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REFERENCE MANUAL

FOR

MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC II <sup>PLUS</sup>

SUPPLEMENTARY VOLUME TO THE TI EXTENDED BASIC REFERENCE MANUAL

FOR TEXAS INSTRUMENTS TI-99/4A HOME COMPUTERS

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# INTRODUCTION

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## INTRODUCTION

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Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup> exceeds the possibilities of TI Extended BASIC considerably with enhanced capability and flexibility. About 60 powerful commands and statements have been added.

Méchatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup> is consisting of three major elements:

### 1. Standard Extended BASIC

The Standard Extended BASIC is a copy of the original TI Extended BASIC (version 110) and is manufactured under license of Texas Instruments. An extensive description of this powerful programming language can be found in the reference manual for TI Extended BASIC.

### 2. Extended Statement Set

More than 20 new statements provide additional features, which are on the one hand - even with high programming effort - not achievable with the Standard Extended BASIC, on the other hand, efficient simplifications in program development and significant increasing of the processing speed.

Examples are the hardcopy routine, direct access to the VDF RAM, moving of memory blocks, saving and loading of blocks to and from cassette recorders and other external devices.

The extended statement set of Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup> will be discussed in part 2 of this manual. Interesting hints about the use of the VDF RAM are in the addendum (part 4) of this manual.

### 3. High Resolution Graphic

High resolution graphic allows to adress every single pixel of the screen using all 16 foreground and background colors. 40 powerful graphic statements are available to draw lines, circles, rectangles, arcs, circle diagrams etc., to save and load the graphics on disettes, or to make hard copies. The graphic statements are written in TMS 9900 assembly language and do only work with a connected 32K byte RAM expansion. The statement set of the high resolution graphic has been implemented under license of Apesoft, Micro Computer Software, Austria. These statements are discussed in part 3 of this manual.

Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup> is fully compatible with TI Extended BASIC or Mechatronic (Standard) Extended BASIC. This means, every program written with Extended BASIC (version 110), will work with Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup> too. Owners of Mechatronic (Standard) Extended BASIC can get their modules upgraded by their retailers. This is not possible with original TI Extended BASIC modules.

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## PRINCIPLE OF EXTENDED BASIC II<sup>MUS</sup>

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### PRINCIPLE OF MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC II<sup>MUS</sup>

Extended BASIC II<sup>MUS</sup> has two screen output operating modes available, which are called STANDARD MODE and GRAPHIC MODE. Both operating modes may be changed during program execution.

The standard mode is available after plugging in the module and choosing MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC. All statements, commands, and functions of (standard) Extended BASIC are available plus the extended statement set. The 32K byte RAM expansion is not required, but it can be used. In standard mode the statements of the high resolution graphic are not available.

The graphic mode will be gotten by following actions:

1.) Initializing of RAM expansion and transferring of graphic statement set with the command

CALL APESOFT

before loading or typing in any program.

2.) Switching to the graphic mode with the statement

CALL LINK("GRAFIC",MODUS)

In graphic mode are all those statements of the standard mode prohibited affecting any screen output. The reason is the different kind of manipulation of screen outputs by the TI-99/4A in standard mode and in graphic mode. Included are all sprite statements and the sound statement. A detailed assignment list of all statements to both operating modes can be found in the addendum (part 4).

The graphic mode can be quit on two ways

1.) Reset into standard mode with the statement:

CALL LINK("BYEBYE")

This is the only defined methode returning back into standard mode!

2.) Program interruption (in graphic mode) caused by

BREAK, STOP, END, FCTN 4 or program error

Breaks cause an undefined condition, but they are often unavoidable. Continuing the program uncontrolled will result unpleasant side effects (which may be explored by the user himself). Depending, if the program shall be continued in graphic mode or in standard mode, the first executed statement after the break must be a CALL LINK("GRAFIC",MODUS) or a CALL LINK("BYEBYE")

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## STANDARD MODE - GRAPHIC MODE

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Correct application of the graphic mode may be compared with the call for a subroutine!

CALL APESOFT in direct mode before loading of any program  
immediately after selection of Extended BASIC

```
*****
*          *          *          *
*  STANDARD MODE  *          *          *
*          *          *          *
*****
```

```
xxx REM start of program
xxx REM in standard mode
```

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```
xxx REM switching to
xxx REM graphic mode
xxx REM
xxx CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",0)
```

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```
xxx REM program segment in
xxx REM graphic mode
```

|

```
xxx REM quit
xxx REM graphic mode
xxx REM
xxx CALL LINE ("BYEBYE")
```

|

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```
xxx REM segment in
xxx REM standard mode
```

|

```
xxx REM end of program
```

In graphic mode are maximum 2 opened files at once permitted.  
Therefore CALL FILES should not be applied.

CALL CLRARE quits the graphic mode and causes a reset to the initial condition, just after selection of MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC. However, all stored programs and data will be erased.

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## EXTENDED STATEMENT SET

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Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup> extends the TI Extended BASIC. More than 20 new statements provide additional features, which are on the one hand - even with high programming effort - not achievable with the Standard Extended BASIC, on the other hand, efficient simplifications in program development and significant increasing of the processing speed.

The screen copy feature with a line printer is implemented as well as the choice the save or load screen displays or other segments of memory from and to cassette or diskette.

All extended statements are available in standard mode. They can be also applied in graphic mode if they do not affect screen outputs. A detailed assignment list of all statements to both operating modes can be found in the addendum (part 4).

Following system configuration is required if the standard mode shall be applied:

TI-99/4A + Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup>

Useful, but not essentially:

- + 32k byte RAM expansion
- + Disk system
- + Printer (with graphic capabilities)

### CAUTION

The power supply of the 32k byte RAM expansion may be not provided by the TI-99/4A - Overheating!

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## BHCOFY

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### FORMAT

CALL BHCOFY("FILE NAME";"ESC-SEQUENCE")

### DESCRIPTION

This subroutine generates a hardcopy of the screen on line printers operating in the BIT IMAGE MODE. Sprites will not be considered.

All valid file names of connected peripheral devices may be used, e.g. "RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR" or "FIO.CR". The extension .CR is important for correct working of the subroutine. Serial interfaces (RS232) need to use 8 data bits and the appropriate extension ".DA=8". Of course the printer has to be set internal to 8 data bits, too.

Concerning the ESC sequence the reference manual of the printer should be taken into consideration. BHCOFY is sending at the beginning of every line ESC (=CHR\$(27)), followed by the inserted string sequence (up to 10 characters), than the characters CHR\$(0), CHR\$(1) (for 256 following bytes), than 256 bytes, corresponding to the hardcopy of one line, and finally "CR" (=CHR\$(13)). Many line printers will have good results if the ESC sequence "L" or "K" is applied.

### EXAMPLES

CALL BHCOFY("RS232.DA=8.CR","L")

CALL BHCOFY("FIO.CR","K")

Program examples can be found in the description of BHCOFY and in the section of HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION in Part 3.

NOTE,

LINEFEED MUST BE SET BEFORE BHCOFY IS CALLED

SEE PAGE 79 PROGRAM LINES 260 - 290



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## VPEEK

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### FORMAT

CALL VPEEK (ADDRESS, NUMERIC VARIABLE LIST)

### DESCRIPTION

The VPEEK subroutine allows to read directly the contents of the memory addresses in the VDF RAM. To the first NUMERIC VARIABLE of the variable list will be assigned the content of that memory location, which has been called via ADDRESS. All subsequent variables of the variable list get assigned the bytes of the appropriate subsequent addresses. The value set of one byte is 0 through 255.

It has to be considered, that the address range of the VDF RAM is 0 through 16383. Entering higher values can cause malfunctions of the computer.

### EXAMPLES

Character patterns are stored in VDF area >03F0 through >077F (decimal: 1008 through 1919). The definition of one character requires 8 bytes. Beginning with the address 1008 and the subsequent 7 addresses is stored the character pattern identifier of the cursor (ASCII code 30). It may be read by:

```
100 CALL VPEEK(1008,A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H)
110 PRINT A;B;C;D;E;F;G;H
```

Resulting appear in screen 8 decimal numbers:

```
0 124 124 124 124 124 124 124
```

The appropriate values in hexadecimal notation are:

```
00 7C 7C 7C 7C 7C 7C 7C
```

Used in a CALL CHAR statement (with an ASCII code > 31) will result the shape of the cursor again.

The proposal of a computer magazine is to change the cursor as following:

```
CALL VPOKE(1008,60,126,219,255,231,189,195,126)
```

Beginning on address 1008 (1. value) will be stored 8 subsequent decimal values, corresponding to the hexadecimal pattern identifiers, e used in CALL CHAR statements.

By the way, the cursor modification will be preserved also after the break of programs.

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## VPOKE

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### FORMAT

CALL VPOKE (ADDRESS, NUMERIC VALUE LIST)

### DESCRIPTION

The VPOKE subprogram allows to write bytes directly to addresses of the VDF RAM.

Numeric data will be subsequently written into memory beginning with the location ADDRESS.

Uncovered use of VPOKE can result malfunctions of the computer. A system crash may occur, which forces the user to switch off his system for a moment, getting it running again. However, this will cause the total loss of program and data, if no back up is available.

### EXAMPLES

The screen image with  $32 \times 24 = 768$  characters is contained in VDF segment 0000 through 02FF (decimal 0 through 767). The characters are stored with an offset of 96 of their ASCII codes. This means the stored byte is the ASCII code of the appropriate character plus 96.

To poke the word "COMPUTER" in the screen following command has to be entered:

```
CALL VPOKE (355, 163, 175, 173, 176, 181, 190, 165, 178)
```

355 is the screen address (0 represents the upper left, 767 the lower right corner of the screen). Beginning with this address the ASCII codes plus 96 of the "COMPUTER" characters will be subsequently stored. The value 163 is the result of the sum of ASCII code 67 (for C) plus the offset 96.

More details about VDF RAM use will be found in the Addendum (part 4).

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## GPEEK

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### FORMAT

GPEEK (ADDRESS, NUMERIC VARIABLE LIST)

### DESCRIPTION

The GPEEK subroutine allows to read the contents of addresses in GROMs in the computer. The functions are corresponding to CALL PEEL.

More details about GROMs and the programming language GFL, also used in the TI-99/4A, can be found in the book:

TI-99/4A INTERN

written by Heiner Martin. (Verlag für Technik und Handwerk GmbH, Baden-Baden, Germany, 1985.)

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## ALLSET

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### FORMAT

CALL ALLSET

### DESCRIPTION

CALL ALLSET resets the characters with the ASCII codes 32 through 126 to their initial definitions.

CALL ALLSET works correspondingly to the statement CALL CHARSET from Extended BASIC, but considers also the lower cases. This can be interesting e.g. in programs being loaded after the execution of ones, used redefined character images.

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## WAIT

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### FORMAT

CALL WAIT(DURATION)

### DESCRIPTION

CALL WAIT causes delays. DURATION can get assigned a value from 0 to 16382. The delay time in seconds is the value of DURATION divided by 50. So the assignment of 1000 represents a delay of 20 seconds.

The delay will be broken if any key is pressed. Values exceeding the allowed range do not get useful time delays or cause an error message.

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## MOVE

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### FORMAT

CALL MOVE (MODUS, START ADDRESS, TARGET ADDRESS, BYTES)

### DESCRIPTION

CALL MOVE allows to move contents of memory blocks within the RAM. There are four different modes available:

- 1 = Source VDP RAM, drain VDP RAM
- 2 = Source VDP RAM, drain CPU RAM
- 3 = Source CPU RAM, drain VDP RAM
- 4 = Source CPU RAM, drain CPU RAM

Mode values lower than 1 or higher than 4 cause an error message.

CALL MOVE can be used to save the screen. If there are loaded no assembly language programs the screen area can be moved (copied) by:

```
CALL MOVE(2,0,8192,768)
```

into the Low Memory Expansion and can be removed by:

```
CALL MOVE(3,8192,0,768)
```

back to the screen.

Uncovered use of CALL MOVE may cause malfunctions of the computer. Total loss of program and data can be the result. Parts of program or variables may be overwritten. Detailed knowledge of the memory mapping use is essentially before applying CALL MOVE.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM *** MOVING DISPLAY ***
110 CALL CLEAR
120 CALL VFOFE(1072,233,153,233,137,142,0,0,0,46,48,44,34,220,0,0,0)
130 DISPLAY AT(2,2):"Moved screen segment by": : " CALL MOVE"
140 DISPLAY AT(20,2):"That is the power of": : " MECHATRONIC
": : " EXTENDED BASIC II?"
150 CALL MOVE(1,608,448,160)
160 FOR X=1 TO 450
170 CALL MOVE(1,164,163,445)
180 NEXT X
190 CALL WAIT(200)
200 GOTO 140
```

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## MSAVE

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### FORMAT

CALL MSAVE("FILE NAME",START ADDRESS,RYTES)

### DESCRIPTION

CALL MSAVE saves segments of the CPU RAM contents in program format to an external device.

This allows also to store assembly programs on cassette recorder.

```
) CALL MSAVE("CS1",8192,8192)
```

saves the complete available RAM segment for assembly language programs. There may be saved up to 8192 bytes. Of course, as FILE NAME can be used every valid file name, like "DSK1.SCREEN".

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM *** SAVE SCREEN ***
110 CALL CLEAR 'Test also without this line
120 REM DEFINE PLUS MARK
130 CALL VFOFE(1072,233,153,233,137,142,0,0,0,46,48,44,34,220,0,0,0)
140 REM WRITE TEXT
150 CALL HCHAR(10,1,32,150)
160 CALL VFOFE(363,173,165,163,169,161,180,178,175,174,169,163)
170 CALL VFOFE(423,165,184,180,165,174,164,165,164,128,162,161,179,
169,167,128,169,169,134,135)
180 CALL WAIT(100)
190 REM MOVE SCREEN IMAGE
200 CALL MOVE(2,0,8192,768)
210 CALL CLEAR
220 PRINT "SCREEN IMAGE WILL BE SAVED ON DISKETTE.....": :"...
AND WILL BE RELOADED NOW"
230 CALL MSAVE("DSK1.SCREEN",8192,768)
240 REM ..GET IT BACK
250 CALL MLOAD("DSK1.SCREEN")
260 CALL MOVE(3,8192,0,768)
270 CALL WAIT(300)
280 REM COPY SEGMENT
290 CALL MOVE(1,363,5,100)
300 CALL WAIT(300)
```

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## MLOAD

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### FORMAT

CALL MLOAD("FILE NAME",MODUS)

### DESCRIPTION

CALL MLOAD loads program files into CPU RAM being saved before by CALL MSAVE. So CALL MLOAD is just the opposite statement of CALL MSAVE.

As FILE NAME may be used any valid file name.

MODUS may be left out in Extended BASIC.

The numeric MODUS value 0 will cause an automatic start of an assembly language program saved in program format. Before starting, the VDF RAM in this case will be organized using the assembler standard mapping.

CALL MLOAD can load any file in program format (also BASIC programs), without causing an error message. However, correct working is only possible with assembler files in program format or RAM contents, being saved before by CALL MSAVE.

CALL MSAVE and CALL MLOAD claim a pritty big area of the VDF RAM, which sometimes can cause a memory overflow.



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## BYE

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### FORMAT

CALL BYE

### DESCRIPTION

With the statement CALL BYE can be quit the BASIC mode of the TI-99/4A. CALL BYE has the same function as the command BYE, excepted that it can be used in programs.

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## NEW

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### FORMAT

CALL NEW

### DESCRIPTION

CALL NEW as a statement clears memory and screen and prepares the computer for input of new programs. After execution of the CALL NEW statement appears \* READY \* on the screen. Opposite to the command NEW from Extended BASIC the CALL NEW statement allows a program controlled erasing of the loaded BASIC program.

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## RESTORE

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### FORMAT

CALL RESTORE (NUMERIC VARIABLE)

### DESCRIPTION

CALL RESTORE prepares the computer for the next DATA statement to be considered. VARIABLE contains that line number, the computer starts to look for the next DATA statement, executing a READ statement.

The RESTORE statement of Extended BASIC can only use a numeric value (not a variable), which can cause a relatively high programming effort.

### CAUTION

If numeric values instead of numeric variables are used for line numbers in the CALL RESTORE statement, there will be no line number correction after execution of a RESEQUENCE command.

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## QUITOF - QUITON

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### FORMAT

CALL QUITOF  
CALL QUITON

### DESCRIPTION

CALL QUITOF suspends the function of the QUIT key (FCTN =). This means, that unwished pressing of QUIT causes not longer fatal actions like the total loss of program and data.

CALL QUITON reactivates the QUIT function. This means after pressing the QUIT key, the master screen will appear.

### ACHTUNG

CALL QUITOF is not reset by the operating system. This effect will be preserved even after execution of BYE or NEW. The QUIT function can only be reactivated by executing CALL QUITON or switching off the system for some moments.

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## SPROF - SPRON

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### FORMAT

CALL SPROF  
CALL SPRON

### DESCRIPTION

CALL SPROF stops any motion of all sprites at once.

CALL SPRON reactivates the motion of all sprites at once. Of course, the motion of sprites has to be enabled before by CALL MOTION or CALL SPRITE.

### CAUTION

CALL SPROF is not reset by the operating system. This effect will be preserved even after execution of EYE or NEW. The function can only be reactivated by executing CALL SPRON or switching off the system for some seconds.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM *** SPRITE STOP - SPRITE GO ***
110 CALL CLEAR
120 DISPLAY AT(2,2):"SPRITE STOP AND GO using": : " CALL SPROF and
CALL SPRON"
130 A=1
140 CALL CHAR(126,"FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF")
150 CALL MAGNIFY(2)
160 FOR X=1 TO 4
170 CALL SPRITE(#X,126,2,124,124)
180 NEXT X
190 CALL COLOR(#1,5,#2,7,#3,7,#4,5)
200 CALL LOCATE(#2,124,140,#3,140,124,#4,140,140)
210 CALL WAIT(200)
220 CALL SPROF
230 CALL MOTION(#4,0,124,#3,0,124,#2,0,124,#1,0,124)
240 FOR I=1 TO 5
250 CALL SPRON
260 CALL WAIT(200)
270 CALL SPROF
280 CALL WAIT(200)
290 NEXT I
300 CALL DELSPRITE(ALL)
310 CALL ALLSET
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## SCREENOF - SCREENON

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### FORMAT

CALL SCREENOF  
CALL SCREENON

### DESCRIPTION

CALL SCREENOF is used to switch the screen display off. Hereby the contents of the VDF RAM will not be lost, only the data transfer to the monitor will be disabled.

CALL SCREENON reactivates the screen display.

After a program break the screen display will be reactivated automatically.

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## FIND

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### FORMAT

CALL FIND("GET-STRING","STRING ARRAY"(),RETURN VARIABLE)

### DESCRIPTION

The FIND Subroutine looks in a onedimensional string array for a term assigned to GET STRING. The numeric RETURN VARIABLE contains the element number, in which the term is found. If the term is not found the return variable becomes -1.

### EXAMPLES

The following sample demonstrates how fast a 10 digit string will be found in an array with 1000 elements, if the array has to be completely tested.

```
100 REM *** FINDTEST ***
110 CALL CLEAR
120 PRINT "PERFORMANCE TEST OF CALL FIND": : :
130 PRINT "LOADING THE ARRAY": :
140 B$="TESTTESTTEST"
150 DIM A$(1000)
160 FOR X=1 TO 1000
170 A$(1)="TESTTESTTEST"
180 NEXT X
190 A$(1000)="TESTTESTTEST"
200 PRINT "SEARCHING"
210 CALL FIND(B$,A$(),B)
220 PRINT "FOUND IN ELEMENT";B
230 END
```

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## PRINZIPL OF THE GRAPHIC

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### PRINZIPL OF THE HIGH RESOLUTION GRAPHIC

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Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup> meets the desire of the TI-99/4A owner for High Resolution Graphics! Using the graphic mode, the powerful graphic capabilities of the computer are displayed.

The addressing of each pixel of the screen becomes possible - all this in 16 foreground and background colors! 40 powerful graphic routines are available and can be applied by Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup>.

The graphic copy feature by a matrix printer is implemented by software, too. Generating of the graphics works superfast. All the routines are written in the 16 bit TMS 9900 assembler code. It is creative und fun to watch the graphic mode at work.

For application of the graphic mode the following hardware configuration is essential:

TI-99/4A + Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup> module  
+ 32 K RAM expansion

useful but not essential:

+ Floppy disk system  
+ Printer (with graphic capabilities)  
and appropriate interface

### WARNING

The power supply of the RAM expansion must not be provided by the TI-99/4A - O V E R L O A D I N G !



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## WORKING IN THE GRAPHIC MODE

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### WORKING IN THE GRAPHIC-MODE

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The principle of the statements in the graphic mode is very simple. The graphic is a cursor or plotter graphic.

The screen is the drawing sheet, and when initiating the "GRAFIC" mode the cursor or drawing pen will appear at position 1, 120 in the drawing window (left bottom corner), ready to start operating along the horizontal axis at the angle of 0 degrees. Simultaneously it is the 0-point of the system of user defined coordinates.

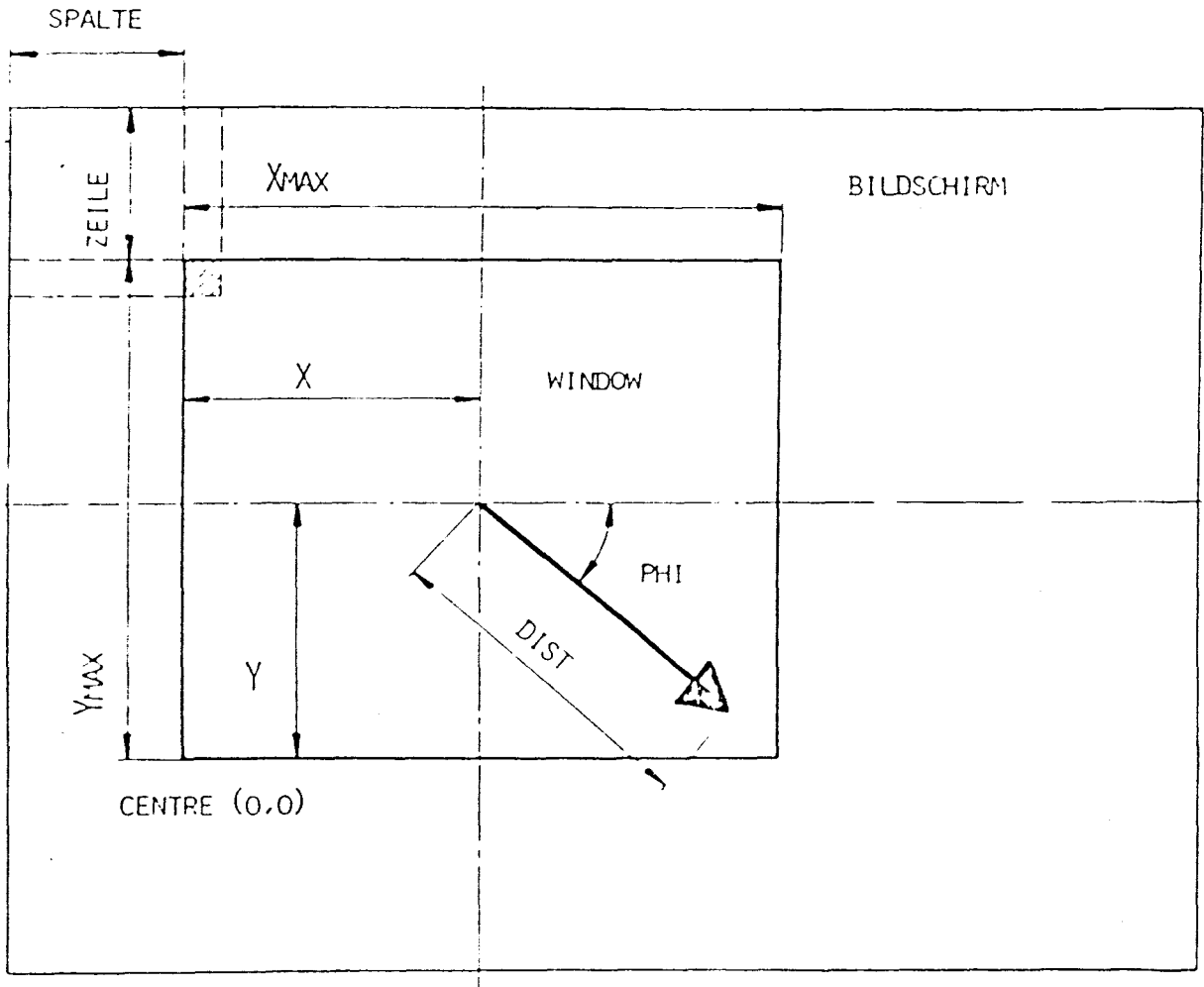
Using simple graphic commands, the cursor is directed across the screen (see fig. 1). All coordinates are identical to mathematical ones.

Thus lines, circles, squares, ellipses, arcs and many other figures can be drawn or erased. Complex geometrical figures, diagrams and so on can be generated on the screen in a very high speed.

All this is available for the TI-99/4A in all colors with the resolution of 256 \* 192 pixels. The graphics can be stored on a floppy disk for later use.

Using the graphic mode you have a powerful programming-tool for the interesting realisation of your programs. The graphic statements are simple and easy to learn.

# CONTROLLING THE CURSOR



```
CALL LINE ("WINDOW", ROW, COLUMN)  
CALL LINE ("SETTO", X, Y)  
CALL LINE ("TURNTO", PHI)  
CALL LINE ("MOVE", DIST)
```

Fig. 1) PRINZIPLE OF CURSOR CONTROLLING

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## LOADING THE GRAPHIC INSTRUCTION SET

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### LOADING THE GRAPHIC INSTRUCTION SET

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- 1) Insert Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MUS</sup> Module
- 2) Switch on disk drives (if available)
- 3) Switch on 32K-RAM-Expansion or Peripheral System
- 4) Switch on Monitor und TI-99/4A
- 5) Select MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC on main menu
- 6) Enter → CALL AFESDFT

The entry of graphic programs is now enabled.

### WARNING

Entering

CALL AFESDFT

after loading any BASIC program will erase this program.

CALL AFESDFT closes all opened files, loads the graphic routines into the RAM expansion, reserves required space in the VDF RAM, and executes a "NEW", deleting stored BASIC programs.

### NOTE

The number of opened files in graphic mode is limited to 2 files. After entering CALL AFESDFT should no CALL FILES be executed.

### ERROR MESSAGES

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Error messages in graphic mode are not always correct, after execution of graphic statements.

All conventional errors are trapped correctly by Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MUS</sup>. Sometimes the TI-99/4A can fail after an interrupt with "FCIN CLEAR" or by choosing a subroutine and can be initialized only by being switched off for a short period.

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## GRAPHIC STATEMENTS

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The BASIC control of the high resolution graphic consists of a number of very powerful commands. They simplify the development of complicated graphics tremendously. They are BASIC support commands and are constituted:

CALL LINE ("PROCEDURE NAME", PARAMETER \*(,PARAMETER,.....)\*)

CALL LINE connects the BASIC and ASSEMBLER program. PROCEDURE NAME actuates a certain TMS 9900 routine. PARAMETERS are optional.

Terms in \*(\*) can be repeated at random. A block up to 15 parameters can be entered at a time.

Depending on the requirements the following parameters are allowed:

- Numeric constants
- Numeric variables
- Numeric array elements
- Numeric terms
- String constants
- String variables
- String array elements
- String terms

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## APESOFT

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### FORMAT

CALL APESOFT

### DESCRIPTION

The CALL APESOFT command transfers the high resolution statement set into the RAM expansion - with reservation it is available and operational.

Please note that CALL APESOFT is a command, which can be only executed in direct mode.

CALL APESOFT has following functions:

- All opened files will be closed
- The graphic statements will transferred into RAM expansion.
- Reservation of required VDF RAM space for graphic executions.
- NEW will be executed -  
this will erase any loaded BASIC program.

After execution of CALL APESOFT any CALL FILES should be avoided!

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## CLRAPE

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### FORMAT

CALL CLRAPE

### DESCRIPTION

CALL CLRAPE restores the initial condition, just like after selection of MECHATNIC EXTENDED BASIC. It can be performed only after execution of CALL APESOFT, otherwise a Syntax Error will be the result.

CALL CLRAPE performs following actions:

- Transacting CALL INIT
- Reset of the VDP RAM
- Closing of all opened files
- Executing a NEW,  
erasing the stored program in memory.

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## GRAFIC

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### FORMAT

CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",MODUS)

### DESCRIPTION

This command signalizes to the computer the graphic mode and initializes all its registers.

A graphic table with maximum 128 vertical and maximum 120 horizontal lines is defined. This table section is in graphic mode available for random addressing of every pixel.

The restriction to  $128 * 120 = 15.360$  pixels is necessary. Otherwise there would not remain enough storage space in the VDF RAM of the console for BASIC programs, string variables and so on.

In addition the direct addressing of  $192 * 256 = 50.176$  pixels needs the storage of the 121 bytes VDF RAM; character table and color tables overwrite the buffer addresses of the BASIC interpreter.

Since the graphic table can be transmitted on the screen at random there are  $256 * 196 = 50.176$  pixels to be addressed individually.

CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",MODUS) defines the following internal parameters:

FHI=0	Starting angle of the cursor
TABLEWIDTH	16
FOREGROUND COLOR	Green
BACKGROUND COLOR	Black

Some more internal parameters are depending on MODUS:

MODUS = 0	: Graphic mode (255 rows for graphic) 15 * 16 table rows and columns
X=1, Y=120	: Starting position of the cursor (0,0)-point
MODUS > 0	: Text mode (192 rows for graphic) 12 * 16 table rows and columns The commands "DSFLAY" and "ACCEPT" are available for input/output operations.
X=1, Y=88	: Starting position of the cursor (0,0)-point.

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## GRAFIC

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CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",MODUS) must be the first command before any graphic statement is entered. As soon as this command is executed the standard characters are lost. The conventional screen I/O commands do not get the expected results.

CALL LINE ("BYEBYE") removes the graphic mode and all I/O statements will work as usual.

With BREAK ("ECTN CLEAR") the program is interrupted and the standard status of the computer restored.

CONTINUE

however does not lead back to the graphic mode, unless the first command following CON is CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",MODUS)

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM SPIRAL
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINE ("WINDOW",3,8)
130 CALL LINE ("SETTO",64,60)
140 FOR DIST=5 TO 50 STEP 5
150 CALL LINE ("MOVE",DIST)
160 CALL LINE ("TURN",90)
170 NEXT DIST
180 GOTO 180
```

draws a pale green squareshaped spiral on a black background.



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## BYEBYE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINE ("BYEBYE")

### DESCRIPTION

"BYEBYE" removes the graphic mode. It reloads the standard character set and reinitializes the standard mode. SOUNDS and SPRITES can be used again. The Computer works as usual.

Before Executing of another graphil-statement must be passed a new CALL LINE ("GRAFIC",MODUS), otherwise the program execution will be interrupted with an error message.

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## WINDOW

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("WINDOW",ROW,COLLUMN).

CALL LINK("WINDOW",Z,S,ZA,SA,DZ,DS)

### DESCRIPTION

This command transmits sections of the graphic table or the complete graphic table to the screen and contains 2 formats.

The total graphic window (16\*8 columns, 15\*8 rows) is set on the screen position column (0-32) and row (0-24). The graphic window can be positioned partly or totally outside of the screen (24 rows, 32 columns).

Every graphic window, defined before the execution of

CALL LINK("WINDOW",COLUMN,ROW)

will be deleted, if one or both parameters are negative. Only the absolute terms of the parameters are evaluated.

The statement

CALL LINK("WINDOW",Z,S,ZA,SA,DZ,DS)

transmits sections of the graphic table to the screen.

the parameters mean:

- Z,S ..... Screen row (Z) and column (S) at which the upper left corner point of the graphic table is projected.
- ZA,SA ..... Upper left corner point of the graphic table where the projection will start.
- DZ ..... Number of characters of the graphic table in direction of rows
- DS ..... Number of characters of the graphic table in direction of columns

If Z or S or both are negative, every graphic window which is on the screen will be deleted before the new section is transmitted.

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## WINDOW

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### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM CIRCLES
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
130 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,1)
140 FOR R=2 TO 42 STEP 2
150 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",64,60,R)
160 NEXT R
170 CALL LINK("WINDOW",12,18)
180 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,19)
190 FOR I=1 TO 1000
200 NEXT I
210 CALL LINK("SETCOL",16,5)
220 FOR I=1 TO 500
230 NEXT I
240 CALL LINK("INVERT",1,1,128,120)
250 CALL LINK("WINDOW",4,-8)
260 GOTO 260
```

At first a number of concentric circles will appear at the left hand top corner of the screen. These will be copied line by line by 170 and 180 downwards to the left and right (triplled). Line 240 will move these circles back to the middle of the screen and the remaining circles are deleted. On its way the graphic is changing its color; it is inverted.

```
) 100 REM PYRAMIDES
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
130 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,1,1,1,10,10)
140 CALL LINK("WINDOW",17,1,1,13,17,13)
142 CALL LINK("WINDOW",13,1)
144 CALL LINK("WINDOW",13,17)
150 CALL LINK("TURNT0",45)
160 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,48)
170 FOR A=1 TO 36 STEP 2
180 CALL LINK("RECT",A,A,-A,A,-A,-A,A-A)
190 NEXT A
200 GOTO 200
```

In this example 4 top views of pyramides are drawn simultaneously. The statements in line 130 and 140 are performing this.

The upper left window is only a fragment because the statement 130 transmits only a section of the graphic table.

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## SETBLE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("SETBLE",WIDTH)

### DESCRIPTION

This command dimensions the graphic table.

WIDTH ..... Number of columns of the graphic table  
It can be varied from 1 to 32.

191 characters in the text mode and 255 characters in the graphic mode are available for the graphic table.

The height of the graphic table is depending on the width and is calculated:

HEIGHT = INT(255/WIDTH)            for graphic mode  
HEIGHT = INT(191/WIDTH)           for text mode

In this way higher and wider graphics can be generated.

### CAUTION

A "WINDOW" statement must follow every "SETBLE" statement. The "WINDOW" statement rearranges the screen, otherwise the graphic generation is not all right.

Simultaneously "SETBLE" defines the centre-point of the system of user defined coordinates at pixel position:

CENTRX = 1  
CENTRY = HEIGHT \* 8 = YMAX

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## CLTBLE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK ("CLTBLE")

### DESCRIPTION

This command erases the graphic table and also the graphic.

But the table sections which are transmitted by "WINDOW" statements to the screen remain for the input of new graphics.

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## TABLE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("TABLE",Z,S,XMAX,YMAX,BYTES)

### DESCRIPTION

This statement returns the present parameters of the graphic table to the following variables:

Z ..... Number of rows of the table  
S ..... Number of columns of the table  
XMAX ..... Maximal pixel columns of the table  
YMAX ..... Maximal pixel rows of the table  
BYTES ..... Number of bytes available for the  
                  graphic

Starting with row 1 and column 12 the character bytes in the graphic table are always arranged in ascending order.

The byte number is calculated:

$$\text{CHAR\#} = (\text{ROW} - 1) * \text{WIDTH} + \text{ROW} - 1$$

ROW ..... Row of the graphic table  
COLUMN ..... Column of the graphic table  
WIDTH ..... Absolute width of the graphic table  
CHAR# ..... Character byte number of the table

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## SETCOL

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK ("SETCOL", FOREGROUND COLOR, BACKGROUND COLOR)

CALL LINK ("SETCOL", N, FG, BG\*(, N1, FG1, BG1....)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

This command has two formats and defines foreground and background colors of the graphic.

All the 16 colors known in BASIC can be used either as foreground or as background colors. Several different foreground and background colors can be used simultaneously in one graphic.

If only two parameters are present in the parameter list, the foreground and background colors are altered simultaneously in the entire graphic.

If there are more than two parameters, "SETCOL" defines the foreground color (FG) and background color (BG) for the character sets specified by N.

Hereby the character sets for the rows of the graphic windows are defined as following:

8 following bytes construct a character set (0-7, 8-15, ... usw.).

Within the specifications of the above mentioned table, the foreground and background colors may be defined at random.

Thus a multitude of color combinations is possible.  
Using a parameter list, up to 5 color sets can be passed.

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## SETCOL

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Colors for rows and columns of the graphic area (width = 16):

ROWS	COLUMNS	
	1-7	8-16
1	1	2
2	3	4
3	5	6
4	7	8
5	9	10
6	11	12
7	13	14
8	15	16
9	17	18
10	19	20
11	21	22
12	23	24
13	25	26
14	27	28
15	29	30

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM LEAF
110 REM ****
120 RANDOMIZE
130 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
135 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
140 FOR PHI=0 TO 90 STEP 5
150 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,119)
160 CALL LINK("TURNT0",PHI)
170 CALL LINK("MOVE",1.2*PHI)
180 CALL LINK("TURNT0",180-PHI)
190 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,119)
200 CALL LINK("MOVE",1.2*PHI)
210 NEXT PHI
220 FOR DELAY=1 TO 500
230 NEXT DELAY
240 FG=2+14*RND
250 BG=2+14*RND
260 CALL LINK("SETCOL",FG,BG)
270 FOR DELAY=1 TO 500
280 NEXT DELAY
290 CALL LINK("INVERT",1,1,128,120)
300 GOTO 220
```

line 260 defines foreground and background color of the graphic, line 290 inverts foreground and background color.



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## INVERT

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### FORMAT

CALL LINE ("INVERT", X, Y, DX, DY)

### DESCRIPTION

When "INVERT" is called, foreground and background color of the graphic are swapped. The following parameters are necessary:

X, Y ..... Pixel position of the upper left corner of the graphic section which is interchanged.  
DX ..... Column pixel position of the section  
DY ..... Row pixel position of the section

Hereby in the section pixels which are set are deleted and vice versa.

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## CLSCRN

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("CLSCRN")

### DESCRIPTION

This command is similar in its effect to "CALL CLEAR" in BASIC! It deletes the graphic, the stored internal cursor parameters remain untouched.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM RANDOM STRAIGHT LINES
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",-3,8)
130 VG =2+10*RND
140 IF VG =3 THEN 130
150 CALL LINK("SETCOL",VG,2)
160 FOR I=1 TO 20
170 X=124*RND
180 Y=120*RND
190 CALL LINK("MOVETO",X,Y)
200 NEXT I
210 FOR J=1 TO 250
210 NEXT J
220 CALL LINK("CLSCRN")
230 FOR I=1 TO 500
240 NEXT I
250 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,1)
260 GOTO 125
```

This program example draws 20 lines successive, choosing direction randomly and starting from position (1,120) (line 190), clears the graphic (line 220) and starts the graphic again choosing the colors at random.

After a short time the statement "WINDOW" (line 250) shows that only the screen with line 220 has been erased, but the graphic in the table has remained untouched.

"WINDOW" with a negative parameter (line 125) effects "CLSCRN", before the section of the graphic table is brought in the screen'

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## CENTRE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINE("CENTRE",X,Y)

### DESCRIPTION

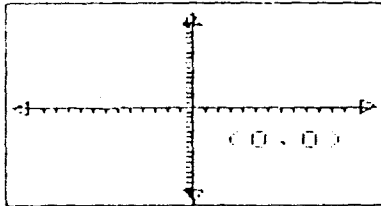
This statement defines the system of user defined coordinates:

X ..... X-coordinate of the 0-point in the graphic table

Y ..... Y-coordinate of the 0-point in the graphic table

```
CALL LINE("CENTRE",64,47)
```

```
(-64,-47)          (64,-47)
```



```
(-64,-47)          (64,-47)
```

Fig. 2): SYSTEM OF USER DEFINED COORDINATES

After a graphic statement the centre point is exact at position (1,100) (left bottom corner of the table).

With "CENTRE" this 0-point can be moved optionally, even outside of the table!

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## CENTRE

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### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM SYSTEM OF COORDINATES
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",1)
130 CALL LINK("WINDOW",7,8)
132 CALL LINK("SETTO",1,1)
134 CALL LINK("RECT",127,-87)
140 CALL LINK("CENTRE",64,44)
150 CALL LINK("AXIS",0,60,60,4,0,40,40,2)
160 CALL LINK("WRITE",8,10,"(0,0)")
170 CALL LINK("DSPLAY",1,5,26,">CALL LINK("CENTRE",
64,44)")
180 CALL LINK("DSPLAY",5,5,22,"(-64,+44) (64,+44)")
190 CALL LINK("DSPLAY",20,5,22,"(-64,-44) (64,-44)")
200 OPEN #1:"RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR",OUTPUT
210 PRINT #1:CHR$(27)&"A"&CHR$(8)
220 CLOSE #1
230 CALL BHCOPY("RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR","L")
240 STOP
```

This sample program produces the drawal of fig. 2 with an EPSON MX 80 or the similar Texas Instruments Line Printer PFP 2500.

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## SETTO

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"SETTO" sets pixels at the coordinates row Y, column X. On the screen are columns 1 through 128 and rows 1 through 120.

The range of the values has no restrictions. The coordinates may be positive or negative, its value high or low at random and may also be floating point numbers. They are internally rounded to the nearest integer number.

Numbers greater than 32.768 and less than -32.767 are displayed incorrectly. There will be no error message when this range is exceeded! When a parameter list is used up, to 7 pixels can be defined simultaneously.

The internal angle PHI of the cursor remains unchanged.

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## RESET

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### FORMAT

CALL LIN("RESET",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"RESET" deletes the pixels with the coordinates X,Y. All conditions made for "SETTO" are valid for "RESET", too.

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## IFSET

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### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("IFSET",X,Y,VAR*(,X1,Y1,VAR1,...)*)
```

### DESCRIPTION

This statement checks whether a pixel with the coordinates X,Y is set and the following values in the variables VAR are stated:

Pixel (X,Y)	set	VAR=-1
Pixel (X,Y)	deleted	VAR= 0
Pixel (X,Y)	outside the graphic window	VAR=+1

With one parameter list, up to 5 pixels can be checked simultaneously. Otherwise the conditions set up for "SETTO" and "RESET" apply.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM SINE
110 REM ****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
127 CALL LINK("CENTRE",4,60)
130 F1180=4*ATN(1)/180
140 CALL LINK("AXIS",0,0,118,5,0,50,50,5)
150 REM
160 FOR PHI=0 TO 360 STEP 2
170 X=PHI/3+20
180 Y=20*SIN(PHI*F1180)
190 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y,X,Y*1.5,X,Y*2)
200 NEXT PHI
210 FOR PHI=0 TO 360 STEP 2
220 X=PHI/3+20
230 Y=20*SIN(PHI*F1180)
240 CALL LINK("RESET",X,Y*1.5,X,Y*2)
250 NEXT PHI
260 X=INT(128*RND)+1
270 Y=INT(120*RND)+1
280 CALL LINK("IFSET",X,Y,A)
290 IF A=0 THEN 260
300 CALL LINK("BYEBYE")
310 CALL CLEAR
320 PRINT "POINT X=";X;"Y=";Y;": IS SET"
330 STOP
```

This program example draws 3 curves of sines (160-200), deletes it again (210-250) and stays in a holding loop until it has found a set pixel (280-290).

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## MOVE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("MOVE",DIST)

### DESCRIPTION

This statement draws a line of the length DIST, starting from the present cursor position with the internal angle PHI. The position DIST horizontally and vertically corresponds exactly with the number of pixels; the number of pixels themselves depends on the set angle. After performing DIST the cursor stops at the end coordinates (last stored pixel). PHI remains unchanged.

Positive values of DIST work in the present direction of the cursor, negative values work 180 degrees opposite. DIST can assume any value, although the range limits apply given under item SETTO.



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## REMOVE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK ("REMOVE",DIST)

### DESCRIPTION

"REMOVE" has the same effect as "MOVE", but here the pixels from position X,Y up to the DIST distant new position of the cursor are deleted.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM STAR
110 REM ****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 CALL LINK("WRITE",15,3,"THAT IS GRAPHIC")
140 FG=3+13*RND
150 CALL LINK("SETCOL",FG,2)
160 CALL LINK("SETTO",2,60)
170 CALL LINK("TURNT0",36)
180 FOR I=1 TO 10
190 CALL LINK("TURN",108)
200 CALL LINK("MOVE",60)
210 NEXT I
220 CALL LINK("SETTO",2,60)
230 CALL LINK("TURNT0",36)
240 FOR I=1 TO 10
250 CALL LINK("TURN",108)
260 CALL LINK("REMOVE",60)
270 NEXT I
280 GOTO 140
```

Through skilled application of a few commands a star is charmed onto the screen, then deleted and then the game starts again in different colors.

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## MOVETO

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("MOVETO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"MOVETO" draws a line from the present internal position of the cursor to the next by the parameter pair X and Y defined position.

The list of parameter can hold a maximum of 7 positions. If there are given more than 2 parameters, the line will always be drawn from the previous position to the next.

After the execution of "MOVETO" the cursor will remain at the last position given by the parameter list. The internal angle and the colors will remain unchanged with "MOVETO". Lines can also be drawn outside of the graphic window border.

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## REMVTO

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("REMVTO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"REMVTO" works like "MOVETO" with the difference that here the lines are deleted. All the conditions for "MOVETO" also apply to "REMVTO".

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM THREAD GRAPHIC
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 D=2.6
140 Z=125
150 S1=128
160 FOR S=1 TO 126 STEP 5
170 Z=Z-5
180 S1=S1-D
190 CALL LINK("SETTO",S,120)
200 CALL LINK("MOVETO",S1,
210 NEXT S
220 Z=125
230 S1=1
240 FOR S=126 TO 1 STEP -5
250 Z=Z-5
260 S1=S1+D
270 CALL LINK("SETTO",S,120)
280 CALL LINK("MOVETO",S1,Z)
290 NEXT S
300 GOTO 300
```

---

## TURN

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINE ("TURN", PHI)

### DESCRIPTION

This command adds to the present internal angle of the cursor the angle PHI in decimal degrees.

The limitations of the angle are +/- 2047 degrees. Internally the angle is modulated from 0-360 degrees.

The trigonometrical functions are generated by the computer via interpolation tables. Since the storage capacity is very limited the angles are interpolated in the range of 5 degrees. This may lead to inexact results when using intermediate values.

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## TURNTO

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("TURNTO",PHI)

### DESCRIPTION

This command imperatively sets the internal angle of the cursor to PHI (degrees). All limitations made for "TURN" also apply here.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM OCTAGONS
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
130 CALL LINK("WINDOW",4,5)
140 CALL LINK("WINDOW",6,19)
150 DIST=2
160 FOR S=28 TO 108 STEP 4
170 CALL LINK("SETTO",S,42)
180 CALL LINK("TURNTO",90)
190 DIST=DIST+2
200 FOR I=1 TO 8
210 CALL LINK("TURN",45)
220 CALL LINK("MOVE",DIST)
230 NEXT I
240 NEXT S
250 GOTO 250
```

---

## RECT

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### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("RECT",A,B*(,A1,B1,...)*)
```

### DESCRIPTION

Starting from its present position and the internal angle of the cursor "RECT" draws rectangles with the sequence

$$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$$

The rectangle turns clock-wise, if B is positive. The example shows the influence of the operational sign of the side length with reference to its ultimate position.

The internal angle and the position of the cursor are not influenced by "RECT". The side length of the rectangle can take any value. Up to 7 rectangles can be passed with one parameterlist. But they all begin at the same starting position and also finish there.

---

## CLRECT

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("CLRECT",A,B\*(,A1,B1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

Works identically to "RECT" with the difference that "CLRECT" deletes the rectangles.

All conditions of "RECT" apply to "CLRECT".

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM RECTANGLES
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
115 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,B)
130 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,60)
140 A=40
150 B=20
160 CALL LINK("RECT",A,B,A,-B,-A,B,-A,-B)
170 FOR I=1 TO 250
180 NEXT I
190 CALL LINK("CLRECT",A,B,A,-B,-A,B,-A,-B)
200 CALL LINK("TURN",45)
210 GOTO 160
```

Line 160 draws 4 rectangles with only one command, line 190 deletes them. Line 200 turns the internal angle on by 45 degrees.

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## CIRCLE

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("CIRCLE",X,Y,R\*(,X1,Y1,R1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"CIRCLE" draws a circle with the central point X,Y and the radius R. With one parameterlist up to 5 different circles can be drawn.

The parameters can assume any value. For the radius the absolute value is worked out automatically. If the value for the R = 0, "CIRCLE" sets a point (pixel). After the execution of "CIRCLE" the cursor takes the central point of the last drawn circle.

The internal angle PHI remains unchanged.

Due to internal rounding errors the circular arcs may appear not quite smooth.



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## CLCRCL

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("CLCRCL",X,Y,R\*(,X1,Y1,R1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"CLCRCL" works identically to "CIRCLE", but here the circles are deleted. All the conditions for "CIRCLE" also apply to "CLCRCL".

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM CIRCLES
110 REM *****
120 PI=4*ATN(1)
130 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
135 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
137 CALL LINK("CENTRE",64,60)
140 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",0,0,30)
150 FOR PHI=0 TO 2*PI STEP PI/16
160 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",30*COS(PHI),30*SIN(PHI),30)
170 NEXT PHI
180 GOTO 180
```

---

## ARCUS

---

### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("ARCUS",X,Y,R,PHI,DPHI*(,X1,Y1,R1,PHI1,DPHI1,...)*)
```

### DESCRIPTION

"ARCUS" draws circular arcs with the following parameters:

X,Y ..... Centre point of the arc  
R ..... Radius of the arc  
PHI ..... Starting angle of the arc (absolute)  
DPHI ..... Arc angle of the arc

Simultaneously three arcs can be generated with one command. Due to internal rounding errors and generating the trigonometrical functions via interpolation tables the results are not always satisfying.

The coordinates of the cursor describe the last drawn arc pixel after the execution of "ARCUS".

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## CLARCS

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK ("CLARCS", X, Y, R, PHI, DFHI\*(, X1, Y1, R1, PHI1, DFHI1, ...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"CLARCS" works identically to "ARCUS" the difference being that "CLARCS" deletes all arc pixels.

---

## ELLIPS

---

### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("ELLIPS",X,Y,A,B*(,X1,Y1,A1,B1,...)*)
```

### DESCRIPTION

"ELLIPS" draws ellipses with the axis centre point X,Y of the big semi axis A and small semi axis B and the inclination PHI of the big semi axis.

A maximum of three different ellipses can be drawn with one parameterlist. The parameters can assume any values except 0. The absolute value is automatically used for the big and small semi axis. After the execution of "ELLIPS" the cursor assumes the coordinates of the semi axis points of intersection. The internal angle PHI remains unchanged.

Through internal rounding errors the elliptical arcs may sometimes not appear quite smooth. This occurs particularly when the main axes are inclined to the horizontal or vertical, because the coordinate transformations are carried out by interpolated trigometrical functions.

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## CLLIPS

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("CLLIPS",X,Y,A,B\*(,X1,Y1,A1,B1,...)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"CLLIPS" works like "ELLIPS", with the difference, that here the ellipses are deleted. All the conditions listed for "ELLIPS" are appropriate valid.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM CONE
110 REM ****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 CALL LINK("SETCOL",15,2)
140 M=1
150 A=42
160 B=22
170 FOR Y=81 TO 1 STEP -8
180 IF M=0 THEN 220
190 M$="ELLIPS"
200 REM
210 GOTO 230
220 M$="CLLIPS"
230 CALL LINK(M$,64,Y,A,B)
240 A=A-4
250 B=B-2
260 NEXT Y
270 IF M=1 THEN 140
180 M=0
290 GOTO 150
```

If M=1, a cone is always drawn due to the control commands 270-290. M\$, a string variable, can also be passed as "PROCEDURE NAME".

The program is broken on entering "FCTN CLEAR".

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## VALUES

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("VALUES", X, Y, PHI, FG, BG)

### DESCRIPTION

"VALUES" returns the present internal parameters to the variable list.

X ..... Cursor column  
Y ..... Cursor row  
PHI .... Cursor angle  
FG ..... Foreground color  
BG ..... Background color

As the angle is modulated internally, it is always between 0-360 degrees independent of the previous input.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM EXAMPLE
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 FOR I=1 TO 11
140 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,60)
150 CALL LINK("MOVE",30)
160 CALL LINK("VALUES",X,Y,PHI,FG,BG)
170 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",X,Y,20)
180 CALL LINK("TURN",30)
190 NEXT I
200 GOTO 200
```

From the centre point of the graphic window, program line 150 draws a line with the length 30.

Line 160 determines the final cursor position, line 170 takes this position as centre point for a circle with radius 20.

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## AXIS

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### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("AXIS",X,LENXR,LENXL,DELTAX,Y,LENYU,LENYD,DELTAY)
```

### DESCRIPTION

"AXIS" draws a system of coordinates with the following parameters:

```
X,Y ..... Centre point of coordinates  
LENXL ..... Left hand side X-semi-axis (length)  
LENXR ..... Right hand side X-semi-axis (length)  
DELTAX .... Fitch of the X-grid  
LENYU ..... Top Y-semi-axis (length)  
LENYD ..... Bottom Y-semi-axis (length)  
DELTAY .... Fitch of the Y-grid
```

All values are taken as absolute values. If one of the semi axis has the value 0, then this semi axis is not drawn.

If the value for the grid equals 0 or more than that of the corresponding semi axis, no grid will be drawn.

After the execution of "AXIS" the cursor will assume the position at the centre point of the coordinate system.

The internal angle PHI is altered. The system of coordinates may not be completely on the screen.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM ZYKLOM  
110 REM *****  
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)  
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)  
130 P12=B*ATN(1)  
140 CALL LINK("AXIS",8,0,116,4,60,60,59,4)  
150 X=7  
160 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,40)  
170 FOR PHI=0 TO 3*P12 STEP P12/16  
180 X=X+2  
190 Y=20*(SIN(2*PHI)+2*COS(PHI))+60  
200 CALL LINK("MOVETO",X,Y)  
210 NEXT PHI  
220 GOTO 230
```

---

## HSTDIA

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("HSTDIA",X,Y,WIDTH,HEIGHT,DEPTH)

### DESCRIPTION

"HSTDIA" draws a block diagram with the following parameters:

X,Y ..... Coordinates of the left bottom corner  
                  of the block  
WIDTH ..... Width of block diagram  
HEIGHT ..... Height of block diagram  
DEPTH ..... Depth of block diagram

Only the absolute values are token.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM HISTOGRAMS
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 FOR N=2 TO 20
140 CALL LINK("SETCOL",N,14,2)
150 NEXT N
160 CALL LINK("AXIS",8,10,120,8,20,90,0,4)
170 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",16,22,12,80,6)
180 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",40,22,12,45,6)
190 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",70,22,12,67,6)
200 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",94,22,16,12,6)
210 CALL LINK("WRITE",15,3,"HISTOGRAMS")
220 GOTO 220
```



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## CRCDIA

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### FORMAT

```
CALL LINK("CRCDIA",X,Y,RADIUS,PHI,DPHI*(,X1,Y1,PHI1,DPHI1,...)*)
```

### DESCRIPTION

"CRCDIA" draws a circular diagram with the following parameters:

X,Y ..... Coordinates of circular segment  
                  centre point  
RADIUS ..... Radius of circular segment  
PHI ..... Start angle of circular segment  
DPHI ..... Final angle of circular segment

Only the absolute values are regarded.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM CIRCULAR DIAGRAMS
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 FOR N=1 TO 13 STEP 2
140 CALL LINK("SETCOL",N,16,2,N+1,14,2,N+14,9,2,N+15,
13,2)
150 NEXT N
160 CALL LINK("CRCDIA",64,60,38,180,276)
170 CALL LINK("CRCDIA",68,60,38,276,450)
180 CALL LINK("CRCDIA",68,64,38,90,180)
190 CALL LINK("WRITE",14,2,"CIRC-DIAGRAMS")
200 GOTO 200
```

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## WRITE

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("WRITE",Z,S,STRING\*(,Z1,S1,STRING1,....)\*)

### DESCRIPTION

"WRITE" enables the mixing of graphic and text.

At position row (Z) and column (S) of the graphic window "WRITE" displays a string (STRING).

Limitations: Z ..... 1 to 15  
              S ..... 1 to 16

If the string is too long for the appropriate line, the rest will be cut. A maximum of 5 strings can be entered with one parameter list. The ASCII codes (upper cases, lower cases, digits and special characters) apply.

---

## DSPLAY

---

### FORMAT

CALL LINK("DSPLAY",Z,S,SIZE,VAR\$)

### DESCRIPTION

This statement corresponds to the well known EXTENDED BASIC command "DISPLAY AT". It is using the following parameters:

Z .....	Row of screen	(1-24)
S .....	Column of screen	(1-32)
SIZE .....	Length of the string	(max. 32)
VAR\$ .....	String variable	(max. 32) characters)

With this statement SIZE characters of the string VAR are transmitted to the screen position (Z,S). Hereby graphic values located under the string are erased (difference to "WRITE").

If SIZE is negative, SIZE positions are not deleted before the output of the string.

"DSPLAY" is in graphic mode available, only if the mode has been set <> 0.

---

## ACCEPT

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### FORMAT

CALL LINK("ACCEPT",Z,S,SIZE,VAR\$)

### DESCRIPTION

This statement corresponds to the well known EXTENDED BASIC statement "ACCEPT AT" and is using the following parameters:

Z .....	Row of the screen	(1-24)
S .....	Column of the screen	(1-32)
SIZE .....	Length of the string	(max. 32 characters)
VAR\$ .....	String variable	(max. 32 characters)

"ACCEPT" accepts SIZE characters of a string at the position (Z,S). If SIZE is positive SIZE positions are deleted previously.

During the input the following keys are active:

UALPHA .....	ASCII codes (32-96)
← .....	Cursor left
→ .....	Cursor right
ERASE .....	deletes the input
ENTER .....	Accepts the string
REPEAT .....	Repeat function

### CAUTION

) "FCTN QUIT" and "FCTN CLEAR" are ineffective during the execution of this command.

While accepting all key codes can be addressed, but for text purposes only UALPHAs (upper cases) are useful.

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## ACCEPT

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### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM STAR1
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",1)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 CALL LINK("SETCOL",12,2)
140 CALL LINK("SETTO",5,60)
150 CALL LINK("MOVE",120)
160 CALL LINK("SETTO",64,1)
170 CALL LINK("TURN",90)
180 CALL LINK("MOVE",120)
190 S1=5
200 Z1=60
210 Z2=36
220 S2=64
230 S3=124
240 Z3=60
250 Z4=84
260 S4=64
270 FOR I=1 TO 10
280 CALL LINK("SETTO",S1,Z1)
290 CALL LINK("MOVETO",S2,Z2,S3,Z3,S4,Z4,S1,Z1)
300 S1=S1+4
310 Z2=Z2-4
320 S3=S3-4
330 Z4=Z4+4
340 NEXT I
350 CALL LINK("WRITE",15,1,"DAS IST GRAPHIK")
360 CALL LINK("DSPLAY",17,3,27,"BEI EINGABE VON STOP WIRD")
370 CALL LINK("DSPLAY",18,3,27,"DIE GRAPHIK ABGERROCHEN!")
380 CALL LINK("ACCEPT",22,3,4,M%)
390 IF M% STOP THEN 120
400 STOP
```

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## SHIFT

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### FORMAT

CALL LINE ("SHIFT", DELTAX, DELTAY)

### DESCRIPTION

This statement performs a linear transformation of the graphic.

DELTAX ..... Movement in X-direction (columns)  
                  (positive values rightwards)  
DELTAY ..... Movement in Y-direction (rows)  
                  (positive values downwards)

### CAUTION

The graphic windows in the screen will not be transformed!

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## GSAVE

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### FORMAT

CALL GSAVE("FILE NAME")

### DESCRIPTION

With this statement it is possible to save screen displays.

Graphics can only be saved on floppy disks. Any valid file name may be used. The file name can be entered as a string or a string variable. The name of the file may not be longer than 9 characters.

The saved file is formatted in the "MEMORY IMAGE" format. The colors of the graphic and the position of the graphic window are also stored on total 3 consequent files.

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## GLOAD

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### FORMAT

CALL GLOAD("FILE NAME")

### DESCRIPTION

This statement loads a graphic called "FILE NAME" from diskette into VDF RAM, unless being previously stored with "GLOAD".

Using CALL GLOAD without executing previous a "GRAFIC" statement will cause an error message and program execution interrupt.

### EXAMPLES

```
100 REM SAVE GRAPHIC
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
125 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
130 FOR R=2 TO 40
140 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",64,60,R)
150 NEXT R
160 CALL GSAVE("DSK2.SAVETEST")
170 STOP
```

#### NEW

```
100 REM LOAD GRAPHIC
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
130 CALL GLOAD("DSK2.SAVETEST")
154 GOTO 140
```

The previous example causes the generation of the following files on DSK2.:

```
"SAVETEST" ..... Contains graphic table and
                  parameters
"SAVETEST1" ..... Contains a screen dump
"SAVETEST2" ..... Contains colors of the graphic
```

By saving and loading the graphic only the first file name, in our case "SAVETEST" must be stated. The input of the second or third file name leads to incorrect functions.

The statement "WINDOW" can be cancelled by loading the graphic because every window on the screen is overwritten by the loaded graphic.



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## BHCOFY

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### FORMAT

```
CALL BHCOFY("FILE NAME","ESC-SEQUENCE")
```

### DESCRIPTION

"BHCOFY" produces screen dumps with dot matrix printers like EPSON or compatible ones in "BIT IMAGE MODE".

In this way the creation of graphics by matrix printers becomes very easy and fast. These hardcopy routines work in the standard mode of the Extended BASIC II PLUS too.

The parameters are:

FILE NAME	Printer options usual: "RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR" or "PIO.CR" The dip switches of the printer have to be set accordingly
ESC-SEQUENCE	Printer adjustment e.g.: "K" or "L" for normal or doobble density in BIT IMAGE MODE.

### CAUTION

The file name extension .CR is essentially for correct working of the routines. The printer must have set the inverse signal "AUTO FEED XT" internal to "ON".

Using serial interfaces (RS232) the extension .DA=8 must be added. The printer needs to be set to 8 data bits, too.

According to the ESC sequence has to be considered the manual of the attached printer! BHCOFY sends at the begin of every line CHR\$(27) (=ESC), than the ESC-Sequence (max. 10 characters), than the characters CHR\$(0) and CHR\$(1) (for the subsequent 256 Bytes), afterwards the 256 Bytes, corresponding to the hardcopy of one screen line and closing CHR\$(13) (for CR). This respects the data transfer sequence of TI Line Printer (EPSON) using the Bit Image Mode.

Format-Samples:

```
CALL BHCOFY("RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR","K")  
CALL BHCOFY("PIO.CR","L")
```

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# BHCOFY

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## EXAMPLES

```
100 REM EFSONCOPY
110 REM *****
120 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
130 CALL LINK("WINDOW",3,8)
140 CALL LINK("CENTRE",64,60)
150 FOR PHI=0 TO 355 STEP 5
160 CALL LINK("SETTO",0,0)
170 CALL LINK("TURNT0",PHI)
180 CALL LINK("MOVE",50)
190 NEXT PHI
200 CALL LINK("WRITE",15,6,"BHCOFY")
210 PORT$="RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR"
215 REM
220 OPEN #1:PORT$,OUTPUT
230 PRINT #1:CHR$(27);"A";CHR$(8)
240 CLOSE #1
245 REM
250 CALL BHCOFY(PORT$,"K")
260 STOP
```

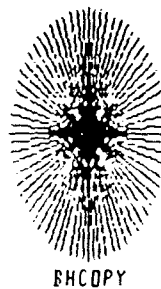
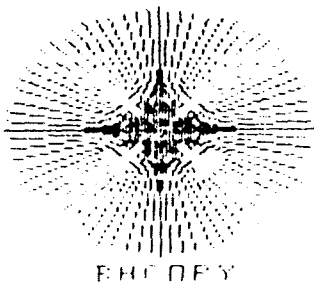


Fig. 3) BHCOFY

The reproduction of the radiating wreath on the printer is generated by "BHCOFY" in the proportion 1:1 in single density ("I"), but is deformed elliptically using double density ("II").

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# HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION 1

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## HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

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In the following a program example called "HCOFYDEMO". This program demonstrates how various graphic patterns are created.

This program is a useful aid studying the output of graphic to a matrix printer.

```
100 REM *****
110 REM *****
120 REM ** **
130 REM ** H C O F Y D E M O **
140 REM ** **
150 REM *****
160 REM *****
170 REM
180 REM by APESOFT 19850301
200 REM
220 FOFT$="RS232.BA=9600.DA=8.CR" ' SCHNITTSTELLENOPTION
230 REM
240 REM LINE FEED REDUCTION TO 8 PIXEL ROWS
250 REM *****
260 LF8$=CHR$(27);"A";CHR$(8)
270 OPEN #1:FOFT$,OUTPUT
280 PRINT #1:LF8$
290 CLOSE #1
300 REM
310 REM PATTERN FOR THE "APESOFT" COPYRIGHT SIGN
320 REM *****
340 DATA 96,000001070F1F1F3F,97,3F3F7F7F7F7F7F7F,98,003FFFFFFFFFFF
F,99,E3C1808080C1E3FF
350 DATA 100,030F1F3F3F7F7F7F,101,7F7F7F7F7F7F7F7F,102,60787C7E7E7E7
F7F,103,7F7F7E7E7E7C7860
360 DATA 104,7F7F7F7F7F7F7F7F
370 DATA 106,030F1F3F3F3F7F7F,107,7F7F7F3F3F1F0F03,108,60787C7E7E7E7
F7F,109,00007E7E7E7C7860
380 DATA 110,030F1F3F3F3F7F7F,111,7F00003F3F1F0F03,112,E0F8FCFEFEFEB
080,113,FFFFFFFFEFCF8E0
390 DATA 114,030F1F3F3F3F7F7F,115,7F7F7F3F3F1F0F03,116,60787C7E7E7E7
F7F,117,7F7F7F7E7E7C7860
400 DATA 118,000000030F1F3F3F,119,0000001C3E7F7F7F,120,3F7F7F7F7F7F7
F7F,121,7F7F7F7F7F7F7F7F
410 DATA 122,3E1C000000006060,123,6060606
420 DATA 124,0000007F7F7F7F7F0,125,000000000000006,126,7F7F7F7F7F7F7
F7F,127,7F7F7F3F3F1F0F03
430 DATA 128,6060606060000000,129,001C3E7F7F7F3E1C
440 DATA 130,00FCFFFFFFFFFFFF,131,9F87839181808080,132,000080E0F0F8F
8FC,133,FCFCFEFEFEFEFEFE
450 DATA 134,7F7F7F7F7F7F7F7F,135,3F3F1F1F0F070100,136,8080C0C0C0E0F
0FC,137,FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF3F
460 DATA 138,8080808080808080,139,FFFFFFFFFEC0FFFE,140,FEFEFEFEFEFEFE
CFC,141,FCFCFCFCFC0000FFFF
```

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## HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION 2

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```
470 REM
480 REM TRANSFER OF APE CHARACTER
485 REM *****
490 CALL CLEAR
500 CALL SCREEN(2)
510 READ I,N$
520 CALL CHAR(I,N$)
530 IF I=141 THEN 510
540 PRINT TAB(9);"MICROCOMPUTER": :
550 PRINT TAB(7);" b";CHR$(130);CHR$(132);" vwöü"
560 PRINT TAB(7);"ac";CHR$(131);CHR$(133);"dfjlnprtxyzß";CHR$(128)
570 PRINT TAB(7);CHR$(134);CHR$(136);CHR$(138);CHR$(140);"eqkmoqsuy
a";CHR$(127);CHR$(129)
580 PRINT TAB(7);CHR$(135);CHR$(137);CHR$(139);CHR$(141);"h"
590 PRINT :TAB(11);"SOFTWARE": : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
600 CALL SCREEN(4)
610 CALL BHCOFY(FOFT$,"F")
615 CALL ALLSET
620 REM
630 REM QUADER
640 REM *****
650 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
660 CALL LINK("CENTRE",1,-2)
670 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,1)
680 CALL LINK("TURNTO",41.8103)
690 FOR Y=-30 TO -95 STEP -3
700 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y)
710 CALL LINK("MOVE",40)
720 NEXT Y
730 Y=-55
740 CALL LINK("TURNTO",90)
750 FOR X=32 TO 117 STEP 3
760 Y=Y+1
770 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y)
780 CALL LINK("MOVE",65)
790 NEXT X
800 CALL LINK("TURNTO",-18.4349)
810 Y=-30
820 FOR X=1 TO 33 STEP 3
830 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y)
840 CALL LINK("MOVE",92)
850 Y=Y-2.5
860 NEXT X
870 CALL BHCOFY(FOFT$,"F")
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## HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION 3

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```
880 REM
890 REM PYRAMID
900 REM *****
910 CALL LINE("CLTBLE")
920 CALL LINE("CENTRE",64,1)
930 YG=-95
940 FOR XG=-50 TO 50 STEP 2
950 CALL LINE("SETTO",0,0)
960 CALL LINE("MOVETO",XG,YG)
970 YG=YG-1
980 NEXT XG
990 CALL LINE("SETTO",0,0)
1000 CALL LINE("REMVTO",XG,YG)
1010 FOR XG=XG+3 TO 46 STEP 3
1020 CALL LINE("SETTO",0,0)
1030 CALL LINE("MOVETO",XG,YG)
1040 YG=YG+3
1050 NEXT XG
1070 CALL BHCOFY(FOFT$, "K")
1080 REM
1090 REM CYLINDER
1100 REM *****
1110 CALL LINE("CLTBLE")
1120 CALL LINE("SETBLE",12)
1130 CALL LINE("WINDOW",-1,4)
1140 CALL LINE("CENTRE",48,1)
1150 CALL LINE("TURNTO",0)
1160 FOR Y=-120 TO -40 STEP 3
1170 CALL LINE("ELLIPS",0,Y,48,24)
1180 NEXT Y
1190 FOR R=48 TO 2 STEP -2
1200 CALL LINE("ELLIFS",0,Y,R,R/2)
1210 NEXT R
1230 CALL BHCOFY(FOFT$, "K")
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## HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION 4

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```
1240 REM
1250 REM CYLLONE
1260 REM *****
1270 F12=8*ATN(1)
1280 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",1)
1290 CALL LINK("WINDOW",5,8)
1300 CALL LINK("CENTRE",1,40)
1310 CALL LINK("AXIS",8,116,0,4,0,36,40,4)
1320 X=7
1330 CALL LINK("SETTO",X,-20)
1340 FOR PHI=0 TO 3*PI2 STEP PI2/16
1350 X=X+2
1360 Y=20*(SIN(2*PHI)*COS(PHI)*2)
1370 CALL LINK("MOVETO",X,Y)
1380 NEXT PHI
1390 CALL LINK("DSFLAY",16,9,8,"AVERAGE")
1400 CALL LINK("DSFLAY",17,9,13,"VALUES")
1410 M$="TEMPERATURE"
1420 FOR Z=5 TO 15
1430 CALL LINK("DSFLAY",Z,7,1,SEG$(M$,Z-4,1))
1440 NEXT Z
1450 CALL LINK("WRITE",10,3,"day-degrees")
1470 CALL BHCOFY(POFT$,"K")
1480 REM
1490 REM HISTROGRAMS
1500 REM *****
1510 CALL LINK("GRAFIC",0)
1520 CALL LINK("SETBLE",24)
1530 CALL LINK("WINDOW",1,1)
1540 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",1,68,4,8,2,8,56,8,16,4,24,32,12,32,8)
1550 CALL LINK("HSTDIA",50,0,18,56,11)
1570 CALL BHCOFY(POFT$,"K")
1580 REM
1590 REM TORUS
1600 REM *****
1610 CALL LINK("CLTBLE")
1620 CALL LINK("CENTRE",96,40)
1630 PIARC=4*ATN(1)
1640 FOR PHI=0 TO 2*PIARC STEP PIARC/40
1650 CALL LINK("CIRCLE",66*SIN(PHI),20*COS(PHI),17)
1660 NEXT PHI
1680 CALL BHCOFY(POFT$,"K")
```

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## HARDCOPY DEMONSTRATION 5

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```
1690 REM
1700 REM FLOWERS
1710 REM *****
1720 CALL LINE("GRAFIC",0)
1730 CALL LINE("WINDOW",1,4)
1740 CALL LINE("CENTRE",54,48)
1750 CALL LINE("SETTO",0,0)
1760 FOR PHI=0 TO 22.5 STEP 22.5
1770 CALL LINE("TURNTO",PHI)
1780 FOR X=1 TO 7
1790 FOR W=0 TO 15
1800 CALL LINE("MOVE",4)
1810 CALL LINE("TURN",W)
1820 NEXT W
1830 FOR W=16 TO 4 STEP -1
1840 CALL LINE("MOVE",4)
1850 CALL LINE("TURN",W)
1860 NEXT W
1870 CALL LINE("MOVETO",0,0)
1880 CALL LINE("TURN",6)
1890 NEXT X
1900 NEXT PHI
1910 FOR R=1 TO 12
1920 CALL LINE("CIRCLE",0,0,R)
1930 NEXT R
1950 CALL BHCOFY(FOPT$,"K")
1960 REM ***
1965 LF$=CHR$(10)' LINE FEED
1970 OPEN #1:FOPT$,OUTPUT
1975 PRINT #1:CHR$(27);CHR$(2)' RESET TO STANDARD LINE FEED
1980 PRINT #1:LF$;LF$;LF$;LF$;" H I G H   R E S O L U T I O N";LF$;
LF$
1990 PRINT #1:LF$;"           G R A P H I C";LF$;LF$
2010 CLOSE #1
2020 CALL LINE("BYEBYE")
2030 END
```

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## QUICK REFERENCE

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### ALPHABETIC QUICK REFERENCE

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The order of statements disregards any preceding CALLs or CALL LINKs.

CALL LINK("ACCEPT",Z,S,SIZE,VAR\$)

accepts SIZE characters of the string VAR\$ at position (Z,S).

CALL ALLSET

resets the ASCII characters 32 to 126 to their standard definitions.

CALL APESOFT

transfers the high resolution graphic routines into the RAM expansion. This command must be entered before loading of BASIC programs.

CALL LINK("ARCUS",X,Y,R,PHI,DPHI\*(,X1,Y1,R1,PHI1,DPHI1,...)\*)

draws arcs with the centre point X,Y, the radius R, the starting angle PHI and the arc angle DPHI.

CALL LINK("AXIS",X,LENXL,LENXR,DELTAX,Y,LENYU,LENYD,DELTAY)

draws a system of coordinates with the centre point X, Y, the left X-semi-axis LENXL, the right X-semi-axis LENXR, the pitch of the X-grid DELTAX, the upper Y-semi-axis LENYU, the bottom Y-semi-axis LENYD and the pitch of the Y-grid DELTAY.

CALL BHCOPY("FILE NAME","ESC-SEQUENCE")

generates screen copies on EPSON or compatible printers in "BIT IMAGE MODE". "FILE NAME" respect the interface options and "ESC-SEQUENCE" means the printer adjustment.



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## QUICK REFERENCE

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### CALL BYE

erases the loaded programs and data and calls the master screen. The BASIC-Mode will be left.

### CALL LINK("BYEBYE")

cancel the graphic mode, loads the standard character sets and reestablishes standard mode of Extended BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup>.

### (CALL LINK("CENTRE",X,Y)

defines the system of user defined coordinates with the (0,0)-point at the position (X,Y) of the graphic table.

### CALL LINK("CIRCLE",X,Y,R\*(,X1,Y1,R1,...)\*)

draws a circle with the centre point X,Y and the radius R.

### CALL CLRPE

initializes Extended BASIC just like after selection of MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC from the main menu. It may only be entered after execution of CALL AFESOFT otherwise it will cause a syntax error.

### CALL LINK("CLARCS",X,Y,R,PHI,DPHI\*(,X1,Y1,R1,PHI1,DPHI1,...)\*)

erases the arc pixels.

### CALL LINK("CLCRCL",X,Y,R\*(,X1,Y1,R1,...)\*)

erases the circles.

### CALL LINK("CLLIPS",X,Y,A,B\*(,X1,Y1,A1,B1,...)\*)

erases the ellipses.

### CALL LINK("CLRECT",A,B\*(,A1,B1,...)\*)

erases the rectangles

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## QUICK REFERENCE

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### CALL LINK("CLSCRN")

clears the screen. The graphic in the table together with all other internal parameters remain.

### CALL LINK("CLTBLE")

clears the graphic table and thus the graphic.

### CALL LINK("CRCDIA", X, Y, RAD, PHI, DPHI\*(, X1, Y1, RAD1, PHI1, DPHI1, ...)\*)

draws a circular diagram with the coordinates of the circular segment centre point X,Y, the radius RAD, the starting angle PHI and the final angle of the circular segment DPHI.

### CALL LINK("DSPLAY", Z, S, SIZE, VAR\$)

sets SIZE characters of the string VAR\$ at position (Z,S).

### CALL LINK("ELLIPS", X, Y, A, B\*(, X1, Y1, A1, B1, ...)\*)

draws ellipses with the axis centre point X,Y, of the big semi axis A, of the small semi axis B and the inclination PHI of the big semi axis.

### CALL FIND("GET-STRING", "STRING ARRAY"(), RETURN VARIABLE)

is looking in a one-dimensional string array for "GET-STRING". The RETURN VARIABLE carries the number of the wanted element. If WANTSTRING is not founded, RETURN VARIABLE gets the value -1.

### CALL GLOAD("FILE NAME")

loads a graphic called "FILE NAME" from diskette into VDI-RAM.

### CALL GPEEK(ADDRESS, NUMERIC VARIABLE LIST)

reads the contents of subsequent addresses in GROMs of the TI-99/4A.

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### CALL LINK("GRAFIC",MODUS)

signalizes the graphic mode, initializes all the computer registers and defines a graphic table (max. 128 vertical and 120 horizontal lines) depending on the MODUS (graphic or text mode).

### CALL GSAVE("FILE NAME")

saves the colors of the graphic, the position of the graphic window, and the graphic parameters in "MEMORY IMAGE" format on diskette.

### CALL LINK("HSTDIA",X,Y,WIDTH,HEIGHT,DEPTH)

draws a block diagram with the coordinates of the left bottom corner of the block X,Y, the width WIDTH, the height HEIGHT and the depth DEPTH.

### CALL LINK("IFSET",X,Y,VAR\*(,X1,Y1,VAR1,...)\*)

checks if a pixel with the coordinates X, Y is set or not and returns the result to the variable VAR.

### CALL LINK("INVERT",X,Y,DX,DY)

inverts sections of the graphic; with X, Y the pixel position of the upper left corner, with DX the pixel column position and with DY the pixel row position of the inverted graphic section are stated.

### CALL MLOAD("FILE NAME",MODUS)

loads saved CPU RAM contents back into the CPU of the TI-99/4A. Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup> doesn't require MODUS. On positive values of "MODUS" a self start of assembly language program file execution will be performed.

### CALL MOVE(MODUS,START ADDRESS,TARGET ADDRESS,BYTES)

moves the contents of memory blocks with the length BYTES depending of the MODUS (1-4) between VDF RAM and CPU RAM or within VDF RAM or CPU RAM.

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### CALL LINK("MOVE",DIST)

draws a line of the length DIST, starting from the present position X, Y of the cursor with the present internal angle PHI.

### CALL LINK("MOVETO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

draws a line from the present internal position of the cursor to the next one by the parameter pair X,Y defined position.

### CALL MSAVE("FILE NAME",START ADDRESS,BYTES)

saves memory blocks of the CPU-RAM with the length BYTES to an external device in program image format.

### CALL NEW

erases the BASIC program and data in RAM and prepares the computer for receiving of new BASIC programs.

### CALL QUITOF

deactivates the QUIT function (FCTN =).

### CALL QUITON

reactivates the deactivated QUIT function.

### CALL LINK("RECT",A,B\*(,A1,B1,...)\*)

draws rectangles in the order A - B - A - B using the actual cursor parameters.

### CALL LINK("REMOVE",DIST)

deletes all pixels from position X,Y up to the DIST distant new position of the cursor.

### CALL LINK("REMVTO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

deletes the lines

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CALL LINK("RESET",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

erases pixels with the coordinates X,Y.

CALL RESTORE(NUMERIC VARIABLE)

prepares the computer to process the next DATA Statement using the line number carried by the NUMERIC VARIABLE.

CALL SCREENOFF

switches the screen off.

CALL SCREENON

reactivates the screen.

CALL LINK("SETBLE",BREITE)

dimensions the graphic table.

CALL LINK("SETCOL",FOREGROUND COLOR,BACKGROUND COLOR)

changes foreground and background color simultaneously for the entire graphic.

CALL LINK("SETCOL",N,FG,BG\*(,N1,FG1,BG1,...)\*)

defines the foreground color (FG) and background color (BG) for the character set specified by N.

CALL LINK("SETTO",X,Y\*(,X1,Y1,...)\*)

sets pixels with the coordinates X and Y.

CALL LINK("SHIFT",DELTAX,DELTAY)

transforms a graphic linear by the values DELTAX in column direction and DELTAY in row direction.

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## QUICK REFERENCE

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### CALL SPROF

stops the movement of all sprites at once.

### CALL SPRON

restarts all stopped sprites.

### CALL LINK("TABLE",Z,S,XMAX,YMAX,BYTES)

returns the present parameters of the graphic table to the given variables, whereby Z corresponds to the number of rows, S to the number of columns, XMAX to the maximal pixel columns, YMAX to the maximal pixel rows of the table, and BYTES to the number of available bytes.

### CALL LINK("TURN",PHI)

adds to the present internal angle of the cursor the angle PHI in decimal degrees. PHI turns clockwise.

### CALL LINK("TURNT0",PHI)

sets the internal angle imperatively to PHI (degrees).

### CALL LINK("VALUES",X,Y,PHI,FG,BG)

returns the present internal parameters to the variable list, whereby X means the cursor column, Y the cursor row, PHI the cursor angle, FG the foreground color and BG the background color.

### CALL VPEEK(ADDRESS,NUMERIC VARIABLE LIST)

reads the contents of the subsequent addresses of the VDF RAM, starting with ADDRESS, and returns them to the NUMERIC VARIABLE LIST.

### CALL VPOKE(ADDRESS,NUMERIC DATA)

writes numeric data direct into subsequent addresses of the VDF RAM, starting with ADDRESS.

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### CALL WAIT(DURATION)

results delays with those to the numeric variable DURATION assigned number of 1/50 seconds.

### CALL LINK("WINDOW",ROW,COLUMN)

sets the entire graphic table (16\*8 columns, 15\*8 rows or 11\*8 rows in the text mode) at position column (1-32) and row (1-24).

### CALL LINK("WINDOW",Z,S,ZA,SA,DZ,DS)

transmits sections of the graphic table to the screen; Z means the row, S the column, ZA and SA mean the upper left corner point of the graphic table, DZ the number of graphic table characters in row direction and DS the number of graphic table characters in column direction.

### CALL LINK("WRITE",Z,S,STRING\*(,Z1,S1,STRING1,...)\*)

enables the mixing of graphic and text in the graphic table and writes a string (STRING) at position row (Z) and column (S) of the graphic table.

# REFERENCE LIST

## REFERENCE LIST FOR MECHATRONIC EXTENDED BASIC II<sup>PLUS</sup>

Following abbreviations are used:

- (D) allowed only in Direct mode
- (C) subroutine preceding CALL
- (L) assembler routine preceding CALL LINK

reference name	! D C L !	! in STRD	! Mode GRFC	! see ref. manual of !	! XBASIC	! XBASIC II !
ABS			X X	X		
ACCEPT			X	X		
ACCEPT		L		X		X
ALLSET	C		X			X
APESOFT	D C		X			X
ARCUS		L		X		X
ASC			X X	X		
ATN			X X	X		
AXIS		L		X		X
BHCOFY	C		X X			X
BREAK			X X	X		
BYE	D		X	X		
BYE	C		X X			X
BYEBYE		L	X X			X
CALL			X X	X		
CENTRE		L		X		X
CHAR	C		X X	X		
CHARPAT	C		X X	X		
CHARSET	C		X	X		
CHR\$			X X	X		
CLARCS		L		X		X
CLEAR	C		X	X		
CLLIFS		L		X		X
CLOSE			X X	X		
CLRAPE	D C		X X			X
CLSCRN		L		X		X
CLTBLE		L		X		X
COINC	C		X	X		
COLOR	C		X	X		
CON	D		X	X		
CONTINUE	D		X	X		
COS			X X	X		
CRCDIA		L		X		X



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reference name	! D C L !	in STRD	Mode GRFC	!see ref.manual of ! !XBASIC XBASIC II !	
DATA		X	X	X	
DEF		X	X	X	
DELETE		X	X	X	
DELSFRITE	C	X		X	
DIM		X	X	X	
DISPLAY		X		X	
DISPLAY USING		X		X	
DISTANCE	C	X		X	
DSPLAY	L		X		X
ELLIPS	L		X		X
END		X	X	X	
EOF		X	X	X	
ERR	C	X	X	X	
EXP		X	X	X	
FILES	C	X	X	X	
FIND	C	X	X		X
FOR TO STEP		X	X	X	
GCHAR	C	X	X	X	
GLOAD	C		X		X
GOSUB		X	X	X	
GOTO		X	X	X	
GRAFIC	L	X	X		X
GPEEK	C	X	X		X
GSAVE	C		X		X
HCHAR	C	X		X	
HSTDIA	L		X		X
IFSET	L		X		X
IF-THEN-ELSE		X	X	X	
IMAGE		X	X	X	
INIT	C	X		X	
INPUT		X		X	
INT		X	X	X	
INVERT	L		X		X
JOYST	C	X	X	X	
KEY	C	X	X	X	

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reference name	! D C L !	in STRD	Mode GRFC	!see ref.manual of !	!XBASIC	!XBASIC II !
LEN		X	X	X		
LET		X	X	X		
LINK	C	X	X	X		
LINPUT		X		X		
LIST	D	X		X		
LOAD	C	X	X	X		
LOCATE	C	X		X		
LOG		X	X	X		
MAGNIFY	C	X		X		
MAX		X	X	X		
MERGE	D	X		X		
MIN		X	X	X		
MLOAD	C	X	X			X
MOTION	C	X		X		
MOVE	C	X	X			X
MOVE	L		X			X
MSAVE	C	X	X			X
NEW	D	X		X		
NEW	C	X	X			X
NEXT		X	X	X		
NUM	D	X		X		
NUMBER	D	X		X		
OLD	D	X		X		
ON BREAK		X	X	X		
ON ERROR		X	X	X		
ON-GOSUB		X	X	X		
ON-GOTO		X	X	X		
ON WARNING		X	X	X		
OPEN		X	X	X		
OPTION BASE		X	X	X		
FATTERN	C	X		X		
FEEK	C	X	X	X		
FI		X	X	X		
POS		X	X	X		
POSITION	C	X		X		
PRINT		X		X		
FRINT USING		X		X		
QUITON	L	X	X			X
QUITOF	L	X	X			X

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reference name	! D C L !	! in STRD	! Mode GRFC	! see ref. manual of !	! XBASIC	! XBASIC II !
RANDOMIZE		X	X	X		
READ		X	X	X		
REC		X	X	X		
REM		X	X	X		
RES	D	X		X		
RESEQUENCE	D	X		X		
RESET		L	X			X
RESTORE		X	X	X		
RESTORE	C	X	X			X
RETURN		X	X	X		
RND		X	X	X		
RPT\$		X	X	X		
RUN		X	X	X		
SAVE	D	X		X		
SAY	C	X	X	X		
SCREEN	C	X	X	X		
SCREENON	C	X	X			X
SCREENOF	C	X	X			X
SEG\$		X	X	X		
SETBLE		L	X			X
SETCOL		L	X			X
SETTO		L	X			X
SGN		X	X	X		
SIN		X	X	X		
SIZE	D	X		X		
SOUND	C	X		X		
SPGET	C	X	X	X		
SPRITE	C	X		X		
SPRON	C	X				X
SPROF	C	X				X
SQR		X	X	X		
STOP		X	X	X		
STR\$		X	X	X		
SUB		X	X	X		
SUBEND		X	X	X		
SUBEXIT		X	X	X		
TAB		X		X		
TABLE		L	X			X
TAN		X	X	X		
TRACE		X		X		
UNBREAK		X	X	X		
UNTRACE		X		X		

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## REFERENCE LIST

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reference	!	!	in	Mode	!see ref.manual of !		
name	!D	C	L!	STRD	GRFC	!XBASIC	XBASIC II !
VAL				X	X	X	
VALUES			L		X		X
VCHAR		C		X		X	
VERSION		C		X	X	X	
VPEEK		C		X	X		X
VPOKE		C		X	X		X
WAIT		C		X	X		X
WINDOW			L		X		X
WRITE			L		X		X

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## MEMORY MAPPING

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Commands of the extended statement set of Mechatronic Extended BASIC II<sup>MS</sup> like CALL VPEEK, VPOKE, MOVE, MSAVE, MLOAD require detailed knowledge of the system organisation, if their whole power shall be used.

In the following is written a short survey of the memory mapping of the TI-99/4A, which may give the user some orientation. Anyway, this Extended BASIC reference manual can not provide details of the operating system or the BASIC interpreter. More detailed information can be found in the Editor/Assembler manual.

### MEMORY MAPPING OF THE TI-99/4A

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The TMS 9900 microprocessor has an address space of 64k bytes. In the Home Computer, some of this address space contains RAM and some contains ROM. In addition, some addresses are used for access to special devices, such as sound and speech, and other areas of memory, such as VDP RAM and GROMs.

In the following the memory map directly adressable:

#### CPU Memory Use - General Case

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>0000		0000
	(Console ROM) Two 4k ROM chips	
>2000		8192
	Low Memory Expansion (8 kByte)	
>4000		16384
	Peripheral ROMs (mapped) up to 8k bytes for Device Service Routine	
>6000		24576
	Application ROMs in Command Module	
>8000		32768
	Memory-mapped devices for VDP, GROM, Sound, and Speech	
>A000		40960
	High Memory Expansion (24 kByte)	
>FFFF		65535

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## ROMS AND GROMS

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### ROMs

All the ROMs (Read Only Memory) are directly accessible by an assembly language program. Two 4k byte console ROMs are located at addresses >0000 through >1FFFF. They contain the operating system, the GPL interpreter, and parts of the TI BASIC interpreter.

### GROMs

A GROM (Graphics Read Only Memory) is another type of ROM. It is designed to contain GPL (GPL = Graphics Programming Language) programs which are executed by the GPL interpreter in the console. GPL is commonly used in applications software and can only be executed through a GROM.

### VDP-RAM

The Video Display Processor (Random Access Memory) RAM, located in the console, is chiefly used for common video functions, such as screen images, character pattern tables, color table etc.

When Extended BASIC is in use, VDP RAM also contains the BASIC program the program symbol table, the value stack, and the string space. The VDP RAM is also used as storage space by application programs. Part of VDP RAM is used as a data buffer. Another part of VDP RAM functions as a PAB (Peripheral Access Block) to pass information from a file to appropriate DSR (Device Service Routine). Assembly language programs cannot be executed from VDP RAM.

VDP RAM is a memory-mapped area of 16k (16384 or >4000) bytes numbered >0000 through >3FFF. VDP RAM addresses are automatically incremented, so only one address in CPU RAM is required to read or write a specific block of data.

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## VDP MEMORY USE

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### VDP MEMORY USE BY EXTENDED BASIC

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>0000		0000
	Screen	
>02FF		0767
>0300		0768
	Sprite Attribute List	
>0370		0880
>0371		0881
	BASIC Temporaries	
>03EF		1007
>03F0		1008
	Character Tables	
>077F		1019
>0780		1920
	Sprite Motion Table	
>07FF		2047
>080F		2063
	Color Table	
>081F		2079
>0820		2080
	BASIC Crunch Buffer	
>0957		2391
>0958		2392
	Value Stack	
	String Space	
	Symbol Tabela	
	Line Number Table	
	Crunched Programm	
	PAB	
>3FFF		16383

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## REMARKS TO VDP RAM USE

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#### Screen Images

The 768 Characters (32 columns x 24 rows) of screen are arranged line by line by the addresses 0 through 767 starting in the upper left corner.

Every character is represented by one byte. This byte corresponds to an offset of 96 to the value of the ASCII Code of the displayed character. (ASCII value + 96).

#### Sprite Attributes

In this area are stored the data of the sprites # 1 through 28 subsequently. Every sprite is represented by 4 bytes in following order:

1. Y-Position (Pixel row 1 = 255)  
(Pixel row 2 = 0)  
(Pixel row 3 = 1) etc.
2. X-Position (Pixel column 1 = 0)  
(Pixel column 2 = 1) etc.
3. Character Code (Offset of ASCII codes of sprite character)
4. Color Code (BASIC color code minus 1)

#### Character Patterns

The images of the ASCII codes 30 through 143 are subsequently by 8 byte defined. The character definition correspondes to that of BASIC with one exception: Each byte in hexadecimal notation has to be converted in decimal notation. (1 Byte = 2 hex digits. >00 - >FF corresponds to dec 00 - 255).

Example:

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CALL CHAR(32,007C7C7C7C7C7C7C)
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CALL VPOKE(1024,0,124,124,124,124,124,124,124)
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If no sprite motion occurs, the ASCII Codes 144 - 159 may be applied.



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## REMARKS TO VDP RAM USE

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### Sprite Motions

In this area are the velocities of the sprites #1 through #28 subsequently stored. Every sprite is represented by 4 bytes in the following order:

1. Vertical speed
2. Horizontal speed
3. Used by operating system
4. Used by operating system

### Color Tabel

Informations about both, foreground color and background color, of the character sets 0 through 14 are subsequently stored in one byte. The value is the result of foreground color code minus 1 times 16 plus background color code minus 1. E. g. entering CALL VFOKE(2063,96) results a dark red cursor during program execution.

### Crunch Buffer

Beginning with address 2240 through 2391 are the maximum 151 characters of the last keyboard entry subsequently stored (by their offsets), which may be recalled by REDO (FCTN 8).

### BASIC Programs

User depending data as there are crunched BASIC programm lines and the appropriate line numbers, symbol tabels, string space etc. do not have fixed start addresses. They depend on the system configuration and the program itself.

### CAUTION

Uncovered use of the statements VFOKE or MOVE commonly causes a system crash in connection with the total loss of stored program and data. Therefore, before starting experiments backing up the used programs is strongly recommended.