

1) Overview

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2) PORTABLE COMPUTER STRATEGY AND DISCUSSION

Over the years calculator products and computer products have grown closer and closer in functionality, configuration and appearance. Due to each product category's historical roots, certain attributes have prevailed, maintaining a clear separation between the two. This is no longer necessary and as a result some of the preconceived ideas of high-end calculator implementation can and should be discarded for more flexible and far reaching concepts.

Background of Calculators

Calculators evolved from an idea of replacing the mechanical adding machine with an electronic version of the same. As time transpired, additional facilities were added, most notably portability, specialized mathematical functions and memory registers. The major gating factor for the evolution of these facilities was cost. Eventually more functions and registers were added and programmed control of both registers and functions became an implementable concept. Cost again dictated implementation and the programming languages developed provided highly efficient usage of registers in order to control costs of memory. Along with increased register space came a need for hard copy program and program output documentation as well as needs for magnetic storage of programs. Ultimately programmable calculators were to be provided with interfaces to magnetic tape storage and register tape printers. This evolution of calculator products has rightly or wrongly left its imprint on the attributes of today's product:

Handwritten notes:
The history of calculators is a long one. It started with the abacus and the slide rule. The first electronic calculators were developed in the 1940s for military use. The first pocket calculator was introduced in 1970. The first programmable calculator was introduced in 1972. The first handheld programmable calculator was introduced in 1974. The first handheld scientific calculator was introduced in 1975. The first handheld graphing calculator was introduced in 1985. The first handheld color calculator was introduced in 1995. The first handheld color graphing calculator was introduced in 2000. The first handheld color graphing calculator with a camera was introduced in 2005. The first handheld color graphing calculator with a camera and a printer was introduced in 2010. The first handheld color graphing calculator with a camera, a printer, and a stylus was introduced in 2015. The first handheld color graphing calculator with a camera, a printer, a stylus, and a touch screen was introduced in 2020.

- 1) Battery operation
- 2) Handheld size
- 3) Dedicated function keys
- 4) Hardware dictated operation
- 5) Register oriented programming
- 6) Magnetic tape for program storage
- 7) Harvard Arch. *Teelord* /CARDS

Background of Computers

Computers grew from a much different environment, ^(on 2) in which cost was much less constrained and feasibility, practicality and size were the controlling design parameters. Application development began in the scientific and experimental research labs but quickly spread to business accounting and control functions which quickly dominated the field. Register oriented machine programming (i.e., assembly language) was quickly found to be inadequate for implementing the large and constantly

FORTRAN

(Common Business Oriented language)

changing requirements of the laboratory and accounting departments. The result was the development of high level languages, in particular Fortran (Formula Translation) for analytical tasks and COBOL for the large data handling tasks of businesses. To handle these languages and their varied applications, generic interfaces were developed using the typewriter keyboard as the model. As costs came down and functionality increased, more and more individuals gained access to computers. To teach good programming technique, several individuals developed languages that have since been refined and expanded. Two of the most popular languages, PASCAL and BASIC, developed in this manner.

The Von Neumann architecture employed all the steps to storage in some cases

As computer development proceeded, computers became smaller and less expensive while maintaining or increasing functionality. Throughout this transmutation, computers have retained several key attributes:

- o Generic user interface (hardware)
- o Tailorable user interface (software)
- o Soft loadable programming languages
- o Flexible architecture for peripheral attachment and communications.
- o Heavy use of mass storage and data files.
- o Von Neumann Architecture

The Computer/Calculator Connection

The barriers that have separated calculators from computers are no longer relevant. Size and cost of computers are coming within range of calculators, and calculator functionality is growing within the range of computers (see Exhibit 4). The roots of calculators, especially low-cost dedicated function, need no longer restrict implementation.

Costs of memory and storage are dropping at such a rate that it is no longer necessary to restrict programmable calculators to highly efficient register oriented languages and architectures. Instead, user-friendly and well understood higher level languages, along with computer-type architectures, can be applied to these products with only a small sacrifice in cost. To accommodate the change to high level languages and the added flexibility they provide, several changes must occur to these portable units:

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- o Handheld size must be sacrificed for an improved user interface yielding a slightly larger ~~casing~~. *physical package.*
- o The standard computer interface of a typewriter style keyboard must be substituted for the dedicated keyboard. *and a larger alphanumeric display add-on.*
- o Languages should be loadable into the machine in order to accommodate various uses. *and The Von Neumann architecture used.*
- o Flexible AI/O architecture must be provided for easy configuration. *Standardized*
- o Mass storage systems must be developed for handling large programs and data files.

Providing these capabilities opens up a new category of growth product with access to the markets of high level language literate consumers, as well as packaged application driven computer purchasers.

Several studies support the move to flexible language support. In a survey of BASIC language calculator purchasers, 61% of the respondents expected keystroke programmables to disappear within 5 years. One on one interviews of 45 potential consumers held in Chicago in April 1982 showed a strong preference for high level language machines. Most respondents conveyed entirely different attitudes toward flexible language machines as opposed to keystroke programmables. Where programmables were already discarded as of no value, the portable computers were viewed as potential problem solvers. The same attitude was carried through in focus group studies of 80 potential consumers in an August 1982 study. The desire and need for flexibility of languages was conveyed in both studies with languages such as Assembler, COBOL, Fortran and PASCAL mentioned as highly desirable.

Language Development

Integral to the development of portable computers is the availability of programming languages to end users. Several dozen languages have become popular over the years and many more are being developed. It is essential that TI choose the broadest appeal languages to address the greatest number of potential purchasers. This report recommends the development of BASIC, ~~Fortran~~, PASCAL and Assembler languages with the consideration of C or Forth as

FORTRAN, Pascal

*(See Exhibit 3)
occurrence of this installed over
time or current
popularity (see Exhibit 3-4)
2-3, 2-4)*

additional future languages. BASIC is very popular among hobbyists and is often the first language learned by neophyte programmers. Because the language is very easy to learn and use, it is a must for the product. Fortran enjoys a strong user base in the technical community. Even though its popularity is on the decline, this installed base makes Fortran a prime choice. PASCAL is the rising star, especially on desktop computers. This is due to its structured nature, transportability and relatively low memory requirements. Due to its current and expected popularity, as well as the fact that a majority of third party programs are written in PASCAL, it should be developed for the product. C and Forth are structured languages similar to PASCAL. They do not of yet command the presence of PASCAL, but will probably gain momentum. This is especially true since the Unix operating system written in "C" is virtually given to universities free of charge and is, therefore, popular on college campuses. C is also becoming increasingly popular (along with Unix) for 16-bit computers. In addition, Forth is a popular language among computer hobbyists and may be desirable in the future.

CAPS

*Increase
an increasing
portion*

*be desirable
in the
future,*

Market Impact

The impact of implementing a general purpose portable computer should be large. This strategy will impact four separate market areas: TI-59 owners, HP-41 owners, computer users and naive individuals. The direction of the market is clear, and with HP's announcement of its HP-75C BASIC language computer, it has been reaffirmed. The future of the market is high level language computing. This market movement eliminates RPN/AOS arguments and provides a new proving ground for product performance between TI and HP. By eliminating keystroke product from the line entirely, TI sets a concrete commitment to portable computing, eliminating confusion in the market and resultant lost sales. It will give potential TI-88 owners a clearer choice and assure them of long-term support that would not have been evident in a two product line approach.

*(The TI-88 is
already overlapping
the key stroke market
with Casio switching
to high level language
and short
putting TI-88 competitors
base language
product line)*

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The end result should be an ability to recapture in excess of 80% of TI-88 sales with the portable computer (in fact, with the clearer direction capture rate could exceed 100%). In addition, playing off the HP-75C and its high price point (\$995) we should be able to capture HP-41 potentials. That is, the confusion the HP-75C brings to the HP product line, combined with the TI commitment to portable computers, will pull a great deal of potential HP-41 sales to the TI portable product. Last, the additional flexibility and growth potential of multiple language machines opens the market up to a base of computer literate individuals and third party programmers that was left totally untapped by the programmable calculators.

PROGRESS OF COMPUTING (ARROWS INDICATE TIME TRENDS)

HIGH COST

Mainframes

minicomputers

Desktops

Portable Computers

DECREASING

INCREASING POWER INCREASING

Basic Language

Programmables

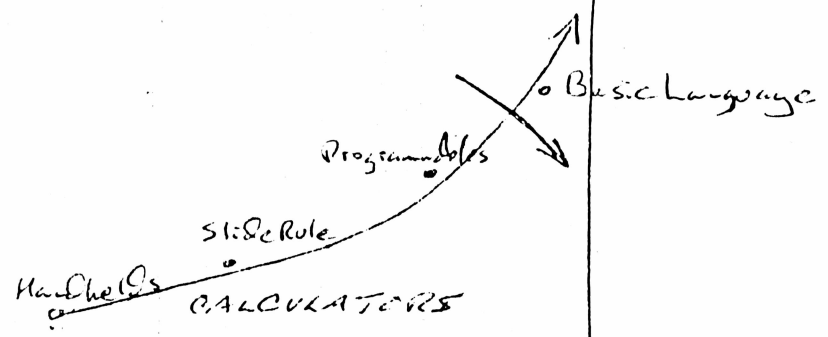
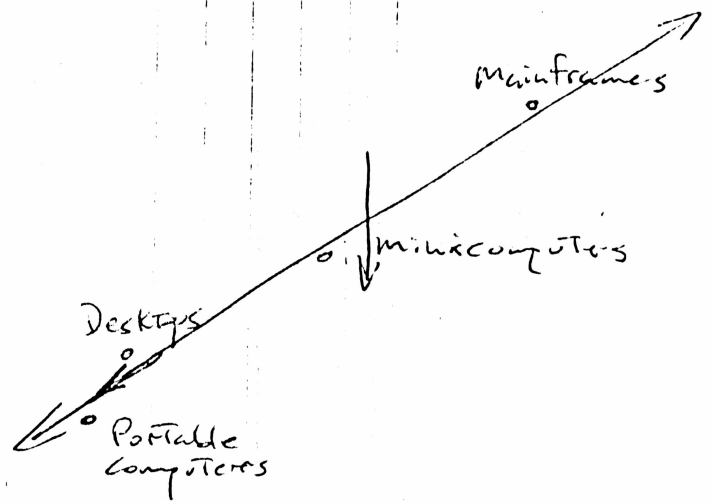
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Handhelds CALCULATORS

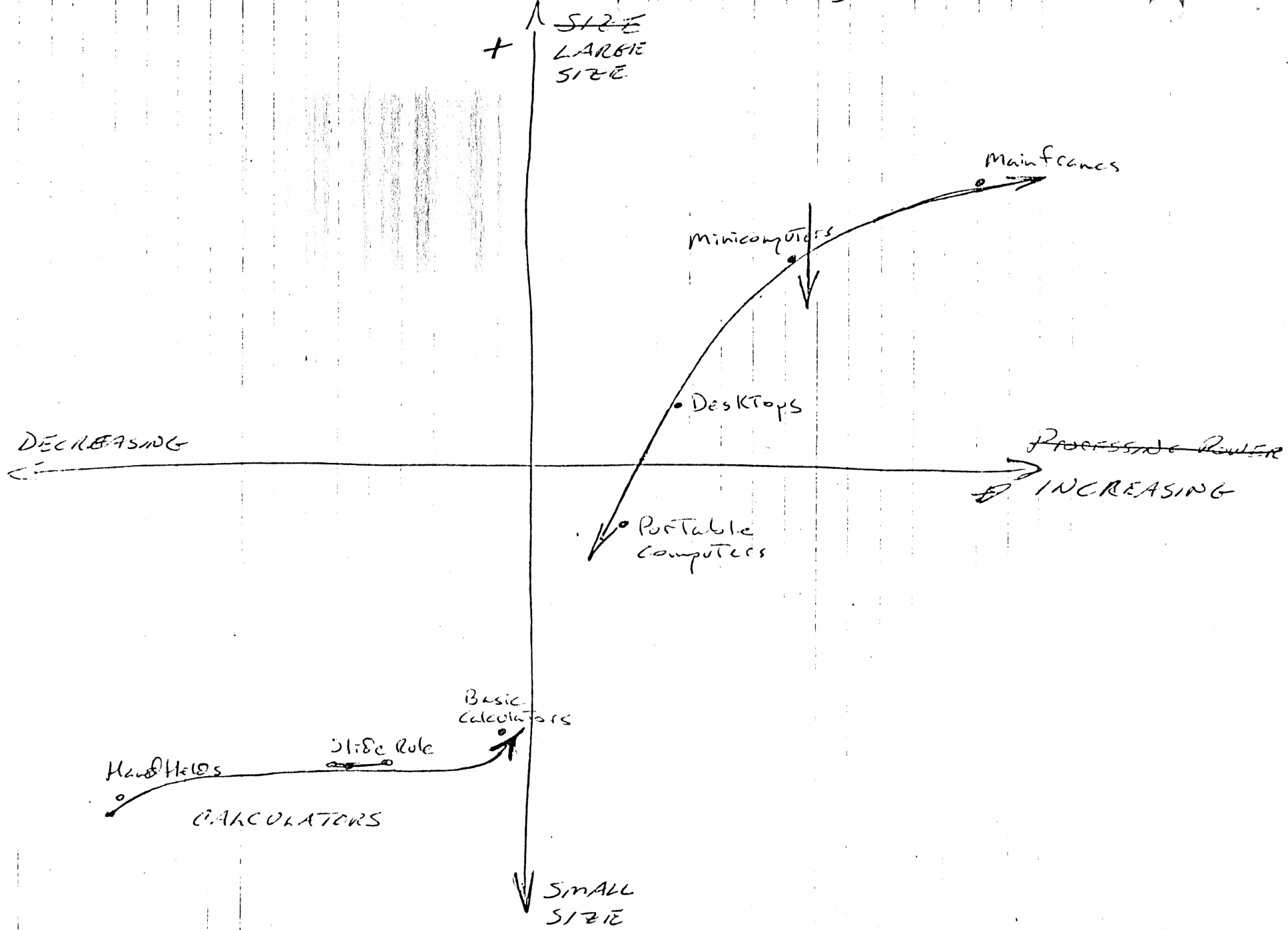
LOW COST

Exhibit 2-1

EXHIBIT 2-1



(ARROWS INDICATE TIME TRENDS)



SIZE - PROCESSING POWER MATRIX THROUGH TIME
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EXHIBIT 2-2

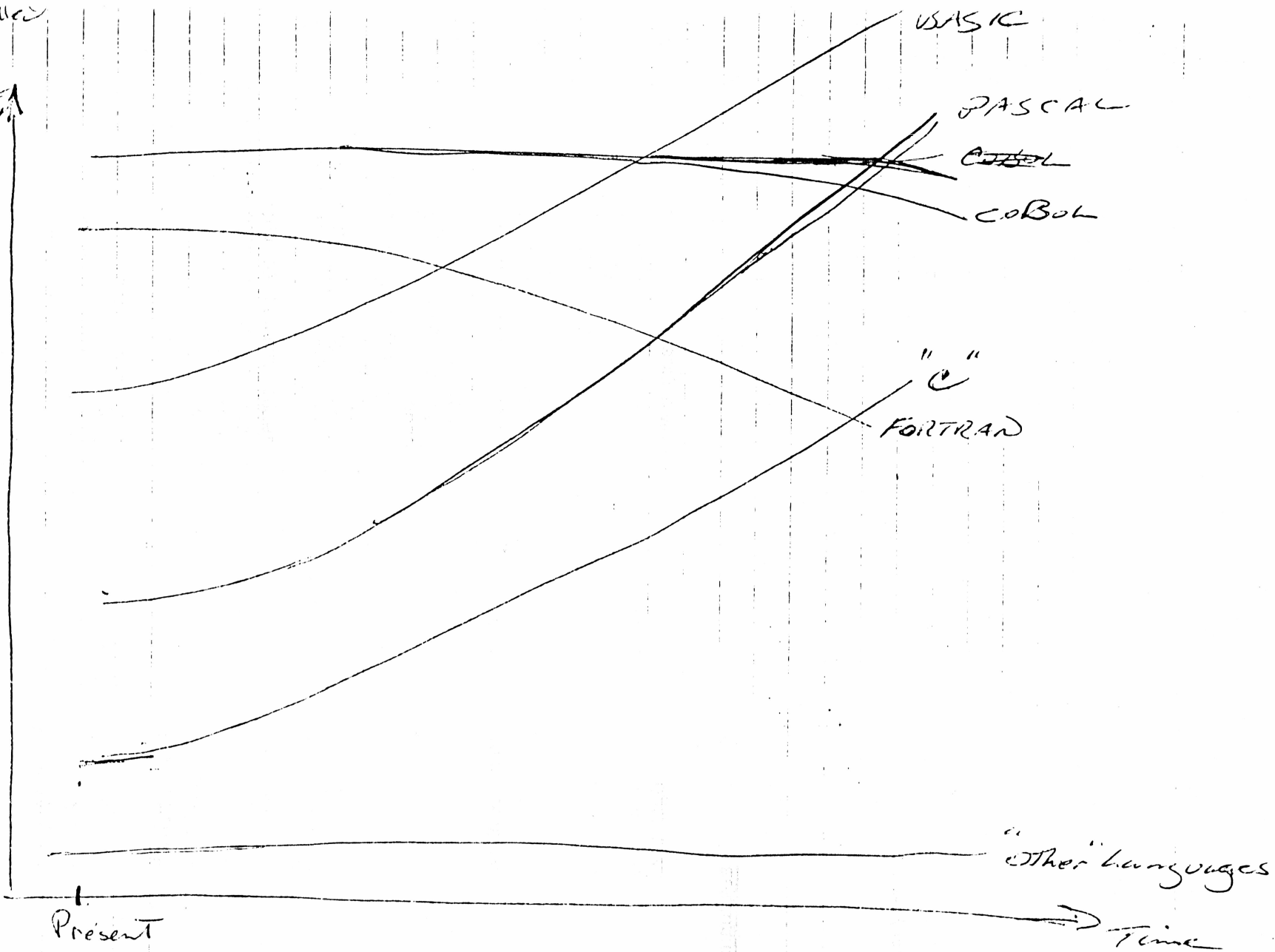
<u>LANGUAGE</u>	<u>APPLICATION</u>	<u>MEMORY REQUIREMENTS</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
BASIC	General Purpose	Small	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Very broad based supporto Generally first course in programmingo Popular on desktops in particular
FORTRAN	Scientific & Engineering	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Large base of supporto Declining popularityo Used mainly on minis and mainframes
COBOL	Business data handling	Large	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Large base of supporto Known by most MIS programmerso Used mainly for manipulating large amounts of data
PASCAL	General Purpose	Small-Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Very popular on desktopso Used heavily by software authorso Relatively transportable codeo Becoming increasingly popular
C	General Purpose	Small	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Becoming popular for 16-bit machineso Known as the emerging languageo Highly transportable
Assembler	7000 Native Language	Small	<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Required for third party development

Other Languages

- APL
- PL/1
- ALGOL
- LISP
- PL/M
- Smalltalk
- Pilot

Exhibit 724

Installed
User
Base



3)

Hardware Development Plans

Three upscale console products are proposed for continued market exploitation off of the ALC-A. These products are the ALC-A2, ALC-C, and ALC-T. All three products are on a linear path off of the ALC-A (i.e., development and development efforts are utilized in each successive product).

ALC-A2

The ALC-A2 is a multi-language version of the ALC-A. The major differences between the A and A2 are 1) 1/4" thicker, 2) addition of a plug-in (flat pack) programming language module, 3) expansion of the language ROM space to 64KB, and 4) expansion of internal RAM capacity to ~~32KB~~ ^{34KB}. Each of these modifications is provided in order to obtain the multi-language capability required:

- o ~~32KB~~ 64KB ROM is required in order to house more extensive languages such as PASCAL or Fortran.
- o 32KB RAM is required to 1) run the more sophisticated programs expected to be developed from higher level languages, and 2) aid in the compilation speed of compiled programs.
- o Plug-in languages on flat pack modules provide the ability to exchange languages on the machine.
- o Additional thickness is required to house the additional memory and plug-in module.

Several languages will be developed to run on all four machines (flat packs on the ALC-A2, T, C and modules on the ALC-A). BASIC, Fortran and PASCAL will be developed in interpretive as well as compiled versions. Interpretive versions will allow the user to create and run programs in a portable environment while compiled versions will allow generation of object code from the source language in a non-portable environment (in conjunction with mass storage) for running of the object code in portable environments (see ~~Appendix A~~). The availability of compiled code will allow applications developed in any language to run on any ALC-A2 machine, thus significantly enhancing the usability of the machine by third party authors.

Exhibits

Other languages may be considered at a later date (C and Forth).

The additional cost of the ALC-A2 over the ALC-A should be ~~significantly~~ small to warrant the phase out of the A product once the A2 product becomes established. The ALC-A2 will run any of the ALC-A application modules (see ~~Appendix B~~).

sufficiently

Exhibit 6

ALC-C

The ALC-C product is an expansion off of the ALC-A2 to enhance the product for use in higher utility applications, specifically high level professional and managerial support. The major emphasis is to provide improved user interface features to make the product applications easier to use.

By definition, the ALC-C will be an ALC-A2 in a larger case (notebook size) with a 6X40 LCD display, full travelling typewriter keyboard, and built-in tape mass storage. Critical to the product will be a ~~flat pack module~~ containing a word processing and spreadsheet package. The ALC-C will be able to run any ALC-A2 application or language modules.

applications

ALC-T

The ALC-T is a sister product to the ALC-C and provides the added feature of a built-in 300 ~~board~~ modem and telecommunication software. With this added feature, the

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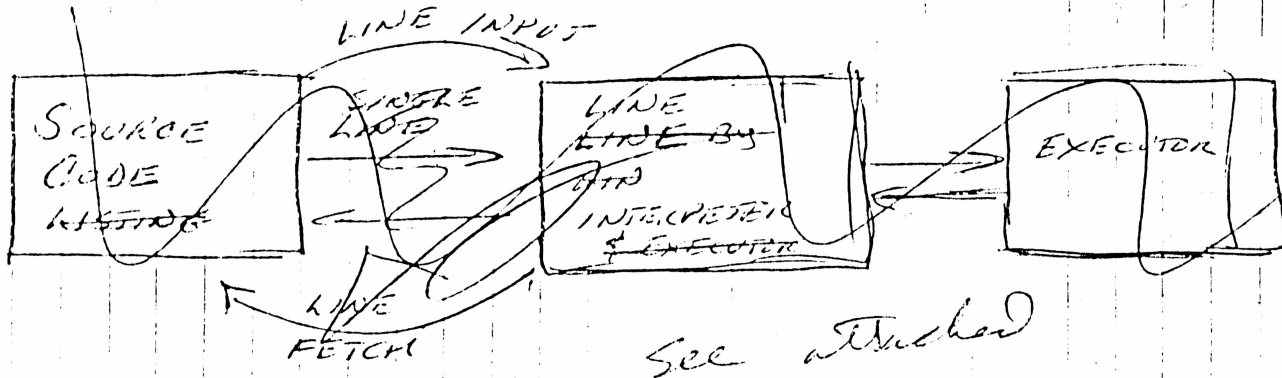
executive/manager can do remote teleprocessing involving file exchanges, private database access, public database access and electronic mail, all in a single package. Each application package will have its own telecommunications interface. All application or language modules will run on the ALC-T.

ALC-LC

In addition to these upscale ALC products, a low cost ALC will be developed to cover the low price point position of high level language portables. The ALC-LC will be a 16-character LCD display computer with 1.6KB of memory, and a reduced functionality BASIC language. The unit will have no plug-in module capability, but will have full I/O bus (peripherals) compatibility.

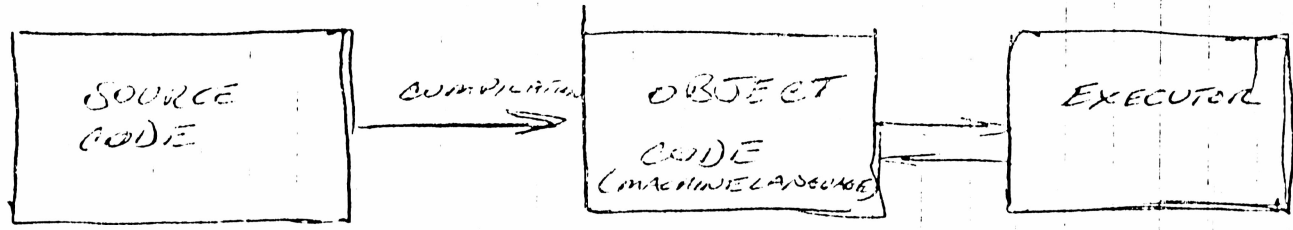
ALC

UNINTERPRETED OR COMPILED LANGUAGES



• SOURCE CODE IS INTERPRET READ AND EXECUTED LINE AT A TIME AT RUNTIME

Appendix A
Exhibit B-1

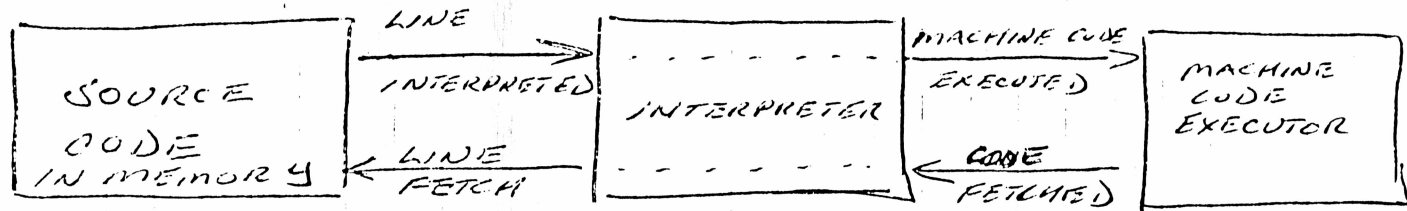


• SOURCE CODE IS TURNED INTO OBJECT CODE IN A BATCH PROCESS
 • OBJECT CODE IS EXECUTED AT RUNTIME
 • REQUIRES OBJECT AND SOURCE CODE BE RESIDENT IN MEMORY SIMULTANEOUSLY

	RUN-TIME SPEED	DEVELOPMENT SPEED	MEMORY REQUIREMENTS
INTERPRETER	SLOW	FAST	LOW
COMPILER	FAST	SLOW	HIGH

* Because of the high memory requirements of compiled languages, mass storage (microtape or microfloppy) will be required for their use.

INTERPRETIVE LANGUAGE



o SOURCE CODE IS READ AND EXECUTED LINE AT A TIME

COMPILED LANGUAGE

~~Appendix B~~
Product Module Compatibility

Exhibit B-2

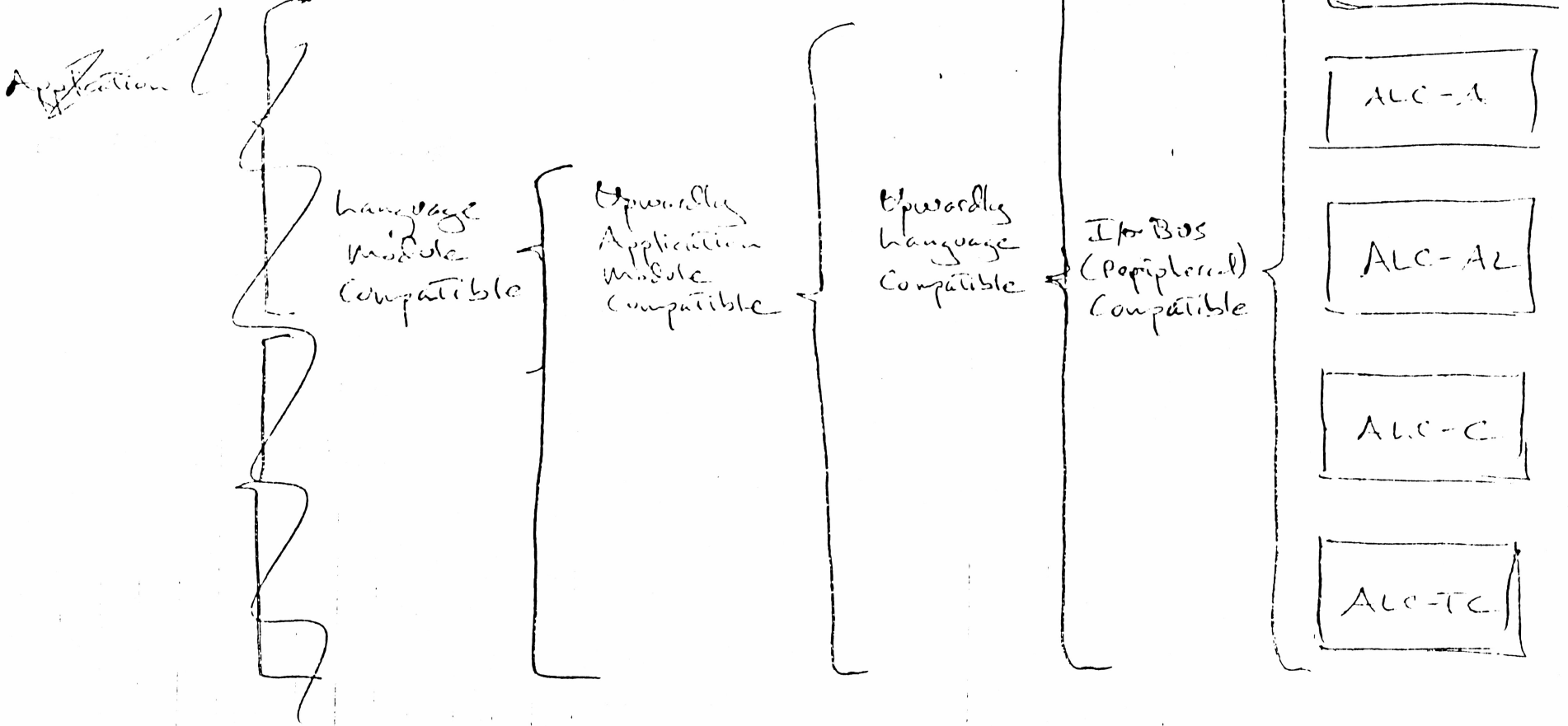


EXHIBIT B-2

4) SODIUM ACQUISITION / DEMONSTRATION

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The applications below were selected ~~to~~ to enhance the ~~ability~~ ~~features~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~portable~~ ~~printer~~ portability features of the ALC. The intent of these ~~the~~ ~~perhaps~~ ALC with this software will be to provide a portable tool to aid in problem solving & function as a desk top unit

Horizontal Applications are defined as those that could be used by anyone that buys the hardware. Typically these applications are so important to the user that they can drive hardware sales (users will not buy the hardware unless this type of application is available). The ~~following~~ ~~are~~ ~~the~~ ~~targeted~~ ~~are~~

Appendix outlines the application, what type of machine it ~~can~~ will ~~be~~ run on, how it will be developed, the cost, and when it will be available. The following are the targeted ~~horizontal~~ horizontal applications;

FUNDED & UNDER DEVELOPMENT

- * Math - includes general formulas available ~~to~~ for managers and engineers. ~~The format of this application could be a~~ ~~by~~ ~~using~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~as~~ ~~some~~ ~~other~~ ~~programs~~
- * Finance includes financial calculations and formulas to aid the manager in problem analysis.
- * Statistics includes ~~general~~ general formulas to analyze groups of data.

UNFUNDED IN RANK ORDER

- * Spreadsheet - The ~~most~~ most ~~successful~~ successful application package ever written for microcomputers. This package allows analysis and reporting of data in a row & column format. Professionals can use the ALC with this software while away from their desk (previewing the results on the portable printer), then plug the ALC into an 80 column printer ~~to~~ to print out final results.
- * Formula Solver This package was written by the same author that wrote VisiCalc. It allows users ~~to~~ to set up formulas in a meaningful format. The package then solves for the unknown(s). Thus it eliminates the need for users to become programmers when trying to solve equations. Engineers can use the ALC with this package in any environment in that it ~~can~~ could function without a printer.
- * Personal Word Processor - This package will be designed for the user that needs to write single page memos or notes ~~to~~ while away from ~~the~~ his or her workstation. The user could ~~use~~ ^{create} memos or notes while away from his ~~own~~ work station, preview the messages on the portable printer, and print out the final copy when he returns to his work area.

move up dates, and instantly see the current status of the overall project.

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while away from his desk,

* Graphics - This package will be designed for the user needing professionally done pie chart, line graphs, bar charts, and text presentations material. The user will be able to design the graph ~~and~~ preview it on the portable plotter, then have it ~~printed~~ the production copy done on a large plotter.

* Project Management - This package allows the user to break up a project into activities plotted over a period of time. The user can perform a what-if analysis on the time ~~constraints~~, manpower, or cost constraint to determine how it affects the overall project. A user could take the AUC & this package to a meeting, enter activity delays or

* File Manager This package is useful for ~~and~~ generating mailing list, data collection, and reporting upon collected data.

* Games While few customers will buy the AUC just for games, this application represents another reason to buy the AUC.

Personal Secretary

* Math II This package in addition to the basic includes Pecomath, a software package with a number of built in math routines.

* Financial Investment - This package includes financial formulas with specific ~~and~~ financial decision making ~~and~~ (ie lease vs buy, ~~NPV~~, ~~and~~ net present value, and payback period calculations.

Horizontal Applications

Application	Software Media		Hardware Configuration		Potential Source	Cost of Development	Terms & Conditions	Predicted Availability
	Rom	Microtape	Portable	Desktop				
<u>Funded & Under Development</u>								
Math	✓		ALC-A & portable printer	ALC-A w 80 columns printer	Internal	9 man months	-	12/82
Finance	✓		ALC-A & portable printer	ALC-A w 80 columns printer	Internal	7 man months	-	12/82
Statistics	✓		ALC-A & portable printer	ALC-A w 80 columns printer	Internal	9 man months	-	12/82
<u>Unfunded in Rank Order</u>								
Spreadsheet	✓	✓	ALC-A w portable printer ALC-C w portable printer	ALC-A w 80 columns printer	Pocket Info Corp Sorcim Visicorp Decision Technology Internal	10k up front 15% royalties 6 man months	3rd party developed * TI produced/marketed	10/83 5/83 ALC-T Rom microtape ALC-A
Formula Solver	✓		ALC-A w portable printer		Software Arts	25% of list price 6 man months	3rd party developed * produced; TI marketed.	10/83
Personal Word Proc. Processor	✓	✓	ALC-A with portable printer ALC-E with portable printer	ALC-A w 80 columns printer ALC-E w 80 column printer	Sorcim Micropro Internal	10 K up front 20% royalties 6 man months	3rd party developed with TI produced & marketed	10/83 6/83 ALC-T Rom microtape ALC-A

Data Communications ✓	✓	ALC-A	ALC-A with 80 column printer & medium ALC-T w 80 column printer & medium.	Telos	10k up front 20% royalty	3rd party developed with TI produced & marketed	10/83 Rem ALC-A
Graphics ✓	✓	ALC-A with portable plotter for previewing	ALC-A with portable printer 8.5 x 11 plotter	American Micro	5K up front	3rd party developed w TI produced & marketed	15/83 ALC-A ^{MicroTAE ALC-A}
		ALC-C with portable plotter for previewing	ALC-C with portable printer 8.5 x 11 plotter	BPS Internal	15% royalty 6 man months		10/83 ALC-A ^{Rem-ALC-I}
Project Management ✓		ALC-A with portable plotter printer for previewing	ALC-A with portable printer 80 column printer	Organic Software Westico Visucorp	20k up front 15% royalty	3rd party developed w TI produced & marketed	10/83
		ALC-C with portable printer for previewing	ALC-C with portable printer 80 column printer				
File Manager ✓			ALC-A w 2 microstrips & 80 column printer	Ashken Tate Softline Publishing Corp	20k up front 15% royalty	3rd party developed w TI produced & marketed	10/83
			ALC-C with 2 microstrips & 80 column printer				
Games ✓		ALC-A with portable printer	ALC-A with 80 column printer	Internal	6 man months	-	11/83
		ALC-C with portable printer	ALC-C with 80 column printer				

Secretary
(Appointments
Schedules &
activities)

✓✓

BB

Microfilm
Videotape printer

Microfilm

Microfilm

ACC-A/
with portable
printer

ACC-C up
with portable
printer

Math II

✓

ACC-A
with portable
printer

ACC-C
with portable
printer

Internal

8 man months

-

11/83



Finance/
Investment

✓

ACC-A
with portable
printer

ACC-C
with portable
printer

Internal

8 man months

-

11/83



Market Software. Vertical Software

Vertical application software is defined as solutions for specific types of industry professionals. While everyone may be interested in purchasing a word processing package, only electrical engineers have a need for ~~electrical engineering~~ CAD/CAM ~~software~~ or unwrapping software. We have identified a number of vertical markets to pursue based on market research in the field, the size of the market, and available software authors.

~~The market~~

A number of these packages ~~has~~ ^{are} being converted from the TI-59 library. ~~This approach~~ As with the approach to horizontal markets, ~~product~~ portability plays a key role in the use of the ~~product~~ solution.

Application	Software Media		Hardware Configuration		Potential Source	Cost of Development	Terms Conditions	Predicted Availability
	ROM	MICROTAPE	Portable	Desktop				

Funded & Under Development

Electrical Engineering	✓		ALC-A w portable printer		Internal	8 man months		1/83
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ALC-C
with portable printer

Photography		✓	ALC-A with portable printer		Internal	3 man months		1/83
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ALC-C
with portable printer

Solar Energy		✓	ALC-A with portable printer		Internal	3 man months		1/83
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ALC-C with portable printer

Inventory	✓	<p>ALC-A with portable printer</p> <p>ALC-C with portable printer</p>	Internal	3 man months	1/83
QA Sampling	✓	<p>ALC-A with portable printer</p> <p>ALC-C with portable printer</p>	Internal	3 man months	1/83
Fluid Dynamics	✓	<p>ALC-A with portable printer</p> <p>ALC-C with portable printer</p>	Internal	3 man months	1/83
Profitability Analysis	✓	<p>ALC-A with portable printer</p> <p>ALC-C with portable printer</p>	Internal	3 man months	1/83

Mechanical
Engineering

✓

ACC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 man months

(3)
1/83

ACC-c with
portable printer

Physics

✓

ACC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 man months

1/83

ACC-c with
portable printer

Non Parametric
Statistics

✓

ACC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 man months

1/83

ACC-c with
portable printer

Production
Planning

✓

ACC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 man months

1/83

ACC-c with
portable printer

Regression
Analysis

✓

ACC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 man months

1/83

ACC-c with portable printer

QA CONTROL
Charts

✓

ALC-A
with portable
printer

Internal

3 mar months

1/83

ALC-C with
portable printer

3D GRAPHICS

✓

ALC-A with
portable printer

Internal

3 mar months

1/83

ALC-C with
portable printer

Unfunded Programs

Real Estate
Analysis ✓

✓

ALC-A with
portable printer

Howard Selt

10k up front

3rd party developed
TI produced + marketed

8/83 ALC-A ^{no money}

Analysis

ALC-C with
portable printer

Palmer Bize

15% royalty

12/83 ALC-C <sup>with
RCN</sup>

Pocket Info Corp

Contractor
Packaging ✓

ALC-A with
portable printer

Timberline

10k up front

3rd party
developed TI
produced + marketed

12/83

Packaging

ALC-C with
portable printer

DOS Business Software

15% royalty

Industrial
Engineering ✓

✓

ALC-A with
portable printer
ALC-C with
portable printer

Society of Industrial
Engineers

5k up front

10% royalty

3rd party developed
+ TI produced +
marketed

6/83

Horse Race Handicaps

✓

~~ALC-A~~
ALC-C

HEE Computerics
~~Personnel~~ / Enc

5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed & TI produced & marketed

6/83

Banking

✓

~~ALC-A~~
ALC-A with portable printer
ALC-C with portable printer

ADCO
outside consultants

5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed
TI produced & marketed

8/83

Civil Eng

✓

ALC-A with portable printer
ALC-C with portable printer

outside consultants
~~insurance~~
UPDS

~~6 months~~
5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed & TI produced & manufactured

~~12/83~~
9/83

Structural Engineers

✓

ALC-A with portable printer
ALC-C with portable printer

outside consultants

5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed & TI produced & manufactured

9/83

Operations Branch

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ALC-A with portable printer
ALC-C with portable printer

outside consultants

5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed & TI produced & manufactured

10/83

Heating Ventilating & Air Conditioning

✓

ALC-A with portable printer
ALC-C with portable printer

outside consultant

5k up front
10% royalties

3rd party developed & TI produced & marketed

10/83

<u>APPLICATION</u>	<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>COPI-DRIVEN</u>	<u>SEARCHING BUSINESS WORK</u>	<u>OR OPEN DEVELOPERS</u>	<u>PRIMARY SALE</u>
- OIL MAJOR UNITS	✓		✓		ALL OIL COMPANIES AND SUPPORT DRILLING COMPANIES
- RETAIL DATA	✓				ALL GROCERY, AUTO PARTS MARKET, DRUG CHAINS, SPECIALTY STORES, BROSERS, HARDWARE ETC
- SURVEYING	✓				MODULE APPLICATION FOR SURVEYORS
- OPTICAL SURVEYING	✓				MEDICAL
- MATERIALS RESEARCH VBAF	✓		✓		USAF
- BANKING	✓		✓		DAVIS GILBERT
- AUTOMOTIVE SALES COMMUNICATIONS	✓		✓		MAJOR AUTO COMPANIES
- SOCIAL SECURITY	✓		✓		GM S
- DRAPERY ESTIMATING	✓		✓		SPRINGCREST
- GRAPHIC ARTS	✓		✓		QUICKPRINT

<u>APPLICATION</u>	<u>PORTABLE</u>	<u>WORKSTATION</u>	<u>PRIMING SYS</u>
- ADVERTISING RATES	✓	✓	TEL MAR GROUP
- ACTUARIAL TABLES	✓	✓	DATA LIFE ASSUR
- CASUALTY INS SALES	✓	✓	GREAT AMERICAN INS
- NUCLEAR EFFECTS TARGETING		✓	HORIZON TECH
- AIRCRAFT LOADING SPECIFICATIONS	✓	✓	USAF
- ROUTE ACCTG	✓	✓	FEDCO LAB, COKE, PEPSI STATE OF NEW YORK
TAX AUDIT	✓		DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DATA DECRYPTION	✓		CHASE MANHATTAN BANK
ENCRYPTION TRANSMISSION	✓		
CAR DEALER DAYROLL SYSTEM		✓	REYNOLDS + REYNOLDS
PUBLIC PENSION FUND MGT TAX		✓	MTD

3rd Party ~~Hardware~~ Needs

Currently, two simulators are available to lend to software suppliers for program development. These machines simulate the ALC-A with the capability to attach peripheral simulators. ~~Over the past few weeks~~ Three other simulators will be available within a month. Although, shortly 5 machines will be dedicated to 3rd party development, these machines only run basic.

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c) DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF ALC R2 DEVELOPMENT

Hardware + Software

We have several options to achieve at least the ~~present~~ goal of ALC products with additional high level languages (such as PASCAL and FORTRAN).

Option 0: Produce 64K byte language modules which plug-in to the present ALC. These would make the machine then be dedicated to the new language until removed or replaced with another language.

Option 1: Replace the 32K ROM code in the present ALC with another ROM (which needs to be larger - 64K), thereby creating separate "flavors" of ALC consoles (BASIC, PASCAL, or FORTRAN).

Option 2: Rework the case for the present ALC so that by introduction of the new language software, a new plug-in port could be provided on the bottom of the unit to accept the new languages in "language modules".

Option 3: Replace the 32K ROM code in the present ALC with 3 such chips to provide 96K and include in that amount three languages (BASIC, PASCAL, and FORTRAN).

Some of the factors that apply to each option are shown below:

	option 0	option 1	option 2	option 3
Languages and applications can reside simultaneously	NO	YES	YES	YES
Applications will run regardless of language	NO	NO	YES	YES
Languages may be added in the future	YES	NO	YES	NO

It is felt that all three points in the list above are sufficiently important to indicate option 2 (addition of a language port) as the preferred approach. The software for the new language modules can also be provided in a compatible application module for PDS4000 units in the field, so option 0 is also provided for retrofit. Option 2 is seen as too restrictive for the long term and less marketable (some buyers feel they are buying capability they will never need, the generality of option 2 is lacking and the SRP will be higher).

A further conclusion is that additional RAM capability inside the console will be needed to support this larger strategy. The main reason is to allow large applications (such as TK1 SOLVER) to have at least 256K of RAM even though they take up all the applications module ports. (The present PDS4000 can have only 128K internally, plus 128K in the application module port.) A secondary reason is to allow soft media applications to gain access to 50K (256K internal and 128K in the applications module port). This objective is met by providing two additional RAM sockets in the console (for 256K chips only) and adding logic to the logic array to allow software paging of that 128K with a portion of the present module address space.

The key hardware activities to achieve option 2 are:

1. Add several key features to the logic array in the PDS4000. (Additional page bits to allow 256K system ROM, two additional 256K RAM chips inside the console case and paging control logic to page ROM and RAM in one half of the module address space.) These are changes that are necessary for ALC-C anyway and will allow the architecture of the new language machine and ALC-C to be identical.
2. Add the capability to have a user replaceable language module port. This can be accommodated possibly by increasing the thickness of the present PDS4000 case. Some additional tooling items would be required (simple bottom case, language module plastics, module clip, module door).

The key software activities to achieve option 2 are:

1. Write a PASCAL interpreter language.
2. Write a FORTRAN interpreter language.
3. Write a PASCAL compiler.

4. Write a BASIC compiler

5. Write a FORTRAN compiler

These activities are added to the following key hardware and software tasks already identified for 1982 activity. The definition of ALC-C in seach and the modem, B/W TV, and microdisk peripherals are very important as there use with the new languages will be important for good human factors and compatability (both with ALC and P9/4 products).

HARDWARE

ALC-C
ALC LOW COST
MODEM
B/W TV INTERFACE
MICRODISK

SOFTWARE

TELECOM (COMMUNICATIONS, SCHEDULING)
ALC-C BASIC AND OPERATING SYSTEM
SPREADSHEET
PERSONAL WORD PROCESSOR
TK1 SOLVER
ONE LINE SPREADSHEET
ALC LOW COST
ALDS COMPLETION

RISK OF DEVELOPMENT

The hardware risks are small compared with those taken during the past year on the ALC design. It appears that language software development will pace this activity and that effort will require until late Q3 1982 at least for the first language.

1. For the best solution the 70040 is required. However, this device will be completed first pass by January 1982.
2. The logic array must use a larger package (68 pin to about 72 pin). This is consistent with our plan to cost reduce the logic array and upgrade it for ALC-0. Internal development of this new package internally in the necessary time poses significant schedule and cost risk. However, the needed package is being used by some manufacturers now and an approach to have devices assembled externally can be expected to have reasonably low risk.
3. Logic additions are required for the logic array. These can be defined before the end of 1982 to give sufficient time for cost effective implementation using modular design techniques. A back up gate array implementation can be considered if necessary.
4. Tooling changes are needed for implementation of the language module and provision for additional RAM inside the console. These changes are relatively minor compared to the initial tooling effort. The approach can be defined and modeled with 4 to 6 weeks and if that effort is successful then implementation will be low risk.

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The development of the new language product based on ~~action~~ addition of a language port will require the following investment:

ITEM	1983				1983 TOTAL
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	
HARDWARE DESIGN					
SOFTWARE DESIGN					
OVERHEAD					
MATERIAL					
MECH DESIGN					
DRAFTING					
IND DESIGN					
PRINTWARE					
OTHER					
TOTAL					

The other hardware and software items listed above will require the following investment:

ITEM	1983				1983 TOTAL
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	
HARDWARE DESIGN					
SOFTWARE DESIGN					
OVERHEAD					
MATERIAL					

~~MECH DESIGN
DRAFTING
IND DESIGN
PRINTWARE
OTHER
TOTAL~~

This will make the total investment needed for the ALC area in hardware and system software (not counting applications software, third party software and product planning/marketing):

ITEM	1983				1983 TOTAL
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	
HARDWARE DESIGN					
SOFTWARE DESIGN					
OVERHEAD					
MATERIAL					
MECH DESIGN					
DRAFTING					
IND DESIGN					
PRINTWARE					
OTHER					
TOTAL					

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CUSTOMER LIABILITY/TI88

<u>CUSTOMER</u>	<u>RECEIVED '88</u>	<u>S/W WRITTEN</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
MTD INC	YES, JVL	Loan Tax IRA	MTD has made three initial calls-Coopers & Librand, Hanover Bank and Mercantile Bank- Can sell 1K ALC in Dec. Switch to ALC possible hire.
STANDARD OIL OF INDIANA	NO	Territory Mgmt	S/W done on simulator they have not made a decision yet. We could lose this opportunity because the HP rep told them we would never come out with the 88. Switch to ALC may be impossible
RV WEATHERFORD INC.	YES, JULY	Small Ins	RV Weatherford has talked to a few insurance companies. Switch to ALC here unknown due to credit past and current business problems
HORIZON TECH	YES, JULY	Experimental only	Has large module business. Possible switch to ALC
GMS	YES, JULY	Experimental only	Can be switched to ALC Has large module business
KODAK	YES, JULY	Experimental	Has large base of 59/ PG1000/cutom modules. But they can be switched to ALC.
OTHERS(14)	NO	NONE	Other module customers that cover oil, banking military, financial etc. Can be switched but with time.
CHASE MANAHATTAN BANK	YES, JULY	NONE	Is possible to switch to ALC although they have said their is a place for the 88.
TAX MANAGEMENT	YES, JULY	NONE	Have reviewed both 88 & ALC with no decision on which to go with. Still looking at the Sharp 1500, Panasonic, HP41CV or 25

CUSTOMER LIABILITY/TI88

CUSTOMER
SYSTEM 7/
SYSTEM
PROGRAMMERS

RECEIVED '88
YES, JULY

S/W WRITTEN
NONE

COMMENT
Still Looking for
modular solutions
to oil/insurance mkt.
can be switch to ALC
although they are
doing business with

OTHERS (14)

NO

NONE

Other module customers:
but they can be switched
to ALC.

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CALEULATOR PRODUCTS
TI-82 FAMILY PHASEOUT LIABILITY (\$K)

ON-HAND INVENTORY - LUBBOCK	548.9
' - DMI	132.4
' - TIJ	779.7
- TIRI	5.3
TOTAL	1466.3

PIECE PART/INVENTORY COMMITMENTS 701.8

PIECE PART/TOOLING COMMITMENTS 119.2

CAPITAL - C/O	758.8
- BOOK VALUE	117.8
- COMMITMENTS	15.0
TOTAL	891.6

EXPENSE - HIRING RINGS/SOCKETS	71.5
' - SIC (DESK BOARDS/TOOLING)	259.3
- TI 82 TOOLS/TOOLING SOFTWARE	104.5
- TI 66 SOFTWARE/TOOLING	135.0
- 82 800 OS/TOOLING COMMITMENTS	30.3
- C/O	27.2
- TI 82	115.5
TOTAL	746.4

OTHER 150.0

TOTAL 4075.3