of point to get value of.  
 Mode - 0-1 0 = Bitmap pixel status returns  
           0=off 1=on -1=out of bounds  
           1 = Color attribute status returns value  
               with foreground/background color combined  
               foreground color = value and 15  
               background color = (value and 240)/16

PIXEL is rotated, scaled and clipped (if necessary) before being drawn.

```
A=@PIXEL,320,100,0
IF A=0 THEN PIXEL NOT ON ELSE PIXEL IS ON

A=@PIXEL,320,100,1
FC=A AND 15:REM Foreground color = FC
BC=INT((A AND 240)/16)
```

**@PTR** Plots a sprite-like pointer at position X and Y

SYNTAX:

**@PTR,0** Turns off the pointer

**@PTR,1,X,Y,DEF#[,hgt]** Turns on the pointer and positions it at X,Y  
The mode of 1 indicates the pointer 'floats' over  
the bitmap images.

X - X coordinate of arrow  
Y - Y coordinate of arrow  
DEF# - 0-15 Sixteen pointer definition shapes  
HGT - 1-16 Height of pointer, system defaults to eight but  
you can change it to be larger. By setting it to  
16 you can use two definitions as one. This allows  
pointer definitions of 16 x 16 pixels. In this case  
the pointers are paired, with n and n+1 acting as a  
single pointer.

POINTER will automatically restore what was underneath it  
when moved or turned off when using mode 1.

**@PTR,2,X,Y,DEF#** Turns on the arrow pointer and positions it at X,Y  
The mode of 2 indicates the pointer leaves a trail  
on the bitmap of the pointer image.

X - see above  
Y - see above  
DEF# - see above  
HGT - see above

POINTER will not restore what was underneath it when moved using mode 2.

See Appendix C for information on defining your own pointers.

NOTE: POINTER RESPONDS TO DRAW MODES UNDRAW AND COMPLEMENT.

RYLANDER SOLIDS

These are a special subset of **BASIC 8.0** commands. They were developed by **Richard Rylander** for the Commodore 64, and he allowed us to adapt them to the **BASIC 8.0** graphics system. However, they are not an integral part of the language, and do not respond to all the possible 3D parameters. We consider them important enough to have included them, and have made a number of changes to allow them to work on the C128 **BASIC 8.0** hires display screen. You will find they offer a very powerful graphics capability, and we wish to thank Mr. Rylander for his gracious permission for their use.

For more information on the Rylander Solids, see the commands **@SPHERE**, **@TOROID**, **@SPOOL**, **@CYLNR**, **@SCLIP** and **@STYLE**.

**@SCALE** Changes bitmap plotting area to logical equidistant units. This results in X and Y coordinate ranges being equally proportioned.

## SYNTAX:

**@SCALE**,scale number

Scale number - 0-2 Sets scale units.  
0 No scale, screen remains pixel oriented.  
1 Sets Y pixel values to .39 of a real pixel.  
For example, a 640 X 200 physical screen  
becomes a 640 X 512 logical screen.  
2 Doubles logical screen size. Same logical  
screen (640 X 512) at SCALE 1 becomes  
1280 X 1024 logical points at SCALE 2.

\* NOTE! Logical screens are not the same as Virtual screens.  
Larger Virtual screens result in larger logical  
screens. Scale values greater than 2 default to 0.

**@SCLIP** Solids Clip, sets the clipping boundaries for the Rylander Solids

SYNTAX:

**@SCLIP, left, right, up, down**

left	0-255	based upon center of solid object
right	0-255	based upon center of solid object
up	0-255	based upon center of solid object
down	0-255	based upon center of solid object

**@SCRDEF** Defines an area of memory in the 8563 chip ram to be used as a custom screen for display. This overrides the @MODE command for the specified screen #.

## SYNTAX:

**@SCRDEF,screen#,display type,color size,size x,size y,  
bitmap beg. addr,color beg. addr**

screen# : 0-7 indicates which screen definition to be used by the @SCREEN command. Values greater than 7 are converted to 0-7 (eg., 8=0, 9=1, 10=2 etc.). This is always the case.

display type : 0 = normal RGB  
non 0 = Interlace Sync - area between scan lines filled to yield a sharper image.  
(some monitors will not display this mode properly)

color size : 0-4 Indicates the color resolution to be used.  
0 Use monochrome mode  
1 Use 8 X 2 color cell : requires 8000 bytes  
2 Use 8 X 4 color cell : requires 4000 bytes  
3 Use 8 X 8 color cell : requires 2000 bytes  
4 Use 8 X 16 color cell : requires 1000 bytes

Number of bytes is in addition to 16000 required for screen bitmap of 640 X 200 pixels. Larger virtual screens require more ram. Color sizes greater than 4 default to type 4. To determine the amount of ram needed for a bitmap, use the formula ;

Bitmap Ram = ((maximum x)/8)\*(maximum y)

Color Ram = 80\*(maximum y)/sizecode

Screen Type	Sizecode
mono	no color ram
color 8 X 16	16
color 8 X 8	8
color 8 X 4	4
color 8 X 2	2

Total ram for a color screen=Bitmap ram + color ram

SizeX : 640 to 2040 in increments of 8 pixels  
Indicates horizontal size of virtual screen area. Only 640 pixels can be seen on one line at time. Values greater than 640 only possible if 64K 8563 chip ram installed. Virtual screens greater than 640 pixels work in monochrome mode only.

SizeY : 200 X 819 in increments of scan lines (1 pixel)  
Indicates vertical size of virtual screen area. Only 200 lines can be seen at one time. Values greater than 200 only possible if 64K 8563 chip ram is installed. Virtual screens greater than 200 are allowed in both color and monochrome modes.

Bitmap Address : 0 if only 16K 8563 chip ram installed.  
0-65535 if 64K 8563 chip ram installed.  
49535 last available address for a contiguous 16K bitmap. (65535 - 16000 = 49535)

Color Address : 0-16383 if only 16K 8563 chip ram installed.  
0 - 63535 if 64K 8563 chip ram installed.

**@SCREEN** select which screens to use when drawing and/or viewing.

SYNTAX:

**@SCREEN,draw screen #[,view screen #]**

draw screen #: 0-7 Indicates which is active drawing screen.  
view screen #: 0-7 Indicates which screen is displayed.

If both parameters are the same or view screen # is omitted then the view screen becomes the active drawing screen. If they differ this allows you to draw on one screen while viewing another. This can be used for **DOUBLE BUFFERING**, which is a common animation technique.

**@SCROLL** Scroll bitmap area

SYNTAX 1:

**@SCROLL,Direction,Number of Units,Speed**

Direction - 0-7    0 = up  
                   1 = up & right  
                   2 = right  
                   3 = down & right  
                   4 = down  
                   5 = down & left  
                   6 = left  
                   7 = up & left  
                   Greater than 7 becomes 0-7

Number of Units - 0-255    number of columns and/or color cells to move in given direction.

Speed                    0-255    time delay between each scroll increment  
                           0 = no delay  
                           255 = .255 seconds

(delay = Speed \* .001 seconds)

SYNTAX 2: Move the display immediately

**@SCROLL,255,LByte of Color Cell,HByte of Color Cell**

255 - Indicates you want Absolute Positioning  
 LByte - Lo byte of color cell (Color Row) to move to  
 HByte - Hi Byte of color cell (Color Row) to move to

This @SCROLL allows you to move directly to the start of any color cell or scanline (in monochrome).

For Example:

(In monochrome)

@SCROLL,255,25,0            Move to scanline 25

(In 8x8 color)

@SCROLL,255,2,0            Move to scanline 16 (color row 2)



**@SDAT** Structure DATA statements to read data into current structure buffer

## SYNTAX:

**@SDAT**,required parameters for the Structure Type  
**@SDAT**,optional data depending on Structure Type

\*\*\* Required parameters MUST be on a separate **@SDAT** command line than the optional data. If buffer fills before end of Structure data then status of -1 is returned to status variable. If variable is not -1 then variable contains the next available address in buffer. (16 bit address, 0-65535)

example A=@SDAT,data...  
 IF A=-1 then BUFFER ERROR, ELSE A=next available address

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\* Required Parameters \*

Type 1 **@SDAT**,pattern width,pattern height,color width,color height  
 Pattern width is in BYTES (8 pixels)  
 Pattern height is in PIXELS  
 Color width is in BYTES (8 pixels)  
 Color height is based on size of current color cell height. For example, if color cell height is 4 pixels, then each color height of 1 is equal to 4 pixels.

Type 2 NO Required Parameters

Type 3 NO Required Parameters

Type 4 NO Required Parameters

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\* Optional Parameters \*

Type 1 **@SDAT**,Pattern bitmap data pattern width X pattern height  
 optional parameters needed.

For example, to define a brick wall pattern which is 2 bytes wide and 8 pixels deep you would use

```
@BUFFER,2,0,65535 : rem Buffer 2 is 64K buffer in ext. ram bank 0
@STRUCT,0,1,2,0 : rem Struct 0, type pattern, buffer 2, address 0
@SDAT,2,8,1,1 : rem 2 bytes X 8 pixels, 1 X 1 color
@SDAT,255,255,128,0,128,0,128,0,255,255,0,128,0,128,0,128
@SDAT,206 : rem brown on lite grey using JAM 2 color
@SEND
```

Type 2 **@SDAT**,Flag,Structure #,column,y(Lobyte),y (Hibyte),char height,char width,direction,length,"string of characters"

If Flag = 0 then structure is done, else if  
not 0 then continue.  
Other parameters described in @CHAR command.

- Type 3 No optional parameters as character set should be loaded from disk.
- Type 4 No optional parameters as brushes should be loaded from disk.

**@SEND** Terminates the current structure (**Structure END**).

SYNTAX:

**@SEND**

**Special note:** The **@STRUCT @SDAT @SEND** commands are to be used together. Once a **@STRUCT** command has been given **@SDAT** commands and then a **@SEND** command is expected. BASIC 7.0 commands only can be used in between these commands such as:

FOR..NEXT loop to pass data to the **@SDAT** command.

Use variable to find next byte in buffer with I/O

```
@LSTRUCT,0,8,2,0,"FNT.ROMAN":AD=@SEND
```

AD=next free byte in BUFFER.

USING BASIC 8.0 COMMANDS WITHIN THE **@STRUCT @SDAT** and **@SEND** COMMANDS WILL GIVE UNPREDICTABLE RESULTS.

**@SPHERE** Plot a 3D solid sphere

SYNTAX:

**@SPHERE,X,Y,Radius**

X	-	0-2047	Depending on Screen Max X
Y	-	0-819	Depending on Screen Max Y
Radius	-	1-255	

@SPOOL Draws a solid spool structure

SYNTAX:

**@SPOOL,X,Y,Inner Radius,Outer Radius,View**

X	-	0-Xmax	Center X of spool
Y	-	0-Ymax	Center Y of spool
Inner Radius	-	1-255	inner radius of spool
Outer Radius	-	1-255	outer radius of spool
View	-	0-1	Type of spool
		0	Horizontal
		1	Vertical

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@SSTRUCT Saves a structure from memory to disk

SYNTAX:

**@SSTRUCT,STRUCT #,DEVICE #,FILENAME**

STRUCT # - 0-191

DEVICE # - 8-11

FILENAME - filename to store to disk

\*\*\* @SSTRUCT MUST BE FOLLOWED BY @SEND \*\*\*\*

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**@STASH** Used to place a designated rectangle of screen display in a brush structure for later recall or storage to disk.

SYNTAX:

**@STASH,STRUCTURE#,BUFFER#,BUFFER ADDRESS,X,Y,DX,DY,COMPRESSION**

STRUCTURE # - 0-191 The designated structure number used to recall the data with the @FETCH command.

BUFFER # - 0-9 The ram bank to be used as a buffer. This parameter is just like the @BUFFER command.

Buffer Address - 0-65535 The address within the buffer to begin storing the data.

X - 0-Virtual X The beginning X coordinate of the rectangular area to store. X will be rounded down to an even byte boundary. For example, if X=26 then the actual X will be 24 (INT(26/8)=24)

Y - 0-Virtual Y The beginning Y coordinate of the rectangular area to store. Y will be rounded down to the top of the current color cell.

DX - The length in pixels of the rectangle. The right side of the rectangle will be adjusted to the end of the byte it falls on.

DY - The height in pixels of the rectangle. The endpoint in Y will be adjusted to the end of the current color cell.

Compression - 0/1 0 indicates no data compression, while 1 instructs the system to compress the data. The amount of compression depends upon the data itself.

To find the next address in the buffer use the syntax  
AD=@STASH,STRUCTURE#,BUFFER#,BUFFER ADDRESS,X,Y,DX,DY,COMPRESSION  
AD=Next available address, or -1 indicating STASH failure.

The X,Y,DX,DY coordinates are scaled if necessary.

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**@STORE** Saves an entire screen as a BRUSH to disk for later @DISPLAY as a screen or loading into a STRUCTURE as a BRUSH for use with @FETCH.

SYNTAX:

**@STORE,SCREEN#,DEVICE #,COMPRESSION FLAG,"FILENAME"**

SCREEN# - The number of the screen to store. See @SCREEN command for information on screen numbers.

DEVICE # - The drive number you are using, ex. 8

COMPRESSION - 0 No data compression  
1 Compress data

**\*\* NOTE \*\* See appendix for data compression algorithm**

FILENAME - The name the screen display is to be stored under on disk. It must be within double quotes (").



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**@STRUCT** Defines data structure used in various BASIC 8.0 commands and where in the indicated **BUFFER** it is at.

SYNTAX:

**@STRUCT,Structure #,Type,Buffer #, Beginning address in buffer**

Structure # - 0-191 Indicates which of 192 possible structures you are defining. Structure numbers greater than 191 are converted to 0-191.

Type - 1-4 Indicates Structure data type  
1 Pattern type  
2 Logo type  
3 Character Font type  
4 Brush type

Buffer # - 0-9 Indicates which of ten buffer banks to use.  
0-1 is internal ram banks 0 and 1  
2-9 are external ram banks 0-7

Buffer Address - 0-Buffer Size (Address to store data in buffer.)

**@STYLE** Define characteristics for Rylander Solids

## SYNTAX:

**@STYLE, SHADE, SCALE, LIGHTING**

Shade -	0/1	Sets shade style
	0	textured
	1	halftone
Scale -	0/1	
	0	Indicates no scaling, images are elongated
	1	Images are symmetrical
Lighting -	0/1	Set lighting style
	0	Normal
	1	Backlite

@TEXT

SYNTAX:

@TEXT

Clears text screen, initializes **standard** fonts, enters text mode. It also **turns off** the window border flag. @SCALE is set to 0, all parameters of drawmodes A and B are set to 0, @ANGLE is set to 0,0,0,0 and current @MODE is removed from system, so @MODE must be re-issued or another @SCRDEF issued.

@TOROID Draw a solid toroid shape (115)

SYNTAX:

@TOROID,X,Y,Inside radius,Outside radius,View

- X - 0-XMax
- Y - 0-YMax
- Inside radius - 1-255
- Outside radius - 1-255
- View - 0/1/2
  - 0 horizontal
  - 1 vertical
  - 2 top

@VIEW

## SYNTAX:

**@VIEW,Angle**

Angle - -360 to 360 Angle of view used when drawing in parallel draw mode (zview flag of @DRWMOB is equal to 1). Angle is the rotation of your eye around the Y axis. Angle is given in degrees. Angles between -360 and 360 yield all possible results. Greater values are redundant.

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@WALRUS WALRUS logo, sets up the BASIC 8.0 system for 16K or 64K video ram  
@WALRUS must be executed at the beginning of a program.  
Logo screen can be used as a title screen for BASIC 8.0 programs

SYNTAX:

@WALRUS, RAM TYPE

RAM TYPE 0-1  
0=16K 8563 video ram  
1=64K 8563 video ram

NOTE:

WALRUS command automatically goes to graphic mode and should be used before any other BASIC 8 command.  
If used within a program more than once, the @MODE command will need to be issued again.

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**@WINDOWOPEN** Windowopen allows you to define a subscreen within the main virtual screen area. The upper left corner of the window becomes the pixel coordinates 0,0. All graphic commands translate to this new origin. Any drawing that falls outside the window boundaries is clipped (not rendered). This new window remains active until a @WINDOWCLOSE command is encountered, a new window is defined or a @SCREEN command is issued.

**SYNTAX:**

**@WINDOWOPEN,X,Y,window width,window height,border flag**

X : 0-2046 This is top lefthand corner of window. Value indicates a pixel number of the virtual screen. Values greater than 639 only possible with 64K 8563 chip ram installed. While X is given in pixels, it rounds down to the next lowest column value. (1 column = 8 pixels)

Y : 0-818 This is the top scan line (pixel) of the window. Values greater than 200 are only possible with 64K 8563 chip ram installed.

window width : 1-2040 This is the width of the window in pixels and rounds up to the nearest column number. Values greater than 640 only possible with 64K 8563 chip ram installed.

window height : 1-819 This is the height of the window in scan lines (1 pixel). Values greater than 200 are only possible with 64K 8563 chip ram installed.

border flag : 0-1 If set to one the window will have a border draw at the outer coordinates of the window when a CLEAR command is issued.

**NOTE:** If window is opened in a color screen, the beginning scan line number is rounded down to the closest color cell boundary. The window height is rounded up to the closest color cell boundary. This is done in order to prevent color bleed outside the window. @WINDOWOPEN does not save the contents of the area underneath the new window. Programmers who wish to preserve and restore this area should use the @STASH & @FETCH as appropriate.

**@WINDOWCLOSE** Closes last window created with **@WINDOWOPEN** command and redirects graphic output of screen to the current virtual screen boundaries.

**SYNTAX:**

**@WINDOWCLOSE**

**NOTES:** Turns border flag off, does not remove contents of window from screen viewing. You must have previously **@STASHed** the screen area where the new window will appear and then restore the old screen area with a **@FETCH** command.



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**@ZOOM** This command enlarges a STASHed structure from memory to the screen.

SYNTAX:

**E=@ZOOM,STRUCTURE#,SIZE,DestX,DestY**

STRUCTURE# - 0-191 Number of an uncompressed brush structure  
SIZE - 1-15 Height of ZOOMed brush in color cells  
DestX - 0-MaxX Destination X of enlarged brush structure  
DestY - 0-MaxY Destination Y of enlarged brush structure

**ZOOM** does little in the way of error correcting. YOU must make sure the new enlarged brush will fit into the destination area. The enlargement is constant in the X direction (1 pixel->8 pixels) and is variable in the Y. For example, a SIZE of 2 for a brush in the 8x2 mode would make each pixel in the Y direction enlarge a total of 4 pixels (2 scanlines per cell \* size 2 = 4 pixels). For a brush in the 8x8 mode, a SIZE of 4 would make each pixel equal to 32 pixels. (8 scanlines per cell \* size 4 = 32 pixels)

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 CHART OF COMMANDS  
 EFFECTS AND RETURN VALUES

COMMAND	ROTATION	XYZ2XY	SCALE	CLIP	WINDOW	V RETURN	MMU	BUFFERS/BANKS
ANGLE								
ARC	+	+	+	+	+			
BOX	+	+	+	+	+			
BRUSHPATRN						-1		
BUFFER								0-10
CBRUSH						-1		
CHAR				+	+	-1		0-10,14
CIRCLE	+	+	+	AL	+			
CLEAR					+			
COLOR								
COPY				+				
CYLNR								
DIRS								
DISPLAY				+		-1		
DOT	+	+	+	AL	+			
DRWMODA								
DRWMOdB								
FETCH			+	+		-1		0-10
FLASH			+	+	+			
FONT						-1		
GROW								
HCOPY								
LINE	+	+	+	+	+			
LOGO				+	+	-1		
LSTRUCT								0-10
MODE								
MOUSE								
ORIGIN								
PAINT			+	+	+	-1		0-1
PATTERN						-1		
PIXEL			+	+	+			
PTR								
SCALE								
SCLIP								
SCRDEF								
SCREEN								
SCROLL								
SDAT						-1/Adr		
SEND								
SPHERE								
SPOOL								
SSTRUCT								0-10
STASH				+		-1/Adr		0-10
STORE				+		-1		
STRUCT								0-10
STYLE								
TEXT								
TOROID								
VIEW								
WALRUS								
WINDOWCLOSE								
WINDOWOPEN								
ZOOM						-1		

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PRINTER SUPPORT

**BASIC 8.0** has some of the most flexible printer drivers available to users of computer graphics. It supports most of the major printers used by Commodore 128 owners. Since the different printers have different capabilities and require different programming techniques to print bitmap graphics, different printer specific drivers are required. These are installable printer drivers, which means you (or a program written by you) can easily change the specific printer being used by loading a driver with the command **BLOAD "PRINTER NAME",B0,P26064**.

You access the printer with the **BASIC 8.0** command called **@HCOPY**. This command is the same regardless of what printer you are using, so your programs will always be compatible. The parameters of **@HCOPY** control the secondary address of the printer you are using, the size of the printout, the printer density to use, and the orientation of the printout (rotated or unrotated).

Since not all printers are the same (some offer more dots per horizontal line, some have several densities, and others offer colors besides black) there may be limitations on what your printer can do. For example, the MPS 801 can print only 480 dots per horizontal line. So it cannot print out even the smallest unrotated **BASIC 8.0** image (which would be at least 640 pixels wide.) In order to use it, the image is automatically rotated 90 degrees, regardless of the value of the rotate parameter in the **@HCOPY** command. This also means you cannot have a height parameter greater than 2 (400 pixels) with a 200 scanline high screen. (A height of 3 would be 600, too large for the MPS 801.) And it offers only one density, so values greater than one are ignored. On the other extreme, the PANASONIC 1091 and EPSON FX  
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both support seven dot densities. That means you could have a horizontal image upto 1920 dots wide (using density 7) before you had to rotate it. (The different density settings are not linear. This means a larger density value is not necessarily going to print a smaller picture. Instead it may instruct the printer to use more dots per inch, but still give the same size image as that of a smaller density setting. The best way of knowing what to expect from the various densities is to check with your printer manual, or simply print out a picture using different settings. We gave you the power to determine what the final printed output will look like.)

On the following pages is information concerning the eleven printers supported directly by **BASIC 8.0**. This information includes the assembly language source code, so other printer drivers could be written for **BASIC 8.0** by experienced programmers. For additional information on the **@HCOPY** command, see the **BASIC 8.0 COMMAND ENCYCLOPEDIA** in chapter 10.

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EPSON FX-80  
PANASONIC 1091  
STAR NX-10

This printer driver is on your BASIC 8.0 disk with the name P.HC-EPSON. This is the default driver built into the BASIC 8.0 system, so it is not necessary to install it again unless another driver has been loaded.

The secondary address we used for the CARDCO G and G-WIZ interfaces is 5. Other printer interfaces may require a different secondary address.

This driver can use the full range of heights (1-4) in the height parameter of @HCOPY, as well as the full range of densities (1-7). For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 2 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a large business card. As mentioned, a density parameter of seven allows you to print a horizontal unrotated image of 1920 pixels, larger than most applications will require.

You can also print your images rotated 90 degrees, which is very useful if the screen is more than 1920 pixels wide, or you want to use a lower density in order to get a larger image. Just set the rotation parameter to one and the picture will be rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near EPSON compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered

BASIC 8.0 owners.

## EPSON/PANASONIC/STAR NX-10 BASIC 8.0 PRINTER SOURCE CODE

```

.PAGE
;NAME      HARD COPY
;CREATED   12/20/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR    DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER HCD65
;COMPUTER  C-128
;REMARKS   BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR EPSON FX-NN,PANASONIC 1091,STAR NX
;          X * 880  UNROTATED & ROTATED
*=$65D0

INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
255$
.ENDM

DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
254$
.ENDM

MMU    = $FF00

CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9

CLCADR    = $26A8
SWAPNYBL  = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E

CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE = $131A
SCRCSIZEY = $131C
SCRCSIZEZ = $1324
XO        = $136B
YO        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
PARM3     = $13F1
PARM4     = $13F2

```

```

MLHCOPY
  LDA PARM4
  BEQ 99$
  JMP MLHCOPYR
99$
  LDA PARM1
  STA SECADR
  LDA PARM2
  STA HCHT
  LDX PARM3      ;1=SINGLE 2=DOUBLE 3-7 SEE EPSON FX-80 MANUAL
  DEX
  STX ESCDAT+6

  LDA SCRSEX
  STA ESCDAT+7
  LDA SCRSEX+1
  STA ESCDAT+8

  LDX HCHT
  DEX
  LDA CNVTHT,X
  STA HCHT
  LDA #8
2$
  DEX
  BMI 1$
  LSR A
  JMP 2$
1$
  STA STEP

  LDA MMU
  AND #$FE
  STA MMU
  JSR OPNCHN
  LDA #7
  STA BN
  LDA #0
  STA BV      ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
  STA YY1     ;Y0=0
  STA YY1+1
NXTY
  JSR PRTESE ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
  LDA #0
  STA X0
  STA X0+1
NXTX
  LDA YY1
  STA Y0
  LDA YY1+1
  STA Y0+1
  CLC
  LDA Y0
  ADC STEP
  STA ENDY0
  LDA Y0+1
  ADC #0
  STA ENDY0+1

```

```

NXTYO
LDA #0
STA HTCNTR
NXTHT
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHT
INCWRD YO
LDA YO
CMP ENDYO
BNE NXTYO
LDA YO+1
CMP ENDYO+1
BNE NXTYO
.LOCAL
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP SCRSEX
BNE NXTX ;IF X0< SCRSEX THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA X0+1
CMP SCRSEX+1
BNE NXTX
CLC
LDA YY1
ADC STEP
STA YY1
LDA YY1+1
ADC #0
STA YY1+1
LDA YY1
CMP SCRSEY
LDA YY1+1
SBC SCRSEY+1
BCC NXTYJ
HCERR
LDA #27 ;ESC
JSR CHROUT
LDA #'e ;RESET CODE
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTYJ
JMP NXTY

```

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```
LDA #0
STA $B7
LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

PRTESC
LDX #0
1$
LDA ESCDAT,X
JSR CHROUT
INX
CPX #9
BNE 1$
RTS

GETPIX
LDA Y0
CMP SCRSEY
LDA Y0+1
SBC SCRSEY+1
BCS 1$
JSR CLCADR
JSR GETPIXSTAT
AND MASK
BEQ 1$
SEC
RTS
1$
CLC
RTS

ESCDAT
.BYT 13,10,27,'1',27,'*',0,<640,>640
CNVTHT
.BYT 1,2,4,8 ;TRANSLATE HT OF 1,2,3,4 TO 1,2,4,8

SECADR
.BYT 0
HCHT
.BYT 0

BN
.BYT 0
BV
.BYT 0
HTCNTR
.BYT 0
STEP
.BYT 0
ENDYO
.BYT 0,0
YY1
.BYT 0,0
```

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```

MLHCOPYR
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
LDA PARM2
STA HCHT
LDX PARM3      ;1=SINGLE  2=DOUBLE
DEX
STX ESCDAT+6

LDA SCRSIZEY
STA ESCDAT+7
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA ESCDAT+8
LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA ESCDAT+7
4$
DEX
BMI 3$
ASL A
ROL ESCDAT+8
JMP 4$
3$
STA ESCDAT+7

LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA CNVTHT,X
STA HCHT
LDA #8
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV      ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA XX1     ;X1=0
STA XX1+1
NXTX1R
JSR PRTESC ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
LDA SCRSIZEY
STA Y0
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA Y0+1
DECWRD Y0
NXTYR
LDA #0
STA HTCNTR
NXTHTR
LDA XX1
STA X0
LDA XX1+1

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```
STA X0+1
CLC
LDA X0
ADC STEP
STA ENDX0
LDA X0+1
ADC #0
STA ENDX0+1
NXTXR
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP ENDX0
BNE NXTXR
LDA X0+1
CMP ENDX0+1
BNE NXTXR
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHTR
LOCAL
DECWRD Y0
LDA Y0
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR ;IF Y = 0 THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LEA Y0+1
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR
CLC
LDA XX1
ADC STEP
STA XX1
LDA XX1+1
ADC #0
STA XX1+1
LDA XX1
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA XX1+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCC NXTXJR
HCERRR
LDA #27 ;ESC
JSR CHROUT
LDA #'@ ;RESET CODE
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
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JMP CLOSE  
NXTXJR  
JMP NXTX1R

ENDX0  
.BYT 0,0  
XX1  
.BYT 0,0  
.END

**OLIVETTI PR 2300**

This printer driver is on your **BASIC 8.0** disk with the name **P.HC-OLIVETTI**. This is not the default driver built into the **BASIC 8.0** system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-OLIVETTI",B0,P26064**.

The secondary address we used for the **CARDCO G** and **G-WIZ** interfaces is **5**. Other printer interfaces may require a different secondary address.

This driver can use the full range of heights (1-4) in the height parameter of **@HCOPY**, but only 1 density is supported by the Olivetti. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 1 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a large business envelope. The Olivetti PR2300 can print unrotated images upto 880 horizontal pixels wide.

You can also print your images rotated 90 degrees, which is very useful if the screen is more than 880 pixels wide. Just set the rotation parameter to one and the picture will be rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near **OLIVETTI PR2300** compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered **BASIC 8.0** owners.

## OLIVETTI PR2300 BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```

.PAGE
;NAME      HARD COPY
;CREATED   12/09/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR    DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER HCD65
;COMPUTER  C-128
;REMARKS   BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR OLIVETTI PR 2300
;          880 * Y UNROTATED  X * 880 ROTATED
*=$65D0

INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
255$
.ENDM

DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM

MMU = $FF00

CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9

CLCADR = $26A8
SWAPNYBL = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E

CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE = $131A
SCRSIZEY = $131C
SCRSIZEX = $1324
X0        = $136B
Y0        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
PARM3     = $13F1
PARM4     = $13F2

MLHCOPY

```

```

LDA PARM4
BEQ 99$
JMP MLHCOPYR
99$
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
LDA PARM2
STA HCHT

LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA MULT8,X
STA SSLN ;SAVE SCANLINE#
LDA HTABL,X
STA ESCDAT+8
LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA SLN ;SCANLINE#=0
STA BV ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA Y0 ;Y0=0
STA Y0+1
NXTY
LDA #0
STA HTMULT ;HEIGHT COUNTER
4$
LDA SLN
BNE 3$
JSR PRTESE ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
3$
INC SLN ;INCREMENT SCANLINE# IN ROW
LDA SLN
CMF SSLN ;IF SLN=SSLN THEN END OF ROW REACHED
BNE 6$ ;BR IF <>
LDA #0 ;ELSE
STA SLN ;RESET SCANLINE# TO 0
6$
LDA #0
STA X0
STA X0+1
2$
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD X0
LDA X0

```

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```
CMP #<880
BNE 2$ ;X0<880 THEN GOTO 2$
LDA X0+1
CMP #>880
BNE 2$
INC HTMULT ;ELSE END OF LINE
LDA HTMULT
CMP HCHT
BNE 4$ ;REPEAT SCANLINE HCHT TIME (HEIGHT)
.LOCAL
INCWRD Y0
LDA Y0
CMP SCRSIZEY
BNE NXTY ;IF Y0< SCRSIZEY THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA Y0+1
CMP SCRSIZEY+1
BNE NXTY
HCERR
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE

OPNCHN
LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

PRTESC
LDX #0
1$
LDA ESCDAT,X
PHP
AND #$7F
JSR CHROUT
INX
PLP
BPL 1$
RTS

GETPIX
LDA X0
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X0+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCS 1$
JSR CLCADR
JSR GETPIXSTAT
AND MASK
BEQ 1$
SEC
RTS
1$
CLC
RTS
```



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ESCDAT  
.BYT 27,71,'1;110;2;2',27,90+\$80

SECADR  
.BYT 0  
MULT8  
.BYT 8,16,24,32  
HTABL  
.BYT 49,50,51,52  
BN  
.BYT 0  
BV  
.BYT 0  
HCHT  
.BYT 0  
HTMULT  
.BYT 0  
SLN  
.BYT 0  
SSLN  
.BYT 0

MLHCOPYR  
LDA PARM1  
STA SECADR  
LDA PARM2  
STA HCHT  
  
LDA MMU  
AND #\$FE  
STA MMU  
JSR OPNCHN  
LDX HCHT ;1-4 GOES TO  
DEX ;0-3 FOR INDEXING PURPOSES  
LDA HTABLR,X  
STA HCHT ;1,2,4,8  
LDA #<880  
STA NUMSL  
LDA #>880  
22\$  
DEX  
BMI 11\$  
LSR A  
ROR NUMSL  
JMP 22\$  
11\$  
STA NUMSL+1  
LDA #7  
STA BN  
LDA #0  
STA SLN ;SCANLINE#=0  
STA BV ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0  
STA X0 ;X0=0  
STA X0+1  
NXTXR  
LDA SLN

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```
BNE 3$
JSR PRTESCR ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
3$
INC SLN ;INCREMENT SCANLINE# IN ROW
LDA SLN
CMP #8 ;IF SLN=8 THEN END OF ROW REACHED
BNE 6$ ;BR IF <>
LDA #0 ;ELSE
STA SLN ;RESET SCANLINE# TO 0
6$
LDA NUMSL
STA YO
LDA NUMSL+1
STA YO+1
DECWRD YO
NXTYR
LDA #0
STA HTMULT
4$
JSR GETPIXR ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
5$
INC HTMULT
LDA HTMULT
CMP HCHT
BNE 4$
DECWRD YO
LDA YO
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR ;YO <> 0 THEN GOTO NXTY
LDA YO+1
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR
LOCAL
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP SCRSIZEX
BNE NXTXTR ;IF X0< SCRSIZEX THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA X0+1
CMP SCRSIZEX+1
BNE NXTXTR
HCERRR
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTXTR
JMP NXTXR
```

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```
PRTESCR
  LDX #0
```

```
1$
  LDA ESCDATR,X
  PHP
  AND #$7F
  JSR CHROUT
  INX
  PLP
  BPL 1$
  RTS
```

```
GETPIXR
  LDA Y0
  CMP SCRSIZEY
  LDA Y0+1
  SBC SCRSIZEY+1
  BCS 1$
  JSR CLCADR
  JSR GETPIXSTAT
  AND MASK
  BEQ 1$
  SEC
  RTS
1$
  CLC
  RTS
```

```
ESCDATR
  .BYT 27,71,'1;110;1;2',27,90+$80
HTABLR
  .BYT 1,2,4,8 ;TRANSLATE HT OF 1,2,3,4 TO 1,2,4,8
NUMSL
  .BYT 0,0

.END
```

**STAR NX-10C**

This printer driver is on your **BASIC 8.0** disk with the name **P.HC-NX-10C**. This is not the default driver built into the **BASIC 8.0** system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-NX-10C",B0,P26064**.

The secondary address to use is 8.

This driver can use the full range of heights (1-4) in the height parameter of **@HCOPY**, but only 2 densities are supported by the **NX-10C**. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 2 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a small envelope. The **NX-10C** can print unrotated images upto 1280 horizontal pixels wide.

You can also print your images rotated 90 degrees, which is very useful if the screen is more than 1280 pixels wide. Just set the rotation parameter to one and the picture will be rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near **NX-10C** compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered **BASIC 8.0** owners.

## NX-10C BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```

.PAGE
;NAME          HARD COPY
;CREATED      12/20/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR       DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER    HCD65
;COMPUTER     C-128
;REMARKS      BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR STAR NX-10C
;              X * 880  UNROTATED
*= $65D0

```

```

INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1

```

```

255$
.ENDM

```

```

DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1

```

```

254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM

```

```
MMU = $FF00
```

```

CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9

```

```

CLCADR = $26A8
SWAPNYBL = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E

```

```

CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE = $131A
SCRSIZEY = $131C
SCRSIZEZ = $1324
XO        = $136B
YO        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
PARM3     = $13F1
PARM4     = $13F2

```

```

MLHCOPY
        LDA PARM4
        BEQ 99$

```

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```
JMP MLHCOPYR
99$
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
LDA PARM2
STA HCHT
LDX PARM3          ;1=SINGLE  2=DOUBLE
DEX
LDA DENSITY,X
STA ESCDAT+6

LDA SCRSIZEX
STA ESCDAT+7
LDA SCRSIZEX+1
STA ESCDAT+8

LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA CNVTHT,X
STA HCHT
LDA #8
2$
DEX
BMI 1$
LSR A
JMP 2$
1$
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV          ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA Y1          ;Y0=0
STA Y1+1
NXTY
JSR PRTESEC    ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
LDA #0
STA X0
STA X0+1
NXTX
LDA Y1
STA Y0
LDA Y1+1
STA Y0+1
CLC
LDA Y0
ADC STEP
STA ENDY0
LDA Y0+1
ADC #0
STA ENDY0+1
NXTY0
LDA #0
```

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```
STA HTCNTR
NXTHT
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHT
INCWRD YO
LDA YO
CMP ENDYO
BNE NXTYO
LDA YO+1
CMP ENDYO+1
BNE NXTYO
LOCAL
INCWRD XO
LDA XO
CMP SCRSIZEX
BNE NXTX ;IF X0< SCRSIZEX THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA XO+1
CMP SCRSIZEX+1
BNE NXTX
CLC
LDA Y1
ADC STEP
STA Y1
LDA Y1+1
ADC #0
STA Y1+1
LDA Y1
CMP SCRSIZEY
LDA Y1+1
SBC SCRSIZEY+1
BCC NXTYJ
HCERR
LDA #27 ;ESC
JSR CHROUT
LDA #'@ ;RESET CODE
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTYJ
JMP NXTY
OPNCHN
LDA #0
STA $B7
```

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```

LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

```

```

PRTESC
  LDX #0
1$
  LDA ESCDAT,X
  JSR CHROUT
  INX
  CPX #8
  BNE 1$
  RTS

```

```

GETPIX
  LDA Y0
  CMP SCRSIZEY
  LDA Y0+1
  SBC SCRSIZEY+1
  BCS 1$
  JSR CLCADR
  JSR GETPIXSTAT
  AND MASK
  BEQ 1$
  SEC
  RTS
1$
  CLC
  RTS

```

```

ESCDAT
  .BYT 13,27,'3',21,27,'K',<640,>640
CNVTHT
  .BYT 1,2,4,8 ;TRANSLATE HT OF 1,2,3,4 TO 1,2,4,8
DENSITY
  .BYT 'K','L'

```

```

SECADR
  .BYT 0
HCHT
  .BYT 0

BN
  .BYT 0
BV
  .BYT 0
HTCNTR
  .BYT 0
STEP
  .BYT 0
ENDYO
  .BYT 0,0
Y1
  .BYT 0,0

```



```

MLHCOPYR
  LDA PARM1
  STA SECADR
  LDA PARM2
  STA HCHT
  LDX PARM3          ; 1=SINGLE  2=DOUBLE
  DEX
  LDA DENSITY,X
  STA ESCDAT+6

  LDA SCRSIZEY
  STA ESCDAT+7
  LDA SCRSIZEY+1
  STA ESCDAT+8
  LDX HCHT
  DEX
  LDA ESCDAT+7
4$
  DEX
  BMI 3$
  ASL A
  ROL ESCDAT+8
  JMP 4$
3$
  STA ESCDAT+7

  LDX HCHT
  DEX
  LDA CNVTHT,X
  STA HCHT
  LDA #8
  STA STEP

  LDA MMU
  AND #$FE
  STA MMU
  JSR OPNCHN
  LDA #7
  STA BN
  LDA #0
  STA BV          ; BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
  STA X1          ; X1=0
  STA X1+1
NXTX1R
  JSR PRTESEC    ; DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
  LDA SCRSIZEY
  STA Y0
  LDA SCRSIZEY+1
  STA Y0+1
  DECWRD Y0
NXTYR
  LDA #0
  STA HTCNTNTR
NXTHTR
  LDA X1
  STA X0

```

```

LDA X1+1
STA X0+1
CLC
LDA X0
ADC STEP
STA ENDX0
LDA X0+1
ADC #0
STA ENDX0+1
NXTXR
JSR GETPIX      ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV          ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN          ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV          ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP ENDX0
BNE NXTXR
LDA X0+1
CMP ENDX0+1
BNE NXTXR
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHTR
LOCAL
DECWRD Y0
LDA Y0
CMP #0FF
BNE NXTYR      ;IF Y = 0 THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA Y0+1
CMP #0FF
BNE NXTYR
CLC
LDA X1
ADC STEP
STA X1
LDA X1+1
ADC #0
STA X1+1
LDA X1
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X1+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCC NXTXJR
HCERRR
LDA #27        ;ESC
JSR CHROUT
LDA #'@        ;RESET CODE
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN

```

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```
LDA #4  
JMP CLOSE  
NXTXJR  
JMP NXTX1R
```

```
ENDX0  
.BYT 0,0  
X1  
.BYT 0,0  
.END
```

**MANNESMANN TALLY SPIRIT 80**

This printer driver is on your **BASIC 8.0** disk with the name **P.HC-SPIRIT80**. This is not the default driver built into the **BASIC 8.0** system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-SPIRIT80",B0,P26064**.

The secondary address to use is 5, if you are using the **CARDCO G** or **G-WIZ** interfaces. Other interfaces may require a different secondary address.

This driver can use the full range of heights (1-4) in the height parameter of **@HCOPY**, but only 2 densities are supported by the **SPIRIT 80**. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 2 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a small envelope. The **SPIRIT 80** can print unrotated images upto 1280 horizontal pixels wide.

You can also print your images rotated 90 degrees, which is very useful if the screen is more than 1280 pixels wide. Just set the rotation parameter to one and the picture will be rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near **SPIRIT 80** compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered **BASIC 8.0** owners.

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MANNESMANN TALLY SPIRIT 80 BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```
.PAGE
;NAME      HARD COPY
;CREATED   12/20/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR    DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER HCD65
;COMPUTER  C-128
;REMARKS   BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR SPIRIT80
;          X * 880  UNROTATED
*= $65D0
```

```
INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
```

```
255$
.ENDM
```

```
DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
```

```
254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM
```

MMU = \$FF00

```
CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9
```

```
CLCADR = $26A8
SWAPNYBL = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E
```

```
CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE = $131A
SCRSIZEY = $131C
SCRSIZEX = $1324
X0        = $136B
Y0        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
PARM3     = $13F1
PARM4     = $13F2
```

```
MLHCOPY
LDA PARM4
BEQ 99$
JMP MLHCOPYR
```

```

99$
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
LDA PARM2
STA HCHT
LDX PARM3      ;1=SINGLE  2=DOUBLE
DEX
LDA DENSITY,X
STA ESCDAT+5

LDA SCRSIZEX
STA ESCDAT+6
LDA SCRSIZEX+1
STA ESCDAT+7

LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA CNVTHT,X
STA HCHT
LDA #8
2$
DEX
BMI 1$
LSR A
JMP 2$
1$
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV      ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA Y1      ;Y0=0
STA Y1+1
NXTY
JSR PRTESC  ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
LDA #0
STA X0
STA X0+1
NXTX
LDA Y1
STA Y0
LDA Y1+1
STA Y0+1
CLC
LDA Y0
ADC STEP
STA ENDY0
LDA Y0+1
ADC #0
STA ENDY0+1
NXTY0
LDA #0
STA HTCNTR

```

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```
NXTHT
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZE AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHT
INCWRD Y0
LDA Y0
CMP ENDY0
BNE NXTY0
LDA Y0+1
CMP ENDY0+1
BNE NXTY0
.LOCAL
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP SCRSIZE
BNE NXTX ;IF X0< SCRSIZE THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA X0+1
CMP SCRSIZE+1
BNE NXTX
CLC
LDA Y1
ADC STEP
STA Y1
LDA Y1+1
ADC #0
STA Y1+1
LDA Y1
CMP SCRSIZE
LDA Y1+1
SBC SCRSIZE+1
BCC NXTYJ
HCERR
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTYJ
JMP NXTY
OPNCHN
LDA #0
STA $B7
LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
```

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```
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

PRTESC
LDX #0
1$
LDA ESCDAT,X
JSR CHROUT
INX
CPX #8
BNE 1$
RTS

GETPIX
LDA Y0
CMP SCRSIZEY
LDA Y0+1
SBC SCRSIZEY+1
BCS 1$
JSR CLCADR
JSR GETPIXSTAT
AND MASK
BEQ 1$
SEC
RTS
1$
CLC
RTS

ESCDAT
.BYT 13,10,27,'1',27,'K',<640,>640
CNVTHT
.BYT 1,2,4,8 ;TRANSLATE HT OF 1,2,3,4 TO 1,2,4,8
DENSITY
.BYT 'K','L'

SECADR
.BYT 0
HCHT
.BYT 0

BN
.BYT 0
BV
.BYT 0
HTCNTR
.BYT 0
STEP
.BYT 0
ENDYO
.BYT 0,0
Y1
.BYT 0,0

MLHCOPYR
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
```



```

LDA PARM2
STA HCHT
LDX PARM3          ;1=SINGLE  2=DOUBLE
DEX
LDA DENSITY,X
STA ESCDAT+5

LDA SCRSIZEY
STA ESCDAT+6
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA ESCDAT+7
LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA ESCDAT+6
4$
DEX
BMI 3$
ASL A
ROL ESCDAT+7
JMP 4$
3$
STA ESCDAT+6

LDX HCHT
DEX
LDA CNVTHT,X
STA HCHT
LDA #8
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV          ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA X1          ;X1=0
STA X1+1
NXTX1R
JSR PRTESEC    ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8*HEIGHT
LDA SCRSIZEY
STA Y0
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA Y0+1
DECWRD Y0
NXTYR
LDA #0
STA HTCNTN
NXTTHR
LDA X1
STA X0
LDA X1+1
STA X0+1
CLC
LDA X0
ADC STEP

```

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```
STA ENDX0
LDA X0+1
ADC #0
STA ENDX0+1
NXTXR
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #7
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD X0
LDA X0
CMP ENDX0
BNE NXTXR
LDA X0+1
CMP ENDX0+1
BNE NXTXR
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHTR
.LOCAL
DECWRD Y0
LDA Y0
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR ;IF Y = 0 THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA Y0+1
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTYR
CLC
LDA X1
ADC STEP
STA X1
LDA X1+1
ADC #0
STA X1+1
LDA X1
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X1+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCC NXTXJR
HCERRR
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTXJR
JMP NXTX1R

ENDX0
.BYT 0,0
X1
.BYT 0,0
```

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.END

## GEMINI II

This printer driver is on your BASIC 8.0 disk with the name P.HC-GEMINI2. This is not the default driver built into the BASIC 8.0 system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-GEMINI2",B0,P26064**.

The secondary address to use is 8.

This driver can only use the range of heights (1-2) in the height parameter of @HCOPY, and only 2 densities are supported by the GEMINI II. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 2 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen, although the image is always rotated 90 degrees. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a small envelope. The GEMINI II can only print unrotated images upto 480 horizontal pixels wide, and since the smallest screen is at least 640 pixels wide the image is always rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near GEMINI II compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

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GEMINI II BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```
.PAGE
;NAME      HARD COPY
;CREATED   12/20/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR    DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER HCD65
;COMPUTER  C-128
;REMARKS   BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR GEMINI EE
;          X * 480  ROTATED
*=$65D0
```

```
INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
255$
.ENDM
```

```
DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM
```

MMU = \$FF00

CHROUT = \$FFD2  
CLRCHN = \$FFCC  
CLOSE = \$FFC3  
SETLFS = \$FFBA  
OPEN = \$FFC0  
CHKOUT = \$FFC9

CLCADR = \$26A8  
SWAPNYBL = \$25DB  
GETPIXSTAT = \$2652  
GETCOLSTAT = \$266E

CURCOLOR = \$1318  
SCRCSIZE = \$131A  
SCRSIZEY = \$131C  
SCRSIZEX = \$1324  
X0 = \$136B  
Y0 = \$136D  
MASK = \$137B  
PARM1 = \$13EF  
PARM2 = \$13F0  
PARM3 = \$13F1  
PARM4 = \$13F2

MLHCOPY  
LDA PARM1  
STA SECADR  
LDA PARM2

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```
STA HCHT
LDX PARM3      ;1-2
DEX            ;CONVERTED TO 0-1
LDA DENSITY,X ;DENSITY CODE 8 OR 9
STA ESCDAT+1

LDA #7
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #6
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV      ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA X1      ;X1=0
STA X1+1
NXTX1
JSR PRTESC
LDA SCRSIZEY
STA YO
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA YO+1
DECWRD YO
NXTY
LDA #0
STA HTCNTR
NXTHT
LDA X1
STA XO
LDA X1+1
STA XO+1
CLC
LDA XO
ADC STEP
STA ENDX0
LDA XO+1
ADC #0
STA ENDX0+1
NXTX
JSR GETPIX      ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROR BV          ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN          ;BIT#==BIT#-1
BPL 1$
SEC
ROR BV
LDA BV          ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHROUT
LDA #6
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD XO
LDA XO
CMP ENDX0
```

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```
BNE NXTX
LDA XO+1
CMP ENDXO+1
BNE NXTX
INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHT
LOCAL
DECWRD YO
LDA YO
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTY           ;IF Y = 0 THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA YO+1
CMP #$FF
BNE NXTY
CLC
LDA X1
ADC STEP
STA X1
LDA X1+1
ADC #0
STA X1+1
LDA X1
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X1+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCC NXTXJ
HCERR
LDA #13           ;CARRIAGE RETURN TO CLEAR OUT BUFFER
JSR CHROUT
LDA #15           ;SET TO NORMAL TEXT MODE
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTXJ
JMP NXTX1

OPNCHN
LDA #0
STA $B7
LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

PRTESC
LDX #0
1$
LDA ESCDAT,X
JSR CHROUT
INX
CPY #2
BNE 1$
```

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```
RTS

GETPIX
LDA X0
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X0+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCS 1$
JSR CLCADR
JSR GETPIXSTAT
AND MASK
BEQ 1$
SEC
RTS
1$
CLC
RTS

ESCDAT
.BYT 13,8 ;CR,GRAPHIC MODE

SECADR
.BYT 0

HCHT
.BYT 0
HTCNTR
.BYT 0

DENSITY
.BYT 8,9

BN
.BYT 0
BV
.BYT 0
STEP
.BYT 0
ENDX0
.BYT 0,0
X1
.BYT 0,0

.END
```



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**MPS 801/SEIKOSHA 1000/GEMINI 10X**

This printer driver is on your **BASIC 8.0** disk with the name **P.HC-MPS801**. This is not the default driver built into the **BASIC 8.0** system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-MPS801",B0,P26064**.

The secondary address to use is 8 for the MPS 801, 8 for the GEMINI 10X and 0 for the SEIKOSHA.

This driver can only use the range of heights (1-2) in the height parameter of @HCOPY, and only 1 density is supported by these printers. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 1 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen, although the image is always rotated 90 degrees. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a small envelope. The MPS 801 and compatibles can only print unrotated images upto 480 horizontal pixels wide, which is why the image is always rotated.

This is the source code (written with the Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package). If you have a near MPS 801 compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered **BASIC 8.0** owners.

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MPS 801/SEIKOSHA 1000/GEMINI 10X BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```
.PAGE
;NAME          HARD COPY
;CREATED       12/20/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR        DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER     HCD65
;COMPUTER      C-128
;REMARKS       BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR MPS-801,SEIKOSHA,GEMINI 10X
;              X * 480  ROTATED
*=$65D0
```

```
INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
255$
.ENDM
```

```
DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM
```

MMU = \$FF00

```
CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9
```

```
CLCADR    = $26A8
SWAPNYBL  = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E
```

```
CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE  = $131A
SCRCSIZEY = $131C
SCRCSIZEX = $1324
X0        = $136B
Y0        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
PARM3     = $13F1
PARM4     = $13F2
```

```
MLHCOPY
LDA PARM1
STA SECADR
LDA PARM2
```

```

STA HCHT

LDA #7
STA STEP

LDA MMU
AND #$FE
STA MMU
JSR OPNCHN
LDA #6
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0
STA X1 ;X1=0
STA X1+1
NXTX1
JSR PRTEC
LDA SCRSIZEY
STA YO
LDA SCRSIZEY+1
STA YO+1
DECWRD YO
NXTY
LDA #0
STA HTCNTN
NXTHT
LDA X1
STA XO
LDA X1+1
STA XO+1
CLC
LDA XO
ADC STEP
STA ENDXO
LDA XO+1
ADC #0
STA ENDXO+1
NXTX
JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZEX AND <880 THEN CLC
ROR BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1
DEC BN ;BIT#=BIT#-1
BPL 1$
SEC
ROR BV
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7
JSR CHRROUT
LDA #6
STA BN
LDA #0
STA BV
1$
INCWRD XO
LDA XO
CMP ENDXO
BNE NXTX
LDA XO+1
CMP ENDXO+1
BNE NXTX

```

```

INC HTCNTR
LDA HTCNTR
CMP HCHT
BNE NXTHT
LOCAL
DECWRD YO
LDA YO
CMP #SFF
BNE NXTY           ;IF Y = 0 THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE
LDA YO+1
CMP #SFF
BNE NXTY
CLC
LDA X1
ADC STEP
STA X1
LDA X1+1
ADC #0
STA X1+1
LDA X1
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X1+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCC NXTXJ
HCERR
LDA #13
JSR CHROUT
LDA #15
JSR CHROUT
JSR CLRCHN
LDA #4
JMP CLOSE
NXTXJ
JMP NXTX1

OPNCHN
LDA #0
STA $B7
LDX #4
TXA
LDY SECADR
JSR SETLFS
JSR OPEN
LDX #4
JMP CHKOUT

PRTESC
LDX #0
1$
LDA ESCDAT,X
JSR CHROUT
INX
CPX #2
BNE 1$
RTS

GETPIX
LDA X0

```

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```
CMP SCRSIZEX
LDA X0+1
SBC SCRSIZEX+1
BCS 1$
JSR CLCADR
JSR GETPIXSTAT
AND MASK
BEQ 1$
SEC
RTS
1$
CLC
RTS

ESCDAT
.BYT 13,8 ;CR,GRAPHIC MODE

SECADR
.BYT 0

HCHT
.BYT 0
HTCNTR
.BYT 0

BN
.BYT 0
BV
.BYT 0
STEP
.BYT 0
ENDXO
.BYT 0,0
X1
.BYT 0,0

.END
```

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**CANNON PJ-1080A**

This printer driver is on your **BASIC 8.0** disk with the name **P.HC-CANNON**. This is not the default driver built into the **BASIC 8.0** system, so it is necessary to install it with the command **BLOAD "P.HC-CANNON",B0,P26064**.

The **CANNON PJ1080A** is a special printer because it is a color inkjet printer. It allows the **BASIC 8.0** user to generate a reasonable quality color hardcopy at a minimal cost. It supports only 8 colors, while the **C128 80** column screen has 16 colors. However, the **C128's** 16 colors are really only 8 colors in two intensities, so the two shades will print out as one color. For example, red and light red both print as red.

The secondary address we used for the **CARDCO G** and **G-WIZ** interfaces is 5. Other printer interfaces may require a different secondary address.

This driver can use the full range of heights (1-4) in the height parameter of **@HCOPY**, but only 1 density is supported by the **CANNON PJ1080A**. For a 640 x 200 pixel screen a height of 2 with a density of 1 gives a very good proportional hardcopy of the screen. Or use a height of 1 with a density of 1 and your 640 x 200 image prints just about the size of a large business envelope. The **CANNON PJ1080A** can print images upto 640 horizontal pixels wide.

The **CANNON PJ1080A** driver does not support the rotation parameter. Images greater than 640 cannot be printed.

This is the source code (written with the **Commodore C128 Assembler Development Package**). If you have a near **CANNON PJ1080A** compatible printer that doesn't work quite right, it may be possible for you (if you are a machine language programmer) to  
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convert it to a new driver for your printer.

This source code is supplied as a courtesy to all registered  
BASIC 8.0 owners.

CANNON PJ1080A BASIC 8.0 SOURCE CODE

```
.PAGE
;NAME      HARD COPY
;CREATED   12/09/86
;UPDATED
;AUTHOR    DAVID DARUS
;ASSEMBLER HCD65
;COMPUTER  C-128
;REMARKS   BASIC 8  HARD COPY DRIVER FOR CANNON PJ-1080A
;          640 * Y UNROTATED  COLOR INK JET
*=$65D0
```

```
INCWRD .MACRO ?IARG1
        INC ?IARG1
        BNE 255$
        INC ?IARG1+1
```

```
255$
.ENDM
```

```
DECWRD .MACRO ?DARG1
        LDA ?DARG1
        BNE 254$
        DEC ?DARG1+1
```

```
254$
        DEC ?DARG1
.ENDM
```

```
MMU = $FF00
```

```
CHROUT = $FFD2
CLRCHN = $FFCC
CLOSE  = $FFC3
SETLFS = $FFBA
OPEN   = $FFC0
CHKOUT = $FFC9
```

```
CLCADR  = $26A8
SWAPNYBL = $25DB
GETPIXSTAT = $2652
GETCOLSTAT = $266E
```

```
CURCOLOR = $1318
SCRCSIZE = $131A
SCRSIZEY = $131C
SCRSIZEX = $1324
X0        = $136B
Y0        = $136D
MASK      = $137B
PARM1     = $13EF
PARM2     = $13F0
```

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PARM3 = \$13F1  
PARM4 = \$13F2

MLHCOPI

LDA PARM1  
STA SECADR  
LDA PARM2  
STA ESCDAT+2 ;HEIGHT

LDA MMU  
AND #\$FE  
STA MMU  
JSR OPNCHN  
LDA #7  
STA BN  
LDA #0  
STA BV ;BYTE VALUE TO CHROUT = 0  
STA Y0 ;Y0=0  
STA Y0+1

NXTY

LDA #0  
STA RGBMODE  
JSR PRTEC ;DO FOR EACH ROW = 8\*HEIGHT

6\$

LDA #0  
STA X0  
STA X0+1

2\$

JSR GETPIX ;GET PIXEL VALUE AT X0,Y0 IF X0>SCRSIZE AND <880 THEN CLC  
ROL BV ;ROLL CARRY INTO BYTE VALUE 0 OR 1  
DEC BN ;BIT#==BIT#-1  
BPL 1\$  
LDA BV ;IF BN<0 THEN PRINT BV:BN=7  
JSR CHROUT  
LDA #7  
STA BN  
LDA #0  
STA BV

1\$

INCWRD X0  
LDA X0  
CMP #<640  
BNE 2\$ ;X0<640 THEN GOTO 2\$  
LDA X0+1  
CMP #>640  
BNE 2\$  
INC RGBMODE  
LDA RGBMODE  
CMP #3  
BNE 6\$ ;REPEAT SCANLINE TO GET 3 (RGB) COLOR ELEMENTS

.LOCAL

INCWRD Y0  
LDA Y0  
CMP SCRSIZEY  
BNE NXTY ;IF Y0< SCRSIZEY THEN GOTO NXTY DO NEXT SCANLINE  
LDA Y0+1  
CMP SCRSIZEY+1  
BNE NXTY

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```

HCERR
  JSR CLRCHN
  LDA #4
  JMP CLOSE

```

```

OPNCHN
  LDA #0
  STA $B7
  LDX #4
  TXA
  LDY SECADR
  JSR SETLFS
  JSR OPEN
  LDX #4
  JMP CHKOUT

```

```

PRTESC
  LDX #0
1$
  LDA ESCDAT,X
  JSR CHROUT
  INX
  CPX #4
  BNE 1$
  RTS

```

```

GETPIX
  JSR CLCADR           ;X, Y TO ADDR
  LDA SRCRSIZE        ;COLOR SCREEN
  BEQ 1$              ;BR IF MONO
  JSR GETCOLSTAT     ;GET BC/FC
  JSR SWAPNYBL       ;SWAP TO FC/BC
  JMP 2$

1$
  LDA CURCOLOR        ;GET CURRENT FC/BC
2$
  STA HCOPYCOLR       ;SAVE COLOR NYBBLES
  JSR GETPIXSTAT     ;GET PIXEL ON/OFF STAT
  AND MASK
  BEQ 3$              ;BR IF OFF
  LDA HCOPYCOLR       ;USE FC BECAUSE PIXEL IS ON
  LSR A               ;PUT ON 0-15 SCALE TO BE USED AS AN INDEX
  LSR A
  LSR A
  LSR A
  JMP 4$

3$
  LDA HCOPYCOLR
  AND #%00001111     ;USE BG
4$
  TAX
  LDA RGBMODE        ;0=RED 1=GREEN 2=BLUE
  BEQ 5$
  CMP #1
  BEQ 6$
  LDA BLUETAB,X
  BEQ 10$
  BNE 11$

```

```
6$ LDA GREENTAB,X
   BEQ 10$
   BNE 11$
5$ LDA REDTAB,X
   BEQ 10$
11$ SEC
   RTS
10$ CLC
   RTS

REDTAB
.BYT 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1

GREENTAB
.BYT 0,0,0,0,1,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,1,1,1,1

BLUETAB
.BYT 0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1,0,0,1,1

ESCDAT
.BYT 27,114,0,80

SECADR
.BYT 0
BN
.BYT 0
BV
.BYT 0
RGBMODE
.BYT 0
HCOPYCOLR
.BYT 0

.END
```

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<u>PRINTER</u>	<u>DRIVER</u>	<u>SEC ADR*</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>DENSITY</u>	<u>ORIENTATION</u>	<u>MAX X</u>
EPSON FX-80	P.HC-EPSON	5	1-4	1-7	B	1920
PANASONIC	P.HC-EPSON	5	1-4	1-7	B	1920
STAR NX-10	P.HC-EPSON	5	1-4	1-7	B	1920
OLIVETTI	P.HC-OLIVETTI	5	1-4	1	B	880
STAR NX-10C	P.HC-NX-10C	8	1-4	1-2	B	1280
SPIRIT 80	P.HC-SPIRIT80	5	1-4	1-2	B	1280
GEMINI II	P.HC-GEMINI2	8	1-2	1-2	R	480
MPS 801	P.HC-MPS801	8	1-2	1	R	480
SEIKOSHA	P.HC-MPS801	0	1-2	1	R	480
GEMINI 10X	P.HC-MPS801	8	1-2	1	R	480
CANNON PJ	P.HC-CANNON	5	1-4	1	U	640

SYNTAX OF @HCOPY

@HCOPY,SEC ADR,SIZE,DENSITY,ROTATION

\* Where a printer interface is required, these secondary addresses represent the values required with the CARDCO B, G+ and G-WIZ interface. Other interfaces may require different secondary address values.

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PRINTER DRIVER PSEUDO-CODE

The following program code segments represent pseudo-code, which means it is not any specific computer language. Rather, it is meant to demonstrate programming techniques and logic. These pseudo-code segments describe the logic required for various printer drivers, and they are here to make it easier to understand the supplied assembly language source code.

There are several examples, some of which are appropriate for several printers.

```
OLIVETTI UNROTATED
FOR Y=0 TO SCRFSIZEY
  FOR HTMULT=0 TO HGHT
    FOR X=0 TO SCRFSIZEX
      GETPIXEL(X,Y)
      BUILDBYTE           ; RIGHT TO LEFT
      BIT#=BIT#+1
      IF BIT#=8 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=0
    NEXT X
  NEXT HTMULT
NEXT Y

OLIVETTI ROTATED
FOR X=0 TO SCRFSIZEX
  FOR Y=SCRFSIZEY TO 0 STEP -1
    FOR HTMULT=0 TO HGCT
      GETPIXEL(X,Y)
      BUILDBYTE           ;RIGHT TO LEFT
      BIT#=BIT#+1
      IF BIT#=8 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=0
    NEXT HTMULT
  NEXT Y
NEXT X

EPSON,PANASONIC,SPIRIT80,NX-10,NX-10C UNROTATED
INCRM=2*(HEIGHT-1)
FOR Y=0 TO SCRFSIZEY STEP INCRM
  FOR X=0 TO SCRFSIZEX
    FOR TEMPY=Y TO Y+INCRM
      FOR HT=0 TO HEIGHT
        GETPIXEL(X,Y)
        BUILDBYTE           ; RIGHT TO LEFT
        BIT#=BIT#+1
        IF BIT#=8 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=0
      NEXT HT
    NEXT TEMPY
  NEXT X
NEXT Y
```

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```
EPSON,PANASONIC,SPRITS80,NX-10,NX-10C ROTATED  
INCRM=2*(HEIGHT-1)  
FOR X=0 TO SCRSIZEX STEP INCRM  
  FOR Y=SCRSIZEY TO 0 STEP -1  
    FOR HT=0 TO HEIGHT  
      FOR TEMPX=X TO X+INCRM  
        GETPIXEL(X,Y)  
        BUILDBYTE ; RIGHT TO LEFT  
        BIT#=BIT#+1  
        IF BIT#=8 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=0  
      NEXT TEMPX  
    NEXT HT  
  NEXT Y  
NEXT X
```

```
GEMINI 2,MPS 801,SEIKOSHA 1000 ROTATED  
BIT#=6  
FOR X=0 TO SCRSIZEX  
  FOR Y=SCRSIZE TO 0 STEP -1  
    FOR HT=0 TO HEIGHT  
      FOR TEMPX=X TO X+7  
        GETPIXEL(X,Y)  
        BIT#=BIT#+1  
        BUILDBYTE ; LEFT TO RIGHT  
        IF BIT#=-1 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=6  
      NEXT TEMPX  
    NEXT HT  
  NEXT Y  
NEXT X
```

```
CANNON PJ-1080A UNROTATED  
FOR Y=0 TO SCRSIZEY  
  FOR RGB=0 TO 2  
    FOR X=0 TO 639  
      GETPIXEL(X,Y)  
      BIT#=BIT#+1  
      BUILDBYTE ; RIGHT TO LEFT  
      IF BIT#=7 THEN PRINT BYTE:BIT#=0  
    NEXT X  
  NEXT RGB  
NEXT Y
```

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APPENDIX A  
The 8563 Video Chip  
RAM Expansion

The 8563 Video Chip in the C128 has it's own ram bank that it uses for displaying graphics. In the standard C128 there is 16K of ram. This ram is in the form of two chips on the motherboard of the C128, inside the small metal box that contains the C128's two video chips (the 8563 and VIC II). These ram chips are either 4416 or 4164 rams. This means that each chip contains 8192 bytes of ram (for a total of 16384 bytes). As you have read in many places in this manual, you can use this 16K for some interesting graphic displays, but we constantly mention the option of having 64K of video ram installed (the new C128D comes from the factory with this extra ram). Having the full 64K of ram offers a great enhancement in your C128's graphics, as is obvious throughout the BASIC 8.0 manual. What do you need to get this extra ram and how should you have it installed?

To get the full 64K, you need to have the 4416's (or 4164's) replaced with a different ram chip, the 4464. This 4464 contains 32 Kbytes of ram per chip, so by substituting two of these for the two 16 Kbyte ram chips increases your available 80 column graphic ram to 64K. These 4464 rams can be found in ads for computer chips in magazines like **BYTE**, **COMPUTER SHOPPER** and many other magazines. You can also find them (or have them ordered) by your local electronic parts store.

One problem in removing the old 4416 (or 4164) chips is the fact the chips are not socketed. They are soldered to the board, and the pins are crimped (bent) on the bottom. Removing them is a tedious job that requires a skilled technician, and is not something you should attempt yourself. It is very easy to damage

the board and ruin your C128, not something you want to do. If you decide to upgrade to the 64K video ram, we strongly suggest you contact your local CBM service center and ask them to install the 4464 ram chips. If you are not skilled at this type of work, you can count on some serious harm coming to the computer. It is that easy to damage!

Also, have the service center install sockets before they put in the 4464 chips. This makes it easy to replace the chips in the future (if you ever need to).

If you would like more technical information on replacing your 8563 ram chips, there have been articles published in both the Computer Shopper and Transactor magazines that detail their installation.

A final warning. Do not attempt to change these ram chips yourself! Your most likely result will be serious damage to the C128. Have the 4464 rams installed at a reputable Commodore Service Center.

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 APPENDIX B  
 8563 VIDEO RAM MEMORY MAPS  
 MODE'S 0-3

The **MODE** command configures the available bitmap ram for the 8563 into 8 different screens per mode. In **MODE 0** each screen represents the one screen available in the 16K ram area. In **MODE's 1-2** there are some combinations that allow multiple concurrent screens. **MODE 3**, while a 64K graphics ram mode, does not allow more than one screen to exist at the same time because each screen uses the entire 64K ram available.

The following memory maps show the memory usage of each screen and mode. You can create screens like these by using the **SCRDEF** command. For more information, see Chapter 10, the **BASIC 8.0 COMMAND ENCYCLOPEDIA** for information on the **MODE** and **SCRDEF** commands.

**MODE 0**

<u>Screen #</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Width</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Bitmap Address</u>	<u>Color Address</u>
0	M	640	200	0-15999	0
1	C 8x16	640	192	0-15359	15360
2	C 8x8	640	176	0-14079	14080
3	C 8x4	640	152	0-12159	12160
4	C 8x2	640	104	0-8319	8320
5	C 8x8 Lace	640	176	0-14079	14080
6	C 8x4 Lace	640	152	0-12159	12160
7	C 8x2 Lace	640	104	0-8319	8320

**MODE 1**

<u>Screen #</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Width</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Bitmap Address</u>	<u>Color Address</u>
0	M	640	200	0-15999	0
1	C 8x8	640	200	16000-31999	32000
2	C 8x2	640	200	34000-49999	50000
3	M	640	300	34000-33999	34000
4	C 8x8	640	200	0-15999	16000
5	C 8x8	640	200	18000-33999	34000
6	C 8x8	640	200	36000-51999	52000
7	C 8x8	640	728	0-58239	58240



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MODE 2

<u>Screen #</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Width</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Bitmap Address</u>	<u>Color Address</u>
0	M	640	200	0-15999	0
1	M	640	200	16000-31999	0
2	M	640	200	32000-47999	0
3	M	640	200	48000-63999	0
4	C 8x2	640	200	0-15999	16000
5	C 8x2	640	200	24000-39999	40000
6	C 8x4	640	200	24000-39999	40000
7	C 8x4	640	200	44000-59999	60000

MODE 3

<u>Screen #</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Width</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Bitmap Address</u>	<u>Color Address</u>
0	M	1280	409	0-65439	0
1	M	640	819	0-65519	0
2	M	2040	252	0-64259	0
3	M	800	655	0-65499	0
4	C 8x2	640	546	0-43679	43680
5	C 8x4	640	655	0-52399	52400
6	C 8x8	640	728	0-58239	58240
7	C 8x16	640	768	0-61439	61440

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Appendix C  
BASIC 8.0 MEMORY MAP

ZERO PAGE LOCATIONS USED:

\$9E,9F  
\$AC-\$B5  
\$FA,FB,FC,FD

BUFFER AREA USED: \$0F00-\$0FFF

SYSTEM CODE: \$1300-\$6FFF

FREE USER BYTES: \$1464-\$146B

PRINTER DRIVERS: \$65D0-\$68CF

SOLID ROUTINES: \$68D0 - \$6FFF

16 POINTER DEFINITIONS: 16 bytes definable by user with pokes

#0 - \$0E00  
#1 - \$0E10  
#2 - \$0E20  
#3 - \$0E30  
#4 - \$0E40  
#5 - \$0E50  
#6 - \$0E60  
#7 - \$0E70  
#8 - \$0E80  
#9 - \$0E90  
#10 - \$0EAO  
#11 - \$0EB0  
#12 - \$0EC0  
#13 - \$0ED0  
#14 - \$0EE0  
#15 - \$0EFO

Pointers consist of a 16 pixel by 8 pixel matrix. For example:

1111111100000000	255,0
1111100000000000	248,0
1100110000000000	204,0
1100011000000000	198,0
0000001100000000	3,0
0000000110000000	1,128
0000000011000000	0,192
0000000001100000	0,96

However, by using the optional last parameter in the @PTR command (see Chapter Ten) you can change the height used in the pointer. The number is definable from 1 to 16, with the default

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on powerup as 8. If you were to change the default by using the value 16, all subsequent uses of the @PTR command would use 16 scanlines to define the pointer, until a different height value is used.

If you wish, you can use the larger height values to create bigger, sprite-like objects. In the case of a height of 16, each of the new bigger pointers would consist of pairs of subsequent pointers. In this case, a pointer definition of 0 would use pointer def's 0 and 1, a definition of 2 would use pointer def's 2 and 3, etc.

If you create sets of pointer definitions you want to save and reuse, remember that the pointer definitions are stored in the same place as the 40 column sprite definitions. So you can save and load them with the Basic 7.0 commands BLOAD and BSAVE.

```
BLOAD "PTRS.B8",B0,P3584
BSAVE "PTRS.B8",B0,P3584 TO P3839
```

One final note. When programming with datafiles or devices, it is important that you are aware of the file numbers used by BASIC 8.0.

When performing a hardcopy with @HCOPY, BASIC 8.0 uses file number 4. And when performing disk Input/Output it uses file number 2. You should not use these filenumbers in your programs when using these BASIC 8.0 commands.

## APPENDIX D

## File Formats &amp; Naming Conventions

**BASIC 8.0** has four specific file types (brushes, patterns, fonts and logo). Each of these has a specific defined structure, in some ways like the Amiga PC's IFF system. This section documents these four formats, as well as suggesting a structure for 3D graphic data files. We also make suggestions on filenames to be used for each format, in order to make different applications written by different programmers recognize and use each others datafiles.

## NAMING CONVENTIONS:

**BRUSH** - A BRUSH is really any piece of the bitmap screen. It can be as small as a single byte, or as large as the entire screen. We suggest the name **BRUSH** be used for sections smaller than a screen, in order to identify them as different in size from pictures.

Start each brush with the letters **BRUS**. For example;  
**BRUS.DISK**  
**BRUS.CHART**  
**BRUS.OBJECT8X2** (Indicates it is in 8x2 color format)

The structure of a BRUSH file is:

Load Address (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
 FILE IDENTIFIER (4 bytes) BRUS  
 FILE TYPE (1 byte) 4  
 Column # (1 byte)  
 Scanline (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
 Compression Flag (1 byte)  
 ColorSize (1 byte)  
 DX Columns (1 byte)  
 DY (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
 BC (background color 1 byte)  
 FC (foreground color 1 byte)  
 OC (outline color 1 byte)  
 Brush data ...

**PICTURE** - A PICTURE is really a brush as large as the entire screen. We suggest the name **PICTURE** be used for brushes that are full screen, in order to identify them as different in size from brushes.

Start each picture with the letters **PICT**. For example;  
**PICT.SCENE**  
**PICT.GRAPH**  
**PICT.PLOT8X4** (Indicates it is in 8x4 color format)

The structure of a PICTURE file is exactly the same as a BRUSH.  
**PATTERNS**

Start each pattern with the letters **PATR**. For example;

**PATR.BRICKWALL**  
**PATR.DIAGONAL8x8** (Indicates it is in 8x8 color format)

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#### PATR.HAPPYFACE

The structure of a PATR datafile is:

LOAD ADDRESS (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
FILE IDENTIFIER (4 bytes) PATR  
FILE TYPE (1 byte) 1  
COLUMN DX (1 byte)  
SCANLINE DY (1 byte)  
COLOR DX (1 byte)  
COLOR DY CELLS (1 byte)  
Pattern data ...

#### FONTs

Start each font with the letters FONT. For example;

FONT.Roman  
FONT.160Column  
FONT.Technical

The structure of a FONT datafile is:

Load Address (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
FILE IDENTIFIER (4 bytes) FONT  
FILE TYPE (1 byte) 3  
FONT DEFINITION COLUMNS WIDE (1 byte)  
FONT DEFINITION SCANLINES DEEP (1 byte)  
FONT data ...

#### LOGO

Start each logo with the letters LOGO. For example;

LOGO.MENU1  
LOGO.REQUESTOR  
LOGO.TITLEPAGE

The structure of a LOGO datafile is:

LOAD ADDRESS (2 bytes) Lo/Hi  
FILE IDENTIFIER (4 bytes) LOGO  
FILE TYPE (1 byte) 2  
FLAG (1 byte, 0 indicates end of data)  
FONT STRUCT# (1 byte)  
COLUMN (1 byte)  
ROW LO (1 byte)  
ROW HI (1 byte)  
HEIGHT (1 byte)  
WIDTH (1 byte)  
DIRECTION (1 byte)  
STRING LENGTH (1 byte)  
STRING ... (string length)

## 3D DATAFILES

In addition to these system file formats, it is likely users will generate additional datafiles to store 3D line drawings. We suggest two formats which should cover most programmers needs, and if the filename convention is used will facilitate the use by others of user generated 3D objects.

Format one (3DF1.) concerns storing discrete lines as the six points used to define the line. The file consists of one word that identifies the total number of 3D lines (N) to follow. Then follow six\*N points of data. This format is easy to read and write, but has the drawback of requiring a larger amount of file (and memory) space.

3DF1. An example of writing format 1

```

0 read n
10 dim x1(n),x2(n),y1(n),y2(n),z1(n),z2(n)
20 rem read n 3D lines from data statements in program
30 for i=1 to n
40 read x1(i),y1(i),z1(i),x2(i),y2(i),z2(i)
50 next i
60 rem open seq disk file and write data as format 3DF1.
70 open 8,8,8,"3DF1.object,s,w"
80 print#8,"3DF1" : REM WRITE THE FILETYPE AS FIRST WORD
90 print#8,str$(n)
100 for i=1 to n
110 x1$=str$(x1(i)):print#8,x1$
120 y1$=str$(y1(i)):print#8,y1$
130 z1$=str$(z1(i)):print#8,z1$
140 x2$=str$(x2(i)):print#8,x2$
150 y2$=str$(y2(i)):print#8,y2$
160 z2$=str$(z2(i)):print#8,z2$
170 next i
180 closes
190 rem this file defines n lines that can be drawn in
200 rem the BASIC 8.0 format LINE,X1,Y1,Z1,X2,Y2,Z2,1

```

Format 2 (3DF2.) is somewhat more complex, but can store more information in a smaller file. It consists of a system that stores information as groups of connected points. The file begins with a number (NG) that specifies the number of groups. Each group begins with a number (NP) that indicates the number of

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points in that group. These points are connected, with point 1 starting the object, point 2 as the endpoint of point 1, point 3 as the endpoint of point 2, and continuing with point NP as the endpoint of point NP-1.

Here is an example of reading a 3DF2 datafile.

```
10 open 8,8,8,"3DF2.datafile,s,r"
20 input#8,ft$:rem filetype 3df2
30 input#8,ng$:ng=val(ng$)
40 for i=1 to ng
50 input#8,np$:np=val(np$)
60 rem get first point in this group
70 input#8,x1$:x1=val(x1$)
80 input#8,y1$:y1=val(y1$)
90 input#8,z1$:z1=val(z1$)
100 for j=2 to np
110 input#8,x2$:x2=val(x2$)
120 input#8,y2$:y2=val(y2$)
130 input#8,z2$:z2=val(z2$)
140 rem draw line
150 @line,x1,y1,z1,x2,y2,z2,1
160 x1=x2:y1=y2:z1=z2
170 next j
180 next i
190 close8
200 end :REM OF FILEREADER
```

EXAMPLE OF 3DF1 FILE:

```
3DF1
4
0,0,0,10,10,10
100,50,-10,37,199,100
639,199,199,639,199,-199
0,100,0,0,100,100
```

EXAMPLE OF 3DF2 FILE:

3DF2

3

4

0,0,0

100,10,100

0,0,100

0,0,-100

3

25,25,-25

50,25,-25

50,50,-25

6

0,0,0

100,0,0

100,100,0

100,100,100

100,100,-100

100,100,200



## A Standard Basic 8.0 Program

This is a simple program that introduces you to some of the basics of programming in BASIC 8.0. It demonstrates the proper way to start and end a BASIC 8.0 program, and the best way to handle error trapping in your C128 BASIC 8.0 programs.

```

10 TRAP 1000:REM Get out if you have trouble
20 @WALRUS,0:REM Set up for 16K mode
30 @MODE,0:REM Use the 16K MODE Screens
40 @SCREEN,2:REM 8x8 640x176 Color Screen
50 @CLEAR,0,2,0
60 @COLOR,2,4,0
70 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0
80 @DRWMODE,0,0,0
90 @ANGLE,0,0,0,0:@ORIGIN,320,100,100,320,100,200
100 REM YOUR PROGRAM BEGINS HERE
.
.
.
.
1000 @DRWMODA,1,0,0,0,0,0,0:REM RESTORE DRAWMODES TO DEFAULT
1010 @DRWMODE,0,0,0
1020 @ANGLE,0,0,0,0:REM SET DRAWING ANGLES TO 0
1030 @ORIGIN,320,100,100,320,100,200:REM RESET ORIGINS
1040 @TEXT:END
1050 END

```

This program demonstrates the proper way to begin and end a BASIC 8.0 program. It begins with the TRAP command. TRAP instructs the computer what to do if an error occurs, for example a syntax error or a press of the STOP key. In this case it goes to line 1000 and re-initializes the DRWMOD's, ANGLE and ORIGIN to the defaults, and returns the C128 to TEXT mode. This is a necessity in EVERY BASIC 8.0 program, as you will most likely have an error occur when you are in BITMAP mode. Without the TRAP command, you could get stuck and have to reset the C128 and re-boot BASIC 8.0 in order to regain command of the keyboard.

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Appendix E  
Data Compression

**BASIC 8.0** offers as an option in it's storage of brushes and pictures the ability to compress the data into a smaller, more compact data structure. This data compression can be in memory as a structure or on disk as a file. This section offers some information for programmers who may need to be able to compress and uncompress data in the **BASIC 8.0** format.

Data compression is the process of compacting a set of data into a smaller set of data; yet still retaining the same meaning. This means that a set of data once uncompressed will be identical to the original data set. Besides requiring less disk space or ram to store the data, it also allows faster input/output then the original size data set.

The algorithm used to compress brushes in the **BASIC 8.0** system is a toggled run-length, meaning that if a value is repeated more than the break even point the value is compressed to a run count and run value. If a run is below the break even point then the values are retained as they are. The toggle aspect of the algorithm stems from the fact the data can toggle in and out of compressed format encoding within a single data file.

The details of the compression algorithm are:

Compressed format:

byte 1 - bit 7 = 1  
          bit 0-6 = count (4-127) of the number of times  
                    to repeat the following byte value when  
                    uncompressing data.  
                    4 is the break even point. 4 or more repeating  
                    values can be compressed.  
byte 2 - bitmap data value (0-255)

Uncompressed format:

byte 1 - bit 7 = 0  
           bit 0-6 = count n (1-127) number of uncompressed  
                     unique data values to follow.  
 byte 2-n uncompressed data values

```

1 rem A sample uncompression program in Basic
5 dim a$(11)
10 open 2,8,2,"datafile,p,r"
20 get#2,a$,b$:rem get load address
30 for t=1 to 4:get#2,a$:next:rem BRUS header
40 get#2,a$:rem file type
50 for t=1 to 11:get#2,a$(t):next:rem get header info
60 if a$(4)="1" then 120
70 rem data not compressed
80 get#2,a$:s=st
90 a=asc(a$+chr$(0)):rem store A somewhere
100 if s=0 then 80
110 goto 200
120 rem compressed data
130 get#2,a$:s=st:a=asc(a$+chr$(0))
140 if (a and 127) = 0 then 210
150 get#2,a$:s=st:rem run value
160 for t=1 to (a or 127):rem run count
170 rem store asc(a$+chr$(0)) somewhere
180 next
190 if s=0 then 130
200 close 2:end
210 rem uncompressed toggle
220 for t=1 to (a or 127)
230 get#2,a$:s=st
240 rem store asc(a$+chr$(0)) somewhere
250 if s<>0 then t=(a or 127):goto 200
260 next t
270 goto 190

```

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Appendix F  
STANDARD STRUCTURE # USES

Suggested standard locations for data structures.

<u>STRUCTURE#</u>	<u>USE</u>
0	FONT.CURSIVE
1	FONT.COMPUTER
2	FONT.ROMAN
3	FONT.GOTHIC
4	FONT.FANCY
5	FONT.THIN
6	FONT.TECH
7	FONT.SCRIPT
8	FONT.CURSIVE
9	FONT.160 COLUMN
10-19	User supplied FONT's
20-29	LOGO.
30-39	PATR.
40-99	BRUS.

These are suggestions only, you may vary them as your programming requirements dictate.

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