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SPR USER LETTER

Submitted by Sheila Hatchell, 8/11 Administration

The Dispatch SPR User Letter has been revised to reflect the new SPR form which is now available. These forms can be obtained from your local DIGITAL Office or SPR Center, or by requesting them from SPR Administration.

How to Make the Best Use of the SPR Form

What We Can Do for You:

- 1. Blank SPR forms are available upon request in the desired quantities through the SPR Administration (P.O. Box F) and your local office/SPR Center.
- 2. Copies of the SPR acknowledgement and answer are sent to the appropriate DIGITAL Office/SPR Center for their information.
- 3. STATUS FOR SUBMITTED SPRs IS PROVIDED UPON REQUEST.
- 4. SPRs marked PROBLEM/ERROR will have a response for DIGITAL SUPPORTED products. These SPRs should refer to suspected deficiencies in the software.
- 5. SPRs marked SUGGESTION are forwarded to the pertinent software group for information purposes, and are responded to at their discretion.

What You Can Do for Us:

- 1. Fill out the form completely either by typing or printing clearly. PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR SOFTWARE SERVICE CUSTOMER NUMBER IN THE ADDRESS BOX.
- 2. Limit only one problem per SPR form. Several problems on an SPR can lengthen the turnaround time.
- 3. WHENEVER POSSIBLE, SUBMIT AN SPR WITH ATTACHMENTS, SUCH AS MACHINE READABLE DATA, DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO REPRODUCE THE PROBLEM, PROGRAM AND/OR DATA FILES, LISTINGS, AND CONSOLE LOG.
- 4. It would be helpful to all concerned if problems with patches are reported as soon as possible.
- 5. For security SPRs, it is imperative that the DO NOT PUBLISH box be marked.
- 6. It would be helpful if tapes submitted with SPRs are labeled (track and density), and have a directory attached.
- 7. Complete the questionnaire that is supplied with each SPR answer. Your feedback is essential in monitoring the quality of our responses.
- 8. SPRs should not be used for problems concerning software policy, software distribution, or hardware. The local office should be contacted in these cases.

GENERAL INFORMATION

OS/8 V3D AND LAYERED SOFTWARE (GH)

Effective 28-APR-80, the following products are no longer offered with Digital support.

| 05/8 | V 3D | | QF015 |
|------|-------------|-------------------|-------|
| 05/8 | V 3D | Extension Kit | QF026 |
| 08/8 | V 3D | FORTRAN IV | QF008 |
| 05/8 | V 3D | Device Extensions | QF006 |

We will offer these four kits as unsupported with license-only (DZ) options until Q1 FY81. At that time, we will remove all mention of these products (except DZ licenses) from the DEC Standard Price List and move the SPDs to the Products No Longer Marketed Index. The SDC will retain these products in the archives only.

The unsupported prices for the OS/8 kits will be the same as the supported prices.

The 0S/8 V3D Combined Kit (QF024), introduced in March, 1979, includes the software for all four of these 0S/8 kits, and it remains a supported product.

OS/8 V3D EDIT Seq 21.17.5 R

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EDIT RESTRICTION (BS)

This article is to reiterate a little publicized but old restriction on the use of the EDIT program.

The restriction is that you cannot use the RUBOUT key to delete characters following a question mark. You must delete the entire line and insert the proper text.

MACREL/LINKER V2A

Seq 41.3.1 M 1 of 1

PATCH TO CORRECT PRINTING OF NUMERIC LOCAL SYMBOLS (DBB)

Problem: Numeric local symbols are incorrectly output in radix-8

instead of radix-10 format.

Diagnosis: A pointer to a decimal print routine is in error and does not

work properly when a correct .KF file including numeric local

symbols is given as input to KREF.

Patch: .GET SYS KREF

.ODT

2775/<u>2000</u> 7767 1326/<u>0301</u> 0302

CTRL/C

.SAVE SYS KREF

This patch is not sufficient to correct the problem. You must also insert the patch to MACREL (see 41.4.2) since MACREL does not generate correct .KF files that include numeric local symbols. This patch updates KREF to Version OB.

MACREL/LINKER V2A MACREL V2E

Seq 41.4.4 M

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PATCH TO CORRECT MACRO SUBSTRING PROBLEM (DBB)

Problem: In some cases MACREL substrings an argument in a MACRO call

when no substrings are specified in the MACRO definition

code.

Diagnosis: MACREL does not properly initialize substring information

when invoking a MACRO call.

Patch: .R FUTIL

FILE MACREL.SV SET MODE SAVE

10225/6201 5626;536

10536/xxxx 3746;3745;6201;2744;5743;227;227;1324;1323

13136/<u>0305</u> 306

WRITE EXIT

This patch corrects the problem and upgrades MACREL to Version 2F.

MACREL/LINKER V2A MACREL V2F

Seq 41.4.5 M

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PATCH TO CORRECT PRINTING OF NUMERIC LOCAL SYMBOLS (DBB)

Problem:

MACREL produces an invalid .KF file for KREF.

Diagnosis:

The radix bit in numeric local symbol entries in the .KF file

is set to 0 (radix 8) instead of 1 (radix 10).

Patch:

.R FUTIL

FILE MACREL.SV SET MODE SAVE 4370/0044 4044 13136/0306 0307

WRITE EXIT

This patch is not sufficient to correct the problem. You must also insert the patch to KREF (see 41.3.1) since the code to handle radix 10 entries in KREF also contains an error. This patch upgrades MACREL to Version 2G.

OS/78 V3.0 EDIT

Seq 72.16.1 R 1 of 1

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The restriction is that you cannot use the RUBOUT key to delete characters following a question mark. You must delete the entire line and insert the proper text.

COS-310 V8.00 (Patch 10)

Seq 81.1.10 M

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LINCHG Program (CW)

PROBLEM:

RUN LINCHG/n does not generate a form feed.

SOLUTION:

The following patch to LINCHG corrects this problem. The Line Change Program (LINCHG) was intended to be used in a batch stream as follows:

- .RUN PROG1
- .RUN LINCHG/n
- .PLEASE CHANGE PAPER NOW
- .RUN PROG2

The RUN LINCHG/n command will generate a form feed, the paper can then be changed, and PROG2 will use the number of lines stated in the LINCHG command.

COS-310 V8.00 (Patch 10)

Seq 81.1.10 M

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1. Create a PATCH command file (PT10) using the following editor commands:

.ER .LN .0100 LINCHG .0110 1 .0120 167 .0130 0214 .0140 END .0150 0200 .0160 END .0170 /X .0180 <ctrl/z>

2. Check the PT10 command file by running PATCH without the /C option. PATCH simulates the patching operation but does not change the file on the system device. When run without the /C option, PATCH displays CHECKSUM CORRECT--USE OPTION C TO UPDATE rather than NEW BLOCK PATCHED OK. To check the command file enter the following:

.R PATCH, PT10

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returning to the Monitor. If PATCH does not return to the Monitor, check the PT10 command file to ensure that it was entered correctly.

- Install the patch by entering the following command:
 - .R PATCH, PT10/C

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returning to the Monitor.

COS-310 V8.01 (Patch 6)

Seq 81.2.7 M

1 of 2

LINCHG Program (CW)

PROBLEM:

RUN LINCHG/n does not generate a form feed.

SOLUTION:

The following patch to LINCHG corrects this problem. The Line Change Program (LINCHG) was intended to be used in a batch stream as follows:

- .RUN PROG1
- .RUN LINCHG/n
- .PLEASE CHANGE PAPER NOW
- .RUN PROG2

The RUN LINCHG/n command will generate a form feed, the paper can then be changed, and PROG2 will use the number of lines stated in the LINCHG command.

COS-310 V8.01 (Patch 6)

Seq 81.2.7 M

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1. Create a PATCH command file (PT06) using the following editor commands:

.ER .LN .0100 LINCHG .0110 1 .0120 167 .0130 0214 .0140 END .0150 0200 .0160 END .0170 /X .0180 <ctrl/z>

2. Check the PT06 command file by running PATCH without the /C option. PATCH simulates the patching operation but does not change the file on the system device. When run without the /C option, PATCH displays CHECKSUM CORRECT--USE OPTION C TO UPDATE rather than NEW BLOCK PATCHED OK. To check the command file enter the following:

R PATCH, PT06

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returning to the Monitor. If PATCH does not return to the Monitor, check the PT06 command file to ensure that it was entered correctly.

3. Install the patch by entering the following command:

.R PATCH, PT06/C

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returning to the Monitor.

COS-31Ø 278Ø/378Ø RDCP V8.Ø1

Seq 90.0.1 M

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RDCP DATA RECEPTION ERRORS (SS)

Data may be incorrectly received by RDCP under certain timing conditions. The problem manifests itself through repeated PROBLEM:

data and/or missing data in the received file.

The following patch to RDCP corrects this problem as well as SOLUTION:

changing the version number of RDCP to V8.01A.

COS-31Ø 278Ø/378Ø RDCP V8.Ø1

Seq 90.0.1 M

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1. Create a PATCH command file (RD01) using the following editor commands:

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.LN
.100 RDCP
.110 16
.120 45
.130 5002
.140 46
.150 1657
.160 47
.170 7540
.180 50
.190 5661
.200 51
.210 7501
.220 52
.230 3657
.240 53
.250 7501
.260 54
.270 3660
.280 55
.290 5662
.300 56
.310 5543
.320 57
.330 5571
.340 60
.350 5734
.350 51
.370 2745
.380 52
.390 2750
.400 346
.410 7501
.420 347
.430 3753
.440 350
.450 4754
.460 351
.470 6001
.480 352
.490 5755
.500 353
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.510 5725 .520 354 .530 5200 .540 355 .550 2456 .560 END .570 7535 .580 62

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- .590 205 .600 4200
- .610 END
- .620 4200
- .630 END .640 /x
- .650 <ctrl/z>
- .WR RD01
- 2. Check the RD01 command file by running PATCH without the /C option. PATCH simulates the patching operation but does not change the file on the system device. When run without the /C option, PATCH displays CHECKSUM CORRECT--USE OPTION C TO UPDATE rather than NEW BLOCK PATCHED OK. To check the command file enter the following:
 - .R PATCH, RD01

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returning to the Monitor. If PATCH does not return to the Monitor, check the RD01 command file to insure that it was entered correctly.

- 3. Install the patch by entering the following command:
 - .R PATCH, RD01/C

PATCH will respond by displaying the PATCH dialogue and returing to the Monitor.

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This is a complete listing of all articles for current products supported in the 8 Digital Software News. Missing sequence numbers may pertain to problems unique to other versions of the same product.

IMPORTANT!

Unassigned articles are indicated: UNASSIGNED.

Flags are currently being installed for all articles. The flags and definitions are as follows.

- M = Mandatory Patch. These patches correct errors in the software product. All users are required to apply these patches to maintain consistent "user level" unless the accompanying article specifies otherwise.
- F = Optional Feature Patch. These patches extend or configure functionality into the product. These functions will be treated as a supported part of the product for the duration of the current release and will be incorporated with any future release, unless otherwise stated.
- $R = \frac{Restriction}{L}$. These articles discuss areas that will not be patched in the current release because they require major modifications orr because of the product. Restrictions, except those described as permanent, are reviewed and modified when possible as part of the normal release cycle.
- N = Note. These articles provide explanatory information that supplements the manual set and provide more detailed information about a program or package. They also provide procedural information to make it easier to use a program or package.

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DIGITAL EQUIPMENT COMPUTER USERS SOCIETY

INTRODUCTION

DECUS, the Digital Equipment Computer Users Society, was established in March of 1961 to advance the effective use of DIGITAL computers. It is a not-for-profit users group supported in part by Digital Equipment Corporation.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Society are to advance the effective utilization of computers, computer peripheral equipment, and software manufactured and marketed by Digital Equipment Corporation, by promoting the interchange of information concerning their uses; advance the art of computation through mutual education and exchange of ideas and information; establish standards and provide channels to facilitate the exchange of computer programs among DECUS members; provide feedback to the computer industry on equipment and software needs; and to reduce the duplication of development efforts.

ORGANIZATION

The Digital Equipment Computer Users Society is a federation of chapters, whose membership is determined by geographic location. The membership is organized to meet the specific needs of members in its area such as Symposia and Special User Group activities. The DECUS chapters are:

- AUSTRALIAN CHAPTER (Australia, Indonesia, Malaysia, New Zealand, PNG, Singapore,)
- EUROPEAN CHAPTER (Europe, Middle East, North Africa, Russia)
- CANADIAN CHAPTER (Canada)
- U.S. CHAPTER (U.S. and All Others)

ACTIVITIES

1. SYMPOSIA

Symposia are sponsored throughout the year by each of the DECUS Chapters and Regional/National User Groups. These meetings provide an opportunity for users of DIGITAL computers to meet with other users and with DIGITAL management, engineers, and customer service representatives. They provide a forum for users to exchange information on technique and approaches to issues of common interest and to provide feedback to DIGITAL on existing and future products and services. Sessions at the symposia include user-driven workshops, tutorials, product panels, as well as application/system-specific presentations.

The technical papers and presentations from each symposium are published as DECUS Proceedings.

2. SPECIAL USER GROUPS

DECUS encourages subgrouping of users with common interests and/or geographical proximity.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) promote the interchange of specialized information for application areas, subject areas (such as languages), or specific operating systems. A group of users must petition the Chapter Executive Board for recognition as a Special Interest Group. The group must have a chairman, a DIGITAL representative, and its organization must meet the guidelines of the Chapter Executive Board.

Geographic subgroupings are formed to service the DECUS members within a specific area although they may also be based on interests as in SIGs. There are four types of geographic subgroupings:

- 1. LUGs Local User Groups
- 2. NUGs National User Groups
- 3. RUGS Regional User Groups
- 4. SLUGs Student Local User Groups

3. STANDARDS

DECUS promotes user activity in reviewing DIGITAL standards. Users are given the opportunity to comment on DIGITAL standards prior to their finalization.

4. PROGRAM LIBRARY

One of the major activities of the users group is the DECUS Program Library. The Library contains programs written and submitted by users and is maintained and operated separate from the Digital Software Distribution Center. A wide range of software is available, including languages, editors, numerical functions, utilities, display routines, and various other types of application software.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in DECUS is voluntary and is not subject to membership fee. Members are invited to take an active interest in the Society by contributing to the Program Library, to newsletters, and by participating in its Special User Groups and Symposia. There are two types of membership: Installation Membership and Association Membership.

INSTALLATION MEMBERSHIP

An organization, institution, or individual that has purchased, leased or has on order a computer manufactured by Digital Equipment Corporation is eligible for Installation Membership in DECUS.

An Installation should appoint a person immediately concerned with the use of the computer to act as delegate to the Society. A delegate receives all official communications and has a vote on DECUS policies and elections. An organization or company is eligible for as many voting delegates as it has DIGITAL computers. Each delegate must file an application for Installation Membership.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

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Australia

Any person who is not an appointed Installation Delegate, who has a bona fide interest in DECUS is eligible for Associate Membership.

Membership status is acquired by submitting the enclosed application to the appropriate Chapter Executive Secretary for approval by the Chapter Executive Board.

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Questions, problems, and enhancements to DIGITAL software should be reported on a Software Performance Report (SPR) form and mailed to the SPR Center at one of the following Digital Offices: (SPR forms are available from the SPR Center).

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