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THE INDUSTRY, GENERAL

SHARE MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES. As a member of SHARE, Computer Usage Company is eligible to participate in the organization's activities and to receive the products of its cooperative programs.

SHARE was originally an informal group of early users of the IBM 704 who met to consider standardization. Membership now includes a substantial percentage of the major users of high-speed digital computing equipment. Their joint requests and recommendations to IBM for changes and standardization, and the exchange of information among SHARE members represents the main streams of development of computer usage. Richard Auerbach, New York office, is the CUC representative to SHARE. Harry Leslie is the alternate representative.

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The Technical Information Service receives all material distributed by SHARE to its members. The project activity reports cited in this bulletin have been selected as being of particular interest to company operations. Contact TIS for copies of these and any other SHARE publications, and for assistance in obtaining documentation and programs from their library. Visit your local 7040, 7090 users if you're interested in familiarizing yourself with SHARE materials and information.

GOVERNMENT ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING SYSTEMS. Hearings before the Subcommittee on Census and Statistics of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, House of Representatives, 89th Congress, 2nd Session, June 1966; Robert N. C. Nix, Chairman. 516 p. Copies available from the Chairman's office.

A review of electronic data processing systems - uses, capabilities, software, hardware, management, personnel - as presented in the testimony of representatives of many Federal agencies and state and local governments.

MANAGEMENT

IBM SYSTEM 360 DATA PROCESSING STANDARDS. Written and originally published by IBM United Kingdom Ltd. as "Management Standards for Data Processing." The standards in the manual are slanted toward a System/360 16-32K Storage, Disk or Tape and using Basic Operating System. However, it could be used as a generalized manual as indicated by the original British title. Detailed standards are presented under the broad headings of (1) Management (2) Machine Configuration (3) Systems Analysis (4) Programming, and includes a summary of documentation aids.

TIS has copies available for on demand dissemination. A limited number of copies were made available through U. S. IBM channels - Form No. F10-0001.

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APPLICATIONS

USING COMPUTER GRAPHICS IN COMMUNITY RENEWAL. Urban Renewal Administration, Housing and Home Finance Agency. Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. \$1.50.

The manual describes computer methods of graphing, data processing and symbolic mapping used in preparing a Community Renewal Program for Spokane, Washington. (Available on loan from TIS).

TIME SHARING is the major topic in the August 1966 issue of "RCA Computer Systems Information-Management Consultants Bulletin."

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Time Sharing Broadens Scope of Information Processing	p. 1
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COMPUTER CONTROL OF INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES. Emanuel S. Savas. McGraw-Hill, 1965. 400 p. \$16.00.

Information is presented on computer control from both application and production oriented viewpoints. Selected topics: Computer control concepts, Mathematical models, Steady-state optimization and control, Instrumentation for computer control, Programming for computer control, and 13 short reviews of industrial applications, e.g., chemicals, gas, steel, paper, food.

CONSTRAINTS, WEIGHTS AND MULTIPLE DEPENDENT VARIABLES IN NONLINEAR ESTIMATION, by Donald W. Marquardt, Du Pont Engineering Department. SHARE Secretary Distribution 154, July 8, 1966. 9 p. The paper contains a number of important special techniques which are useful in handling nonlinear problems. It was prepared as documentation for the following programs:

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Marquardt, D. W., "Least-Squares Estimation of Nonlinear Parameters," A Computer Program in FORTRAN IV Language; IBM Share Library, Distribution Number 3094, March, 1964; (Successor to Distribution Number 1428) Write-up includes theory of confidence region calculations.

Marquardt, D. W., and Ruby M. Stanley, "NLIN 2 - Least-Squares Estimation of Nonlinear Parameters," "Supplement to SDA 3094 (NLIN)," Mimeo Manuscript, 11/20/64. Available on request.

BIOMEDICAL COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

BIOMEDICAL ELECTRONICS is a new monthly newsletter from the publishers of EDP Weekly, Industry Reports, Inc., 514 10th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. Single subscriptions \$30.00 per year. Its format is that of EDP Weekly. The contents include a digest of current developments in all areas of medical electronics, bionics, bioastronautics, cyrobiology, nuclear medicine, biomedical engineering, and biophysics, plus technical descriptions and applications, reports on research, and listings of grants and contract awards, etc.

TIS recently sent sample copies of the August issue to the following offices for evaluation: Washington, Baltimore, Boston, Houston, Palo Alto. Other offices please indicate interest.

BIOMEDICAL APPLICATIONS FOR AN IBM DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM. New IBM Manual - E20-0118. Contains basic material on the application of computers to medical data acquisition, laboratory automation, and data screening, reduction and analysis.

SURVEY OF LIFE SCIENCES COMPUTER PROGRAMS. Final Technical Documentary Report 15 July 1963 - 14 July 1964. IBM, Thomas J. Watson Research Center. 181 p. AD 627152. Available from Clearinghouse for Scientific and Technical Information, Springfield, Virginia - \$5.00, or on loan from TIS.

This report attempts to provide the information necessary to locate and

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SURVEY OF LIFE SCIENCES COMPUTER PROGRAMS (cont'd)

request programs or program descriptions and listings. Typical applications in the life sciences are described for general programs on information retrieval, cross-tabulation of data, tests of statistical hypotheses, regression analysis, multivariate analysis, time series analysis, analysis of variance and covariance, mathematical diagnosis, linear programming, simulation, numerical techniques, and matrix algebra. In addition to these general purpose programs, many special purpose programs exist which are applicable within the gamut of research problems.

COMPUTERS IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH. Edited by Ralph W. Stacy, University of North Carolina, and Bruce Waxman, National Institutes of Health. 2 vols. Academic Press, 1965. Vol. 1 - \$20.00, Vol. 2 - \$14.00.

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Computers and Mathematics In The Life Sciences
Computer Simulation of Life Processes
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MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE.
Edited by the Medical Research Council, 1965. 311 p.
\$12.00. Not available TIS, but we'll place order for
you with the British Information Service, New York, N. Y.

Contains papers from a symposium sponsored by the Medical Research Council and Ministry of Health, July 1964.

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MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE IN BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE (cont'd)

Topics include: computer diagnostic procedures, automatic data processing of hospital medical records, pattern recognition procedures.

PROGRESS IN MEDICAL COMPUTING 1965. 80 p. Describes a more recent U. K. conference covering topics similar to item above. Publication available from the Medical Automation Unit at University College Hospital, London.

Conferences on DATA ACQUISITION AND PROCESSING IN BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE have been held since 1961 at the University of Rochester. Three volumes of papers and edited discussions have been published. Selected papers from the 1964 conference published by Pergamon Press: Computer-oriented study of human metabolism, Use of a computer for the reduction of ultracentrifuge data, Computer-based colony records system for the Oregon Regional Primate Research Centre, Retrieving and processing medical measurement data, and Computerization of a pharmaceutical manufacturer.

PROGRAMMING TECHNIQUES

DETAB-65 Preprocessor. TIS recently obtained the basic documentation for this program from the SHARE Program Library. Copies are available for on demand dissemination.

The DETAB-65 Preprocessor converts limited-entry decision tables contained within the programs into a form acceptable by a COBOL compiler. The preprocessor itself was written in required COBOL-61 and was designed to facilitate easy modification for various COBOL implementations. It can either be used alone or incorporated into a COBOL compiler. The preprocessor has been successfully compiled and executed upon the IBM 7040, 7044, and 7090/94 computers. The preprocessor package consists of the following--abstract... the DETAB-65 users manual... a decision table bibliography... Preprocessor card deck and listing... test deck and listing.

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DETAB-65 Preprocessor (cont'd)

DETAB is a decision table language extension to COBOL-61 for automatic compilation into an object program. It is a supplement to, not a replacement of, COBOL-61. For additional information on the origins of DETAB-X (Decision Tables, Experimental) reference should be made to Solomon Pollack's paper, "What is DETAB-X" which is included in the proceedings of the SYMPOSIUM ON DECISION TABLES held September 20, 1962 in New York. (available TIS)

Presentations at this symposium and other reports on the subject are included in the bibliography to Paul Nixon's article, "Decision Tables and Their Application," (Computers and Automation, April 1964), cited in our bulletin to the Senior Technical Staff 4 May 1966. See also "Use of Decision Tables in Computer Programming," H. W. Kirk, JACM, January 1965, p. 41-43; and "Conversion of Decision Tables to Computer Programs," L. I. Press, JACM, June 1965, p. 385-390.

A STUDY OF REPLACEMENT ALGORITHMS FOR A VIRTUAL-STORAGE COMPUTER, L. A. Belady, appears in the current issue of IBM Systems Journal, vol. 5, no.2, 1966 p. 78-101. (TIS will provide copies if you need them.)

The study is based on a virtual-storage concept that provides for automatic memory allocation. Several algorithms for the replacement of current information in memory are evaluated. Discussed is the simulation of a number of typical program runs using differing replacement algorithms with varying memory size and block size. The results are compared with each other and with a theoretical optimum.

FORTRAN Language Standards, X3.9 (1966) has just been published by the American Standards Association. The price is \$4.80 a copy. Order from the ASA, 10 East 40th Street, New York, N. Y. 10016. Delivery is very slow. We've been waiting one month for our copy.

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PROGRAMMING TECHNIQUES (cont'd)

The JOVIAL Manual. Part II. The JOVIAL (J3) grammar and lexicon. M. H. Perstein, SDC. 20 October 1965. 142 p. Available from the Clearinghouse for Technical and Scientific Information, Springfield, Virginia as AD 623 861 for \$4.00; or on loan from TIS.

A SYNTAX-ORIENTED TRANSLATOR, by Peter Z. Ingerman, RCA. Academic Press, 1966. 131 p. \$5.95. The publisher's blurb suggests that the professional computer programmer will find in the book an exposition of compiler techniques available nowhere else. Recommended by CUDC personnel who have examined it.

COMPARISON OF IBM 360 TAPES AND DIRECT ACCESS STORAGE DEVICES (DASD). A report from the SHARE Removable Data Set Storage Committee OS/360 Hardware Configuration Project. June 24, 1966. 12 p. includes charts. Removable data set storage devices discussed are the IBM 2311 disk pack, IBM 2314 disk cluster, IBM 2321 data cell, and the IBM 2400 series tape.

FINAL REPORT OF THE SHARE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GRAPHIC REQUIREMENTS. July 1, 1966. 17 p. The committee concluded that a set of requests and requirements would be premature at this time. This report contains a survey or sampling of current and future applications and techniques that indicates the breadth of the subject. An attempt has been made to explain how a graphic system should be structured and to describe some of the implications. The result is a set of basic considerations and important points to compare with currently available support, future announcements and installation generated requirements.

Appendix items include: (1) OBJECTIVES OF A GRAPHIC SUPPORT SOFTWARE SYSTEM, (2) POTENTIAL GRAPHIC APPLICATION AREAS, (3) CURRENT APPLICATIONS AND FEASIBILITY STUDIES.

SHARE PROGRAM LIBRARY. The SHARE Library consists of program packages submitted by membership installations. The Contributed Programs (Type IV) are included in the IBM Catalog of Programs for the various processing systems, listed below, and are available from:

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SHARE PROGRAM LIBRARY (cont'd)

DP Program Information Department
International Business Machines Corporation
40 Saw Mill River Road
Hawthorne, New York 10532

Orders should be sent on General Program Request cards (Form 120-1145) which are available from your IBM sales office. Contact TIS if you encounter any procedural difficulties.

<u>Title</u>	<u>Catalog Form No.</u>
Catalog of Programs for IBM 1240, 1401, 1420, 1440, and 1460 Data Processing Systems	C20-1601
Catalog of Programs for IBM 705, 1410, 7010, 7070, 7072, 7074, 7080, 7740 and 7750 Data Processing Systems	C20-1602
Catalog of Programs for IBM 1620 and 1710 Data Processing Systems	C20-1603
Catalog of Programs for IBM 704, 709, 7040, 7044, 7090 and 7094 Data Processing Systems	C20-1604
Catalog of Programs for IBM System/360	C20-1619
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NEW AND REVISED IBM MANUALS

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>CATALOG FORM NO.</u>
IBM System/360 Bibliography Accumulative Index of Publications and Programs to above	A22-6822-7 N20-0360.27 (Aug. 15)
IBM System/360 Project Control System	H20-0222
IBM System/360 Operating System ALGOL Language	C28-6615
General Purpose Simulation System/360	H20-0186-1
System/360 Scientific Subroutine Package	H20-0166-1
System/360 FORTRAN IV Language	C28-6515-4
IBM System/360 Principles of Operation	A22-6821-3
Numerical Control System/360 APT	H20-0181-1

LITERATURE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OFFICE LIBRARIES

IBM PERIODICALS TO CUDC OFFICES. All CUDC offices are on IBM's distribution lists to receive the following titles as they are issued.

IBM SYSTEMS JOURNAL - quarterly

IBM JOURNAL OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT - bimonthly

IBM COMPUTING REPORT FOR THE SCIENTIST AND ENGINEER
- irregular

DATA PROCESSOR - quarterly

If you haven't already received the current issue of each of the magazines, we've been assured you will have the next ones.

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COLLECTED ALGORITHMS FROM COMMUNICATIONS OF THE ACM.
Beginning June 1966, the ACM inaugurated an Algorithm looseleaf service. Subscription includes every algorithm published in CACM from 1960 through June 1966 and one year's updating service. Price to ACM members and subscribers to Communications of the ACM - \$15.00; non-members - \$25.00.

KWIC INDEX to IBM MARKETING PUBLICATIONS.
Form No. 320-1621-12. Released this week. Obsoletes the Index of May 15, 1966 and its updates.

PROGRAMMING THE IBM SYSTEM/360, by the Staff of Computer Usage Company. The publisher, John Wiley, released the third printing last month. This printing corrects the errors in the original printings. Ascher Opler, CUE, will welcome the identification of other errors which come to your attention.



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TO: Eleanor Crouse - TIS, Mount Kisco

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