

Stretch Meeting:

1. Question of large data input & output,
Will it be solved by more "total" probs, & fewer
"step-wise" probs? Graphical output certainly needed.
2. Be careful of "cost of this vs. That" arguments,
since total cost of machine will be about same no matter
what.
3. Be careful of "complexity means more down time" arguments,
If one gets ^{only} one failure per month then doubling
or halving the ~~no. of~~ ~~total~~ no. of failures doesn't
count for much compared to what one might buy.
4. on Order structure, one rule ^{might be} handle all alternatives of a
given type present even if some are not used
very often, e.g. Tr+ ?
Tr+ or 0
Tr 0
Tr- or 0
Tr-
Perhaps generalized
multiple purpose
decisions will cover
this.
5. Question: how many index registers will a person
really need in a big machine like this? Are 20
really enough? - I doubt it,
6. Statistics of 701 & 704 operations - what orders are used
most often - what orders are written most often, What time
is spent printing - reading/writing on drums & tapes? (Some data
already exists) What is difference between different types
of problems?
7. IBM's attitude toward various items may be main factor
rather than minor technical arguments, e.g., teletype tape vs cards,
8. Question of patents
9. Question of representation of decimals (54.11 etc?)

Talk to Thomas:

NORC: \$ 6 - 8. per hr / man
Prot.

\$ 10. per hr / man

6 701

8 NORC

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Total cost for 701

\$ 15,000 investment

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~~Min rental \$100,000.~~