I'm really sorry the ARPANEWS had to fold. I wish there were something we could do. I just hope all the other nice projects aren't forced to fold as well.
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(J30645) 7=MAY=74 09:12; Title: Author(s): Nancy J. Neigus/NJN; Distribution: /JI MEJ MAP; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: NJN;

Test of Journal System and new Directories

Please let me know if you get this, Either by Journal to EJK or sndmsg to Kennedy,

Test of Journal System and new Directories

You can send and receive journal mail, if everything is working properly. Your Ident is: DTC for Dav Craig, FND for Fred Di Maggio, DLH for Dave Hyde. For your information, Kenyon is RJK, Dick Nelson is RN2, McNamera is JLM, Tomaini is FJT, Barnum is ARB.

Test of Journal System and new Directories

(J30646) 7=MAY=74 10:07; Title: Author(s): Edmund J, Kennedy/EJK; Distribution: /DTC FND DLH RJK(info); Sub=Collections: RADC; Clerk: EJK;

Pfeffer's use of Uk 360

To Dave Healy,
This is Sylvia Kenney, liaison for London=tip
We were wondering what had happened to Pfeffer's application
ro arpa to use our 360 for his work. Has he heard
anything from them yet?
(network mail to Kirstein at ISI,
marked 'attn. SK')

Pfeffer's use of Uk 360

(J30647) 7=MAY=74 10:10; Title: Author(s): Guest O. ARC/ARCG; Distribution: /DCH; Sub=Collections: SRI=ARC; Clerk: ARCG;

Some thoughts for Mac's pitch

General:

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The thrust of NLS development (for the past 10 Years) has been to develop tools, procedures, organizations, methods, training to support "human communication". The first and largest set of people that this technology has been applied to are programmers...system development teams.

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Documentation, coding, debugging, maintenance, menitoring, and management are done within the same integrated system; i.e., the basic command language, file structure, procedures, training, etc. are the same for everyone involved in the software development process.

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THE RESULT IS THE MOST ADVANCED SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING COMPUTER SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT THAT WE KNOW ABOUT IN THE COUNTRY TODAY.

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Code production

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The NLS file structure is hierarchical, with the ability to get special overviews, truncated views, in depth views, etc. of code contained in one or more files. Statements are automatically numbered, tagged with the date and initials of the last person changing them, indented, etc. These capabilities support the visibility/readability of the code for programmer and management purposes.

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A complete set of editing commands are available for use on code and text alike. These include copy, assimilate, replace etc. which can be done accoss files. This process is particularily effective using the display, where the screen can be split up to 8 different ways...with a different file loaded in each display segment.

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There are a number of commands, content analyzer programs and user programs that allow the searching and cross indexing of procedures that have the same parameters or call or are called by the same procedures.

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New code modules can be linked into the running system for debugging purposes. With breakpoints set, the values of various registers can be viewed on one side of the screen with the code on the other. The code can be changed, the program backed up, restarted etc. all in a dynamic mode without risk of crashing the running system. Debugged code

is automatically assimilated into the system each night, by placing a link to it in a special file.

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Programming support libraries

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Through the use of user created "links" it is possible to have a "infinite" number of levels in a programming library. Links can also be used to tie together functional requirements documents, design spec documents, programming spec documents, coding, user documents, training documents and maintenance documents. A SUPER-DOCUMENT is created where the structure dynamically reflects the structure of the system being built, while the content of the modules is changing.

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Documentation

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NIS contains a complete set of commands to support the creation, editing, disemmination, storage and retrieval of documentation. In addition there is an interface to a COM device, which allows one to obtain high-quality, publications with control over type fonts, page format, etc. 1b3a

A Journal system automatically catalogues, indexes and distributes messages and documentation submitted to it. Using the Journal and links, one can support recorded dialogue between members of a software production team, as they seek to resolve complex programming problems.

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Thoughts for Mac's Pitch ... NLS=SP

(J30660) 6-MAY=74 06:34; Title: Author(s): Duane L. Stone/DLS; Distribution: /JLM; Sub=Collections: RADC; Clerk: DLS; Origin: <STONE>NLS/SP,NLS;1, 6-MAY=74 06:26 DLS;

Thanks, NDM JCN

The following people should receive online delivery to the directories in their names at Office=1:	1
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Lawrence A Crain (LAC)	1b
Douglas R weeks (DRW)	10
Elizabeth A Riddle (EAR)	1d
Elizabeth F Finney (EFF)	1e
Robert M Sheppard (RMS2)	1f
Richard T LaCoss (RTL)	19
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RMS2	3 b
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Request to Fix Some Idents

(J30701) 7=MAY=74 11:32; Title: Author(s): N, Dean Meyer/NDM; Distribution: /MLK JCN JHB; Sub=Collections: SRI=ARC; Clerk: NDM;

Case Study in Interactive Graphics Programming: A Circuit Drawing
and Editing Program for use with a Storage=Tube Display Terminal
John W. Brackett, Michael Hammer, Daniel E. Thornhill

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October, 1969 MAC TR=63 AD 699=930

The concepts involved in building and manipulating a data structure through graphical interaction are presented, using the drawing and editing of electrical circuits as a vehicle. The circuit drawing program was designed to operate on an ARDS storage tube display terminal attached to the M.I.T. project MAC IBM 7094 Compatible Time Sharing System. The graphics software system (GRAPHSYS) developed by the M.I.T. Computer Aid Design Project was used for dealing with all graphical input and output, and the AED Language of the Project was used in programming. AED System packages for building and manipulating complex data structures are described and their use is illustrated in detail. The report includes flow diagrams and complete listings of the sample circuit drawing and editing system.

EPS: An Interactive System for Solving Elliptic Boundary=Value
Problems with Facilities for Data Manipulation and
General=Purpose Computation==User*s Guide

Tillman, Coyt C., Jr.

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June 1969 MAC=TR=62 AD=692=462

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A user's guide for Eps is presented. EPS solves two-dimensional boundary-value problems for elliptic systems of second-order partial differential equations. It also has general-purpose capabilities which permit the on-line definition and execution of arbitrary numerical procedures.

The guide is concerned primarily with using EPS to solve boundary=value problems, Linear problems of this type that have no free surfaces or undefined parameters can be solved on a one=pass basis. Nonlinearities and othe complications can be accommodated by iteration. Solutions are obtained by a finite=difference method which permits the use of irregular lattices, hence the crowding of nodes in sensitive regions.

EPS operates on the IBM 7094 computer of the M.I.T.	97
Compatible Time=Sharing System (CTSS), and exploits to an unusual	98
degree the potential for interactive problem solving the CTSS	99
affords. Input commands resemble statements in various algebraic	100
compiler languages, and can be combined and abbreviated by means	101
of macros, Improper input and other error conditions are handed	102
so as to minimize user inconvenience. Common syntax erros, for	103
example, are corrected automatically by the machine, Output is	104
available in either numerical or graphical form,	105

Interactive Computer-Mediated Animation

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refine (1) static images to be used as components of individual	146
frames of the movies, and (2) static and dynamic images that	147
represent movement and rhythm, These latter pictures drive	148
algorithms to generate dynamic displays, since each such picture	149
determines critical parameters of a sequence of frames, a single	150
sketch or action controls the dynamic behavoir of an entire	151
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The dissertation also outlines the design of a multi-purpose, open-ended, interactive Animation and Picture Processing Language. APPL is a conversational language which accepts free-hand sketches, real-time actions, and algorithms that control interactive dynamic displays.

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and ALC	OL/60 are included as examples of the approach.

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A Simulator of Multiple Interactive Users to Drive a Time=Shared

Greenbaum, Howard J.

Computer System

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(J30703) 7=MAY=74 12:26; Title: Author(s): Herb S. Hughes/HSH; Distribution: /HSH; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk; HSH;

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to 12 users, only four are simulated here. The Simulator System is intended to be used to test the M.I.T. CTSS and MULTICS (Time-Shared Computer Systems). However, it is designed to be adaptable for testing most time-shared computer systems having serial character oriented input/output over communications lines interfacing with 103A compatible data sets.

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(J30704) 7-MAY-74 12:54; Title: Author(s): Herb S. Hughes/HSH; Distribution: /HSH; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: HSH;

Haven't sent any suggestions for a while, so I thought I'd submit the following:

for several years, I have suggested a number of changes/additions to directives, the thrust of which was to make them level-specific. (e.g., .Grab[2]=5; would execute a Grab=5 for every statement on level 2).

Since each of the changes requires a fair amount of work to change, how about simply adding ONE directive? This directive will contain any directive to executed at a given level.

E.g.: Level[2]=""; Level[3]=""; would apply Grab=5 to every level 2 statement, and set it overflow indentation to zero. Level 3 statments would have overflow indentation set to 3.

This is a fairly expensive solution computationally, but would be the easiest to implement,

Whatcha tink?

Sweeping Journal Directive

(J30705) 7=MAY=74 13:29; Title: Author(s): David H, Crocker/DHC; Distribution: /NP NPS DVN NDM RWW; Sub=Collections: NIC NP; Clerk: DHC;

Nancy,

Thank you for your kind note relative to the ARPANews; we too were very disappointed to have to let it fold = just when real progress was beginning to come into evidence. I sincerely hope that it will not be a harbinger of things to come since I believe that iseful and worthwhile user oriented capabilities are beginning to accrue to the net, Especially, I hope that USING's efforts will accrue some support which has yet to become apparent officially.

There appears to be a possibility that Kirk Kelley's whole Universe/ARPANET Catalogue may evolve to a replacement of the News = maybe active support would help although his working in relative isolation may indicate otherwise.

Are there any firm plans for:

a. A USING meeting this summer, b. Any official support or feedback from the submitted committee reports, or

c. Any possible support for the experimental mechanisms that have evolved as a consequence of USING efforts, like the Feedback, sav mechanism that Rosy and Calvin developed to enable feedback to be sent to the two NLS USING files; next and ngrp?

Warmest regards,

Personal Note [ARPANews/USING]

(J30706) 8=MAY=74 06:21; Title: Author(s): Jean Iseli/JI; Distribution: /NJN; Keywords: arpanews USING Personal=correspondence; Sub=Collections: NEWS MITRE=TIP; Clerk: JI;

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(am1) 1 April - Monday	1
0830 hrs, Branch Chief's Meeting	10
Frank J. Tomaini = JURY DUTY = ALL WEEK	1 b
Due Date = ISI/Tom = TUMSE Letter in regards to Electronic Pocket Size Calculators = Completed	10
News Brief items due into Becky Today (KJOURNAL, 19533, 1:W)	1 d
PMP requested in Form 56 - Forward to ESD for Coordination	1 e
Due Date = ISI/Tom = Forward Financing = Grtly Report Input Due ISM = Completed	11
Bobbie: Personnel Strength Rpt, due,	19
(at1) 2 April - Tuesday	2
(aw1) 3 April - Wednesday	3
Due Date = ISI/Tom = Due 3 Apr ISM = Coordination of AFSCR 11=3/RADC Sup 1 = Re: Management of Trip Report = Completed	3 a
Due Date = ISI/Tom = Contract Maintenance Reports = FY=75 Office Machine & Appliances = Completed	3 b
ISC Confessions 0830 hrs.	30
(ath1) 4 April - Thursday	4
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Laboratory Activity Reports due today: Bucciero must have them by 1000, ISM must have them by 1100, and DOT must have them by 1600.	4b
Due Date = ISIM/W, Rzepka = PR=B=4=3250 = Secure Data Mgt Sys = Completed	40
(af1) 5 April = Friday	5
Bobbie: Travel figures due by noon.	5 8
(am2) 8 April - Monday	6
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Col Thayer - TDY	60
(at2) 9 April - Tuesday	7
1330 hrs. = Meeting A. Barnum/R. Panara = Project 5550	7a
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(aw2) 10 April = Wednesday	8
ISF Confessions 0830 hrs.	8 a
Due Date = ISI/Tom Bucciero = Reply to IS Safety & Housekeeping Inspection = Completed	8b
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(ath2) 11 April - Thursday	9
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Due Date = ISIS = IR&D (IBM)	96
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Due Date - ISI/FJT & Tom - Info for Compliance W/Completing IG	9 d
MUST SUBMIT FY=75 NEW STARTS TO ISI/BUCCIERO BY TODAY!!!!!(FORM 77s)	9e
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(af2) 12 April = Friday	10
Due Date = ISI/Tom = Financial Forecasting FY=74 & Prior Year Balances = Due in ISM	10a
Timecards due today	10b
Due Date = ISIM/R, Iuorno(?)OER	10c
Bobbie: Travel figures due by noon,	10d
Due Date = ISIS/McLean & ISIM/Calicchia = Mgt Supv Eval of Trng over 40 hours = Completed	10e
Due Date = ISIM/ISIS = Information Summary of Support to PAR/CAR Programs (Memo from DOT/Mr. Richards)	101

	Col Thayer - TDY	109
	(am3) 15 April - Monday	11
	Col Thayer . Leave	11a
	0830 hrs. Branch Chief's Meeting	11b
	PMP requested in Form 56 must be forwarded to DO for coordination with 3 cys of AF 725 and RADC Form 7 for repro & distribution	110
	Due Date = ISIM/LaForge/Liuzzi = Review of System Development Notifications (SDNs = 427M) = Completed	110
	(at3) 16 April = Tuesday	12
	Col Thayer - Leave	12a
	(aw3) 17 April = Wednesday	13
	Col Thayer . Leave	13a
	R & T Selection of the Month is due in ISI, (KJOURNAL, 19531, 1:W)	13b
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	Due ISIS/ISIM = Nominations for Splized Short=Term Courses fo emaind of FY=74.	144
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	Col Thayer - Leave	15a
	Bobbie: Travel figures due by noon,	15b
	(am4) 22 April - Monday	16
	Col Thayer - Leave	16a
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(at4) 23 April - Tuesday	17
Col Thayer - Leave	17a
Training on Maintaining R&D Case Files = 1330 hrs. = Conference Room 1 = MANDATORY that all Administrative personnel and engineering personnel who are involved in R&D projects attend.	17b
Collect topic write-ups today by noon for confessions,	17c
Due Date = ISIM/ISIS = Per Memo From: Office of the Chief Scientist, Dated: 15 April 74 = Request a list of thesis topics You consider appropriate for graduate student research at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.	17d
(aw4) 24 April - Wednesday	18
Col Thayer - Leave	18a
Officers Commander's Call = 1600 hrs, = Officer's Cu	185
ISI Confessions 0830 hrs,	18c
((ath4) 25 April = Thursday	19
IBM = Contextual Word Recognition Post Processing =Bldg, 24 = Conf, "A" = 0930 = 1130 hrs.	19a
A briefing on Small Business Procurements will be presented by Mr. John Vella in Conference Room 1 on today at 1000 hrsALL IS TECHNICAL PERSONNEL ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND.	19b
Col Thayer - Leave	190
0830 hrs. Branch Chief's Meeting	194
Laboratory Activity Reports due today: Bucciero must have them by 1000, ISM must have them by 1100, and DOT must have them by 1600, (JJournal, 30511, 1:w)	19e
Congressman Mitchell will be speaking on recent legistation of interest to engineers. A question and answer period will follow his talk. This will be at Trinkaus Manor at 8 PM, sponsored by ASME. All interested are welcomed. A dinner is available at 7 PM at \$4.25, For further information please contact Mr. Dick White, Ext. 2151.	19f

	(af4) 26 April - Friday	2
	Due Date - ISI/ISIM/ISIS - OPSEC - REPLY TO ISM	20
	Col Thayer - Leave	201
	Timecards due today	200
	Bobbie: Travel figures due by noon,	20
	(am5) 29 April - Monday	2
	Due Date - ISI/Tom - Quarterly Report - Mandatory Review of Security Classification Guidance, COMPLETED	21
	Due Date = ISIM/E, Kennedy = Suggestion Evaluation GRF=74=975 Integration of Computer Operations to Mgt Procedures, COMPLETED	211
	Col Thayer - Leave	210
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	Nelson = TDY	210
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	(at5) 30 April - Tuesday	22
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	Form 2*s (employee time expenditures) are due today, COMPLETED	221
	Due Date = ISI/Tom = FY=76 Mobile Depot Maintenance (MDM)	220
	1300 hrs. Branch Chief's Meeting	220
	Tomaini & Nelson - TDY	226
	Aetna Representative = call x4246 for Appointment = Bldg 14 = 2nd Floor	221

(J30707) 8=MAY=74 06:59; Title: Author(s): Roberta J. Carrier/RJC; Distribution: /RJC; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: RJC;

This is being sent to the address wwmccs. If it goes at all it should go to the people in the WWMCCS sub-group that we asked SRI to set up, Please let me know if you receive this. If this is successfully werking it will be a way to distribute materal to the WWMCCS people on the system using a singele address, pardon the spelling

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•	Luncheon for =Grant Strength = Holiday Inn = 1200 hrs. = \$3,00 = Contact Marilyn Rossi or Dick VanDresar by Noon = 9 May 74.	
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Ed LaForge - Jury Duty

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(J30710) 8=MAY=74 10:19; Title: Author(s): Roberta J. Carrier/RJC; Distribution: /RADC; Sub=Collections: NIC RADC; Clerk: RJC;

Due Date - AF Form 1152s for summer Term MVCC Courses submitted to ISM NLT by today,

(J30711) 8-MAY-74 10:21; Title: Author(s): Roberta J. Carrier/RJC; Distribution: /RADC; Sub-Collections: NIC RADC; Clerk: RJC;

1975 International Conference on Reliable Software to be held 22=25
April 1975 = CALL FOR PAPERS = Abstract Deadline of 15 July = Expect
minimum of two (2) papers in ISI to be submitted per Col Thayer.

International Conference

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From AFAL/CA letter dated 8 April 1974 subjected Fall Meeting of the Avionics Section = ADPA, point Mugu, CA 20=21 Nov 1974,

The Air Force is being asked for presentations to be made during the Fall Meeting of the Avionics Section of the American Defense Preparedness Association (ADPA), formerly the American Ordinance Association. The Army and Navy organizations, as well as industry, are also being asked for presentations in order that a comprehensive look at Avionics requirements and developments may be provided.

The purpose of this letter is to inform interested Air Force organizations of the forthcoming meeting and also to request candidate presentations which will provide an overview of the Air Force requirements and developments in this important technology area.

The attached symposium outline describes the conference objectives, scope and the categories of the program agenda for which papers are being solicited.

It is requested that unclassified summaries, as described in the attached outline, be furnished to the undersigned by 15 May 1974. The authors will be advised of the papers selected for inclusion in the program by 17 June 1974.

ROBERT J. DORAN
Acting Chief Scientist
Air Force Avionics Laboratory
Symposium Technical Program

Coordinator = Air Force

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The objective of this symposium is to provide a comprehensive look at the avionic system developments that meet current and evolving, manned and unmanned air mission objectives. Government attendees will provide summaries of Navy, Air Force and Army requirements for some of their specific missions, i.e., ASW, close air support, air superiority, electronic warfare, electronic intelligence, reconnaissance, interdiction, battlefield surveillance, etc. The industrial and laboratory groups will identify research, technology and equipment developments directed to meeting these requirements. The symposium will be classified SECRET, and is planned specifically to be of general interest to the full spectrum of DOD and industrial avionics system engineering, advance system planners, research groups, system development, engineering and design, and to those concerned with the formulation of long range objectives.	10
Those who wish to present papers are requested to submit ten copies of a one page (250-300 words), unclassified summary of the paper with complete title, the authors name, rank/position, military organization/company affiliation, and complete address by 15 May 1974. The papers should be structured to fit within these four categories.	1×
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(J30713) 8=MAY=74 11:52; Title: Author(s): Frank J. Tomaini/FJT; Distribution: /RADC; Sub=Collections: RADC; Clerk: FJT;

I have finally finished the second draft of the Net Standard Data Pathname syntax, tho now it is called the net Standard Data Specification syntax. The document resides in <UCLA=NMC>DHCNSDS,NLS (ucla=nmc,dhcnsds,i), And yes, that is the correct filename.

Some significant modifications have been made, tho the original spec is still recognizable. Please let me know what you think,

There are some issues that need to be resolved before the document can be released as an RFC:

- i) Pathname keywords (semi-structured mode) have non-alphabetics in them. That makes parsing <h-fields> difficult, since an <l-delim> might be a back-arrow (underscore). What solution seems best to you?
- 2) Should the alternate forms of the peripheral reserved Words be kept? Should the contents of the <data> subfields in general be more defined? (e.g., requiring partial name recongition, a la Tenex, at least for reserved words.)
- 3) Does the differentiation between human and machine oriented syntaxes (syntaces?) seem reasonable/useful?
- 4) Anything else you notice or think of.
- I'd appreciate comments any of you might have.
 Thanks. Dave.

Preliminary draft of revised Standard Data Specification document

(J30714) 8-MAY-74 15:05; Title: Author(s): David H, Crocker/DHC; Distribution: /CSK JBP JEW ADO GJP VGC NJN; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk: DHC;

Folks,

The issuance of the NETHELP paper to USING was supposed to have been prefixed with a note asking for comments on the paper. I am sorry that it got lost in the works but I hope also that this message will suffice to stir up any helpful information which USING might have to offer.

Alan

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	TU10-EE 9-TRACK TAPE DRIVE AND CONTROLLER	1144
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	ANALOGIC ADC/DAC AND DEC DR11=B DMA HARDWARE	1541
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In regards to two particular items sent to you by way of journal message, 1) AF Form 1152 are due 17 May; and 2) The luncheon for Grant Strength is 10 May...sorry about that...Bobbie

Two tickler items

(J30718) 9=MAY=74 05:08; Title: Author(s): Frank J. Tomaini/FJT; Distribution: /RADC; Sub=Collections: RADC; Clerk: FJT;

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(J30723) 9=MAY=74 16:18; Title: Author(s): N. Dean Meyer/NDM; Distribution: /FDBK CHI DIA; Sub-Collections: SRI=ARC; Clerk: NDM;

Marcia ==
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should leave a delivery of Online(NLS) to using. Please change its
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Sorry for the confusion. Some people created the two dients without checking with me (and for that matter, witht thinking). Please let me know when you finish.

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(J30726) 10=MAY=74 14:34; Title: Author(s): David H, Crocker/DHC; Distribution: /MLK; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: DHC;

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Tickler for month of April 1974

Bobbie: Personnel Strength Rpt, due,

(am1) 1 April = Monday	
0830 hrs, Branch Chief's Meeting	1
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Due Date = ISI/Tom = TUMSE Letter in regards to Electronic Pocket Size Calculators = Completed	1
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Tickler for month of April 1974

(J30728) 13=MAY=74 05:36; Title: Author(s): Roberta J. Carrier/RJC; Distribution: /; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: RJC;

This is a reminder that Network Software Maintenance is scheduled between the hours of 0700 and 0900 (Eastern Time) on Tuesday, 14 May 1974, Although software releases are checked out as much as possible in the BBN test cell, there are sometimes problems of scale which are not detected until after a release; hence there is a small but finite possibility that the software will be troublesome for a few hours after the scheduled release. sincerely,

Alex McKenzie (for the Network Control Center)

NOTE: A number of people have complained that these reminders are delivered to them by US mail a week or more after the event being announced has taken place. I send the note through the NIC Journal to all "Technical Liaisons" (and a few other groups); the Journal will deliver the text (or a pointer) into the "computer mailbox" for anyone who has listed their mailbox with the NIC, while individuals without computer mailbox listings receive the documents by US mail, If you get US mail but want to get things delivered on line, communicate with Marcia Keeney at SRI=ARC. In any case, please remember that EVERY Tuesday from 0700 to 0900 Eastern Time is reserved for Network Software Maintenance (see, for example, RFC #638).

Scheduled Software Maintenance

(J30729) 13=MAY=74 06:46; Title: Author(s): Alex A. McKenzie/AAM; Distribution: /NLG RADC MLK; Sub=Collections: NIC NLG RADC; Clerk: AAM;

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OPSEC Film = 1:30 = Tuesday = Conference Room. Those who didn't attend should!

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PRINCIPLES OF INTERACTIVE COMPUTER GRAPHICS Reviewed by Ira W. Cotton

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A full-scale textbook for a course in computer graphics has been long in coming. Display equipment was connected to whirlwind as long ago as 1950, though the discipline generally traces its origins to Ivan Sutherland's SKETCHPAD which was first published in 1963 [1]. The authors of this text were both associates of Sutherland, and the general approach of the book might be termed the "Utah" approach to graphics.

This is an important and timely book, but it is not without serious defects. The coverage in the book is admirably broad, but there are still important topics which are not even mentioned.

Most explanations are clear enough for the novice and in enough depth for the journeyman, but both sides of an issue are often not presented. The book reflects too strongly a particular school of thought, rather than exposing the student to conflicting views on a subject, What may be entirely proper in a monograph is objectionable in a textbook. The authors fail to meet their responsibility to students when they present only their point of view on controversial issues.

The book consists of seventeen chapters in five parts, with a bibliography and extensive appendices. Part one covers display devices in four chapters. The first chapter provides a very low level description of cathode ray tube technology. The importance of this material is asserted, but never demonstrated. A number of

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formulae for electro-physical phenomena are presented, but never referenced nor used again. The point is made that phosphors are identified by number, but the meaning of the numbers is never explained. Finally, a number of alternative technologies are discussed, but no mention is made of raster scan devices.

Chapter 2 provides a good low level introduction to programming the display refresh loop. Flow charts would be desirable, however, even for simple programs. The section on D/A conversion techniques adds nothing to the thrust of the chapter.

Chapter 3 seems entirely unnecessary, except as a plug for Evens and Sutherland Computer Corporation hardware.

Chapter 4 contains a good description of the development of display processors. However, towards the end of the chapter a major flaw in the book becomes apparent == the authors' opinions are presented as fact (e.g., with respect to the instruction set required for a display processor).

part two contains four chapters on the subject of display files. Chapter 5 begins with a good discussion of the distinction between segmented and structured display files. This distinction will doubtless become one of the fundamental concepts of interactive comuter graphics.

Chapter 6 contains an introduction to the authors' main area of expertise == matrix transformation techniques and applications. The only suggestion to be made here is that more explanatory

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material be included in the body of the chapter, rather than be relegated to an appendix.

Chapter 7 contains an important and well done discussion of clipping. A purely mechanical flaw should be noted in this chapter, however, Computer output should be typeset so that it is legible, especially in a book of this quality (cf. p. 124).

Chapter 8 concludes the treatment of display files with a particularly well done discussion of transformation systems, based on the framework introduced in chapter 5.

Part three (chapters 9 through 11) contains good discussions on input devices, interrupt handling and a variety of useful techniques. This reviewer agrees strongly with the point that input is separate from output. Much of the material in chapter 10 has not appeared previously in any single, widely available source.

Part four (chapters 12=14) presents material on techniques for 3=dimensional graphics. These chapters are the best and most valuable part of the book. Here the authors write from original research and may be permitted an authoritative tone.

In contrast, the material in part five on graphic systems is much too controversial to appear in a textbook in its present form. The authors are entitled to their opinions, but they should be presented as such, and other points of view should be explained as well. Chapter 15, for example, places undue emphasis on a single system which the authors had implemented. (pescriptions of

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other approaches may be found in (2],) Such statements as "The ability to construct a good dialogue between the user and the program can generally be gained only with experience" seem to reflect ignorance of excellent books by Meadow (3) and Martin (4). The discussion in this volume is limited to such platitudes as "It is particularly important to keep the user in mind when designing an interactive dialogue."

The coverage in chapter 16 (on programming languages for computer graphics) is much too brief. This reviewer has not noticed any "lack of interest in the development of programming languages ... [for] graphics." The discussion on page 363 regarding the use of FORTRAN is more of a diatrabe than anything else. Relative to the concern on page 383 that a particular feature might "confuse a novice programmer", this reviewer can only ask for whom graphics programming systems are intended.

It is the final chapter on graphics system design, however, with which this reviewer must take most issue. The authors suggest that their approach to graphic system design is the correct approach and the only approach. Students would be better served by a more even-handed discussion of alternatives.

For example, on page 391 they speak of drawing dividing lines between functions which are to reside in different hardware components (e.g., in the central system or in the terminal). The discussion fails to note those systems in which the dividing line can be changed [5,6]. Similarly, on the next page it is suggested

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as feasible to "take all the essential components ... and group them in a single inexpensive processor." This is certainly a fruitful approach in many situations, but fairness demands a discussion of the view that their are functions which belong and are most efficiently performed in a large host machine. The statement that "there is relatively little disagreement these days" with such an approach cannot be substantiated by merely citing successful systems employing the approach.

Actually, the authors start once more around the "wheel of reincarnation" [7] in the remainder of the chapter. By page 402 the small system is aiready being augmented with floating point hardware and a paging capability, and when the system is connected to a network as the authors suggest on page 410, they are back to the system with which they began == satellite processor connected to a large host.

This is not to suggest that the authors should break out of the cycle by arbitrarily selecting a processor size, as Myer and Sutherland suggested. Rather, they must accept the fact that optimal system design is application-dependent and then design each system to be most cost-effective for its intended use. They are limited in their ability to do this, perhaps, by their near-total misunderstanding of the application of economic concepts to computer system design. This is evidenced by the discussion on page 401 which suggests that users will restrict their use of central processor time because it is "expensive,"

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That argument can be made for any resource == and it is equally false for all of them when it is stated out of context as it is here. A resource will be used to the extent that it is cost=beneficial to do so. The primary effect of moving functions to a display processor from the host system is to convert variable costs to fixed costs (since the display processor is generally dedicated to graphics while the host is generally shared and charges only for time actually used). Casting the economic argumement in these terms clarifies the situation and provides a framework for analysis with more general application.

The lack of coverage of economic factors relating to the use of graphics is one shortcoming of the book. Other areas which are not covered are human factors, which the authors suggest are important but do not discuss, and microprogramming for graphics which is strictly ignored. In contrast, some sections of the extensive appendices seem unnecessary, such as the description of the SAIL language (particularly when the material is printed sideways). Other incidental criticisms pertain to the lack of titles for any of the figures in the volume, and the lack of a glossary. The use of terms in context with italics for the first use was not sufficient in all cases to define the terms for novices.

Despite the preceeding criticisms, it has not been the reviewer's intent to discourage purchase of the book. Quite the contrary; it belongs on the bookshelf of every serious student of

computer graphics, if only for the material in chapters 12=14, However, it is hoped that such commercial success will permit revisions in which the authors may modify the coverage somewhat (with both additions and deletions) and present the more evenhanded treatment of controversial topics which should be expected in a textbook.

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Review I promised to send you

(J30731) 13=MAY=74 12:06; Title: Author(s): Ira W. Cotton/IWC; Distribution: /DJF; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: IWC;

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(J30732) 13=MAY=74 13:38; Title: Author(s): Michael T. Bedford/MIKE; Distribution: /JCN MIKE NDM; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: MIKE;

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Telephone Conversation

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(J30735) 13=MAY=74 13:54; Title: Author(s): Larry McDaniel/LM; Distribution: /RMS; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk; LM;

Jim White wants me to respond to (22898,) for the USING directory, Should I just tell him to addd all USING members to the list? Dave,

(J30736) 13=MAY=74 14:10; Title: Author(s): David H. Crocker/DHC; Distribution: /NJN; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: DHC;

Marcia == Thanks for the info about JEAN and NETHELP. They were apparently created by Jean Iseli (JI) and Alan Hill, respectively. I am sending them a copy of this note, in order to ask them to talk to you about fixing the two idents. For their reference, the two Journal notes leading up to this one are: (30726,) and (22982,).

I agree with you that the two idents are seriously goofed up.

Will all of you let me know when this is cleared up. I hope it will not take more than a week. Thanks, Dave.

Fouled-up idents

(J30737) 14-MAY=74 10:46; Title: Author(s): David H, Crocker/DHC; Distribution: /MLK JI ARH; Sub-Collections: NIC; Clerk; DHC;

Dear USING ==

It is time to make preliminary arrangements for our next scheduled meeting. At the last USING meeting (Jan 3-4 in Menlo park) it was decided that we would reconvene in the middle of July in Boulder, Colorado. We have found it quite difficult to make arrangements for Boulder, so when Roland Bryan graciously offered his facilities in Santa Barbara we decided to pursue his suggestion.

At the last meeting July 11=12 were selected as the meeting dates. We don't see any reason to change this except to extend the meeting to a third day (July 10=12) in order to move at a more leisurely pace and maybe even get some time on the Santa Barbara beaches.

The temporary agenda concentrates on review of the many reports that have been written this Spring; a full agenda will be forthcoming (closer to meeting time) for which we solicit suggestions.

If you plan to attend or if you have any strong objections to the date or the place, please let one of us know soon, so we can give Roland a definite answer.

Nancy and Dave

July USING Meeting

(J30738) 14-MAY-74 12:44; Title: Author(s): Nancy J. Neigus/NJN; Distribution: /USING RFB(Sorry we haven't been able to get you an answer soner, hope the offer is still good,); hope the offer is still good,); Sub-Collections: NIC USING; Clerk: NJN;

Problems on May 14

Please accept our apologies for the almost unusable condition of the Network between 0900 and 1400 Eastern time on Tuesday, May 14. The software maintenance period on May 14 was used to release a new version of the IMP software; this software had been checked extensively in our small test cell but, as sometimes happens, problems (presumably of scale) began to show themselves soon after the end of the release period. By 1230 we had decided that the problems could not be solved and began to reinstall the earlier version of the software. This was completed for most sites by 1400, Again, our apologies.

Alex McKenzie (for the NCC)

Problems on May 14

(J30739) 14=MAY=74 13:38; Title: Author(s): Alex A, McKenzie/AAM; Distribution: /NLG; Sub=Collections: NIC NLG; Clerk: AAM;

Davess

I guess all the USINNG members is the best and easiest way. (Though technically one should be able to conect from one's login directory.) The thing that concerns me is disk space. If allowing all those idents as login idents means tying up alot of disk space with initial files then I am against any idents being included. Maybe youshould pursue this is more detail with Jim,

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Login idents for USING

(J30745) 15=MAY=74 06:48; Title: Author(s): Nancy J. Neigus/NJN; Distribution: /DHC; Sub=Collections: NIC; Clerk: NJN;