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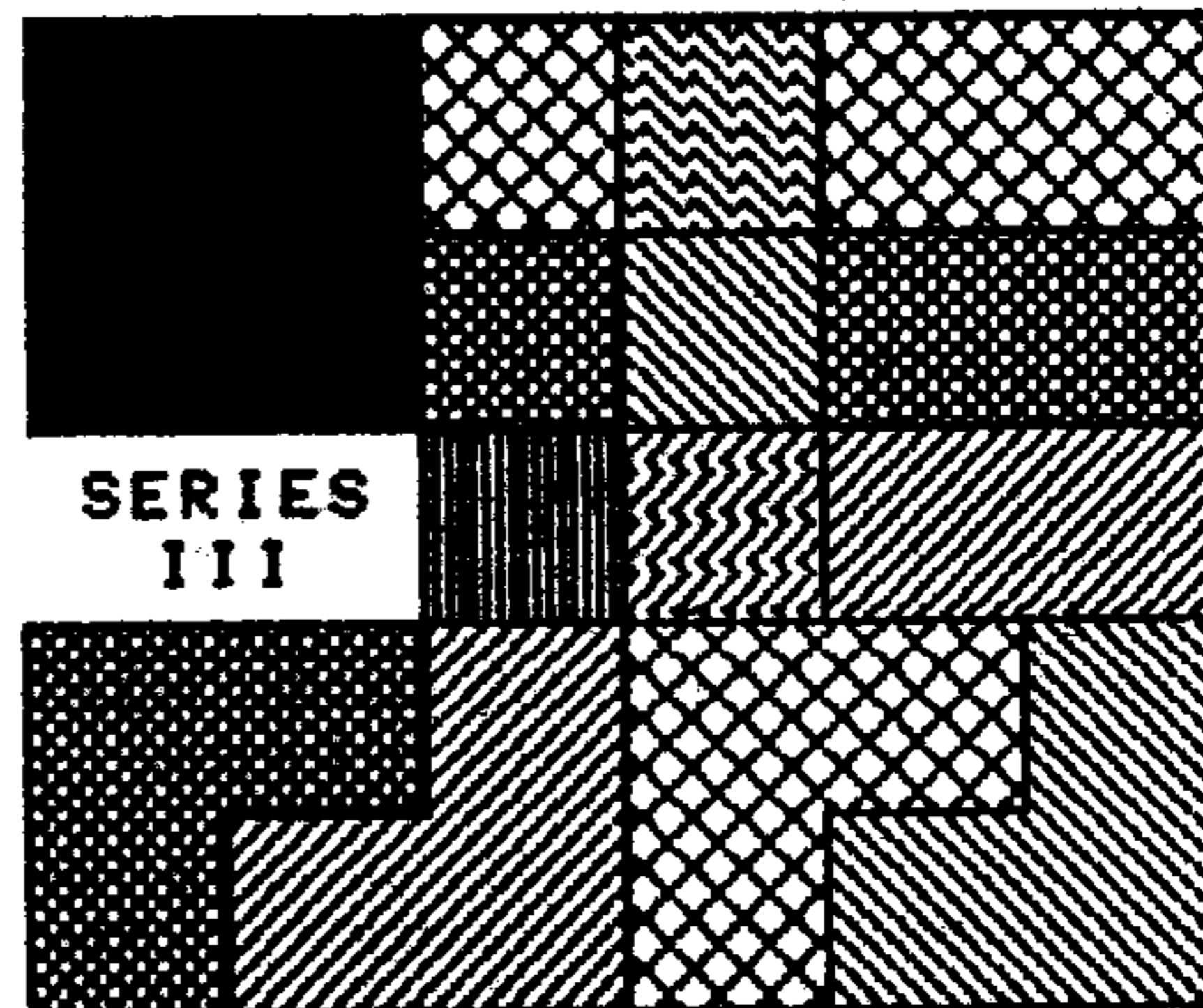
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SLIDING BLOCK SOLUTIONS

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SLIDING BLOCK SOLUTIONS SERIES III

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Package Contents:

This Sliding Block Solutions Manual
Sliding Block Solutions Disk - Series III
Registration Card

Equipment Needed:

TI-99/4A Console
Color Monitor or Color TV Screen
Disk Drive System - Minimum Setup - 1 SS/SD Drive
32K Memory Expansion
TI-99/4A Compatible Printer
Extended BASIC Module

Introduction:

This Sliding Block Solutions Series was written in direct response to those sliding block puzzle enthusiasts who would appreciate having a little extra help in solving the sliding block puzzles which are on our Sliding Block Puzzles - Series III disk.

Now...you can get just the amount of help that you need...all the way from a "nudge" in the right direction...to an "outright solution"...complete with printout!

Loading Instructions:

- Turn on your computer and disk system.
- Insert the Extended BASIC Module into the module port.
- Insert the Sliding Block Solutions disk into Drive #1.
- Press any key to get the TI menu screen.
- Select "2" for the Extended BASIC Module.
- Your Sliding Block Solutions disk will now autoload.

Program Instructions:

The first time that you use this disk, you will be asked to enter your default printer filename. At the prompt, "Enter Printer Filename," type PIO, RS232/2.DA=8.BA=9600, or whatever is appropriate in order to access your printer. After pressing "ENTER," a new file called "SBSPRINTER" will be written to your disk. Should you ever need to change your printer default to something else, simply delete the file "SBSPRINTER" from your disk.

Select the sliding block puzzle for which you would like help by pressing "B" or "N" (for back or next), until the selected puzzle appears in the center of the screen. Then press "S" to start the solution process.

Next, you will be asked to choose the type of solution that you would prefer.

Select option "1" if you would like to see the solution progress on the screen, move by move, each time that you press the space bar. Once you have received as much help as you need, simply press "Q" to quit.

Select option "2" if you would prefer to see the solution on the screen and then also obtain a printout of all the moves that you have seen. Simply view the moves on the screen just as in option "1," then press "Q" to quit and obtain a printout of all the moves that you have viewed.

Select option "3" if you just want a printout of the entire minimum move solution.

If you choose an option which produces a printout, your default printer filename will be provided for you. Press "ENTER" to use this default, or type in any other appropriate printer filename at this time.

If an error occurs during printing, (wrong filename, etc.), the message, "I/O ERROR!" will appear on your screen. Choose option "1" to try again if you have determined what caused the error and have corrected it. Otherwise, choose option "2" to return to the main menu screen.