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Winning Christmas Card Program by S. Hansen generates snowflakes and old English lettering. See page 7 for contest results and page 10 for the program listing.

# 4051 Plots Roads in Australia

## by E.S. Webber Sydney, Australia

(At the request of TEKniques, Laurie, Montgomery and Pettit Pty. Ltd., consulting engineers and Tektronix Australia customers, obligingly subitted the following article through Tektronix Australia.)

Our most ambitious graphics effort so far is the perspective plotting of a road. Our client had questioned the sight lines and aesthetics of a section of a country road, straight in plan, where the vertical curves in our design were not continuous. They thought the effect might be a "kink" at the junction of the straights and the curves. The object of plotting the perspective of the road, therefore, was to investigate this possibility, and demonstrate if possible that the sight lines would have a smooth transition.

About two kilometres of road were critical, and cross sections were available every 25 metres. Fourteen points were used to fully define each cross section, including the standard template defining embankment and cutting slopes. Since not all the points appeared on every section, some were doubled up in order to keep the sequence the same. (See Fig. 1.)

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Fig. 1.b. Cross section—all cutting.



Fig. 1.c. Cross section-half-and-half cutting and embankment.

3D-Data for the perspective plot was generated by an initial program (ROADSECT) which stores the standard cutting and embankment templates. For each cross section, it is then necessary only to enter four elevations:

- 1. Ground level a standard distance, say 15 metres left of centreline (point 1)
- 2. Ground level at centreline (point 14)
- 3. Ground level 15 metres right of centreline (point 13)
- 4. Road formation level at centreline (point 7)

ROADSECT then checks at each cross section whether the road is all in cutting, all in embankment, or one side in and one side out; and then generates the 2-D data for all the other points, and stores it in a tape file. Sections were at regular intervals, so the Y dimension was not stored. There was no requirement for horizontal curves, road junctions, or other complications, but a little further effort in programming could accommodate these.

The second program is an adaptation of the perspective plotting routine given in the "PLOT 50 Introduction to Graphics Programming in BASIC" manual. The "draws" were set to connect points on consecutive cross sections having the same array number i.e., all point sevens were connected, all point eights, etc. Finally, the cross section was drawn for the end closest to the "camera."

Once the data was prepared by ROADSECT, the ROADPERSPECT program allowed input prompts to select at will:

The number of cross sections plotted

The number of repeat plots, and the distance increment between each repeat

The eye location (3 coordinates)

The perspective centre (3 coordinates)

Forward or backward view along the road.

When the most effective viewpoint etc., had been determined after several screen displays (some recorded on the hard-copy unit), the program was amended to create a plot on a Hewlett Packard 7202 plotter (bought previously, not in preference to the Tektronix plotter) using the Datacom interface. Removal of some hidden lines was achieved by watching the screen display and switching the plotter on and off at appropriate times. (The plotting speed was rather slow: about 10 minutes for each example shown.) Also, the program was modified so that the point-plot feature of the plotter was activated for the road centreline, and 50 m marker posts were drawn on the hard shoulder, each one metre high, thus giving a better feeling of scale (Fig. 3).



Fig. 2. Simulated view from driver's eve at 1.5 (x), 3395 (y), 892.97 (z) looking to -1.5, 3325 and 391.5.

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Fig. 3.a. Stereo left view—eye at -30 (x), 4090 (y), 900 (z) metres.



Fig. 4. Goulbourn to Pejar Dam Road—eye at 10 metres above and to left of centreline.



Finally, stereo pairs were made by means of a 1 metre eyeshift. When viewed through a stereoscope, the landscape popped into view very effectively, with the road superimposed.

Another program developed for the 4051 is RESLAG, a Reservoir Flood Routing Program. This program is capable of routing a flood through a storage area, with the



Fig. 3.b. Stereo right view-eve at -29 (x), 4090 (y), 900 (z) metres.



outflow initially controlled by pipe capacity and later by spillway capacity if the water level rises above the spillway crest. Any form of outflow is accepted; variable water surface area is assumed.

The program optionally supports a printer and/or a hardcopy unit. It will output time, infow, outflow, depth, area, and volume, along with maximum depth and outflow. The program will also plot input and output hydrographs.

In its present form, the Road Plotting Program is most useful for straight roads, but can be modified. Both will be upgraded for prospective customers. Both the Road Plotting Programs and the Reservoit Flood Routing Program may be purchased from Laurie, Montgomery, and Pettit Pty, Ltd. Their address is K.M.S. Building, 8-24 Kippax St., Sydney, N.S.W. 2010, Australia.

# Computer-Aided Design Contest

Do you have a 4051 program for computer-aided design? Or, have you been thinking about writing one? Well here's contest news for you! Send in any 4051 program for computer-aided design to TEKniques. Your program can be for circuit board design, ship hull design, mechanical parts design, kite design—anything that you'd like to design.

Programs must be submitted on a tape cartridge, and must be accompanied by program documentation and a submittal form and order form for your exchange programs. All programs will be entered into the 4051 Applications Library. Each entry will receive the usual new tape with three programs of your choice, so you can't lose.

The First Prize winner will receive 15 new tapes and 15 programs from the library. The Second Prize winner will receive 10 free tapes and 10 programs from the library. Third prize is 5 tapes and 5 programs.

Deadline for entries is March 31, 1978. Send your entries to: 4051 Applications Library, Tektronix, Inc. Group 451, P.O. Box 500, Beaverton, OR 97077

# Survey Provokes Suggestions, Criticism

A form was distributed with TEKniques Vol. 1, No. 6, questioning 4051 Applications Library members about the services of the Library. Over 27% replied: their time and remarks are greatly appreciated.

Of those who replied, 41% rated TEKniques as Very Useful and 59% as Useful. There were no bad marks (Not Useful). The Programming Tips were the favorites, with "How To Do It" articles rating a close second. Following in order of popularity were Applications and Product articles. Abstracts and Software Notices were less popular, but suggestions for improvement were made.

The program library received an even split between Useful and OK. However, 40% of those responding couldn't find programs applicable to their needs, and wrote their own programs. Programs desired by members had engineering leading the field, with the scientific group right behind. Graphics and utility programs (both mentioned often to be in the form of subroutines) followed closely, with business behind them. Also up for consideration were games, interfacing packages, military tactics and tutorial programs.

Some suggestions for improving TEKniques have already been acted upon. Several readers suggested printing articles without breaking their continuity, by continuing each article on an adjacent page. This is now being done. Abstracts received heavy criticism, most of it directed to their briefness. This has been improved with better (and lengthier) descriptions, along with inclusion of the number of statements in the program.

However, several suggestions can only be implemented with your help. These suggestions include more applications articles, programming tips, and interfacing articles. TEKniques would love to publish your application—we'll even write the article—but we must hear from you first. Any many of you may have a program tip that would benefit other readers. After all, ingenuity runs rampant among programmers. Several articles have been published recently on interfacing the 4051 with other equipment, and more are to come. But we'd like to publish more about how you are actually interfacing your 4051 with equipment; pictures or diagrams would be welcome.

Lack of program documentation seemed to be the stumbling block for 52 members who would like to contribute programs to the Library. Time, as always, is the main factor and any methods anyone has for speeding up the process or making it less painful will be published in TEKniques if you'll send them in.

Many of your replies included compliments, which are always nice to receive. One comment suggested raising the editor's salary. Somehow this particular questionnaire floated to the top when the boss wanted to look them over, but he managed to retain his usual taciturnity.

Drop us a postcard or write us a letter. Tell us if you have an application and give us a telephone number so we can call and get the details. We want to hear from you suggestions or criticisms. Don't hesitate to pass them along.

The 4051 Applications Library address is: Tektronix, Inc., Group 451, P.O. Box 500, Beaverton, OR 97077.



Tektronix announces its first IEEE-488 interfacing Digital Processing Oscilloscope (DPO). 4051 computing power interfaced to programmable instrumentation enhances the ability to analyze the digitized waveforms provided by the DPO.

# 4051 And DPO Constitute Waveform Processing System Through New Interface

## By Dale Aufrecht, Tektronix SPS Engineering

The Tektronix Digital Processing Oscilloscope (DPO) has already proven itself as a general waveform processing instrument. Now there is something new for the DPO — a special product that utilizes the 4051 Graphic System to boost its capabilities into the realm of ATE (Automatic Test Equipment) systems. This new product is the P7001/IEEE 488 Interface (part no. 021-0206-00).

The P7001/IEEE 488 Interface conforms to IEEE Standard 488-1975, "IEEE Standard Digital Interface for Programmable Instrumentation". This interface allows the DPO to be used with a controller compatible with IEEE 488. The Tektronix 4051 Graphic System serves ideally for this purpose.

As an IEEE 488 device, the DPO can be a talker only or a listener only. When it is a talker the DPO can send digitized waveforms, readout information, and its current device status to the system controller or other IEEE 488 device. As a listener it can receive data and commands from the system controller or another IEEE 488 device. The 4051 controls the talking and listening functions in the system.

Interfacing occurs within the P7001 Processor section of the DPO. The P7001/IEEE 488 Interface is a dual-card assembly that is installed in the interface is a dual-card P7001. All necessary power for the interface is taken from the P7001 Power Supply via the Main Interface Board. Thus, converting the DPO to IEEE 488 hardware compatibility consists of little more than putting a card into a slot and throwing a few switches to set a device address. With appropriate system-controller software, the DPO becomes fully compatible with other IEEE 488 instruments. The driver software was written specifically with the 4051 Graphic System in mind.

Programming information is given in the P7001 IEEE 488 interface instruction manual (part no. 061-1439-00). Complete examples are provided for using a 4051 Graphic System as the DPO system controller. With the 4051 interfaced to the DPO (via the P7001/IEEE 488 interface) you have a powerful yet economical waveform processing system.

# 4907 FILE MANAGER IS A POWERFUL GRAPHICS AID

## By Les Brabetz and Gary P. Laroff

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The last issue of TEKniques (Vol. 1 No. 9) introduced the 4907 intelligent flexible disc mass storage unit for the 4051. A SORTing program was also included in that issue. This month begins a series of articles on powerful graphics handling routines made possible by the large direct access storage capability and multiple-level file-by-name library structure supported by the 4907. Just as numerical records can be accessed in any order on the disc, so can graphic entities be stored and retrieved.

Consider a large data base, perhaps the high resolution map of the United States in Fig. 1. It might be desirable to plot the entire map. In this case all of the coordinates in the data base are required and can be read sequentially. This is as easy and convenient to do with data stored on magnetic tape as it is with disc storage methods. But what if only a subset of the map is desired? How is it possible to quickly locate those coordinates that will be plotted in the desired map area, and discard those that fall outside the boundaries? The file library system available on the 4907 is designed to offer solutions to such graphic applications.

The data base consists of about 3000 X.Y pairs and takes about four minutes to display. The objective is to store the data so that any map area can be chosen and quickly displayed. The data base designs are described in this article. Succeeding articles will present a program to construct a segmented data base from an existing sequential data base and another program that selects the segments to display.

The map as originally digitized can be displayed with a number of DRAW commands and MOVE commands. The data is stored as a series of coordinates that can be displayed with a MOVE to the first coordinate pair and an array DRAW to the remaining coordinates. Because each of these data sections consists of a different number of coordinates, the number of coordinate pairs is also stored. The data format is:

## $N, X_1, Y_1, X_2, Y_2, \ldots, X_n, Y_n$

where N is the number of coordinate pairs. The data base could be read and displayed from either tape or disc with similar programming:

FROM TAPE	FROM 4907
100 READ 033:N	100 READ #1:N
110 DELETE X,Y	110 DELETE X,Y
120 DIM X(N),Y(N)	120 DIM X(N),Y(N)
130 READ 033:X,Y	130 READ #1:X,Y

These arrays can then be displayed by a MOVE to the first point and a DRAW for the entire array:

All of the arrays are READ and displayed in this manner. The data base consists of 30 arrays containing about 3000 coordinate pairs.

This data base is not optimized for displaying subsections of the map. With this filing method, four minutes ar required to display any map section because the 4051 must READ every data pair and "clip" all graphics that would appear outside the designated window.

A far superior technique would be to divide the map into many smaller sections. The program could then look at the desired plot boundaries and choose those map sections required for the display. The random file access feature of the 4907 makes this quite practical. For the



Fig. 1. Master file of digitized map with arbitrary grid values.

Fig. 2. Map data base illustrating segment division lines to produce 96 map segments.



purposes of this description, 96 segments created a data base that could quickly display any section of the original map. Fig. 2 shows the map as segmented into eight divisions horizontally and twelve vertically. An attempt was made to select a segment definition which would create an equal distribution of coordinates between the file segments. The fine detail required by the eastern coastline and minimum detail required for western state boundaries caused the density of graphic coordinates to be far greater toward the eastern part of the map. Smaller segment definition was required in some areas in order to attain reasonably equal vector densities in each segment.

Each segment is a rectangle and must contain the coordinates of intersection of any map lines with its

# Christmas Card Contest Results

The winner of the Christmas Card Design Contest is shown on the front page of this issue of TEKniques. The program, which draws six random snowtlakes and the greeting "Merry Christmas" in old English type, was submitted by S. Hansen of Los Angeles, CA. The program also allows the option of printing names on the cards as well.

# **\*EDITOR'S NOTE**

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# There's an Asterisk on Your Mailing Label

As prior issues of TEKniques have mentioned, it is the desire of the TEKniques staff to provide TEKniques to everyone who wants it. However, we don't want to mail it to those who don't want or use it. Therefore, non-members who have been on the mailing list for longer than four months will be candidates for deletion from the distribution list. An asterisk has been placed on those mailing labels to denote this. If your mailing label carries an asterisk and you wish to continue to receive TEKniques, please complete and mail in the membership card accompanying this issue. If you don't receive Vol. 2, No. 1 by the middle of February, chances are your name has been dropped.

# More Than One Copy

If you desire more than one copy of TEKniques for your office, you'll have to subscribe someone else to TEKniques. Our system has been designed to delete duplications. (For those of you who **are** getting two or more—the system is not perfect!) borders. This is a substantial task; the program that builds this segmented data base will be discussed in the next issue.

Once the segmented data base is completed (as 4907 files USMAP/SEG1 through USMAP/SEG96), a simple program can be used to access the files, then quickly display any segment of the map. In this manner, one can rapidly access and display any section of a large data base (such as a map) and then use custom routines to add such information as county boundaries, major highways or weather information.

Two other programs that were submitted are also included in this issue. "Random Snowflakes" was submitted by Mark Mahall, a Tektronix S.A. "Christmas Card" was submitted by Dr. P. C. Holman of the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point. TEKniques wishes to thank all entrants for their efforts. Happy Holidays!

## **Publication Deadlines**

Great effort is being made to place and keep TEKniques on a six-week publication schedule. For this reason, the deadline for submitting articles is approximately six weeks prior to the publishing date. The following schedule will aid those of you planning to send in those useful tips and articles.

TEKniques	Copy Deadline	Publish Date
Vol 2 No 1	Dec 5, 1977	Jan 15, 1978
Vol 2 No 2	Jan 15, 1978	Mar 1, 1978
Vol 2 No 3	Mar 1, 1978	Apr 15, 1978
Vol 2 No 4	Apr 15, 1978	Jun 1, 1978
Vol 2 No 5	Jun 1, 1978	Jul 15, 1978
Vol 2 No 6	Jul 15, 1978	Sep 1, 1978
Vol 2 No 7	Sep 1, 1978	Oct 15, 1978
Vol 2 No 8	Oct 15, 1978	Dec 1, 1978

# **Catalog Reminder**

If you have not received a 4051 Applications Library catalog of abstracts, write Tektronix, Inc. Information Display Group, P.O. Box 500, Group 451, Beaverton, OR 97077.



# Binary Counters in BASIC (Save Memory Too)

## by Leland C. Sheppard Sunnyvale, CA

During the rewrite of the Flowchart Program (51/00-8005/1) it became evident once again that necessity really is "the mother of invention."

One of the desired enhancements to the original Flowchart Program (51/00-8005/0) was the addition of page numbers to the Program's branch table. This would serve as an aid to quick indexing into the flowchart. The original program used alpha page numbers; this limited the chart to 52 pages before a program error would occur. (Some programs exceed that amount.) The technique that is described here is a little slower than equivalent numeric methods, but really saves memory and overcomes the 52 page limit.

A one-character field was already being used for from/ to page references (corresponding to the from/ to entries in the branch table). The aim was to get the Flowchart Program to run in a 16K 4051, so limiting the field to one character was important. The problem at hand was this: how can you count beyond nine in one byte?

The solution is to treat the character as an ASCII. Binary field. This allows a count to 127, which would be plenty for a page number value. The technique that is used to make that one-byte field a binary value is described in the following. (Note that the same technique can be used as a binary counter.)

 To convert a decimal number to binary: A\$=CHR(A)—the "ASCII representation" of A is actually the decimal value stored in binary; the 4051 software will now allow you to store that value (A\$) in another string (of counters, page numbers, etc.). For example, if the value of A is 67 decimal (as in say Page # 67) then the CHR function would represent it as the character "C" but the decimal equivalent is still 67.

- 2. To convert binary to decimal: A=ASC(A\$); you now have the 67 back in numeric form.
- 3. To fetch, increment by 1 and save back (perhaps in a string of counters, where it is assumed that P=9 because you want the 9th counter in the string; B\$ is a string of 1 byte counters and A\$ is a 1 byte string): A\$=SEG(B\$,P,1) to extract the counter byte at location P; A=ASC(A\$) to convert the counter to decimal; A\$=CHR(A+1) to increment the counter and convert back to ASCII/Binary; B\$=REP(A\$,P,1) to save the updated counter back in the counter string.

Of course you can count to 127 in 1 byte since the 4051 thinks it's dealing with an ASCII character, but the technique is appropriate for many applications.

If 127 isn't great enough, the technique can be expanded to count larger values or store larger values. This will still save considerable memory over string or numeric techniques. The technique is as follows:

1. Use two bytes per counter where the right hand byte will represent a value from 0-127 and the left hand byte will represent multiples of 128; the sum of the two (after multiplying the left hand byte by 128) will yield your number. (Assume C\$ is a 1 byte string, P points to the counter number of field number desired, say 9, and B\$ contains the counters as before.)

1 A\$=SEG (B\$,P\*2-1,1) to get the left hand byte of the counter

2 C\$=SEG(B\$,P\*2,1) to get the right hand byte of the counter

3 A=ASC(A\$) to convert the "128's" to decimal

4 C=ASC(C\$) to convert the "units" to decimal

5 IF C is less than 127 THEN 10 to see if I can add to C

6 C\$=CHR(0) I can't, it's at maximum so set to zero 7 A\$=CHR(A+1) and add one to the "128's" position and convert

8 A\$=REP(B\$,P\*2-1,1) to save the "128's" back in B\$

9 GO TO 11 to skip the next statement

10 C\$=CHR(C+1) to add 1 to the "units" position and convert

11 C\$=REP(B\$,P\*2,1) to save the units counter.

Effectively, we've created a base 128 numbering system so that you can count to 16K-1 (16383 or 16256+127) in 2 bytes instead of 5 using strings or 8 using numeric variables. (A 3 byte setup would yield a total count of over 2,000,000.)

It is a slower technique than straight numeric, but if you have critical memory situations this technique may be important to you.

# Speeding Up Trigonometric Functions

## by Herman D'Hondt Tektronix Australia

Speed can be improved appreciably in situations where sines and cosines must be repeatedly computed in a FOR/NEXT loop. This can be accomplished using the following well-known sum formulas:

sin(a + b) = sin a cos b + sin b cos acos(a + b) = cos a cos b - sin a sin b

Accuracy is slightly diminished using this method.

Usual Method

```
100 SET DEGREES

110 FOR I=0 TO 360 STEP 2

120 X=SIN(I)

130 Y=COS(I)

140 MEXT I

150 PPINT X,Y

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Speed Method

```
100 SET DEGREES

110 A=SIN(2)

120 B=COS(2)

130 X=0

140 Y=1

150 FOR I=1 TO 100

160 X1=X18+A1Y

170 Y1=Y18-X1A

180 X=X1

190 Y=Y1

200 MEXT I

210 PRINT X,Y
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RUN

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-4.352874257E-13 8.99999999999999
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# Deleting Parentheses to Save Memory

#### by Aaron Eisenbach

If you are running a program that was originally written for a Hewlett-Packard calculator (such as an H.P. 9821), you may be using more of your 4051 memory than you need to. The H.P. 9821, for instance, identifies simple variables as R(21), R(5), R(56), and so forth. The parentheses are not required for simple variables in the 4051. You can save lots of memory by deleting the parentheses and using variables such as A-Z, A1-A9, B1-B9, etc.

In one example, a 900-register program for an H.P. machine, one thousand bytes of memory were saved by deleting unnecessary parentheses.

# **Branching Techniques**

## by J. L. Aubel University of South Florida

### **Branching on Yes-No**

Here's another simple method for branching on a Yes-No response. (Other methods were published in TEKniques Vol. 1 No. 8.)

```
100 DIM C$(i)
...
400 PRI *Do you wish to continue *;
410 INP C$
420 GO TO (C$=*Y*)+1 DF 500,600
...
500 REM No Processing
...
600 REM Yes Processing
```

#### Branching for Output

A variation of the above method works nicely for assigning output to the screen or the plotter. (Assume that the plotter is set to Device Address 1.) Use the following method:

400 PRINT "Output to screen or plotter? (Enter S or P) \*; 410 INPUT C\$ 420 N=32-31%(C\$=\*P\*) - - -450 PRI @N: . . .

# Intro to Graphic Manual Valuable

## by Ken Cramer

Look through the Introduction to Graphic Programming in BASIC manual (070-2059-00) supplied with your 4051. If you are a typical programmer, you probably skip over "introductory" manuals and go right to the reference manuals. In the case of the Graphic Programming manual, you could be missing a lot of helpful hints. Sections three through eight have many examples and explanations that can give you valuable insight and a starting point for algorithms you need. Just knowing where to look things up can save many hours of programming effort. Take an hour to look through these sections; it's worth it.

##### SNOWFLAKES BY S. HANSEN ##### GUTPUT DEFAULT IS TO THE 4051 GRAPHIC SCREEN. TO OUTPUT TO PLOTTER, PPESS USER DEFINABLE KEY \$1. STATEMENTS 1890 TO 1990 CONTAIN THE CODE FOR PRINTING THE INDIVIDUAL NAMES SIG AND GWEM'. SUGGESTED CODE TO SUBSTITUTE YOUR OWN LINE OF GREETING FOLLOWING MERRY CHRISTMAS': DEL 1890,1990 131 PRINT ENTER LINE OF GREETING' 132 INPUT AS : 2311 (\*65-LEH(A\$) 2312 y=47 2313 for [=0 to 0.3 Step 0.1 2314 PPINT 01.21:X+1.y+1 2315 PPINT 01.45 Hext 1 Hext 1 Heid 1

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REM DUHOR - 5. HANSEH. LOS AHGELES.

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Merry Christmas



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CHRISTMAS CARD plotted from the program of Dr. P.C. Holman and his staff of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, 4051 Applications Library program #51100-8012<sup>+</sup>0. (Lerov Character Generator) was incorporated as a subroutine to generate the text.

Applications Library program #51/00-8012 0. (Lerov Character Generator) was incorporated as a subroutine to generate the text. 4 RUM 100 5 List 9 ENO 9

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2130 LET C1-21 2144 GO TO 2930 2136 CHD 2168 PCH 2169 PCH 2160 PCH 2170 PCH 2170 PCH 2180 PCH

EDITOR'S NOTE: STATEMENTS 2750 THRU 4790 ENCOMPASS 4051 APPLICATIONS Library Program 51/00-8012/0, "LEROY CHARACTER GENERATOR."

RANDOM SNOWFLAKES generated from a program contributed by Mark Mehal, Tektronix Systems Analyst, Chicago.

1 PEM default device is the screen. 2 GD TO 138 3 PEM user definable key 1 will use the plotter. (unit=1) 4 INIT 5 U=1 5 U=1 7 GD TO 178 GO TO 170
 GO TO 170
 GO REM should be program 12/22/76 (almost christmas) mm
 110 PEH version 1.2 (random rotation and faster) 1/6/76
 120 REM Mark Mehull Chicapo Field Office
 130 NHT
 130 REM U is the unit number (1=plotter, 32=screen).
 160 U is the maximum viewport mimus 20 (130=plotter, 110=screen).
 130 NEM U is the maximum viewport mimus 20 (130=plotter, 110=screen).
 130 SET DEGREES 200 WIMOOW -20,20,-20,20 210 L=10 220 PEM PI is the number of flakes. (20 to J5) 230 R1=PHO(-1)20+15 240 FEM PO(-1)20+15 250 FEM A: 1.91 is the random location. 260 X1=PHO(-1)20 270 Y1=PHO(-1)20 270 Y1=YHO(-1)20 270 Y1 00 WINDON -20,20,-20,20 589 %:1+4:=</ti>

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608 HET1

618 FOP R=0 TO 300 STEP 60

628 POTATE P+4

629 POTATE P+4

628 MOULE PU:3,0

640 FOP AUL 40:5:4

650 HEXT P

660 FOP Table 10:5:4

670 HOULE PU:3,0

770 HOULE PU:3,0

780 HEXT J

810 DELET X,Y

820 HEXT Q

830 END



# **4051 Graphic System Publications**

## By Les Brabetz

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The following table contains a summary of all current manuals related to the 4051 Graphic System. The correct nomenclature, latest published date, and Tektronix part number are included. This list contains all manuals published up to August 15, 1977.

Contact your local Tertronix office for prices, availability, and to order any of these publications.

## 4051 and RELATED PERIPHERAL MANUALS

Manual	Publication Date	Part #
STANDARD		
4051 Graphic System Operator's	JAN 76	070-1940-00
4051 Graphic System Reference	JAN 76	070-2056-00
Reference Guide to 4051 BASIC	3rd Printing	070-2142-00
PLOT 50: Introduction to Pro-	DEC 75	070-2058-00
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PLOT 50: Introduction to Graphic	DEC 75	070-2059-00
Programming in BASIC		
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4051 Graphic System Service Vol. 1	MAY 77	070-2065-00
4051 Graphic System Service Vol. 2	MAY 77	070-2286-00
#067-0746-00 System Test Fixture	JUN 77	070-2304-00
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# Speed and Memory Savings Suggestions

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#### Speeding Up Proceedings

\*Take non-relevant statements out of loops. For example, consider the following listing:

- 100 For I=1 to 10
- 110 Print Using 120:1
- 120 Image ....
- 130 Rem
- 140 Next I

This loop can be speeded up by moving lines 120 and 130 outside the loop. (Overhead is .5 msec line + processing time.)

\*Minimize Jumps

- \*Use Subroutines
- \*Avoid recalculation of the same variable

\*Avoid unnecessary numeric computations. For example:

110 Print 5\*10, I should be 110 Print 50, I

#### **Recover Your Memory**

Delete data statements when they are no longer needed. For 'example:

150 DATA -----160 DATA -----170 DATA -----180 DATA -----190 READ A,B,C\$,F 200 DELETE 150,200

### Save Your Memory

When you need a Waiting Loop, instead of using a FOR/NEXT LOOP such as

```
FOR I=1 TO 1000
NEXT I
```

try using the following:

PRINT USING \*128(\*\*\*\*)S\*:

When you need a Horizontal Line, instead of using a FOR/NEXT loop such as

```
10000 FOR I=1 TO 72
10010 PRINT "_";
10020 NEXT I
```

try using the following:

10000 PRINT USING "72(""\_"")":

This method not only saves memory, but is faster as well.

## **Correct Tape Inserted?**

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Before MARKing a file (or files) on a tape cartridge. make sure that you have the **correct** tape cartridge in the 4051.

(The author of this bit speaks from experience. She says she didn't check, destroyed someone else's file, and was lucky to leave the computer room alive!—ed.)

# 4051 Applications Library Program Abstracts

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#### ABSTRACT NUMBER: 51/00-5402/0

Title: Globe Rotation Author: Donald N. Sweetnam Jet Propulsion Lab Pasadena, CA Memory Requirements: 8K Statements: 146

This program allows a user to view a global representation of a planet or spherical surface from any direction. This is accomplished by generating a reference globe and rotating about any or all of the three axes. The reference globe is generated in a right hand Cartesian coordinate system with the Z-axis pointing toward the north pole, the X-axis pointing through the prime (0) meridian and the Y-axis completing the system. The reference globe is positioned on the 4051 screen with the Z-axis up, the X-axis to the left and the Y-axis toward the user. The step to create the reference globe need only be done once since the coordinates are saved on tape.

Desired rotations are then chosen, the rotations made, and the resulting globe projected onto the display. Longitude lines are provided every 30 degrees as are latitude lines. Longitude coordinates are plotted every 6 degrees and latitude coordinates every 3 degrees. Hidden coordinates are not displayed.

The program employs extensive use of the User Definable Keys.

## ABSTRACT NUMBER: 51/00-8014/0

Title: **Program File Recovery** Memory Requirements: 32K Peripherals: 4631 Hard Copy Unit Statements: 73

This program was designed to recover a file which was "lost" due to a user powering up the 4051, inserting a tape, typing FINd (n) and then inadvertently typing SAVe instead of OLD. The program is recovered line by line and



TEKTRONIX, INC. Information Display Group Applications Library Group 451 P.O. Box 500 Beaverton, Oregon 97005 written to another file as well as printing to the screen and copying. All but approximately eight lines will be recovered with the original statement numbers intact.

The program can also be used to recover program statements which were lost due to other circumstances. but the chances of success are smaller.

#### ABSTRACT NUMBER: 51/00-1403/0

Title: Analysis of Logic Circuit Behavior Author: K. J. Orford Physics Department Durham University Memory Requirements: 16K Peripherals: None Statements: 325

This program stores the interrelationships of logic elements (gates, latches, etc) in a complex circuit, and predicts the state of all the elements a short time later. The program then has three optional modes. It can stop and print out, or continue and predict the next state and print until stopped, or continually predict subsequent states and show a selected number (up to 12) as waveform on the display. The three modes are selected by User-Definable Keys. Up to eight input lines may be used and changed at will during execution by pressing the User-Definable Keys.