

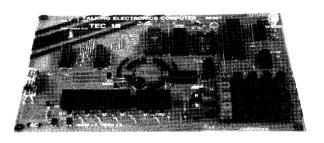
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TEC-1A TEC-1B

PART IV

TEC 1A's can be converted to TEC 1B's by adding 1 push button, 1 47k resistor and 1 diode. Update to MON 2 and you have a SHIFT key for functions such as INSERT, DELETE atc.



TEC-1B board with SHIFT and RESET keys in foreground.

PC board: \$21.00 Parts for 1B: \$77.00 Case: \$21.50 Post: \$6.00 MAX.

FEATURES IN THIS ISSUE:

** NON-VOLATILE RAM

** EPROM BURNER

SEE ALSO: TEC POWER SUPPLY on P. 23.

This is the fourth article on the TEC and introduces you to more Machine Code programming as well as two valuable add-ons.

The NON-VOLATILE RAM has been a real boon for assisting in program preparation for the MICROCOMP-1 project described in this issue.

Program can be written directly into RAM and by changing the switch, the contents will be retained for up to a year via the batteries mounted on the board.

This is the answer to all those requests from constructors wanting a battery backed-up system or tapesave facility. When the TEC is turned off, the contents of memeory will be saved and thus allow you to move the TEC from one location to another.

The RAM can also be used in place of an EPROM for the purpose of getting a system up and running. When you are satisfied with the design, the program can be transferred to EPROM.

This is where our second 'add-on' comes in. We have designed an EPROM BURNER to fit on the EXPANSION PORT socket.

With all the add-ons connected to the TEC, it was soon realized that the power required was more than could be supplied from a plug pack or 2155 transformer.

This led us to design a power supply exclusively for the TEC and at the same time include all the voltage values needed for the various projects.

So far we need 5v for the electronics, 12v for the relays and 26v for the EPROM BURNER.

The TEC POWER SUPPLY is capable of delivering these and can be expanded to about 1.4 amps at 5v by paralleling two 2155's.

Don't forget, the DC current capability of a 2155 is .7amps and NOT1 amp and this has been covered in a previous article starting on page 5 of issue 11.

As you can see, one thing leads to another and we have sufficient addons to turn the TEC into a powerful programming tool.

The TEC itself has changed too. From the original TEC model, we improved the layout and upgraded the output latches to modern 20 pin types and

mounted the regulator under the board so that it would not be broken off.

We have now upgraded the TEC to model 1B and this has seen the inclusion of a shift key.

This shift feature allows the keyboard to have a second command for each key and opens up a world of possibilities.

Two functions which have been lacking on the TEC are INSERT and DELETE. With the addition of the shift key, you will be able to make corrections to your programs and close up gaps as well as create locations for new instructions.

Those who have already built the TEC can add a shift key in one of two ways. The lower RESET key can be converted into a SHIFT function by wiring a resistor and diode into circuit and connecting to the computer. The only problem with this is the upper RESET button. It will be difficult to access when the Video Display unit is mounted over the Z-80/EPROM area.

A better solution is to drill 4 holes near the lower RESET button and add the necessary components under the board.

The shift function is software controlled and you will need the updated MON 2 to get the shift key to work.

The MON 2 also includes a few other improvements. The most noticeable of these is the location of the STACK. You will remember the original position of the stack is very close to the top of the 6116.

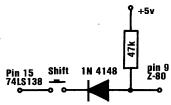
The main problem with this location is not knowing how far you can program before running the risk of hitting the stack.

The MON 2 places the stack at **08C0** and allows up to **C0** bytes to be stored. There is still a risk of crashing the computer if a stack error occurs as the stack grows down to **0000** and restarts at **FFFF** and will eventually hit the top of your program. Between CO and **FF** is a storage area for pointers, restarts, display buffer, keyboard buffer, register save area and for interrupts.

This means programming starts at **0900** up to **0FFF** with the on-board 6116 and you don't have the problem of landing in the stack area.

You can upgrade to MON 2 by sending in your ROM and it will be reburnt to MON 2. The cost is \$3.50 plus \$1.50 post.

A shift button, 47k resistor and signal diode is available in a separate kit for 80¢ and this will double the capability of your computer.



Adding Shift to TEC-1, TEC-1A

MON 2 has 6 other shift functions and we are in the process of writing more software for further functions.

By the time this issue is released, we will have completed this writing and will include documentation with the chip.

The cost of the TEC has risen to \$98.00 and it looks like going even higher as the exchange rate for the Aust. dollar drops. But we want to keep the computer below the magical \$100 mark for as long as possible.

We have now supplied over 1,000 computers, in 3 different models. Only the earliest model has been fully documented. The upgraded versions vary only slightly and you should have no difficulty constructing them.

The reason for this is the simplicity of the board. Everything is fully identified on the overlay and requires only simple assembly.

Chances are it will operate first go but there is always a small possibility that something will be overlooked and it will not come on.

If you are caught in this situation, here is a run down on how to go about fixing it:

You will need a LOGIC PROBE and a MULTIMETER. A CONTINUITY TESTER (to be presented in next issue) will also be handy.

Firstly the visual checks:

If the displays fail to light-up and no sound is heard from the speaker, the most likely fault will be a broken track or poor solder connection. Turn the computer off and check each track with a multimeter switched to LOW-OHMs.

The regulator should get quite hot and should have 5v on the output lead. It must have at least 8v on the input lead to prevent voltage 'dropout'.

The Z-80 will get quite warm, as will the output latch near the edge of the board.

The jumper near pin 1 of each latch should be checked. Only one must be inserted for each latch. This means you have two unused holes for each latch.

Check each of the keys for correct positioning. All flats must be DOWN.

The notch on each chip must also be DOWN.

Make sure all the pins of the IC sockets go through the holes in the PC board and are properly soldered. We have seen some pins doubled-up under the socket and not making contact with the tracks.

Check the capacitor near the speed control. It must be 100pf - not 100n. 100pf is indicated by '100' or '101' on a ceramic capacitor whereas 100n is shown as '104' on a mono block or 100nS on a blue body.

Check for non-soldered lands, missing links and incorrectly soldered links. We inspected one project in which the builder had cut the links to the exact length BEFORE soldering and consequently one link did not go through the board completely. It was too short to be soldered but the builder didn't notice. He soldered the land with the result that the link looked as though it was soldered!

Finally check for solder-bridges between adjacent lands with a multimeter set to LOW ohms. Remove the chips to get an accurate reading.

Now for the 'in-depth' diagnosis:

- 1. Turn the TEC on and check for 5v out of the regulator. Check POWER-ON LED. Check for 5v on each of the chips: 74LS 273 pin 20. 2716 Pin 24. 6116 pin 24. Z-80 pin 11. 4049 pin 1 74LS138 pin 16. 74LS923 pin 20.
- 2. Check clock frequency by putting logic probe onto pin 6 of Z-80.
- 3. Check RESET pin of Z-80 is HIGH.
- 4. Check NMI line. (pin 17 of the Z-80). It will go LOW when a key is pressed. If not, a switch may be faulty or the keyboard scan oscillator may not be working. Keyboard oscillator is part of the 74C923 and the frequency-setting capacitor and debounce cap are the 100n and 1uf electrolytic.
- 5. Check pin 19 of the Z-80 with a logic probe. If it is not pulsing, program is not getting through.

- Logic probe pin 18 of the 2716. Pulses on this pin show the ROM is being accessed.
- 7. Pulses on pin 18 of the 6116 show RAM is being accessed.
- 8. No pulses via checks 5, 6 or 7 indicate the full byte in an instruction is not getting through. This may be due to a faulty address or data line.
- 9. Check Do (pin 9 on the 2716, for continuity to pin 9 of the 6116 and also pin 14 of the Z-80.) Check the other 7 data lines for continuity and also the 11 address lines
- 10. With all chips still in circuit. check each pin with the one adjacent to it, for the 2716, 6116 and Z-80. Our continuity checker in issue 14 will be ideal but if you can't wait, a multimeter can be used. Remember protection diodes are contained in most chips and low value resistors may be present on some lines. Low values of resistance may be perfectly acceptable - you are looking for zero ohms or short-circuits between
- 11. Check pin 20 of the Z-80 the IN/OUT REQUEST line. If it is not pulsing, the output of the computer may be putting a load on the data bus.
- 12. Remove the two output latches and place the negative lead of a continuity tester on one of the pins. Touch every other pin of the output latch with the other lead. Move the first lead and repeat until all pins have been tested. Do the same with the other latch.

This will check for shorts on the data bus as well as between pins of the display.

13 If these fail to locate the fault, ring us at TE. We may be able to help you over the phone. If not, send the TEC in a jiffy padded bag and we will see what the trouble is.

So far we have had about 20 TECs sent in for checking and repair. About 8 of them suffered from voltage surges. This occured when the surges. This occured when the constructor shorted leads together and/or dropped a screwdriver on the back of the board when the TEC was operating. This can damage the EPROM, RAM and even the Z-80.

Don't let leads from the 'add-ons' dangle over the rest of the computer or let the SELECT leads touch each other when fitting them over the pins on the PC board.

The TEC is really very robust and we haven't damaged a unit yet, even though we have three in constant use and they are let running both day and

If you are careful with construction the TEC will work. But as with all pieces of electronic equipment, excess voltage will sound a death

While on this subject, we repaired two more unusual faults this month.

Both problems were the same and occured like this

When the constructor was building the TEC, one or more of the components were soldered without being fully pushed onto the board.

Some time later the constructor discovered the fault and proceeded to push the component into place while trying to resolder the joint.

The result was the land broke away form the copper track and created a hairline fracture which was not spotted.

If this occurs on either the address or data bus, the TEC will fail to come on

If this happens, the first pin to check is each of the Chip Enable pins on the two output latches.

If a probe on these pins show they remain HIGH, they are not being

Next check the IN/OUT select chip (below the expansion port) and see if it is being activated by the Z-80. No Information on pin 4 could indicate that the program is not getting to the Z-80.

This leads you to suspect either one of the data lines or one or more of the address lines. They may be broken, with the result that the Z-80 is not receiving a full byte of program.

Before you jump to this conclusion, check the Chip Enable pin of the EPROM (pin 18) and see that it is LOW. This will mean the 2716 is being accessed and it should be talking to the Z-80.

If the Chip Enable pin is HIGH, go to the ROM/RAM decoder (below the clock chip) and check pin 4 to see that the pin is being accessed.

If one bus line is missing, the Z-80 will get the wrong op-codes and the program will not flow correctly.

Before we continue with pro-gramming, here are a few notes on assembling the TEC-1B as some changes have been made since the original notes in issue number 10.

The regulator is placed under the PC and bolted to the board via a 6BA nut and bolt. You can add heat fin if a number of add-ons are to be driven, but under normal circumstances, the regulator and board will dissipate the 1½ to 2 watts of heat.

The electrolytic has been changed to 1000mfd 25v and it lays flat on the board to keep a low profile.

The display drivers are slim-line types and 3 alternatives have been allowed for in the PC pattern. The overlay shows which links are to be added for the type chosen. Only ONE link must be used for each chip.

Finally a Z-80 or Z-80A can be used as the CPU chip. We are operating the TEC at 100kHz to 500kHz and this is well below the maximum speed for either type. A Z-80 will operate up to 2.5MHz and Z-80A up to 4MHz to 4MHz.

If any of the keys become worn, their contacts become erratic and sometimes a double-entry occurs. This can be overcome by increasing the value of the 1mfd on the 74c923 keyboard encoder to 4.7mfd or even 10mfd. This will mask out the contact bounce and produce a single pulse.

A 100n up to 10mfd can be used across the reset and it may be necessary to use the higher value if the Z-80 does not reset properly.

A 10k or 20k cermet can be used as the speed control and it can be either a VTP or HTP type. The advantage of a cermet means you can use your fingers to turn the pot and don't require a small screwdriver.

SHIFT

The latest addition to the TEC software is a SHIFT function.

This enables the number of functions to be increased from 4 to 24.

It means each of the buttons can be programmed to perform a second function when combined with the SHIFT button

To access this second function the SHIFT button must be pressed first and kept pressed while the desired key is pressed.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The keyboard encoder uses 5 lines of the data bus and the remaining 3 lines are not used.

The SHIFT button is connected to one of these lines and the monitor program re-written to detect its status when the keyboard is read.

Five functions are currently available. More are in the pipeline and their details will be explained in future

The 5 functions are:

This is the INSERT function. It moves every byte in the program up to the next higher location and inserts 00 into the present address. This operation can be repeated any number of times to produce empty locations

We have mentioned MON 2 allows programming to start at 0900 and the shift function operates in the area 0900 to 4000. Addresses above 4000 are not catered for by the software but can be included if required.

Addresses below 0900 may cause a systems crash if you try to insert in this area as it is reserved for scratch pad, pointers and stack etc. Data below **0800** cannot be shifted as it is in ROM.

SHIFT - (shift, MINUS)

This is the **DELETE** key. It performs the opposite of INSERT. The data at the address currently being displayed is removed and all data above this address (and below 4000) will be shifted DOWN one location. 3FFF is loaded with 00.

SHIFT ADdress

This function enables you to jump quickly to a particular location. Suppose you require to address 0.400 Suppose you require to address **8.00** on a number of occassions. By pressing **SHIFT ADdress** the micro will jump to **0.400**. For this to happen, you must load a pointer location with the value **0.400**, then every time the SHIFT ADdress buttons are pressed, the display will show **0.400**. The pointer area is two bytes of memory located at **0.802** and **0.803**. By placing the **JUMP ADDRESS** at this location, the operation will be carried location, the operation will be carried

We are loading these two locations directly into BC register pair via a 4-byte instruction **ED 4B D2.08** and for the register pair to be correctly loaded, we must place the lower byte first in memory and then the high byte. This means we must load location **8D2** with **80** and **68D3** with **9A**.

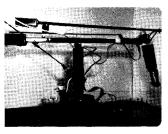
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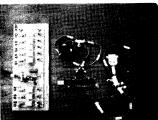
This function works exactly like SHIFT ADdress and enables you to have a second address to jump to. This time the pointer area is at **08D4** and **08D5.**

This is a search function. If you want to locate a value in a program or table, you could step through until it is located. This could take a long time. But with this function the value can be found very quickly. You can also locate the address of every other time it appears in a program.

The value of the byte you are looking for is placed at **08£1**. Address the program you are testing and push **SHIFT 0**. The display will illuminate with the address of the byte you are looking for. Pushing SHIFT 0 again will display the second address of the byte. This can be continued to locate. byte. This can be continued to locate the addresses.

More function will be inclused in future monitors. Any suggestions will be welcome

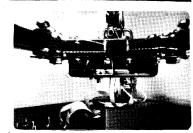












easy-to-obtain hardware parts, gears, motors and sturdy pieces of steel. A larger photo will do it more justice and this we will show in the next issue.

These photos show our science/electronics/ computer teacher's add-ons to the TEC and Glen Robinson's Robot Arm. It is made entirely from

SIMPLIFYING PROGRAMS

One of the most important features of machine code is the fact that it occupies the least amount of

The skill is to make use of this fact.

If we take the simple program from issue 12 page 21 (1st column), RUNNING SEGMENT A ACROSS THE SCREEN", we can shorten the program by using the following set of instructions:

LD A,01	800	3E 01
OUT (02),A	802	D3 02
OUT (01),A	804	D3 02
OUT (01),A PUSH AF	806	F5
LD DE 20FF	807	11 FF 20
DEC DE	80À	1B
LD A,E	80B	7B
OR D	80C	B2
JR NZ 080A	80D	20 FB
POP AF	80F	F1
RLCA	810	07
JR 0804	811	18 F1

This program saves 8 bytes but has the disadvantage that the delay routine cannot be used by any other programs as it is hidden in the listing.

The delay could be placed apart if desired.

Eight bytes may not seem many to save but is a start to efficient programming.

This is where the byte-saving occured:

The instruction RLCA is a one-byte instruction to shift the contents of the accumulator left. (It does not shift through the carry bit but sets it, as explained in data sheet 13.)

The listing contains a number of **JR** instructions (and a displacement byte). These are 2 byte instructions whereas a **CALL** instruction requires 3 bytes.

THE DISPLACEMENT BYTE.

As listings get longer and more complex, the value of the displacement byte requires a method for determining its value.

When the jump is 5, 10 or 15 bytes forward or backward, the displacement value can be obtained by counting the locations: such as 00, 01, 02, 03 or FE, FD, FC, FB, FA etc. But when the jump is 20, 30 or more locations, the value can be obtained via a simple mathematical procedure.

Determining the value of the displacement byte requires 6 steps. By following these you cannot make a mistake.

Step 1. Count, via normal counting, the number of bytes between the displacement byte and the location being jumped to. Include the location you wish to land on. e.g: Take the following example:

11 FF 20 1B 7B B2 20 dis

The number of bytes between **dis** and **1B** are: **20, B2, 7B, 1B.** These are counted as 1, 2, 3, 4. Thus the answer is 4.

We will select a higher value for our problem to emphasise the need for the procedure.

Suppose the number of locations we wish to jump back is 49.

Step 2: Convert 49 to a HEX value by dividing it by 16:

The answer is 31H

Step 3: Convert 31H to binary:

Step 4: Change each 1 to 0 and each 0 to 1:

Ans: 1100 1110

Step 5: Add 1 to the answer:

Ans: 1100 1111

Step 6: Convert to a HEX value:

C F

This is the value of the displacement byte required to achieve a backward jump of 49 bytes.

The machine code instruction will depend on the \boldsymbol{JR} condition and will be one of the following:

28 CF, 20 CF, or 18 CF

The steps we have performed are called TWO'S COMPLEMENT.

Using the knowledge we have gained, we will improve the **BACK** and **FORTH** program from P 15 of issue 12

Mainly aiming at byte reduction, we will include a BIT TESTING instruction to prevent overshoot of the displays. Bit 0 in the accumulator is tested and if it is a '1', the program will cause a change in direction by rotating the accumulator in the opposite direction.

With these alterations in the program we will save about 12 bytes. Try the program:

LD A,01	800	3E 01
OUT (02).A	802	D3 02
OUT (01),A CALL DELAY	804	D3 01
CALL DELAY	806	CD 00 0A
RLCA	808	07
BIT 6,A	809	CB_77
JR Z 0804	80B	28 F6
RRCA	80 D	<u>o</u> F
OUT (01),A	80E	D3 01
CALL DELAY	810	CD 00 0A
BIT 0,A	813	CB 47
JR Z 080D	815	28 F6
JR 0809	817	18 F0

at 0A00:

F5 11 FF 20 1B 7B B2 20 FB

The program is required to test bit 6 in the accumulator. If it is found to be a '1', the contents of the accumulator is shifted in the opposite direction. Bit 0 is then tested and when found to be '1', the program jumps back and shifts the accumulator in the original direction.

BYTE TABLE. To use this table, the byte following the JR instruction is counted as BYTE ZERO. From this byte you count in either the positive or negative direction using decimal counting.

0 00	48 30	96 60	-1 FF	-49 CF	-97 9F
1 01	49 31	97 61	-2 FE	-50 CE	-9B 9E
2 02 3 03	50 32	98 62	-3 FD	-51 CD	-99 9D
3 03	51 33	99 63	4 FC	-52 CC	-100 9C
4 04	52 34	100 64	-5 FB	-53 CB	-101 9B
5 05	53 35	101 65	-6 FA	-54 CA	-102 9A
6 06	54 36	102 66	·7 F9	-55 C9	103 99
7 07	55 37	103 67	-8 F8	-56 C8	104 98
8 08	56 38	104 68	-9 F7	-57 C7	105 97
9 09	57 39	105 69	-10 F6	-58 C6	·106 96
10 OA	58 3A	106 6A	-11 F5	-59 C5	107 95
11 08	59 3B	107 6B	-12 F4	-60 C4	108 94
12 OC	60 3C	108 6C	-13 F3	-61 C3	109 93
13 OD	61 3D	109 5D	-14 F2	-62 C2	-110 92
14 OE	62 3E	110 BE	-15 F1	-63 C1	111 91
15 OF	63 3F	111 6F	-16 FO	-64 CO	-112 90
16 10	64 40	112 70	-17 EF	-65 BF	-113 BF
17 11	65 41	113 71	-18 EE	-66 BE	-114 8E
18 12	66 42	114 72	-19 ED	-67 BD	·115 8D
19 13	67 43	115 73	-20 EC	-68 BC	-116 BC
20 14	68 44	116 74	-21 EB	-69 BB	-117 BB
21 15	69 45	117 75	-22 EA	-70 BA	-118 BA
22 16	70 46	118 76	-23 E9	-71 B9	-119 89
23 17	71 47	119 77	-24 E8	·72 B8	-120 BB
24 18	72 48	120 78	25 E7	-73 B7	-121 87
25 19	73 49	121 79	-26 E6	-74 B6	-122 86
26 1A	74 4A	122 7A	-27 E5	·75 B5	123 85
27 1B	75 4B	123 7B	28 E4	-76 B4	124 84
28 1C	76 4C	124 7C	-29 E3	-77 B3	125 83
29 1D	77 4D	125 7D	-30 E2	-7B B2	126 82
30 1E	78 4E	126 GE	-31 E1	-79 B1	-127 81
31 1F	79 4F	127 7F	-32 EO	-80 B0	-128 80
32 20	80 50		-33 DF	-81 AF	
33 21	81 51		-34 DE	-82 AE	
34 22	82 52		-35 DD	-83 AD	
35 23	83 53		-36 DC	-84 AC	
36 24	84 54		-37 DB	-85 AB	
37 25	85 55		-38 DA	-86 AA	
38 26	86 56		-39 D9	-87 A9	
39 27	87 57		-40 D8	-88 A8	
40 28	88 58		41 D7	-89 A7	
41 29	89 59		42 D6	-96 A6	
42 2A	90 5A		43 D5	-91 A5	
43 2B	91 58		-44 D4	92 A4	
44 2C	92 5C		45 D3	-93 A3	
45 2D	93 5D		-46 D2	-94 A2	
46 2E	94 5E		47 D1	-95 A1	
47 2F	95 5F		-48 DO	-96 AO	

INTRODUCTION TO COUNTING

A microprocessor system is ideally suited to counting situations. It can be programmed to count to any particular number then sound an alarm or operate a relay or even notify the near-completion of a run.

It can count UP or DOWN as well as count in sub-multiples.

Take the case of packing a box of TE magazines.

Firstly the operator requires a count of 10. Each 10 issues must be placed in opposite directions in a box to produce a level stack. The operator then needs to know when a count of 140 is reached, which represents a full box.

Finally the packers need to know how many boxes of magazines have been packed so that the delivery docket can be filled out.

This is effectively 3 counters which must be interconnected to achived the required result. Ideally an audible signal should be produced at the end of each count of 140 so that the packer(s) can concentrate (day dream) on the job.

The chance of finding such a design is almost nil, except via individual modules which will have to be connected together to create the system. The cost of doing this would be about \$300!!

But with a microprocessor system such as the TEC, all these up-down requirements are possible in the one unit, by simply providing a program!

The art of producing a suitable program is the content of this section.

We will start from the beginning and explain how counting is achieved, how to interface a 'count-button' and progress to producing a 3-digit updown counter.

A count-down system is often used as it can be pre-programmed with a START VALUE and the counter decrements to zero. It then sounds a bell, activates a relay and resets to the pre-determined start-value.

After studying the 3-digit counter you will be able to create a 4, 5 or 6 digit counter and even incorporate subvalues to facilitate packing etc.

The counter can also be designed to have 2 concurrent tallies, one being permanently displayed while the other is available on call-up via the press of a button.

They would be displayed for a few seconds and fall back into memory.

Absolutely any combination, application or requirement can be catered for, it only requires programming.

To make it easy to understand, we have started with a simple program. But, as explained, this type of program soon runs out of capability. Thus a more complex system of timesharing of the displays must be used.

But this too has limitations and finally an even more complex (as far as understanding is concerned) use of registers, must be employed. With this high-level system, the scope is enormous. The system can be increased to 8 digits, two or more separate readouts, and have tally values available on call-up.

This is where we start . .

Creating your own COUNTING MACHINE is one of the capabilities of our micro. You can produce a display which increments or decrements by a count of one or more on each press of a button. And the button doesn't have to be the '1' button to show that any button can be used.

By changing the values in the 'lookup' table, you can create the up or down condition - something which is virtually impossible with discrete counting-chip construction.

You can even produce letters of the alphabet and increment each time 'Z' or 'F' or 'X' appears. You can do anything from counting by 2's to dividing by 'Z'.

For our first exercise we will produce a counter which counts to 9. This is a very simple program. Only one display will be accessed and thus we can output to it so that it turns on HARD, while the computer is in the HALT mode, waiting for an interrupt from the keyboard.

It is important to note the computer does not produce the numbers 0-9, the program creates them. The table at 0900 contains values which turn on various segments of the display to create the numbers.

0-9 COUNTER

-LD A,01 OUT (1),A LD HL,0900	800 802 804	3E 01 D3 01 21 00 09	The accumulator is loaded with 01 and outputted to port 01 . This connects the cathode of the first display to earth. Load HL pair with the address of the number table.	at 0	900	
LD A,(HL) OUT (2),A LD B,0A HALT CP 04 JR NZ Halt- INC HL LD A,(HL)	807 808 80A 80C 80D 80F 811 812	7E D3 02 06 0A 76 FE 04 20 FB 23 7E	Load the first byte of the number table into the accumulator. Connect segments of the display to the positive rail to get first number. Register B is our 'counting register'. It counts 10 bytes from 0900 to 0909. HALT the program so that first number (0) will appear on the display. The program recognises only button '4'. If not button '4', go to HALT. If button '4' pressed, increment HL to look at 0901. The byte at 0901 is loaded into the accumulator. The value at 0901 (28) creates the figure '2' on the display.	EB 28 CD AD 2E A7 E7	= = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	01234567
OUT (2), A DJNZ Halt - JP Z 0800	813 815 817	D3 02 10 F5 CA 00 08	Output 28 to port 02. Register B is decremented and if it is not zero, the program goes to HALT. When register B is zero, the program jumps to START (0800).	EF AF	==	8

Type the program into the TEC and press RESET, GO. The number '0' will appear on the display.

Press various buttons on the keyboard and notice that only button '4' advances the count. Step through the table by pressing button 4.

Experiment with the program by creating the numbers on another display.
 Create a down-count by inserting

2. Create a down-count by inserting the table at **0900** in the opposite direction. i.e. **AF, EF, 29, E7, A7,**

2E, AD, CD, 28, EB.

3. Create a count-to-six by changing the value of **B** (080A) to 06.
4. Create the letters A-F by adding

4. Create the letters A-F by adding their appropriate hex values to the table, select the correct value for B, change the compare value to enable button 'C' to operate and step through the table you have produced.

TWO DIGITS

When two or more digits are to be displayed, the program must contain a multiplexing or time-sharing arrangement so that each display can show a number from 0 to 9 without interfering with the other. This means a HALT instruction cannot be used as only one display will remain alight!

The program must be constantly looping or 'running' so that both displays are kept on. Each time the program cycles, it is looking for an interrupt from the keyboard and if one comes along, the program operates on the data it receives and compares

it with the value 04. Depending on the result, the program will branch to one of two places.

The program below produces a count-to-99 using the '4' button as the input.

The basic structure of the program is quite simple and uses register pair HL to point to the address (at 0900) for the hex value needed to produce the numbers 0 to 9.

Register pair DE points to the hex value (again at 0900) needed to produce the 10's value.

Each of these register pairs are incremented and compared with FF to see if the end of the table has been reached. The increment of the DE register takes place when FF is detected on the 1's count. When the 10's count reaches the end of the table, the whole program is reset.

The computer does not know it is counting to 10. It merely knows it is incrementing through a table. You could put Chinese values on the display and count to 11, simply by changing the value of a few locations.

Here is the 0-99 program and an explanation of each step:

0-99 COUNTER



The CONDITIONAL JUMP instruction requires explanation.

In the 00-99 counter program above, there are three places where the Z-80 will jump to another part of the program when a certain condition is met. The condition is NZ (NON ZERO). Let us explain how to interpret this:

From the program above:

LD A,I CP 04 JP NZ 0809 These 3 lines state: The I register is loaded into the accumulator. The accumulator is compared with 04. Jump to 0809 is the result is NON ZERO.

How does the COMPARE statement work?

The **CP** operation is carried out like a subtract operation and the zero flag (Z flag) will be SET if the result is ZERO and RESET if the result is NON ZERO. This means it will be 'T' if the answer is zero and 'O' if the answer is not zero.

This is quite confusing because you have to deal with the negative of a negative. To simplify things we can use the word MET for ZERO. Thus we get:

JP NZ 0809

Jump to **0809** if I is not 04 or go to the next line of the program if I = 04.

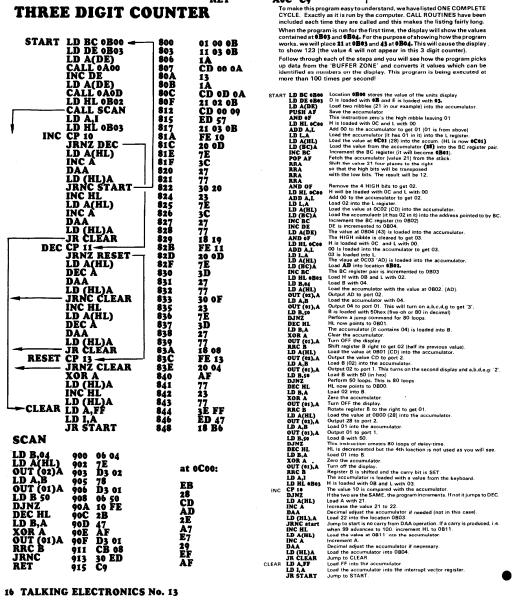
1 = 04

Now we come to the THREE DIGIT COUNTER. It has an UP/DOWN facility as well as CLEAR. Push +for increment, - for decrement and push ADdress to zero the display. The counter can also be preset by loading **0B03** and **0B04** with values as shown in the listing on the right:



AND 0F AOD E6 0F LD HL AOF 21 00 0C ADD A,C A12 85 LD LA A13 6F LD A(HL) A14 7E LD (BC)A A15 02 INC BC A16 03 RET A17 C9

THREE DIGIT COUNTER

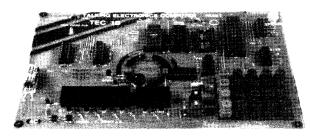


TEC-1A&1B

Kit of parts: \$90.60 PC Board: \$24.30 Complete: \$114.90

TALKING **ELECTRONICS** COMPUTER

TEC 1A's can be converted to TEC 18's by ading a push button, a 47k resistor and a diode. When you update to MON 2, the SHIFT function allows INSERT and DELETE and a number of other commands.



TEC 1B with SHIFT KEY FITTED.

This is the fifth article on the TEC and quite frankly we have only just scratched the surface up to now.

The more ideas you try, the more you realise the potential of programming.

We have received a number of programmes for the 7-segment displays as well as the 8x8. These have been included in this article and also a few more hints on programming in general.

But before we get onto the programmes, there are a number of loose ends we have to tidy up, to bring the documentation up to date.

So far there have been 4 different models of the TEC and although the changes have been slight, they have not been put down on paper.

As far as the software is concerned, all models are compatible as the only modifications have been in the hardware.

The output latches have been changed from 8212's to 74LS273's, the 2200uF filter electrolytic changed to 1000uF and the 7805 mounted under the board so that its leads cannot be bent or broken.

The rest of the design remains substantially the same with the only addition being a shift button near the keyboard.

This button allows the keys to have a second function and we have already described these in issue 13. Kits are now supplied with both the 1B ROM and also MON 2 ROM. It is possible to fit both programs into a single 2732 and to select either one program or the other requires a slide switch to take pin 21 HIGH or LOW. With this you can get the best of both monitors.

The computer can be switched between one MONitor and the other by pressing the reset button and while it is pressed, the slide switch is changed. When the reset button is released, the other MON will come into operation.

The following is a reprint of an information sheet supplied with the latest kits:

THE 2732 MONITOR

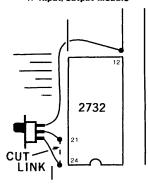
IHE 2732 MONITOR
Both MON 18 and MON 2 are in the same chip and is called MON 1B/2. The MON 1B program has been placed in the upper half of memory so that when it is placed in the TEC, the MON 1B section will run and the computer will display 0800. You can now access all the games, tunes and running letter routines as covered in issues 10, 11, 12 and 13.

The MON 2 routine is more advanced and The MON 2 routine is more advanced and does not contain any of the games. Instead it has a SHIFT routine that enables you to insert bytes into a program by shifting all the higher bytes, and the byte at the present address, up one location. And a delete function, as well as a number of other routines that have been covered in issue 13.

PART V

Features in this article:

★ Crystal Oscillator ★ Input/Output Module



When you want to accesss the MON 2 program, a switch must be fitted to the board so that pin 21 can be taken to ground. This will enable the lower half of the 2732 to be brought into the system and thus run the MON 2 listing.

The diagram above shows how to fit the mini slide switch to the two halves of the link that has been cut as shown.

You can switch from one monitor to the other at any time by pressing reset and altering the switch.

If you are writing a program using the MON 1B, it is best to start at 0900, so that when (if) you want to use the INSERT or DELETE functions, you can change to MON 2, use the function and then change

Gradually you will realise it is best to use MON 2 for most of your programs.

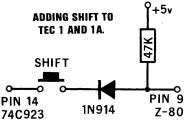
There are two major differences between MON 1B and MON 2. MON 1B uses a simple routine that places the value of a key directly into the accumulator, without firstly saving the value of the accumulator. Thus its original value is destroyed. MON 2 loads the key value into location **08E0** and thus your program must include an instruction that looks at this location for the value of the key.

Unless you load directly into the A

Simple programs designed for MON 1B will not run on MON 2 if they include a key press; unless they are altered accordingly.

The second difference is the start address for programming. MON 1B starts at 0800, while MON 2 starts at 0900. Programs written at 0800 cannot be successfully modified via the insert and delete functions as they will run into part of the scratchpad area for the MON 2

The following diagram shows how to add the diode and resistor for the shift function. The diagram in issue 13 was not clear and this is an improvement



TEC 1A/1B CONSTRUCTION HINTS:

The output latches for the latest TEC's are 74LS273's and the dotted link below each chip is fitted.

The 7805 regulator bolts directly under the PC board and a little thermal compound can be applied to assist heat

The small link from pin 4 of the 74LS138 IN/OUT decoder must be added. It can be cut later if expansion is required.

About 58 empty holes will be on the board after construction. Some provide for expansion while others are unused.

After the keys have been added and everything is operating satisfactorily, the letters and numbers can be applied to the

Firstly clean the buttons with methylated spirits and apply the rub-down letters. Cover them with clear nail varnish to protect them. If you want to add another layer, wait for the first to dry, otherwise the letters will smudge!

NOTES ON THE 8x8 DISPLAY

The 8x8 has been modified to include sinking and sourcing transistors as described on P 27 of issue 12 and all kits now include 16 transistors and the necessary current limiting resistors.

This results in the LEDs being driven harder and increases the brightness of the display noticeably.

This is important when multiplexing as each LED will be turned on for only about one-eighth of the time and if sufficient current is supplied during this instant, the LED will appear to be on for the total period of time with an acceptable brightness.

We had an interesting fault in an 8x8 last week. It is interesting because the knowledge we gained applies to other projects where LEDs are driven in

A constructor built the 8x8 and was not happy with the output of about 3 of the LEDs.

He went to his local electronics shop and bought a few replacements

After fitting them, he was quite surprised that they did not work at all! So he rang us. At this particular point in time we were not familiar with the fault and did not know how to advise him. So we suggested he call around with the project.

Some time later that day he arrived and we noticed the first difference was the colour of the LEDs he had used. They PIN 9

Very less opaque than the rest and the price of the LED could be readily seen. This did not disturb us as the light output of the LEDs was our prime concern.

When we tested it, sure enough; the 3 LEDs did not light up.

On measuring across the new LEDs with a multimeter set to low ohms, the voltage drop across the crystal was slightly higher than the rest. (When we are taking a measurement like this, the swing of the a measurement like this, the swing of the needle is being taken as a voltage drop. We are using the 3v suppy in the multimeter to provide the LED with voltage and the needle tells us the characteristic voltage drop across the crystal.)

We then got three LEDs from our stock and measured the characteristic voltage drop. It was exactly the same as the majority in the display and when we fitted them, the whole screen lit up perfectly.

The reason why the LEDs failed to illuminate was due to the higher voltage needed to turn them on. Even if this is 100mV or so, the result will be the LED will not turn on at all. (See the experiment in Stage-1, P 9)

It is important that LEDs are matched It is important that LEDs are matched according to this characteristic voltage, for situations where they are placed in parallel. The 8x8 is one example as the LEDs are effectively in parallel when the whole screen is being illuminated in a non-multiplexed situation.

DISPLAYING LETTERS AND NUMBERS

The 7-segment display is quite a unique unit. It will display all the numbers from 0 to 9 as well as many of the letters of the

There are only about seven letters that cannot be readily displayed and for these we will have to make a compromise.

The letter M is displayed as a small 'n'. with a bar over the top. This corresponds to a feature in mathematics where a dot is placed over the first and last digits in a

number to indicate the number repeats. (This is called a recurring number or recurring fraction).

The letter W is displayed as a small 'u' with a bar over the top, for the same reason. The letter 'U' is displayed as a capital letter while V is a small 'u'.

The letter 'X' is displayed as part of a cross and Z is shown as two angles in opposite corners of the display, and looks quite readable.

The only letters which require interpretation are 'K' and 'Q'.

Ten other characters have also been included such as a question mark and 'equals' as well as a reverse bracket to assist in displaying mathematical problems.

A = 6F B = E6 C = C3 E = C7 F = 47 G = E8 I = 28 J = E8 K = 67 L = 65 N = 6B	? = = : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	4D 84 04 38 10 0A 30 20 85 0F
O = EB P = 4F Q = 3F R = 44 T = 46 U = EA V = E0 W = E1 Y = AE Z = C9	1 = 2 = 3 = 4 = 5 = 6 = 7 = 8 = 9 = 0 =	28 CD AD 2E A7 E7 29 EF AF EB

TESTING A BLANK 2716 FOR FF's

After erasing an EPROM, such as a 2716, it is wise to make sure it is entirely blank before reprogramming it. The program that follows does just that. It does not inform you of the location or locations that do not contain Fr, but rather the screen goes blank and stays blank if a location has not been fully erased

If all locations contain FF, the TEC resets via the MONitor program to the start-up address (either 0800 or 0900). This program can be placed anywhere in RAM and will work with either MON 1 or MON

- by James Doran. 3218

As promised, a larger photo of the robot arm. If you have built anything like this, why not take a photo and send it in.

Your ideas, combined with others, will help us to present an article.

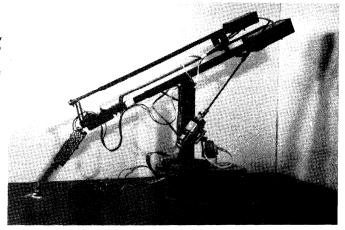
MON 2 HEX LISTING:

For those with the TEC 1B and an EPROM BURNER, here is the hex listing for the MON 2.

With this you can make your own MON 2, and save the cost of conversion.

Insert the data **9500** on the TEC, and continue through to **904.**

Go through the program at least once, checking each of the values to make sure a mistake has not been made. A single mistake can mean the difference between perfection and failure.



MON 2 HEX LISTING FOR TEC 1B:

0000	C3 00 02 FF	0114 1A 96 1C BE	0228 FF FF FF FF	033C 01 06 20 10	0450 C3 7D 03 FF
0004	FF FF FF FF	0118 1E 86 20 7F	022C FF FF FF FF	0340 FE AF D3 01	0454 FF 57 21 DF
8000	2A CO 08 Eq	011C 22 77 24 71	0230 FF FF FF FF	0344 Ci Di Ei Fi	0458 08 CB 9E CB
000C	FF FF FF FF	0120 26 6A 28 64	0234 FF FF FF FF	0348 C9 FF FF FF	045C 66 20 08 01
0010	2A C2 08 E0	0124 2A 5F 2D 59	0238 FF FF FF FF	034C FF FF FF FF	0460 00 00 CD 90
0014	FF FF FF FF	0128 2F 54 32 50	023C FF FF FF FF	0450 21 80 00 1A	0464 04 CB E6 CD
0018	2A C4 08 E9	012C 35 4B 38 47			0468 89 02 78 07
	FF FF FF FF		0240 31 C0 08 AF		
001C			0244 D3 01 D3 02	0358 21 DF 08 C9	
0020	2A C6 08 E9		0248 21 B0 00 11	035C FF FF FF FF	0470 Fo 5F 79 07
0024	FF FF FF FF	0138 4B 35 50 32	024C D8 08 01 05	0360 F5 E5 21 E0	0474 07 07 07 E6
0028	1A C8 08 E9	013C 54 2F 59 2D	0250 00 ED B0 CD	0364 08 3E FF BE	0478 OF 83 47 79
001C	FF FF FF FF	0140 5F 2A 64 28	0254 70 02 3E 08	0368 28 0E 7E E6	047C 07 07 07 07
0030	2A CA 08 E9	0144 6A 26 71 24	0258 CD 70 01 3E	036C 1F CB 6E 20	0480 Eb Fo 82 4F
0034	FF FF FF FF	0148 77 22 7F 20	025C OF CD 70 01	0370 02 Cb 14 C3	0484 CD 90 04 CD
0038	2A CC 08 E9	014C 86 1E 8E 1C	0260 3E 01 32 DF	0374 A8 03 FF FF	0488 70 02 C3 7D
003C	FF FF FF FF	0150 96 1A 94 19	0264 08 CD A0 02	0378 E1 F1 C9 FF	048C 03 FF FF FF
0040	FF FF FF FF	0154 A9 18 B3 16	0268 CD 60 03 18	037C FF E1 F1 C9	0490 F5 E5 21 D8
9944	FF FF FF FF	0168 BE 16 Co 14	026C FS FF FF FF	0380 FF FF FF FF	0494 08 78 E6 F0
0048	FF FF FF FF	015C Ds 13 Ei 12	0270 F5 E5 C5 CD	0384 CD 89 02 Cs	0498 07 07 07 07
004C	FF FF FF FF	0160 EF 11 FD 10	0274 89 02 Eb FO	0388 DD E1 DD 23	049C 77 23 78 E6
0050	FF FF FF FF	0164 FF FF FF FF	0278 OF OF OF OF	038C DD E5 E1 7C	04A0 OF 77 23 79
0054	FF FF FF FF	0168 FF FF FF FF	027C 32 DC 08 0A	0390 FE 40 28 08	04A4 E6 F0 07 07
0058	FF FF FF FF	016C FF FF FF FF	0280 Eb oF 32 DD	0394 DD 7E 00 DD	04A8 07 07 77 23
005C	FF FF FF FF	0170 C5 D5 E5 F5	0280 E8 OF 32 DD	0398 77 FF 18 EE	04AC 79 E6 OF 77
0060	FF FF FF FF	0174 A7 20 03 SF		039C 3E 00 32 FF	04B0 E1 F1 C9 FF
0064	FF FF F5 DB	0178 18 02 1E 80		03Å0 3F CD 70 02	04B4 FF FF FF FF
0068	00 32 E0 08	017C 21 00 01 87	028C 7E 07 07 07	03A4 C3 78 03 FF	04B8 FF FF FF FF
006C	F1 ED 45 FF	0180 85 6F 4E 23	0290 07 23 86 47	03A8 C6 01 CD 70	OABC FF FF FF FF
0070	FF FF FF FF	0184 46 7B D3 01	0294 23 7E 07 07	03AC 01 C3 21 04	04C0 21 DF 08 CB
0074	FF FF FF FF	0188 10 FE 46 AF	0298 07 07 23 86	03B0 CD 89 02 0B	04C4 9E CB Ab FE
0078	FF FF FF FF	018C D3 01 10 FE	029C 4F 0A C9 FF	03B4 DD 21 FE 3F	04C8 10 CA E0 00
007C	FF FF FF FF		02A0 F5 E5 D5 C5	03B8 DD 7E 00 DD	04CC FE 11 CA E6
0080	EB 28 CD AD	0190 OD 20 F1 F1	02A4 11 D8 08 AF	43BC == 44 BB aB	04D0 00 FE 12 CA
0084	2E A7 E7 29	0194 E1 D1 C1 C9	02A8 D3 01 CD 50	03BC 77 01 DD 2B	
0088	EF 2F bF E6	0198 FF FF FF FF	02AC 03 CB 4E 28	03C0 DD E5 E1 79	
008C		019C FF FF FF FF	02B0 02 Cb E7 D3	03C4 BD 20 F1 78	04D8 CA CO 01 FE
0000	C3 EC C7 47 E3 66 28 E8	01A0 F5 E5 2A D6	02B4 02 3E 20 D3	03C8 BC 20 ED DD	04DC 14 CA 50 05
	4E C2 2D 6B	01A4 08 7E FE FF	02B8 01 06 20 10	03CC 36 01 00 CD	04E0 FE 15 CA FF
0094		01A8 20 03 E1 F1	02BC FE AF D3 01	03D0 70 02 C3 78	04E4 FF FE 16 CA
0098	EB 4F 2F 4B	DIAC C9 FE FE 28	02C0 CD 50 03 CB	03D4 03 FF FF FF	04E8 FF FF FE 17
009C	A7 46 EA E0	01B0 F1 23 CD 70	02C4 4E 28 02 CB	03D8 E5 F5 DD E5	04EC CA F2 01 FE
00A0	AC A4 AE C9	01B4 01 18 EE FF	02C8 E7 D3 02 3E	O3DC C5 AF 32 DF	04F0 18 CA 70 05
00A4	10 08 18 04	01BS FF FF FF FF	02CC 10 D3 01 06	03E0 08 06 06 21	04F4 FE 19 CA FF
00A8	2C 00 FF FF	01BC FF FF FF FF	02D0 20 10 FE AF	03F4 D8 08 3E 29	04F8 FF FE 1A CA
00AC		01C0 21 DF 08 CB	02D4 D3 01 CD 50	03E8 77 23 10 FC 03EC 2A D0 08 7E	04FC FF FF FE 1B
00B0	00 09 00 00	01C4 46 20 07 CB	02D8 03 CB 4E 28	03EC 2A D0 08 7E	0500 CAFF FF FE
00B4	FF FF FF FF	01C8 C6 CB 8E C3	02DC 02 CB E7 D3	03F0 FE FF 20 06	0504 1C CA 60 06
00B8	FF FF FF FF	01CC 78 03 CB 86	02E0 02 3E 08 D3	03F4 C1 DD E1 F1	OSOB FE ID CARE
	FF FF FF FF	01 Do CB CE C3 78	02E4 01 06 20 10	03F8 E1 C9 FE FE	OSOC FF FE IE CA
	1B 18 1E 1D	01D4 03 FF FF FF	02E8 FE AF D3 01	03F8 E1 C9 FE FE 03FC 28 EE DD 21	0510 FF FF FE 1F
00C4	12 17 OE 29	01D8 C5 06 80 CD	02EC CD 50 03 CB	0400 D8 08 06 05	0514 CAFF FF FE
00CB	OB 22 29 17	01DC A0 02 10 FB	02F0 4E 28 02 CB	0404 DD 7E 01 DD	0518 20 CA FF FF
00CC	12 OC 24 29	01E0 C1 Ce FF FF	02F4 E7 D3 02 3E	0408 77 00 DD 23	051C FE 21 CA FF
00 D o	29 29 29 29	01E4 ED 4B D2 08	02F8 04 D3 01 06	040C 10 F6 7E 32	0520 FF FE 22 CA
00D4	FE 1C 1D 18	01E8 CD 90 04 CD	02FC 20 10 FE AF	0410 DD 08 23 06	0524 FF FF FE 23
00 D S	17 OE FF FF	01EC 70 02 C3 78	0300 D3 01 00 C3	0414 40 CD A0 02	0528 CAFF FF FE
OODC		01F0 03 FF ED 4B	0304 18 03 FF FF	0418 10 FB 18 D3	052C 24 CA Bo 63
00E0	CD 89 02 03	01F4 D4 08 CD 90	0308 FF FF FF	041C FF FF FF FF	0530 FE 25 CA 84
00E4	18 04 CD 89	01F8 04 CD 70 02			0534 03 FE 26 CA
00E8	02 0B CD 96	01FC C3 78 03 FF			0538 FF FF FE 27
OOEC	04 CD 70 02	0200 ED 73 E8 08	0310 E1 31 C0 08 0314 E9 FF FF FF	0424 FF CB 67 C2	053C CA E4 01 C3
ooFe	21 DF of CB	0204 31 00 09 F5	0318 CD 50 03 CB	0428 C0 04 CB 6F	0540 78 03 FF FF
00F4	C6 CB SE C3	0208 C5 D5 E5 DD		042C C2 C0 04 21	0544 FF FF FF FF
00F8	78 03 FF FF	020C E5 FD E5 08	031C 46 28 02 CB	0430 DF 08 CB 46	
OOFC	ff ff ff ff	0210 De Fs Cs Ds	0320 E7 D3 02 3E	0434 CA 55 04 57	0548 FF FF FF FF 054C FF FF FF FF
0100	FD 10 10 FD	0214 ES ED 57 F5	0324 02 D3 01 06	0438 CD 89 02 21	
0104	11 EF 12 E1		0328 20 10 FE AF	043C DF 08 CB 5E	0550 CD 89 02 60
0108	13 D5 14 C9		032C D3 01 CD 50	0440 20 03 AF CB	0554 69 3A E1 08
010C	15 BE 16 B3		0330 03 CB 46 28	0444 DE 07 07 07	0558 23 BE 20 FC
0110	18 A9 19 9F	0220 FF 32 E0 08	0334 02 CB E7 D3	0448 07 E6 F0 82	055C 44 4D CD 90
9119	- A7 17 7F	0224 C3 40 02 FF	0338 02 3E 01 D3	044C 02 CD 70 02	0560 04 C3 53 02
					0564 FF FF FF

HOW THE CIRCUIT WORKS (and a general discussion.)

The circuit diagram is TALKING ELECTRONICS COMPUTER 18 (TEC 18). It is a 9-chip, single-board computer capable of executing Machine Code commands and displaying the result on either the inbuilt display (a set of 7-segment displays) or on other displays via the expansion socket.

The expansion socket is configured identical to the RAM socket and is accessed via line Y2 of the ROM/RAM decoder 74LS138, at the top right-hand corner of the diagram.

The computer starts-up via a MONitor program contained in the 2732 and two monitor programs are in this chip.

The MON 1 select switch takes address line A11 LOW for the low half and HIGH for the upper half.

The other major change between TEC 1 and TEC 1B is the output latches. They were originally 8212's but now 74LS273's have been used. These are a modern chip and are more readily available.

STARTING UP

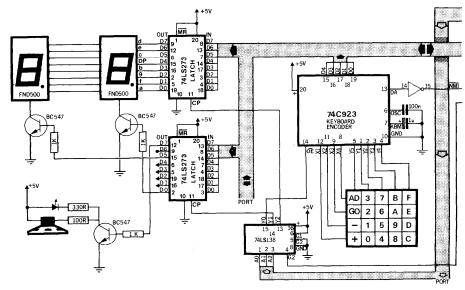
When the power is applied to the computer, the reset line on the Z-80 is taken low for an instant via the 100n capacitor and this resets the internal workings of the Z-80.

Its first operation is to look for the first byte of data at address zero, in the monitor. Depending on this being a onecontains 11 lines while the data bus contains 8 lines. The data bus is always 8 bits wide for a Z-80 processor and this gives it the name '8-bit system'.

The address bus is a ONE-WAY bus in which the Z-80 activates the lines and turns them on and off using binary notation to generate an address value.

When all lines are LOW, address zero is represented. When line A0 is HIGH, address 1 is represented. The Z-80 has 16 address lines and address 1 is: 0000 0000 0000 0001. When line A1 is HIGH, address 2 is:0000 0000 0000 0010

The address lines connect to a number of chips but only one will respond due to a 'turn-on' line called a command line being required to be activated.



TEC 1B COMPUTER CIRCUIT

When the ROM select switch is HIGH, MON-1 program is accessed and the computer displays 0500. When the switch is LOW, the computer displays 0900 and the MON 2 program operates.

This has been done so that the TEC 1B is compatible with the original TEC 1 and it can be upgraded by adding a monitor switch and a programmed 2732 EPROM.

The original TEC 1 had a 2716 EPROM but these chips are no longer manufactured and thus a 2732 is now used. When a 2732 is placed in a 2716 socket the upper half of the chip is accessed and thus MON 1 program has been placed in the upper half.

byte, two-byte or three-byte instruction, the Z-80 will execute it or request one or two more bytes.

The flow of information from the Z-80 to the other chips is via two buses. They are the ADDRESS BUS and DATA BUS. In addition, there is a set of control lines (sometimes referred to as the control bus) that activate (generally) one chip at a time.

All signals within the computer are at a level equal to rail voltage (called HIGH) or ground (called LOW). For this reason they are called digital circuits.

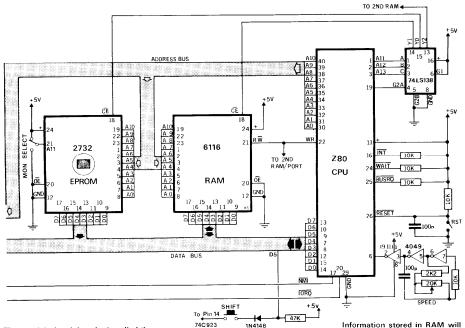
The shaded paths of the diagram represent buses and the address bus

These command lines are called chip select, chip enable or output enable and this allows only one chip to be activated at a time.

The chip select lines are the outputs of a decoder chip and this chip is 'turned on' by the Z-80 and only one of its outputs goes low at a time.

It is a 3-line to 8-line decoder and this means it has 3 input lines and depending on the HIGH-LOW values on these lines, one of the outputs will go low.

This is a form of expander so that a single line from the Z-80 (e.g. from pin 19 or 20) can control 8 devices.



The top right-hand decoder is called the ROM/RAM decoder and the lower left-hand, the IN/OUT decoder.

The data from the monitor flows to the Central Processing Unit (the Z-80) along the data bus as 8 parallel bits of information AT THE SAME TIME.

This is called a BYTE of information and can have 256 different possibilities. The Z-80 knows if the byte is data or instruction by the fact that it starts at address zero looking for an instruction byte. From there the program must follow correctly and this is the responsibility of the programmer.

The data enters the Z-80 via a holding register (an instruction register) that is not available to the programmer and to keep the discussion simple, we consider the byte flows directly into the A register (called the accumulator). This is the only register capable of accepting information from the data bus. All other registers must be fed from the accumulator.

Data can also flow out of the Z-80 along the data bus and this bus is BI-DIRECTIONAL. The arrows on the bus show the direction of flow of information.

The keyboard is scanned by the 74C923 and this is called hardware scanning as the chip has inbuilt scanning circuits for a matrix of 20 keys.

When a key is pressed, a signal is generated at the Data Available pin and the Z-80 is notified via the Non-Maskable Interrupt line.

The Z-80 immediately ceases all processing and jumps to address 66 in the MONitor. Here it executes a short program and activates the input/output decoder to turn on the keyboard encoder. The encoder puts a 5-bit number on the data bus and this is stored for later use or operated upon, as required.

When the shift button is pressed, and kept pressed while one of the keys is pressed, an extra bit is added to create a 6-bit number and thus an additional set of 20 commands can be created.

The output latches are also controlled by the in/out decoder and the control line on each latch is called CP (clock pulse).

When these lines are taken LOW, then HIGH again, the data appearing on the input lines is latched into the chip and will appear on the output lines and will remain there.

This allows devices such as 7-segment displays, relays or globes etc. to be activated.

The 6116 RAM is RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY and as the name suggests, bytes of information can be placed anywhere in its matrix of cells. These bytes are generally data however programs can be stored and run in RAM and these are usually developmental programs.

Information stored in RAM will only be maintained as long as the power is applied as the flip flops storing the data will not hold their state when power is removed.

'ADD-ONS'

This computer is only a baby in the computer world however it does have the facility for expansion and already a number of 'add-ons' have been produced.

Possibly the most important add-on is the NON-Volatile RAM. This consists of a battery backed-up 6116, into which programs can be placed.

Other devices can be connected to the system via the expansion port and this includes an IN/OUT module, an OUTPUT module, a display module and a controller module (to come).

The clock oscillator is adjustable via a speed control pot and allows programs to be run at different speeds for assessment. If a real-time situation is required, a crystal oscillator can be fitted and this will allow time to be programmed accurately.

The main intention of this computer is to provide the starting point for an understanding into computer operations. For this reason, machine code programming has been employed. This means you will be able to create your own systems for such applications as controllers and timers for industry and home and be able to produce the project from the ground up, without requiring any external operating system.

PROGRAMS FOR THE TEC DISPLAYS and a sound Program:

Here are three programs for the TEC and TEC displays. The effects that can be produced on a set of 7-segment displays is quite amazing. I thought we had run out of ideas and yet they still keep coming.

The first program is a Space Invaders sound effect using button 4 as the firing button. The other two programs use the displays.

SPACE INVADERS 'SHOOTING'

Phillip Barns. 2118

Computer sounds and effects are always impressive, especially when we have control over them.

This program does just that.

It is a Space Invaders sound effect and you can control it via button 4.

The point to note with this program is the way the delay is increased by inserting a varying value into a delay loop. In the latter half of the program the OFF time is gradually increased by placing another varying value into a delay loop.

The resulting ON-OFF values outputted to the speaker produce the changing

The program only accepts the press of button '4' (determined by **CP 04**) and by pressing this button repeatedly, a firing sound will be produced.

LD A,12 LD I,A LD H,FF LD B,01 INC B LD A,80 OUT (01),A CALL 0828 XOR A OUT (01),A CALL 0828 LD A,1 CP 04 JP Z 0800 DEC H JP NZ 0808 CP 040	800 802 804 806 808 80B 80B 810 811 813 814 818 81A 81D 81E	3E 12 ED 47 26 FF 06 01 04 3E 80 D3 01 CD 28 08 AF D3 02 CD 28 08 ED 57 FE 04 CA 00 08 25 C2 08 08
	823	20 FC
JR NZ 0821	825	C3 00 08
JP 0800	943	C3 00 00
LD C,B	828	48
DEC C	829	oD
JR NZ 0829	82 A	20 FD
RETURN	82C	C9

THE BOX

G.L. Dunt 3219.

This program is an extension of the techniques we have been discussing in issue 12, P 18, covering the control of two or more pixels at the same time.

It produces an interesting piece of animation in which a box with lid is displayed and moved across the screen in a 'chase scene'.

Again we won't say much about the effect, except to say that you can get quite involved with it and find it very easy to improve upon.

The program consists of 25 'frames' and each frame requires 4 bytes of the table to produce the necessary effects. Each time you increase the table (by 4 bytes) you must also increase the counter register by one (for each frame).

By using 4 bytes we gain the ability to control two pixels at the same time. If only one display is required, the two pairs of bytes will be identical.

LD IX of LD D, 10 LD C, 10 LD A(I D)	X + 00) 1),A X + 01) 2),A 2),A X + 02) 1),A X + 03) 22),A	0800 0804 0806 0806 0808 0810 0810 0814 0814 0814 0817 0814 0823 0824 0824 0828 0828 0828 0828	DD 21 40 08 16 19 06 40 16 19 06 40 DD 76 00 D3 01 DD 76 01 D3 70 10 DD 76 02 10 FE AF D3 02 10 FE 0D 76 03 DD 76 03 D3 02 10 FE 0D 23 DD
01	01	01	20
E4	E4	80	E4
01	01	10	20
E4	E4	C4	E4
01	01	01	10
E8	E1	80	E4
01	01	20	10
E8	E1	E0	E4
01	01	02	08
E4	01	80	E4
01	02	20	08
E4	E0	E0	E4
01	01	04	04
E2	04	80	E0
01	02	20	08
E2	E0	E0	04
01	01	08	02
E4	80	80	E0
01	02	20	08
E4	E0	E0	04
01	01	10	01
E4	80	04	E0
01	04	20	04
E4	A4	E0	04
01	01	20	01
E2	50	E1	E0
01	08	20	02
E2	64	E1	04

Halilovic's Piano:

This program has been designed by BOB Halilovic and gives a piano effect when one of the 20 keys is pressed. The notes have a pre-determined length, and this distinguishes it from the organ programs we have previously presented.



Data	0800	00
Data	0801	09
LD A.1F	0802	3E 1F
LD (0901),A	0804	32 01 09
CALL 01Bo	0807	CD B0 01
HALT	080A	76
CP 10	080B	FE 10
JR NC	080D	30 07
ADD A.05	080F	C6 05
LD (0900),A	0811	32 00 09
JR 0807	08014	18 F1
SUB A.oF	0816	D6 oF
JR 0811	0818	18 F7

G. Sheehan & D. Svendsen. 3175

BOOMERANG

Boomerang is a program for the TEC displays. The effect you get is so clever that we are not going to spoil it by telling you what happens.

The only point we will mention is the composition of the byte table.

Each pass of the program uses two bytes from the table and the end of the program is detected by looking for address **9844**. Register L will be 44 at the end of the table.

By using the table two bytes at a time, we

By using the table two bytes at a time, we can specify the display we wish to access and the segment to be lit.

Also, using a byte table like this requires less program and fewer registers. It is one of the tricks of compact programming.

The delay at 0900 produces the speed of execution

Try altering and modifying the program and you will learn a lot about what each instruction does. You can also lengthen it by adding more frames. It'll be like creating your own cartoon.

	D HL, D A(I OUT (O NC HI OUT (O NC HI ALL O D A,L P 44 P NZ P 0800	(L) 1),A HL) 2),A 1900	0800 0803 0804 0806 0807 0808 080 A 080 B 080 E 080 F 0811	21 20 08 7E D3 01 23 7E D3 02 23 CD 00 09 7D FE 44 C2 03 08 C3 00 06
	at 08	20:		
↓	01 09 02 03 04 06 08 0C 10 09 20	20 C0 10 A0 08 24 04 44 02 C0 01 A0	20 6F 10 EA 08 A7 04 A7 02 28 01 C7	

Delay at 0900:

900	11 FF 0A
903	1B
904	7B
9 0 5	B2
906	C2 03 09
909	C9

PROGRAMS FOR THE 8x8 DISPLAY:

The 8x8 has remained a popular 'add-on' and we still get requests for more programs for it. Here are some recent submissions:

If you have written a program equal to these, send it in for inclusion in the next issue:

FAN OUT Mk III

⊇ean Svendsen 3175.

FAN OUT Mk III produces symmetry on the displays and can be seen by the same byte being outputted to both ports 3 and 4. The end of the table is detected by looking at the value of L and starting again when it equals the address of the end of the table.

LD A OUT OUT INC I CALI LD A CP 20	(03),A (04),A HL , 0900 ,L Z 0803	21 15 08 7E D3 03 D3 04 23 CD 00 00 7D FE 20 C2 03 08 C3 00 08
at 08	15:	
18 3C 7E FF E7 C3	81 C3 E7 FF 7E 3C	

900	11 FF 0A
903	1B
904	7 B
905	B2
906	C2 03 09
909	Co

BOUNCING BALL AND ROLLING BALL.

G.L. Dunt, 3219.

This program is an extension and improvement over the Bouncing Ball program in issue 12, P. 26.

If you look at P.26, you will notice the program is fairly long.

This is because it is necessary to specify the start address of the ball, each time it changes direction.

Much of the program is a repetition of similar or nearly similar codes and to reduce its length we need to look at any part(s) that repeat.

At first they may not be obvious but one can be found that starts at the base of a column, up the column, across to the next and down to the base again. The sequence ends with the LED jumping to the start of the next column.

If we repeat this 4 times, the whole of the board will be covered. This will reproduce

the effect as described on P. 26 of issue 12. Using the same technique, we can travel across the display and back again, to produce a weaving effect as the LED advances up the display To complete the travel we need to move the LED from the top right hand corner to the lower left hand corner, ready for the start of the next sequence. sequence.

By using efficient programming as covered in this program, we can produce twice the effect with about half the program.

Most of the reduction is done by defining Most of the reduction is done by defining the co-ordinates of the ball only once. This is done at the beginning of the program and from there the ball position is kept in the C and D registers. They act as the x and y values in co-ordinate geometry.

To move the LED across or up and down To move the LED across or up and down the screen, the C and D registers are rotated left or right. Each register contains only one bit and when this moves out the end of the register, it either "sits in the carry box" or passes it and enters the other end of the register. In either case the carry flag is affected and we look for this to let us know the end of the display has been reached. the display has been reached.

As you can see, the LED is either "off the end of the board" or at the other side of the display, when the carry is detected and we must shift it back one location, ready for the next run. This way the LED appears to be darting back and forth from one side to the other, and we are not aware of the corrections that take place.

LD C,01	0800	0E 01
LD P,01	0802	16 01
LD A,C	0804	79
OUT (03). A	0805	D3 03
LD A,D	0807	7Å
OUT (04),A	0808	D3 04
LD A,D OUT (04),A CALL 0900	080A	CD 00 09
RLC D	080 D	CB 02
JR NC 0807	0 80 F	30 F6
RR D	9811	CB 1A
RLC C	0813	CB 01
LD A,C	0815	79
OUT (03),A	0816	D3 03
LD A,D	0818	7A
OUT (04),A	0819	D3 04
CALL 0900	081B	CD 00 09
RR D	081E	CB 1A
JR NC,0818	0820	30 F6
RL D	0822	CB 12
RLC C	0824	CB 01
JR NC,0804	0826	30 DC
RRC C	0828	CB 09
LD A,D	082A	7 A
OUT (04),A	082B	D3 04
LD A,C OUT (03),A CALL 0900	082D	79
OUT (03),A	082E	D3 03
CALL 0900	0830	CD 00 09
RRC C	0833	CB 09
JR NC,082D	0835	30 F6
RL C	0837	CB 11
RLC D	0839	CB 02
LD A,D	083B	7A
OUT (04),A	083C	D3 04
LD A,C	083E	79
LD A,C OUT (03),A	083F	D3 03
CALL 0900	0841	CD 00 09
RLC C	0844	CB 01
JR NC,083E	0846	30 F6
	-	

RRC C	0848	CB 09
RLC D	084A	CB 02
JR NC,082A	084C	30 DC
RRC D	084E	CB oA
RRC D	0850	CB 0A
LD A,D	0852	7A
OUT (04),A	0853	D3 04
CALL 0900	0855	CD 00 09
RR D	0858	CB 1A
JR NC,0852	085A	30 F6
RRC C	085C	CB 09
LD A.C	085E	79
OUT (03),A	085F	D3 03
CALL 0900	0861	CD 00 09
RRC C	0864	CB 09
JR NC.085E	0866	30 F6
JP 0800	0868	C3 00 08
JP 0800	0000	C3 00 00

At 0900:

LD HL,06FF	21 FF 06
DEC HL	2B
LD A,L	7 D
OR H	B 4
JP NZ 0903	C2 03 09
Return	Co

RAIN DROPS:

Jim Robertson,

CD on oa

This program produces a very effective pattern, similar to falling rain. The random number generator is the interesting part as it is very difficult to produce random numbers in a program that loops. that loops.

CALL Random Nos.

CALL Randor	n Nos.	CD 00 0A
AND 07 LD H,0B	0805	E6 07 26 0B
LD L,A	0807	6F
RLC (HL)	0808	ČB 0E
LD DE,0006	080 A	11 06 00
CALL SCAN	080D	CD 00 09
DEC DE	0810	1B
LD A,D	0811	7 A
OR E	0812	B3
JRNZ	0813	20 F8
JR START	0815	18 E9
at 0900:		
SCAN		
LD HL oBoo	0900	21 00 0B
LD B,01	0903	06 01
LD A(HL)	0905	7E
OUT (03),A	0906	D3 03
LD A,B OUT (04),A	0908	<u>7</u> 8
OUT (04),A	0909	D3 04
LD B,20	090B	06 20
DJNZ INC HL	090D 090F	10 FE 23
LD B,A	090F 0910	45 47
XOR A	0911	ÅF
OUT (04),A		D3 04
RLC B	0912 0914	CB 00
JR NC	0916	30 ED
RETURN	0918	C9
at 0A00:		
RANDOM NU	MBERS:	
LD A,R	0A00	ED 5F
LD B,A	0A02	47
LD B,A LD A,R	0A3	ED 5F
RLA	0A05	17
LD R,A	0A06	ED 4F
DJNŹ	0A08	10 FB
RETURN	OAOA	C9

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PHONE DIALLER

TURNING THE TEC INTO A PHONE DIALLER

The following three or four pages examine the development of an idea. It is a Telephone Dialler capable of storing up to 30 or 40 names and phone numbers with a dialling facility and auto re-dial.

It is only a program of ideas as the output appears on a speaker in the form of tones.

Since this is a fiarly ambitious concept, it has been divided into 3 sections. Each section describes a program that is complete in itself and increases in complexity with complete design in section 3.

The first program is fairly simple. It shows how to get figures from the keyboard and display them on the screen. The second contains two function buttons, **C** and **E**. The 'C' key clears the screen and 'E' indicates the end of a phone number.

The third program is much more complex. It has more features and is keeping track of more things.

Each program has been created from scratch as it is almost impossible to 'add onto' an existing program.

Type each of these programs into the TEC and study them. This way you will learn how they operate.

PHONE DIALLER PROGRAM 1.

This program is limited to displaying 6 digits on the TEC screen as no scrolling feature is present. As the keys are pressed, the numbers fill the screen from left to right. When the screen is full, the capability of the program is reached.

The screen buffer is located at **9900** and the scan rate is determined by the value of 82 E and **082 F**). We can increase or reduce the scan rate by altering the value of B and by adjusting the TEC clock speed.

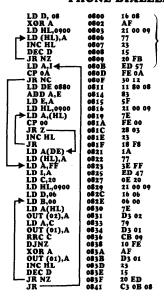
No other features are available in this program. The TEC must be reset and 'GO' pushed to clear the screen so that a new number can be keyed in.

This simple program shows how to get numbers from the keyboard and onto the screen.

The only instruction that will be unfamiliar is **JRNC.** It effectively divides the keyboard in two, allowing keys 0-9 to be accepted and A-F to be disregarded.

JRNC means Jump Relative if the Carry flag is NOT SET. When the previous instruction is a 'COMPARE', it is best to substitute the word 'BORROW' for carry, and the instruction will be much easier to understand. This is because the compare instruction subtracts the data byte from the accumulator and if a borrow is required, the carry flag is SET.

PHONE DIALLER · Part 1



The first 8 memory locations are cleared so that the program will come on with a blank screen. We need only 6 locations. The 7th location is explained in the text. Register Ais zeroed and this value is inserted into **9900 - 0997** via the HL register being the pointer register.

The Index register contains the value of the key. Compare the accumulator with **6A**.

Jump relative if the key is A or higher.
Load DE with the start of the DISPLAY TABLE.
Add **80** to the key value.
Load the result back into E. DE will point to a table-byte.
Load HL with the start of memory.
Look for the first blank memory location by loading the value pointed to by HL into the accumulator and comparing with zero until a blank location is found.

When found, load A with the byte pointed to by DE. Load the table value into the blank memory location. Change the value of the index register by loading it with FF so that we can detect the same or another button. start the scan at the left hand end of the display. Load HL with start of memory. Load D with 06 for 6 loops of the program. Load B with delay value for turning ON each digit. Load the data at the first memory location into A. Output to the segment port. Load C into A. Quiput to the cathode port. Rotate register C right, to access the 2nd display. Create a short delay to display the digit. Zero A. Output to the cathode port to turn display OFF. Increment to the next location. Decrement the loop register. Jump to start of loop if D not zero.

mp to start of loop if D not zero.

mp to start of program if D zero and look for

at 0880:

In our program, CP 0A causes the Z-80 to substact 0A from the accumulator (it will hold the value of the key). When any key below A is pressed, the subtraction operation creates a borrow and this sets the carry flag. If we push key 6, the operation will be 6 - A and the answer will require a borrow. Thus the carry flag will be SET. If we go to the program, we can see the Z-80 will continue down the program and NOT JUMP as the instruction says: JUMP RELATIVE NO

To fully understand these instructions you have to comprehend the double negative. For instance: I am NOT, NOT going to jump means I AM going to jump.

Type the program at **0800** and the display conversion table at **0880.**

Push RESET, GO and the displays will blank. Press any combination of keys and notice that only number keys respond.

Modify the value of B in the scan section

Some ideas for experimenting include: scanning from the opposite direction, scanning only 5 displays, allowing letters to appear on the screen, and changing the output to a CODE, so that you can turn it into a CODE-BREAKING game.

EB 28 CD AD 2E A7 E7 29 EF AF

PHONE DIALLER · Part 2

The second part of the Phone Dialler program uses a different approach. As we have said, each must start afresh as it is more difficult to adapt an existing program.

This program accepts a string of digits of any length and will remember them for recall after key E (for END) has been pressed.

The **C** button clears the display and can be pressed at any time. When the desired number has been entered, button E is pressed. The display is blanked and the numbers emerge from the right hand end of the display and shift across to the left. Three empty spaces are created before the numbers start again.

This program introduces the concept of control keys and also the need for sub-routines for any sequence that is required more than once.

Programs increase in length as more and more housekeeping is called for. Housekeeping is looking for button presses or detecting the end of a sequence etc.

The prime requirement of the program is to keep the displays illuminated. This means we must be calling SCAN for most of the time and as you will see, the SCAN routine is a favourite place to put housekeeping.

If you want a key to be immediately responsive, it must be checked during the SCAN loop. To be more precise, it must be checked during the inner-most loop as this is the loop which is being run for most of the time

Key the program into the TEC and run it. Try changing some of the locations and see the result. This is the best way to following what is happening, especially at specific locations.

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

The program generates 2 memory areas. One is made up of 6 locations, from 0900 to 0905 and is called the DISPLAY BUFFER. The other is from 0907 onwards and is called MEMORY AREA.

The SCAN ROUTINE (at 0877) looks at the Display Buffer locations and outputs their value onto the displays.

The remainder of memory, starting at 0907 holds any number of digital as required and is open-ended.

One location, 0906, is left blank and its purpose will be explained later.

As each number is keyed in, it is stored in memory, from 0907 onwards, and the HL register pair keeps track of the next available location.

The number is also outputted onto the display but firstly a SHIFT ROUTINE is called. The function of this routine is to take the value corresponding to the lefthand digit and drop it out of the buffer
zone. The second location is then
transferred to the first, the third to the
second etc until all the digits have been
shifted one place to the left. This leaves
nemetry belief at the right-hand end of the an empty hole at the right-hand end of the

The way in which this empty space is generated is quite clever. The '00' in 0906 is shifted into the 6th buffer location.

The program then loads the present key value in the buffer zone, position six, and reverts to a scan situation in which it is looking for an 'end of number' via button

When this is detected, memory is incremented one location and E is inserted.

The displays are cleared and the program picks up the first digit at 0907and places it in the 6th position of the buffer area.

The shift routine is called then the next memory value is placed in the 6th buffer location.

Before each new value is loaded into the buffer area, it is compared with **0E** to detect the 'end of message.'

are produced and the message starts again.

The CLEAR function is included in the SCAN routine. This has been done so that CLEAR can be detected instantly, as the display scan must be running at all times to keep the displays illuminated.

DIALLER Part 2 listing: Main Program:

LD D,20	0800	16 20
CALL CLEAR	0802	CD 5B 08
LD HL, 0907		
LD RL, 090/	0808 080A	41 0/ 09
LD A,I CP 0A	0808	ED 57
CP 0A	080A	FE OA
JR NC,0820	080C	30 12
INC HL	000C	30 14
	080E	23
LD DE,08A5	080 F	11 A5 08
ADD A,E	0812	83
LD E,A	0813	5F
LU E,A		
CALL SHIFT	0814 0817 0818	CD 65 08
LD A,(DE)	0817	1A
LD (HL),Á	0818	77
ID (2005) A	****	** ** **
LD (0905),A	0819 081C	32 05 09
LD A,FF	081 C	3E FF
LD I,A	081E	ED 47
CP OE	0820	FE OE
	0020	FE VE
LR Z,002A	0822	28 05
CALL SCAN	0824	CD 77 08
JR 0808	0827	18 DF
	0827 0829	10 D1
INC HL		
LD (HL),A	082A 082B	77
LD D.06	082R	16 06
CALL CLEAR	082D	CD 5B 08
CALL CLEAR	0020	CD 3D 00
LD HL,0907	0830	21 07 09
LD A,(HL)	0833	7E
LD D,20	0834 0836	16 20
INC HL	A824	22
INC AL	0030	23
CP OE	0837 0839	FE OE
JR Z,0849	0839	28 OE
LD (0905),A	082B	32 05 09
	083B 083E	34 05 09
CALL SCAN	083E	CD 77 08
DEC D	0841	15
JR NZ,083E	0842	20 FA
CALL SHIFT	0844	CD 65 08
	0044	CD 62 09
JR 0833	0847	18 EA
LD E,02	0847 0849	1E 02
LD D,20	084B	16 20
CALL SCAN	00415	16 20 CD 77 08
	084D	CD 77 08
DEC D	0850	15
JR NZ,084D	0851	20 FA
CALL SHIFT	0853	CD 65 08
	0073	-D 07 00
DEC E	0856	ווו
JR NZ,084B	0857	CD 65 08 1D 20 F2
JR 0830	0859	18 D5
	-037	,
Clear:		

XOR A	085B AF
LD HL,0900	085C 21 00 09
LD (HL),A	085F 77
INC HL	0860 23
DEC D	0861 15
JR NZ, 085F	0862 20 FB
RETURN	0864 C9

Shift LD B,07 LD IX,08FF

LD A,(IX + or LD (IX + oo), INC IX DEC B JR NZ,086B RETURN Scan:	086B A 086E 0871 0873 0874 0876	DD 23 05 20 F5
PUSH HL PUSH DE LD C, S LD H, O, OO LD H, O, OO LD B, S LD A, (HL) OUT (02), A LD A, C OUT (01), A RRC C DJNZ 088A XOR A OUT (01), A INC HL LD A, I CP OC JR Z, 089C DEC D JR NZ, 0880 POP DE POP HL RETURN POP DE POP HL LD A, F LD 1, A JP 0800	0877 0878 087B 087B 088C 0882 0882 0885 0886 088C 088C 0890 0897 0897 0897 0890 0890 0890 0890	E5 D5 00E 20 021 00 09 16 06 00 06 80 7E D3 01 CEB 09 10 FE AFF D3 01 23 ED 57 FE 0C 28 06 15 15 15 20 E7 D1 E1 E1 SE FF ED 47 C3 00 08
at 08A5: 0 = EB 1 = 28 2 = CD 3 = AD 4 = 2E 5 = A7 6 = E7 7 = 29 8 = EF 9 = AF 0 =		

0865 06 07 0867 DD 21 FF 08

PHONE DIALLER - Part 3

The third and final part of the Phone Dialler program is the longest and most impressive. It looks complicated impressive. It looks complicated because it is looking after a lot of things.

The program accesses memory and when using the 2k onboard RAM, it is capable of holding up to 36 names and numbers, each fitting into a block of memory 20H bytes long. The program allows up to 27 characters for the name and number and this should be sufficient for any situation.

The program uses a lot of sub-routines and they perform most of the work.

As the processor goes through the MAIN program, it CALLS the sub-routines and they do all the displaying, shifting, display converting etc.

Any operation that is required more than once is put into the form of a sub-routine. This reduces the length of the program and allows the sub-routines to be called as many times as required.

USING THE PROGRAM

Basically the program is self explanatory as the instructions for its use are displayed on the screen after the GO button is pressed.

The first instruction is to select an INDEX NUMBER from 00 to 36 (decimal) into which the telephone number is placed.

Push button E and the screen will blank so that the index number can be inserted.

The index number will remain on the screen for about one second and then the second set of instructions will appear. After reading the instructions, push E. This will cause the screen to blank so that you can type the name corresponding to the phone number.

After the end of the name, insert a space by typing F and the program will convert to displaying a digit for each key pressed.

At the end of the phone number type E and the program will scroll the contents of memory

To dial the phone number push D. The program will pause for 5 seconds then dial the number.

At the completion of dialling, the screen will scroll the name and number again.

You can redial the same number at any time by pressing D.

To re-load the memory BLOCK, push C. This will re-start the program and allow a new name and number to be inserted.

Once a name and number has been inserted into memory at a particular index value, it can be dialled very quickly. You can push either button C or RESET. If the Reset button is pushed, the GO button must be pushed for the first set of instructions to appear.

Push F and insert the index number: then push D. The computer will dial the number. A constant beeping will indicate the location is not filled and you should try

At the end of dialling, the name and number will scroll and you can confirm it to be correct.

A SUMMARY OF THE PROGRAM

The program creates a display buffer area at 0.880 to 0.855 and the values placed at these 6 locations are directly transferred to the TEC display via the SCAN routine.

The CLEAR routine zeros each of these locations and also the next location. This is one of the clever tricks of the program, and it is cleared for the following reason:

The SHIFT routine starts at a location that is one lower than **QA\$0**, (namely **QA7F**) and places the data at **QA\$0** into

PHONE DIALLER PROGRAM:

CALL CLEAR LD HL,0A0C CALL SCROLL CP 10	0800 0803	CD 20 09	The first 7
LD HL,0A0C	0803	21 0C 0A	etc
CALL SCROLL	0806	CD C0 09 FE 10	table to re
CP 10 JR Z,0803 ———	0809 080B	28 F6	for an inp
CP OA	080D	FE 0A	
-JR C.0800	080F	FE OA 38 EF	
-JR C,0800 CALL CLEAR	0811	CD 20 09	The scree
LD A.FF	0814 0816	3E FF	with FF s
LD I,A LD HL,0000	0818	ED 47	pushed. Memory
	061R	3E 01	Location
LD A,01 LD (09FE),A CALL KEY VALUE	081B 081D	21 00 00 3E 01 32 FE 09	called one
CALL KEY VALUE		CD 30 09	get a dou
LD A.C	0823 0824 0827	79	C will co
LD (09FC),A LD A,01	0824	32 FC 09	memory I Repeat th
ID (AAFE) A	0879	3E 01 32 FE 09	nepeatin
LD (09FE),A CALL KEY VALUE LD A,(09FC)	0829 082C	CD 30 09 3A FC 09	
LD A,(09FC)	082F	3A FC 09	Load the t
KLA	0832 0833	17 17	4 places 1
RLA	0833 0834	17 17	half of th
RLA	0615	17	
RLA ADD A.C	0835 0836	17 81	Add the s
ADD A,C LD (09FC),A LD D,20	0837	32 FC 09	the result
LD D,20	083A	16 20	Create a
CALL SCAN DEC D	093C	CD 80 09	loops. (32
DEC D	083F	15 20 FA	
– JR NZ,083C ►CALL CLEAR	0837 083A 093C 083F 0840	CD 20 09	Clear the
LD HLOA2C	0845	21 2C 0A CD C0 09	start add
LD HL,0A2C CALL SCROLL LD A,(HL)	0845 0848	CD C0 09	name
LD A,(HL)	084D	7 <u>E</u>	loop, unle
L:P 10	084C 084E	FE 10	
JR Z.0845 ————————————————————————————————————	084E	28 F5 FE 0A	
- JR C.0842	0652	38 EE	
CALL CLEAR	0854	CD 20 09	Call CLE
- JR C,0842 CALL CLEAR CALL MEM ADDR	054E 0650 0652 0654 0657 065A 065C	CD 60 09	Read ME
	085A	16 1C	Register
- LD E,00	005C	1E 00 3E FF	Register Fill the I
ID CAT	0860	ED 47	detect w
LD D,1C LD E,00 LD A,FF LD I,A CALL SCAN 2- LD A,I CP 10	0860 0862	ED 47 CD Do oA	Scan the
LD A,I	A84.5	ED 65	
CP 10 JR NC,0862	0867 0869 086B	FE 10 30 F7 1C	
JR NC,0862	0869	30 F7	Incremen
INC E LD A,E	086C	7B	Load E in
CP 02	086C 086D	FE 02	Compare
CP 02 JR Z,087C ——	086 F	28 0B	are the s
LD A,I CP of JR Z,0895	0871 0873 0875	ED 57 FE OF	Look to s
CP OF	0873	PE OF 28 1E	the end of
ID COOFA) A	0877	32 FA 00	Store the
LD (69FA),A JR 085E	0877 087A	32 FA 09 18 E2	of button
CALL SHIFT	087L:	CD E1 09	Call SHII
LD A,(09FA)	087F 0882	3A FA 09	Load the
RLA RLA	0682 0683	17 17	4 places register.
RLA	0884	17	register.
RLA	0884 0885	17	
RLA LD B,A	0886	47 ED 57	Save the
LD A,I	0887 0889	ED 57	Put secon
ADD A,B	088A	80 77	Load this
I.D (OARS).A	068B 068E	32 85 0A	Also load
INC HL		23	Incremen
LD B,A LD A,I ADD A,B LD (HL),A LD (0A\$5),A INC HL DEC D	088F	15	Decreme
JR NZ,085C JP 0800 XOR A	0890 0892	20 CA C3 00 08	Jump if 1 Jump to
JP 0800	0892	C3 00 08 AF	Zero A a
ID (HI).A	0895 0896	77	into the
CALL SHIFT	0697	77 CD E1 09	Shift the
LD (HL),A CALL SHIFT LD A,D	069A	7A	Load the
LD (09FE),A CALL KEY VALUE	089B 089E	32 FE 09	for use b
CALL KEY VALUE	089E 08A1	CD 30 09 06 03	Call KEY Create 3
	08 A 3	22	inserted,
INC HL XOR A LD (HL),A DEC B	08 A 4	ÃF	message
LD (HL),A	08A5	AF 77 05	the displ
DEC B	08A6	05 7 A	
→ JR NZ,08A3	08A7 08A9	20 FA	
INC HL	AA80	23 3E 10	Increme
LD (HL).A	08AC	77	program
XOR A LD (HL),A DEC B JR NZ,08A3 INC HL LD A,10 LD (HL),A NOP	08 A D	77 00	program
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7 lines of the program displays "Enter Index. and looks for the value **10** at the end of the repeat the sequence. The program also looks aput value above 9 to jump out of the loop.

en is cleared and the index register is loaded to that we can detect when a button has been

is set to zero by loading HL with 00 00.
109FE stores the value 01 so that key value is ice. The requirement of the next 12 lines is to wibe decimal number into location 99FC, ontain the key value and this is loaded into location 99FC (first figure), he sequence and call KEY VALUE oncomore.

first figure into A and rotate the accumulator to the left to shift the number into the upper ne register.

second figure to the accumulator and store it into **09FC** as a two figure decimal number. delay with register D and call SCAN for 20H 32 loops).

e display and load the pointer register with the dress of the second table. Display "Enter \dots etc" Look for the end of the table (10) and less a key $0.9\,$ has been pressed.

AR to clear the display. EMORY ADDRESS notes.

D counts up to 28 characters (max allowed). E counts to 2. Two key presses for a char. register via the accumulator so that we can hen a key is pressed. display looking for a key press 0-F.

ent the E register.
into A.
re the accumulator with 02 and jump if the two
same. If not, go to the next instruction.
see if a space is required as this will indicate
of names and the beginning of numbers.
elative if F has been pressed.
he value of A at 09 FA and loop for second press

n. IFT to get display ready for next number. I first number into the accumulator and shift it I to the left to occupy the upper half of the

e result in B. and number into the accumulator. In the two to create a 2-digit number. In system into the location looked at by HL. d it into the first display location.

nt HL. ent D and IC locations not filled

and load it

location looked at by HL to create a space. e display digits one place to the left . remaining locations into A and store at 09FE

o remaining locations into A and store at **GYFE**by the CALL KEY routine.
Y VALUE. This will put Nos onto the display.
3 blank locations after te numbers have been
1, to produce a space between the end of the
e and the start so that it can be scrolled across

ent HL and load last location with 19 so that

this lower location. As can be seen from the program, this lower location is not displayed on the TEC and thus the data shifts off the screen. The data for the second location is shifted to the location for the first display and this repeats for the 6 locations. The result is the data in the blank location at **0.86** is shifted into the last display location and thus an empty space is produced on the display.

It is important for **0A86** to be empty for this to work.

The MEMORY ADDRESS routine creates areas that are 20H bytes long and starts at **0B00.**

The program stores the Index number at location **09FC** and as each memory area is created, it decrements the Index number and the program exits when the count register is zero.

The HL register will contain the start of this address. It is not used for any other purpose and thus it will not be destroyed during the running of the program and will hold the current value for re-dial, if

The SCROLL routine picks up the first byte from the table and places it at **0A85** and then calls SCAN for 20H loops (32 passes of the display).

The SHIFT routine is then called and all the bytes (including the blank locations) are transferred one position to the left.

The scroll program then loops and repeats the sequence until the end of the table is reached. It detects this by looking for 10H (we could have chosen any value) and the message re-starts.

When the 'Dial key' 'D' is pressed, a BEEP routine and PAUSE routine are called. These produce a suitable ON-OFF tone to the speaker and the program converts the values in memory to a string of beeps.

The program ignores the name at the beginning of memory and looks for the first location containing zero.

The end of the phone number is detected by also looking for a location containing zero.

The program then jumps back to calling the start of memory and scrolls the message across the screen.

SUGGESTIONS

The program can be keyed into the TEC and fills about 3 pages, from **0800** to **0AEE.**

After this is done, it is wise to save a copy of the program in non-volatile RAM so that it is not lost.

To save the program, type the following dump routine at **0F80**:

CALL CLEAR CALL MEM ADDR CALL SCROLL CP 10 JR Z,08B1 LD B,20 CALL PAUSE DJNZ 08BD CALL CLEAR CALL MEM ADDR LD A,(HL) CP 00 JR NZ,08C8 LD IX,08A00 INC IX CALL BEEP LD A,(IX + 00) CP (HL) JR NZ,08B2 LD B,10 CALL PAUSE INC HL CP 00 JR Z,08EC JR Z,08EC JR Z,08AE JR Z,08AE JR O8EC JR A,08AE JR O8EC	08AE 08B1 08B7 08B7 08B8 08BB 08C2 08C2 08C2 08C2 08C2 08C2 08C2 08C2	CD 20 09 CD 60 09 CD 60 09 FE 10 28 F6 60 62 80 F6 CD 72 69 10 FB CD 20 09 7E 23 FF 80 02 FF	Clear the screen. Get start of BLOCK via **PFC** (36 blocks available). Scroll name and number across screen. Look for end of message. If another key is pressed, jump out of loop. Create a pause before dialling by loading B with 20 and calling pause 32 times. This creates approx 2 second delay. Clear the screen of any junk etc. Get start of block (00-36). Look for space between name and phone number by comparing the contents of each location with 00 and incrementing until 00 is found. The next 6 ines create the dialling pulses by loading IX with the start of the number table and calling BEEP routine. (The beep calls a pause). The program then compares the byte in the table with the byte in the block and loops util a comparison is found. Note: we go into the routine 'blind' and beep before a CP!' Create a short pause at the end of each digit so that the phone system detects the end of a digit. Increment to next digit, look to see if end of phone number has been reached and return to above routine for next set of pulses. If no buttons have been pressed during dialling, I will still contain 00 (from above) and program will scroll name and number. If any other key has been pressed, program will scroll name and number. If any other key has been pressed, program will loop with blank screen until D pressed.
BEEP			This is the end of the MAIN PROGRAM. The sub- reutines below are called by the main program.
PUSH AF PUSH BC LD B,20 LD A,80 LD C,20 OUT (01),A DEC C JR NZ,090A LD C,20 XOR A OUT (01),A DEC C JR NZ,0904 JR NZ,0904 JR NZ,0904 CALL PAUSE	0900 0901 0902 0904 0908 0908 090B 090B 090B 0901 0915 0915	F5 C5 06 20 3E 80 0E 20 D3 01 0D FD 0E 20 AF D3 01 0D E20 FD 05 EC CD 72 09	Registers A, B and C are used in this sub-routine and thus they must be pused onto the stack and saved. Reg B holds the number of cycles for the beep routine Register A turns on the speaker bit. Reg C holds the turn-on cycles for the spkr. The spkr is turned on via OUT (e1),A and a delay created via register C for 32 loops. The same OFF delay period is created via register C for an even 'mark-space' ratio for the speaker. The count register (register B) is decremented and the program loops until B is zero.
POP BC POP AF RETURN	091C 091D	C1 F1 C9	Registers A, B and C are popped off the stack and will contain the original values and before the routine. Return to the main program.
CLEAR	-,	-,	
LD D.07 XOR A LD HL.0A80 LD (HL),A INC HL DEC D JR NZ,0926 RETURN	0920 0922 0923 0926 0927 0928 0929	16 07 AF 21 80 0A 77 23 15 20 FB C9	This routine clears the 6 display locations QAS6 to QAS5 and also QAS6 by zeroing A and loading HL with start address of buffer zone and loading zero into the location pointed to by HL. INC HL. DEC D and jump for 7 loops.
KEY VALUE	•		
LD DE,0A00 LD A,1 CP 0A JR NC,0952 INC HL LD C,A ADD A,E LD E,A CALL SHIFT LD A,(DE) LD (HL),A LD (0A\$5),A LD 0,FF LD I, A,(09FE) DEC A LD (09FE),A RET Z CALL SCAN JR 0930	0930 0933 0935 0937 0938 0938 0938 0938 0940 0941 0945 0947 0948 0947 0950 0952 0955 0958	11 00 0A ED 57 FE 0A 30 19 13 4F 83 5F CD E1 09 1A 77 32 65 0A 3E FF 3A FE 09 32 FE 09 CB AF FE 0E CB	Load DE to point to beginning of number table. Load key value into accumulator. Compare with 0.A and jump if the key value is A-F or not pressed or go to next instruction if 0.9. INC HL (used when creating phone number) Save A in C. ADD the start of table to A (table may start at 0.A03!). Make DE ready to point at value in table. SHIFT display contents one place to left. Load byte from number table into accumulator. Load number byte into loaction in BLOCK. and also into right hand display. Load A with FF and then into 1 to detact when another key has been pressed. **eyEs caontains 0.1 via beginning of of main program and KEY YALUE is called once. O: *eyEs contains 1C to keep track on the number of locations being filled in the BLOCK. Zero A. Compare accumulator with E and RETURN if E key is pushed. Otherwise call SCAN and display the contents of the 6 memory locations. Jump to stat of KEY VALUE sub-routine and loop until 0.9 pressed.
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Decrement to **0F80** and push GO. Make sure the non-volatile RAM switch is on RAM (read/write) so that the data will be accepted. Check that the program has been dumped by addressing 1000 and compare the data with the listing.

If you have inserted names and numbers into index locations and want to save them, address **0F80** and push GO. Make sure the RAM card is in read/write mode and everything will be saved.

Switch to ROM mode and everything will

You can now turn the TEC off.

To transfer the program back to **0800**, address **1780** and change 2 of the bytes to the following:

11 00 08 - 21 00 10 - 01 90 07 these two bytes are changed ED Bo

Decrement to 1789 and push GO. The RAM card should be in ROM MODE for this operation.

Push GO again and the program will run.

All names and numbers will be available.

AUTO REDIAL

An automatic re-dial facility can also be included so that the number automatically re-dials after say 5 or 10 minutes: if the number was originally engaged. This is very handy for those occassions when you particularly want to contact a person and their number is busy. By the time you get around to calling again, they have gone!

A simple addition to the program can be fitted in at **05BE** and this will create a delay by counting the number of times the name and phone number scroll past the display. This is only a suggestion and we have not actually produced the program for re-dial.

Register E is the 'count register' and the Register E is the count register and the remainder of the program remains the same. The only bytes you will have to change are jump relative values as well as the jump value at **09B4.** You may also need a subroutine and a flag to pick up redial mode.

Here is a suggested AUTO RE-DIAL program for insertion at **08B4**:

LD E,40 DEC E JR Z CALL CLEAR CALL MEMORY ADDR CALL SCROLL CP 10 JR Z CALL CLEAR

JR

MEMORY ADDRESS

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LD HL,0B00 LD A,(09FC) LD D,20 CP 00 RET Z INC HL DEC D JR NZ,096B DEC A JR 0966	0960 0963 0966 0968 0968 096B 096B 096F 0967	21 00 0B 3A FC 09 16 20 FE 00 C8 23 15 20 FC 3D 18 F4
PAUSE XOR A OUT (01),A LD DE,02FF DEC DE LD A,E OR D RETURN	0972 0973 0975 0978 0979 097B 097B	AF D3 01 11 FF 02 1B 7B B2 20 FB C9

Memory Address sub-routine locates the beginning of the name and phone number block. Each block is 20H bytes long (32 bytes) and memory starts at **0800.**The BLOCK No is stored at **09fC** and the program increments 20H loops for each block by decrementing register D to zero, then decrementing register A by ONE. This is repeated until A is zero. The sub-routine then exits. HL pair is constantly incremented during this program and will point to the start of the block we want.

Pause produces a silence from the speaker by outputting zero to port 01. Register DE is decremented and 'wastes computer time' for about 1/10th second. This sub-routine then returns to where it has been called.

SCAN 1 PUSH HL
PUSH DE
LD C,20
LD HL,0A80
LD D,06
LD B,20
LD A,(HL)
OUT (02),A
LD A,C
OUT (01),A
RRC C E5 D5 0E 20 21 80 0A 16 06 06 20 7E D3 02 79 D3 01 CB 09 10 FE AF D3 01 DJNZ 0993
XOR A
OUT (01),A
INC HL
LD A,I
D A,I
T Z,0949 DE C D
JR Z,0982 DEC D
JR NZ,0989
POP DE
POP HL
RETURN
POP DE
POP HL
LD A,FF
LD JP 0800
POP HL
JP 0800
POP HL 23 ED 57 FE oC 28 0A FE 0D 28 OF 15 20 E3 D1 Ei C9 D1 E1 3E FF ED 47 C3 00 08 D1

The SCAN routine uses H, L and D registers and thus they must be pushed onto the stack and saved. Load HL with start of display buffer. The routine displays 6 locations. The left-hand displays is accessed via line '20'. Load B with a short delay value. Load the byte at the first location into A. Output to port 02. Load C into A. and output to port 01. This will turn on left-hand display. Rotate register C to the right for the next display. Short delay via register B. Zero A. and output to port 01. Load to the control of the c

Look at next memory location.
Load the keyboard value into A.
Look to see if CLEAR has been pressed. Jump if it has.

DEC D ready for outputting to the next display.

Jump relative if D is not zero.

Pop DE and HL register pairs off the stack.

and RETURN to the main program. the I register with FF so that the program will detect when another key has been pressed.

Jump to **0500.**POP DE and HL and jump to **05BB** if D (DIALS) has been pressed

SCAN 2 PUSH HL PUSH DE E5 D5 0E 20 21 80 0A 16 06 06 20 7E D3 02 OADO
OAD1
OAD2
OAD4
OAD7
OAD9
OADE
OADE
OADE
OAE3
OAE6
OAE6
OAEA
OAEC PÜSH DE LD C,20 LD HL,0A80 LD D,06 LD B,20 LD A,(HL) OUT (02),A LD A,C OUT (01),A RRC C DJNZ 0AE3 XOR A OUT (01),A INC HL 79 D3 01 CB 09 10 FE AF D3 01 23 15 20 ED D1 E1 C9 DEC D DEC D DR NZ,0AD9 POP DE POP HL RETURN

SCAN 2 is identical to SCAN 1 in the scanning section. The only difference is the 'checking' instructions, to see if a particular key is pressed. SCAN 1 above checks to see if a function key is pressed, whereas SCAN 2 per

By careful programming both routines could be incorporated into one. This would require a 'check bit' and if 'set', the sub-routine would check the function keys.

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