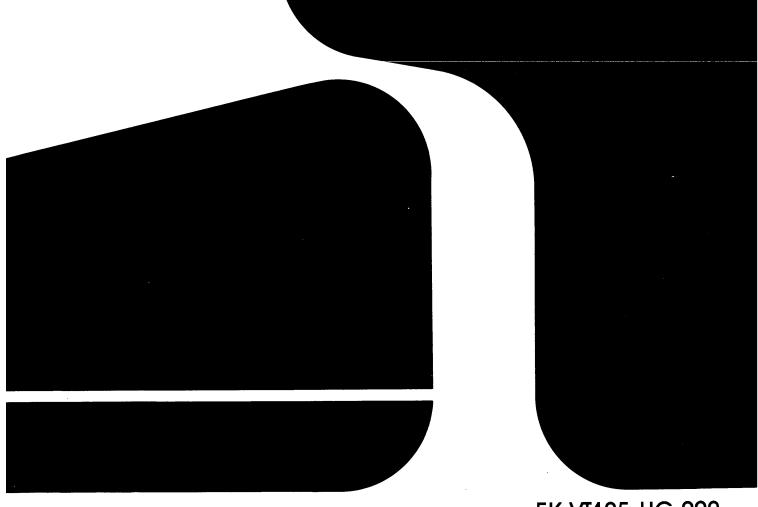
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## OPERATING INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL**

This chapter provides a general overview of how the VT125 operates, and a description of the terminal's controls and indicators. This chapter also provides a summary of basic operating procedures. Detailed operating information depends on the computer and the software to which the terminal is connected.

#### **TERMINAL OPERATION**

The VT125 Graphic Terminal (Figure 1-1) is a VT100 video text terminal and a graphics processor in one package. The graphics processor processes graphic commands from a computer to generate an image in its

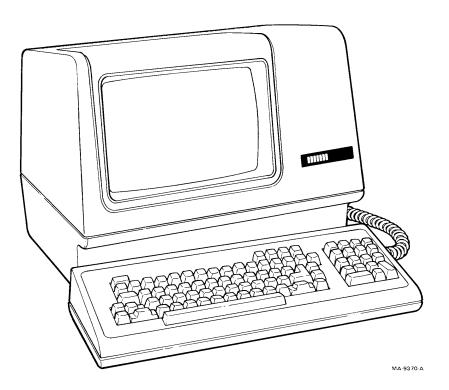


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TRANSMITTED CHARACTERS

RECEIVED CHARACTER PROCESSING

**ReGIS PROGRAMMING** 

**VT105 EMULATION** 

**COMMUNICATIONS** 

**INSTALLATION** 

MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING

**OPTIONS** 

**ACCESSORIES AND SUPPLIES** 

#### INTRODUCTION

#### PRODUCT INTRODUCTION

The VT125 is a graphics display terminal that combines a bit map architecture with the alphanumeric capability of the VT100 video terminal. The VT125 is a smart terminal that directly executes DIGITAL's general purpose graphics descriptor - Remote Graphics Instruction Set (ReGIS). ReGIS lets you create and store pictures as ASCII text and efficiently send those pictures to remote displays. The VT125 also has an auxiliary data port for making hard copies of the display with the DECwriter IV Graphic Printer. The VT125 includes a VT105 emulator for users who have programs for the older VT105.

#### **BOOK INTRODUCTION**

This book describes the following products:

VT125-AA and -AB Graphics Terminal and VT1XX-CB and -CL Graphics Processors for VT100 and VT105.

This User Guide provides general operating information, interface information, control functions and ReGIS command descriptions, and specific installation and checkout procedures. The main audiences for this document are the operator, applications programmer, and terminal installer. The operator, however, should use this book only as a reference when operating the terminal. The document that describes use of application software is the primary document for the operator.

Information in this User Guide is divided by function. Refer to a specific chapter according to the function to be performed. The chapters are arranged by frequency of use. Since operating information is frequently used, it is at the beginning. Installation is performed only once, so it is placed toward the end of the book.

This document is written for three types of readers:

1. The operator, needing general operating information (Chapters 1, 2, 3, 9, and 11)

- 2. The applications programmer, needing ReGIS, VT105, control functions, and communications descriptions (Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7), and
- 3. The hardware installer, needing specific installation and checkout information (Chapters 8, 9, 10, and 11).

Chapter 1 provides a general introduction on how the terminal operates. It also shows all the terminal controls and indicators. This chapter summarizes basic terminal operation. Detailed operating information may depend on the computer software.

Chapter 2 defines SET-UP and describes each SET-UP feature in detail. Many of the terminal's SET-UP features change how the terminal communicates with the computer. Detailed information on communication and related SET-UP features is provided in the Communication chapter.

Chapter 3 describes the characters and codes transmitted by the terminal, and shows the keys required to produce the codes.

Chapter 4 explains to the programmer the use of control functions to control the display, processing, transmission, and representation of characters by the terminal. The chapter includes a description of the characters received by the terminal.

Chapter 5 provides the syntax and commands of the ReGIS graphics descriptor.

Chapter 6 provides the syntax and commands of the VT105 emulator.

Chapter 7 describes the types of communication interfaces available on the VT125. This chapter also describes the methods of communicating with the graphics option, computer and printer, and describes the SET-UP features used with these devices.

Chapter 8 describes the environmental conditions to be considered before installing the terminal. A detailed installation procedure is provided. This chapter also has a step-by-step procedure for turning on the terminal and checking that it operates correctly.

Chapter 9 describes all operator maintenance procedures used with the VT125. Self-test information is also provided. This information outlines the steps needed to start the built-in tests and to understand the results once the tests have run. This chapter also has a general procedure for operator troubleshooting of the terminal.

Chapter 10 describes the VT125 options: the Advanced Video option and current loop interface adapter, and the VT1XX-CB and -CL Graphics Processor upgrades for the VT100 and VT105. It also provides installation and checkout instructions.

Chapter 11 describes accessories and supplies for the VT125. This chapter includes a short description of each accessory and supply, its part number, and ordering information.

Appendix A lists the specifications of the VT125 terminal.

Appendix B provides a summary of the SET-UP feature display.

Appendix C lists the character codes generated by the VT125 terminal.

Appendix D provides a summary of the VT125 control functions and ReGIS commands.

Appendix E describes the ANSI code extension techniques used to create escape and control sequences.

Appendix F describes how to write ReGIS commands for both the VT125 and the VK100.

Appendix G explains the HLS color system in the VT125.

Appendix H lists the ReGIS commands used to create art for this book.

Glossary provides a list of technical words and their definitions.

Other Terminals provides a description of terminals offered by DIGITAL.

Index provides a list of words with page numbers indicating where the topic may be found.

Warranty Information describes the warranty and services available from DIGITAL.

#### **BOOK METHODS**

This book uses colored shading to indicate tables, and gray shading to indicate procedures. The part of a figure being discussed is in color.

#### NOTES, CAUTIONS, AND WARNINGS

A note contains information important enough to set off from the main body of text. A caution contains information essential to the safety of equipment and software. A warning contains information essential to the safety of personnel.

own memory. Then it sends a video representation of that image to the VT100 text terminal's internal monitor screen and to an optional external color monitor. It can also send a bit map representation of the image to a graphic printer. If data coming to the VT125 are not graphic commands or other commands to the graphics processor, the graphics processor sends the data to the VT100. The VT100 then displays text data and pro-

#### **CONTROLS AND INDICATORS**

cesses control functions data.

The VT125 video terminal controls and indicators are explained in four groups:

- 1. Monitor controls,
- 2. Keyboard controls,
- 3. Visual indicators, and
- 4. Audible indicators.

#### **Monitor Controls**

The VT125 terminal has two controls on the rear panel. The controls are the ac voltage selection switch and the ac power ON/OFF switch (Figure 1-2).

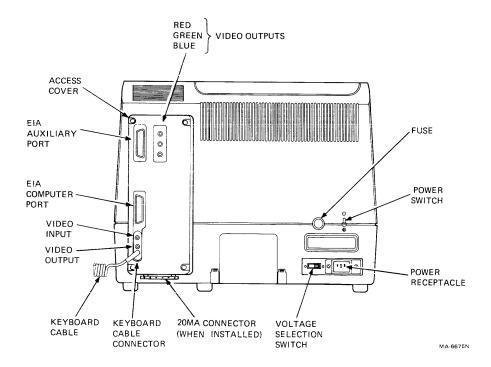


Figure 1-2 Monitor Controls and Connector Locations

# Operating Information

AC Voltage Selection Switch - This switch lets the VT125 terminal operate with available ac input voltage. Refer to Installation (Chapter 8) for more information.

CAUTION: Setting the ac voltage selection switch to 120 Vac when using 198 to 256 Vac power source will damage the terminal.

NOTE: The ac voltage selection switch does not select the ac line frequency power SET-UP feature. Refer to the SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) for more information.

AC Power ON/OFF Switch - This switch turns the ac power to the terminal on and off. Either the ON LINE or LOCAL keyboard indicators light to show the ac power ON condition. Refer to the indicators section of this chapter for more information on VT125 indicators.

A power-up self-test verifies proper operation of the VT125 terminal each time the terminal is powered up. Perform the following procedure to power up and checkout the terminal.

- 1. Turn the power switch to the ON position (refer to Figure 1-2 for the switch location). The terminal automatically runs the power-up selftest. The test gives the following indications:
  - a. Keyboard and screen flash on and off.
  - b. All keyboard indicators turn on and off, and either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator is turned on.
  - c. The wait message is displayed on the screen and then is erased.
  - d. A bell tone sounds.
  - e. A band of light appears at the top of the screen and is erased.
  - f. Another bell tone sounds.
  - g. A message appears to announce the result of the VT125 self-test, and a box is drawn\* around the margins of the graphics screen area. (This message stays on the screen until the first character arrives over the communication line.)

NOTE: No message appears on the screen until the terminal warms up.

<sup>\*</sup>Not on all units

h. The text cursor is displayed in the upper-left corner of the screen.

Any error found by the power-up self-test is displayed on the screen as either a character, a message, on keyboard indicators L1-L4, or by several bell tones. Refer to the Self-Test Error Codes section of Chapter 9 for more information on error indications.

2. If the terminal powers up correctly, select the SET-UP features you want as described in Chapter 2.

#### **Keyboard Controls**

The VT125 has a typewriter-styled main keyboard and calculator-styled auxiliary keypad. The main keyboard is arranged and operates similar to a standard office typewriter. The auxiliary keypad allows rapid entry of numeric data or function characters.

Some keys generate one or more characters immediately when typed. Other keys, such as CTRL and SHIFT, do not generate characters when typed, but modify characters generated by other keys. If two charactergenerating keys are pressed almost at the same time, they might be down at the same time. However, the two characters are generated according to the order in which the keys were typed. The VT125 does not wait for the keys to be lifted, but generates both characters as soon as possible after the keys are typed. If three character-generating keys are pressed at the same time, the characters from the first two keys are generated immediately. The character for the third key is generated when one of the first keys is lifted.

The keyboard keys are divided by function:

Standard keys, Function keys, Auxiliary keypad keys, and SET-UP keys.

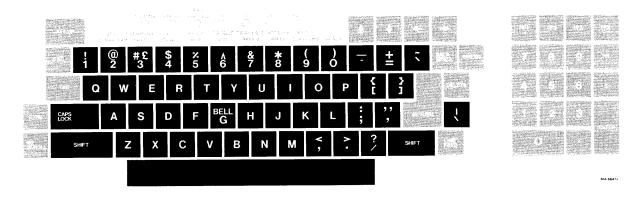


Figure 1-3 Standard Keys

**Standard Keys** – Figure 1-3 identifies keys labeled as standard type-writer and calculator keys. The codes transmitted by each of these keys under various conditions are described in the Transmitted Characters chapter (Chapter 3).

Also, some of the standard typewriter and calculator keys, when used as function keys, may generate control characters. Figure 3-3 shows the control character generated by each key. Refer to the computer software user guide for the meaning of the keys.



#### **CAPS LOCK**

When pressed before pressing alphabetic keys, this key generates uppercase alphabetic characters, regardless of the position of the **SHIFT** key. The **CAPS LOCK** key locks into position during operation. To release this key, press it again.

The **CAPS LOCK** key has no effect on numeric keys, special symbol keys and the auxiliary keypad.



#### **SHIFT**

When pressed in combination with other keys, these keys generate uppercase characters for the alphabetic, numeric, and special symbol keys of the main keyboard. The **SHIFT** key does not affect the auxiliary keypad keys or **TAB**, **RETURN**, **LINEFEED**, **BACKSPACE**, **DELETE**, or space bar (unlabeled).

**Function Keys** – Figure 1-4 identifies the function keys of the VT125. The following paragraphs provide general descriptions of these keys.



#### **ESCAPE**

This key generates the escape character.

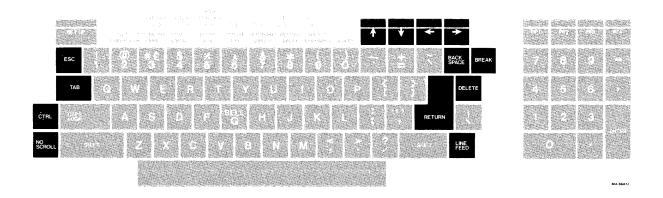


Figure 1-4 Function Keys



#### **TAB**

This key generates the tab character.



#### **CONTROL**

When pressed in combination with another key, the CTRL key generates control characters. Figure 3-3 in Chapter 3 shows which key to press for each control character.



#### DELETE

This key generates a delete character. The deleted character may or may not be erased from the screen depending on the computer's software.



#### **RETURN**

This key generates either a carriage return (CR) or a carriage return and linefeed (CRLF). The characters generated are selected using the Linefeed/New Line SET-UP feature. Refer to the SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) for more details on this SET-UP feature.



This key generates a linefeed character.



#### NO SCROLL

This key stops the VT100 from processing characters when first pressed during character transmission from the computer through the graphics processor to the VT125. The contents of the text display is held in place and scrolling stops. Other activities, such as graphics processing or printing, may continue. When the **NO SCROLL** key is pressed a second time, the VT100 continues processing characters, the screen displays the new characters, and scrolling continues.



#### **BACKSPACE**

The backspace key transmits the backspace character.



#### BREAK

This key generates a Break signal. Refer to the Communication chapter (Chapter 7) for details on the use of the Break signal. The computer response to the Break signal depends on the computer and software. Refer to the computer software user guide for details on the use of this key.

When pressed while pressing the **SHIFT** key, the **BREAK** key causes a long break disconnect. Refer to the Communication chapter (Chapter 7) for details on long break disconnects.

When pressed while pressing the CTRL key, the BREAK key causes the VT100 answerback message to be transmitted. Refer to the SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) for more details on the answerback message.



#### **Cursor Control Keys**

These keys usually generate cursor control commands. The cursor is an indicator on the video screen that shows the line and column where the next character will be positioned. Each of these keys generates characters that may have a special meaning to the computer. Refer to the computer software user guide for details on the use of these keys.

#### **Auxiliary Keypad**

These keys let you enter numbers quickly as with a calculator. The minus, comma, period, and numeric keys of the auxiliary keypad usually generate the same characters as the corresponding unshifted keys of the main keyboard. The **ENTER** key corresponds to the **RETURN** key of the main keyboard.

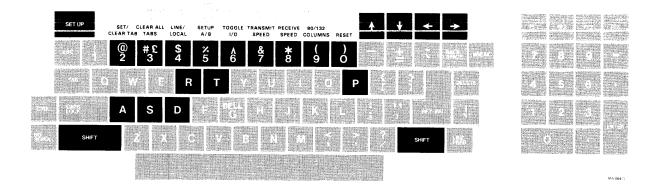


Figure 1-5 SET-UP Keys

The auxiliary keypad can be used in two ways, depending on your computer software:

- 1. For entering numbers (only PF1, PF2, PF3, PF4 are function keys), or
- 2. For special purposes such as video editors (all keys are function keys).

Refer to Chapter 3 for an explanation of the different keypad function keys. Refer to the computer software user guide for more information on the use of these keys.

**SET-UP Keys** - Figure 1-5 shows the keys that have meaning to the VT125 when operating in SET-UP. There are two SET-UP displays: SET-UP A, and SET-UP B. The SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) has a detailed explanation of the use of these keys.



#### SET-UP

This key places the VT125 in SET-UP. Terminal features can be changed while in SET-UP. Entering and exiting SET-UP also cancels any ReGIS hardcopy command.



#### **SET/CLEAR TAB**

In SET-UP A this key sets or clears single horizontal tabs. In SET-UP B this key is inactive.



#### **CLEAR ALL TABS**

In SET-UP A this key clears all horizontal tabs set. In SET-UP B this key is inactive.



#### LINE/LOCAL

In any SET-UP display this key switches the VT125 between ON-LINE and LOCAL. While ON-LINE the VT125 communicates with the computer through the graphics option. While LOCAL the VT125 cannot communicate with the computer. Instead, the VT100 terminal inside the VT125 communicates only with itself, ignoring the graphics option. However, the graphics option can continue to process data from the computer. Use a data loopback connector with the terminal ON-LINE to communicate with the graphics option from the keyboard. Refer to the Maintenance and Troubleshooting chapter (Chapter 9) for instructions.



#### SET-UP A/B

In SET-UP this key switches the VT125 between SET-UP A and SET-UP B.



#### TOGGLE 1/0

In SET-UP B this key turns the selected feature on or off. In SET-UP A this key is inactive.



#### **TRANSMIT SPEED**

In SET-UP B this key steps the VT125 up through the transmit baud rate settings of the line to the computer. In SET-UP A this key is inactive.



#### **RECEIVE SPEED**

In SET-UP B this key steps the VT125 through the receive baud rate settings of the line to the computer. In SET-UP A this key is inactive.



#### **80/132 COLUMNS**

In SET-UP A this key switches the display line size between 80 and 132 characters per line. In SET-UP B this key is inactive.



#### RESET

In any SET-UP display this key starts the reset sequence. This has the same result as turning the VT125 power off and then on.

NOTE: The reset sequence erases the VT125 memory. This includes the text and graphics display data, any temporarily stored SET-UP feature settings, and any selected graphics protocols.



#### **Cursor Keys**

In any SET-UP display these keys increase and decrease the brightness of the display.



#### **Cursor Keys**

In any SET-UP display these keys move the cursor left and right.



#### Δ

In SET-UP B, while pressing the **SHIFT** key press the **A** key to enter the answerback message in the VT125.



#### R

In any of the SET-UP displays, while pressing the **SHIFT** key, press the **R** key to recall the previously stored user permanent memory SET-UP feature selections.



#### S

In any of the SET-UP displays, while pressing the **SHIFT** key, press the **S** key to store the current SET-UP feature selections in the user permanent memory. Refer to the SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) for more details.

#### **Visual Indicators**

Figure 1-6 shows the location of the visual indicators. The following paragraphs describe the function of each indicator.

**ON LINE** – When this indicator is on, the text terminal is on-line and ready to transmit or receive data. When ac power is ON, either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator is on.

LOCAL – When this indicator is on, the text terminal is local and cannot communicate with the computer or the graphics option. When the text terminal is local, it displays data entered from the keyboard on the screen as if the data came from the computer. When ac power is on, either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator is on. LOCAL should only be used to test the text terminal. Always leave the terminal on-line.

**KBD LOCKED** – When this indicator is on, the keyboard has been turned off (locked) either by the computer or by the terminal itself. Any new characters typed are lost. The terminal can still receive data from the computer.

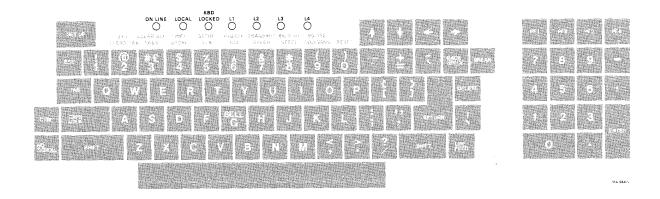


Figure 1-6 Keyboard Indicators

The computer turns off the keyboard if it cannot process characters as fast as the terminal sends them. The computer turns the keyboard on when it is ready for more characters.

The terminal turns off the keyboard if the transmit baud rate is too slow to send characters as fast as you type them. The terminal turns the keyboard on after it sends the characters you already typed.

NOTE: If you enter and exit SET-UP while the keyboard is locked, characters already typed are lost and the keyboard is unlocked. However, if the computer is not ready to receive characters, characters typed after unlocking may be lost.

L1 - L4 - These indicators are turned on and off by the computer. Refer to your computer software instructions for the meaning of each indicator. L1 - L4 also show self-test errors.

#### **Audible Indicators**

There are three audible indicators in the VT125 - a keyclick, a long tone (beep), and a series of long tones.

**Keyclick** – The terminal generates a keyclick when a key is pressed, with the following exceptions.

- SHIFT or CTRL keys do not generate keyclick because these keys do not transmit characters but only modify the characters transmitted by other keys.
- KBD LOCKED indicator is on; any keys typed are lost.
- The keyclick feature is off in SET-UP B.

Long Tone (Beep) - The terminal generates a beep to indicate one of the following conditions.

- A bell character was received from the computer.
- The cursor is eight characters away from the right margin and the margin bell feature is enabled.

Series of Long Tones - The terminal generates the long tone many times in a row and the screen displays "2" to indicate that the user permanent memory cannot read or write the SET-UP features. If this happens, check the SET-UP features and then perform the save or recall operation again. Service may be needed. Refer to the Maintenance and Troubleshooting chapter (Chapter 9).

### SET-UP Features

## SET-UP FEATURES

#### **GENERAL**

The VT125 terminal has many features in SET-UP that allow the terminal to be configured for specific applications. This chapter describes SET-UP and each of the SET-UP features.

#### **SET-UP FEATURES**

SET-UP features change how the VT125 terminal operates. They allow the terminal to be configured to operator preference, and they provide compatibility to the computer and ac power source. Table 2-1 divides the SET-UP features into three general types: operator preference, communication compatibility, and installation.

#### **Operator Preference**

These features configure the terminal to operator preference. They do not affect information transferred between the terminal and the computer.

#### **Communication Compatibility**

These features configure the terminal so that it is compatible with a computer. There are many combinations of SET-UP features used when communicating with a computer. The features must be selected correctly for the terminal to communicate with the computer. An error in these selections may stop communication or cause incorrect information to be transferred between the terminal and computer.

NOTE: This chapter describes the SET-UP features used to provide compatibility. More information about using these SET-UP features is provided in the Communications chapter (Chapter 7).

#### Installation

These features configure the terminal for operation in different installations. If the location of the terminal is changed, verify these feature selections.

SET-UP Feature	Operator Preference	Communication Compatibility	Installation
ON LINE/LOCAL		X	
Screen brightness	X		
Columns per line		Χ	
Tab stops		X	
Scroll	Χ		
Auto repeat	X		
Screen background	Χ		
Cursor	X		
Margin bell	χ		
Keyclick	X		
ANSI/VT52		Χ	
Auto XON/XOFF		X	
US/UK character set			X
Auto wrap		Χ	
Linefeed/new line		Χ	
Interlace			X
Parity sense		X	
Parity	alor a la la la company	X	a dust da
Bits per character		X	arin in the
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AUX port bits per character		$\mathbf{x}^{\dagger}$	
AUX port speed		X	
Transmit speed		X	
Receive speed Answerback		X	

#### **FEATURE SELECTION**

SET-UP features can be selected by the computer or from the terminal keyboard. When the computer changes the feature selections, the SET-UP features are not destroyed. However, the current selection is shown by the SET-UP feature display. SET-UP features that can be changed by the computer are listed in Table 2-2. Refer to the Received Character Processing chapter (Chapter 4) for more information about computer selection of features.

SET-UP Feature	Can Be Changed	
ON LINE/LOCAL		
Screen brightness		
Columns per line		
Tab stops	X	
Scroll	X	
Auto repeat	X	
Screen background		
Cursor		
Margin bell		
Keyclick		
ANSI/VT52	X the state of the	
Auto XON/XOFF		
US/UK character set		
Auto wrap		
Linefeed/new line		
Interlace		
Parity sense		
Parity		
Bits per character		
Power	erbiliterallyt are in order to the first property of the manuscript of the second of t	
AUX port bits per character		
AUX port speed		
Transmit speed Receive speed	The state of the s	

To select SET-UP features from the keyboard you must enter SET-UP. SET-UP has two feature displays: SET-UP A and SET-UP B (Figure 2-1). The SET-UP A feature display shows the location of tab stops and a visual ruler numbers each column of the line. The SET-UP B feature display shows the other SET-UP features. Use the following procedure to change a SET-UP feature selection.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to enter SET-UP.	SET-UP A is displayed on the screen.
Press SETUP A/B to select the correct SET-UP display.	The selected SET-UP display shows on the screen.
Change the SET-UP feature selection.	The SET-UP display shows the feature selection.
Store the SET-UP features if desired.	The terminal displays wait and then SET-UP A.
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit SET-UP.	

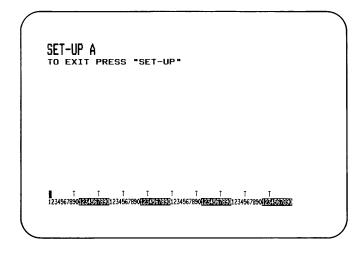
NOTE: Entering and exiting SET-UP with KBD LOCKED on clears the keyboard locked condition and erases any characters that were typed after the keyboard was locked. Entering and exiting SET-UP also cancels any ReGIS hardcopy command.

# **ENTERING AND EXITING SET-UP**

You can enter SET-UP while either ON-LINE or LOCAL.

# **FEATURE MEMORIES**

The SET-UP feature selections are stored in three memories: operating (temporary), user permanent, and SET-UP default (Figure 2-2).



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SET-UP B
TO EXIT PRESS "SET-UP"
1 HO1 2 0111 3 0001 4 0010 5 0000
                                 T SPEED 9600 R SPEED 9600
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Figure 2-1 SET-UP Displays

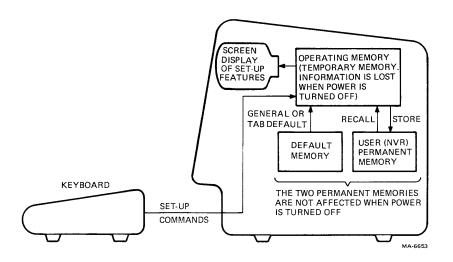


Figure 2-2 SET-UP Feature Memories

# **Operating Memory**

This memory stores the SET-UP feature selections used to operate the terminal. The terminal always operates according to these features. The features can be selected at the terminal keyboard or by the computer. In SET-UP, the feature selections in the operating memory are shown on the screen. Use the following procedure to change the SET-UP feature selections stored in memory.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to enter SET-UP.	SET-UP A is displayed on the screen.
Press SETUP A/B to select the correct SET-UP display.	The selected SET-UP display shows on the screen.
Change the SET-UP feature selection.	The SET-UP display shows the feature selection.
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit SET-UP.	The terminal operates according to the new SET-UP feature selections in operating memory.

If a recall or reset procedure is performed, or power to the terminal is turned off and on, all operating memory SET-UP feature selections are replaced by the SET-UP feature selections in user permanent memory.

# **User Permanent Memory**

This memory stores selected SET-UP features permanently. The computer cannot change SET-UP feature selections in user permanent memory. User permanent memory can only be changed by performing a store from the terminal keyboard while in SET-UP. Turning power off does not affect SET-UP feature selections in this memory. SET-UP features are moved between operating memory and user permanent memory by performing store, recall, or reset procedures.

Store - This procedure stores the operating memory SET-UP feature selections in user permanent memory. Storing is performed from the terminal keyboard. The computer itself cannot store SET-UP feature selections in user permanent memory. Use the following procedure to store SET-UP feature selections in user permanent memory.

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Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press SET-UP to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Hold down SHIFT, press	The terminal displays wait and then
S, then release both	SET-UP A.
keys.	
Press SET-UP to exit	
SET-UP.	

Recall - This procedure recalls the user permanent memory SET-UP feature selections into operating memory. All feature selections previously in operating memory are erased. Also, the text screen memory is erased. Use the following procedure to recall the SET-UP feature selections from user permanent memory into operating memory.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Hold down SHIFT, press	The terminal displays wait and then
R, then release both	SET-UP A.
keys.	P
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit	
SET-UP.	

NOTE: Some features selected by the computer may be affected.

**Reset** – This procedure resets the terminal, erases all memories and performs a self-test. Also, reset recalls the user permanent memory SET-UP feature selections into operating memory. All feature selections previously in operating memory are erased. Use the following procedure to reset the terminal.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press SET-UP to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press RESET.	The power-on self-test runs. The
	terminal operates according to the
	SET-UP feature selections in user
	permanent memory. The terminal
	automatically exits SET-UP.

# **SET-UP Default Memory**

The VT125 has default SET-UP feature selections for all the VT125 SET-UP features. These default selections cannot be changed by the user. When a default occurs (usually because of a problem in the user permanent memory), all operating memory SET-UP feature selections change to the default selections. The SET-UP features in user permanent memory are not changed by a default. Figure 2-3 shows the default SET-UP feature selections.

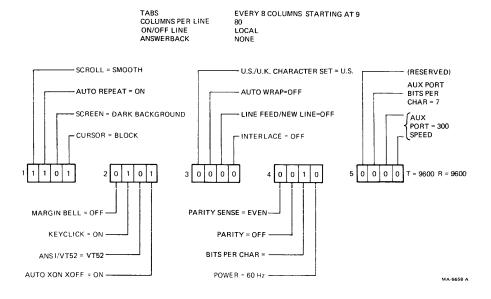


Figure 2-3 SET-UP Default Feature Selections

#### **SET-UP FEATURE DEFINITIONS**

The definitions in this section are arranged by the SET-UP display in which they are changed. A general procedure for changing each SET-UP feature in the SET-UP display is provided at the beginning of each SET-UP display section. For features needing a more detailed procedure, the procedure is given with the SET-UP feature description. The first section includes the general features changed in either SET-UP A or SET-UP B.

NOTE: Entering SET-UP and changing features usually does not cause the loss of characters in the VT125 text memory. Any action that does cause loss is explained.

#### **General SET-UP Features**

The on-line/local and screen brightness SET-UP features may be changed in any SET-UP display. Dedicated keys on the main keyboard select these features. Each feature description includes the specific change procedure.

On-Line/Local - This feature places the terminal either on-line or local. While on-line (the keyboard ON LINE indicator is on) the text terminal transfers data to and from the computer through the graphics processor.

While local (the keyboard LOCAL indicator is on) the text terminal does not transfer data to or from the graphics processor. Characters typed on the keyboard are echoed to the screen directly. Local should only be used to test the text terminal. Always leave the terminal on-line.

Use the following procedure to select the on-line or local condition.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press LINE/LOCAL	The ON LINE and LOCAL
to select on-line	keyboard indicators show the
or local.	feature selection.
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit	The characters displayed on the
SET-UP.	screen when entering SET-UP are
	again displayed on the screen.

Screen Brightness - The VT125 electronically controls screen brightness. The ↑ (up arrow) key increases the screen brightness; the ↓ (down arrow) key decreases the screen brightness.

Use the following procedure to select the wanted screen brightness.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to enter SET-UP.	SET-UP A is displayed on the screen.
Press [ (up arrow) or [ (down arrow) to select brightness.	SET-UP display is the brightness selected.
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit SET-UP.	The characters displayed on the screen when entering SET-UP are again displayed on the screen.

# **SET-UP A Features**

The following paragraphs describe SET-UP A features in detail.

Characters Per Line – This feature selects a display of either 80 or 132 characters per line. With 80 characters per line selected, the screen is 80 characters wide and 24 lines long. With 132 characters per line selected, the screen is 132 characters wide and 14 lines long (132 characters by 24 lines long if the advanced video option is installed). The displayed lines with 132 characters per line selected are the same width on the video screen as the 80 character per line selection, but the characters are narrow and closer together (Figure 2-4).

**NOTE**: Changing the characters per line erases the current contents of the screen.

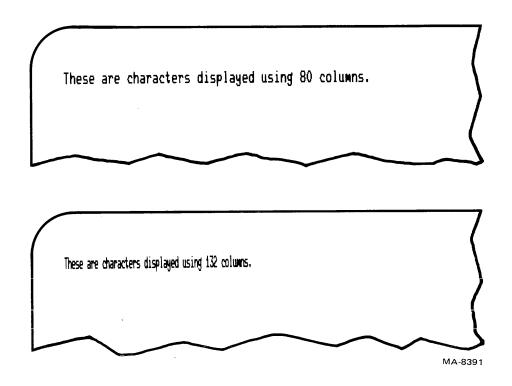


Figure 2-4 80- and 132-Column Displays

Use the following procedure to select the number of characters per line.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press SET-UP to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press 80 / 132	The bottom line of the display is a
COLUMNS to select	"ruler" that numbers each column
the number of columns	position on a line. This ruler
per line.	indicates the feature selection.
Press SET-UP to exit	The characters displayed on the
SET-UP, or press	screen before entering SET-UP are
SET-UP A/B to enter	lost. When exiting SET-UP the
SET-UP B.	screen is blank.

Tabs - Tab stops are preselected points on a line of the VT125 display. The VT125 cursor can tab (advance) to the tab stops on the display line. The tab stops may be changed one at a time, or all cleared and then set.

The 2 (SET/CLEAR TAB) key of the main keyboard sets and clears single tab stops. The 3 (CLEAR ALL TABS) key of the main keyboard clears all tab stop settings.

Use the following procedure to set and clear tab stops.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press SET-UP to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press CLEAR ALL	All tabs are cleared.
TABS or SET/CLEAR	
TABS.	The tab is set or cleared at the
	cursor position.
	The cursor is moved using the
	← (left arrow), → (right arrow),
	RETURN, TAB and space bar keys
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit	The characters displayed on the
SET-UP, or press	screen when entering SET-UP are
SET-UP A/B to enter	again displayed on the screen.
SET-UP B.	

# **SET-UP B Features**

Figure 2-5 is the SET-UP B summary. The bottom line of the display is a row of switches indicating the features selected. Use the following procedure to change SET-UP feature switch selections.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to enter SET-UP.	SET-UP A is displayed on the screen.
Press SET-UP A/B to enter SET-UP B.	SET-UP B is displayed on the screen.
Position the cursor over the SET-UP feature switch to be changed.	The cursor is positioned using the  ← (left arrow), → (right arrow), RETURN, TAB and spacebar keys.
Use the <b>TOGGLE 1/0</b> key to select the feature.	The screen displays the feature selection.
Press SET-UP to exit SET-UP, or press SETUP A/B to enter SET-UP A.	The characters displayed on the screen when entering SET-UP are again displayed on the screen.

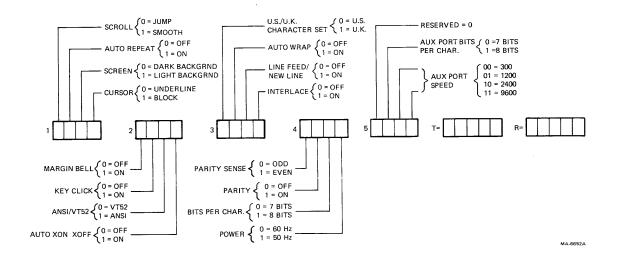


Figure 2-5 SET-UP B Summary

The following paragraphs describe the features in the order of the switches on the screen. The switches are referred to within this chapter by the group and the number of the switch within the group. (Example: switch 3-2 is the third group of switches – second switch counting from left to right.) The answerback feature is listed at the end of the feature descriptions.

# SCROLL Switch 1-1: 0 = Jump, 1 = Smooth

Scrolling is the movement of text up or down on the screen. Scrolling is performed to make room for new lines at the bottom or top of the screen. It can be performed in two ways: jump or smooth scroll.

With jump scroll selected, new lines are displayed on the screen as fast as the terminal receives them. At the higher baud rates, the lines displayed are difficult to read because of their rapid movement.

With smooth scroll selected, the speed at which new lines are displayed is limited. The movement of lines occurs at a smooth steady rate allowing the lines to be read as they are displayed on the screen.

NOTE: Smooth scroll allows a maximum of six lines per second to be added at the top or bottom of the screen. The auto XON/XOFF feature must be supported by the computer to make sure that characters are not lost when smooth scroll is selected.

#### **AUTO REPEAT**

# Switch 1-2: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

This feature causes a key to be automatically repeated at the rate of about 30 characters per second when the key is held down for more than one-half second. The auto repeat feature affects all keyboard keys except the following.

**SET-UP ESC** RETURN **ENTER NO SCROLL** CTRL and any key

When the feature is turned off, only one character is transmitted each time the key is pressed.

#### SCREEN BACKGROUND Switch 1-3: 0 = Dark, 1 = Light

This feature determines the background of the screen. With dark background selected, the display has light characters on a dark background. With light background (reverse screen) selected, the display has dark characters on a light background (Figure 2-6).

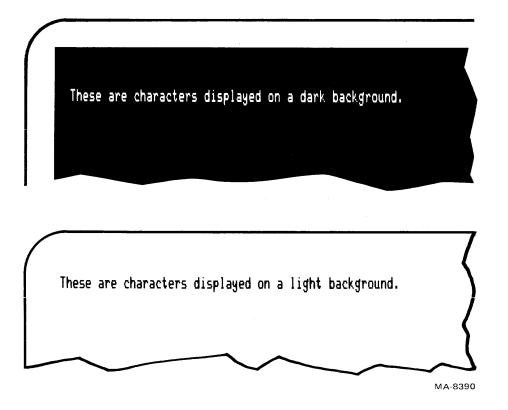


Figure 2-6 Screen Background

# **CURSOR**

# Switch 1-4: 0 = Underline, 1 = Block

This feature offers a choice of two cursor displays to indicate the "active position" or where the next character will be put on the screen. The cursor is displayed as either a blinking underline (\_\_\_) or a blinking block (\blink). If the advanced video option is not installed, this feature also affects the character attribute. Refer to Select Graphic Rendition on page 63.

#### MARGIN BELL

# Switch 2-1: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

While typing, this feature causes a bell tone to sound when the cursor is eight characters from the end of the current line. The margin bell can be turned on or off. The volume is not adjustable.

#### **KEYCLICK**

# Switch 2-2: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

This sound is generated every time a key is pressed. The keyclick can be turned on or off. However, research and experience has shown that an operator types fewer errors when there is an audible feedback from the keyboard. The keyclick volume is not adjustable.

#### ANSI/VT52

# Switch 2-3: 0 = VT52, 1 = ANSI

The VT125 terminal follows two different programming standards - American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and VT52 compatible. With ANSI selected, the VT125 generates and responds to control sequences according to ANSI standards X3.41-1974 and X3.64-1979. With VT52 compatible selected, the VT125 terminal is compatible with previous DIGITAL software using the VT52 video terminal. But because the graphics processor only uses ANSI, at power-up it sends the VT52 mode control function to the text terminal to force this SET-UP feature to ANSI regardless of the user permanent memory setting. After power-up, you must manually set this switch to use VT52 modes.

# AUTO XON/XOFF

# Switch 2-4: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

The VT125 graphics processor requires the XON (DC1) and XOFF (DC3) control characters. Therefore, this feature cannot be turned off. Refer to the Communications chapter (Chapter 7) for more information about XON and XOFF.

# **US/UK CHARACTER SET**

# Switch 3-1: 0 = #, 1 = £

The VT125 includes character sets for the United States and the United Kingdom. The difference between the two character sets is one character, the # (number) or £ (pound) symbol.

# **AUTO WRAP**

#### Switch 3-2: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

This feature selects where a received character is displayed when the cursor is at the right margin. When the auto wrap feature is off, the character and all following characters are written into the last column of the current line. When this feature is on, the character is automatically displayed on the next line.

#### LINEFEED/NEW LINE Switch 3-3: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

This feature determines the control character(s) transmitted when RE-TURN is pressed and what action is taken by the VT125 when it receives a linefeed control character (Table 2-3).

When this feature is off (linefeed mode) pressing RETURN generates only the carriage return (CR) control character. When a linefeed (LF) control character is received, the cursor moves down to the next line and maintains the current column position.

When the linefeed/new line feature is on (new line mode), pressing RE-TURN generates the carriage return (CR) and linefeed (LF) control characters. When a linefeed control character is received, the character is responded to as both a carriage return and linefeed. Therefore, a received linefeed causes the cursor to move to the left margin of the next line.

NOTE: The meaning of linefeed varies according to your computer system's software. Be sure you need this feature before you turn it on.

Table 2-3	Linefeed/New	Line Feature Summary
Selection	Key	Character Sent
Off	RETURN	Carriage return (CR)
Off	LINE FEED	Linefeed (LF)
On	RETURN	Carriage return - linefeed (CR LF)
On	LINE FEED	Linefeed (LF)
Selection	Character Received	Function
Off	CR	Carriage return (cursor moves to left margin)
Off	LF	Linefeed (cursor moves to next line but stays in same column)
On	CR	Carriage return (cursor moves to left margin)
On	LF	Carriage return – linefeed (cursor moves to left margin on next line)

#### INTERLACE

# Switch 3-4: 0=OFF; 1=ON

This feature selects the number of scan lines used to create characters on the screen. With interlace on, the terminal uses 480 scan lines per screen. With interlace off, the terminal uses 240 scan lines per screen. This feature does not add any new information to the screen. However, when on, the interlace feature may improve the output of hardcopy or video devices connected to the video output connector. Usually operators prefer to have this feature off.

#### **PARITY SENSE**

# Switch 4-1: 0 = ODD, 1 = EVEN

This feature defines which of the two methods of parity checking, odd or even, is being used by the VT125. If the parity feature is on, the terminal's parity sense must be the same value as the parity the computer is sending. If the parity sense features do not match, most characters sent by the computer are rejected even though the character was received correctly by the VT125. If a parity error occurs, the checkerboard character ( ) appears on the screen instead of the received character.

#### **PARITY**

#### Switch 4-2: 0 = OFF, 1 = ON

When on, this feature checks received data for correctness and adds a parity bit to transmitted data. If a received data error occurs, the VT125 can detect it and show its presence by placing a checkerboard character (X) on the screen instead of the character with the error. The parity sense feature determines if the parity is even or odd. When parity is off, no parity bit is received or transmitted.

#### BITS PER CHARACTER

#### Switch 4-3: 0 = 7 Bits, 1 = 8 Bits

This feature allows the terminal to transmit and receive either 7- or 8-bit characters. When set for 8-bit operation, bit 8 is set to a space (or 0) for characters transmitted and is ignored for all characters received.

#### **POWER**

Switch 4-4: 
$$0 = 60 \text{ Hz}$$
.  $1 = 50 \text{ Hz}$ 

During the initial installation of the VT125, this feature must be set to the power line frequency. In the United States this setting is 60 Hz. When using 50 Hz line frequency, set this feature to 50 Hz.

# **AUX PORT**

# Switch 5-2: 0 = 7 Bits, 1 = 8 Bits

# BITS PER CHARACTER

This switch sets the auxiliary port to match the character length of your printer or other serial device. When set to 8 bits, the eighth bit is a space. This is the same as 7S or 8N on other terminals.

# **AUX PORT SPEED**

# Switches 5-3 and 5-4

These switches set the auxiliary port to one of four baud rates.

XX00	300 baud
XX01	1200 baud
XX10	2400 baud
XX11	9600 baud

Set the switches to match the speed of your auxiliary device.

# TRANSMIT SPEED

Transmit speed must be set to match the computer receive speed. The VT125 can transmit at any one of the following speeds: 50, 75, 110, 134.5, 150, 200, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2000, 2400, 3600, 4800, 9600, and 19200 baud.

Transmit speed is independent of receive speed. The terminal may transmit data at one speed and receive data at a different speed.

Use the following procedure to change the transmit speed.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press SET-UP to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press SETUP A/B	SET-UP B is displayed on the
to enter SET-UP B.	screen.
Press <b>TRANSMIT</b>	The terminal displays the current
SPEED to select	feature selection.
the transmit speed.	
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit	The characters displayed on the
SET-UP, or press	screen when entering SET-UP are
SETUP A/B to enter	again displayed on the screen.
SET-UP A	

# RECEIVE SPEED

Receive speed must be set to match the computer transmit speed. The VT125 can receive at any one of the following speeds: 50, 75, 110, 134.5, 150, 200, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2000, 2400, 3600, 4800, 9600, and 19200 baud.

Receive speed is independent of transmit speed. The terminal may recensmit speed. The VT125 can receive at any one of the following speeds: 50, 75, 110, 134.5, 150, 200, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2000, 2400, 3600, 4800, 9600, and 19200 baud.

Receive speed is independent of transmit speed. The terminal may receive data at one speed and transmit data at a different speed.

Use the following steps to change the receive speed.

Procedure	Indication/Comments
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to	SET-UP A is displayed on the
enter SET-UP.	screen.
Press SETUP A/B to	SET-UP B is displayed on the
enter SET-UPB.	screen.
Press <b>RECEIVE</b>	The terminal displays the current
SPEED to select	feature selection.
the receive speed.	
Press <b>SET-UP</b> to exit	The characters displayed on the
SET-UP, or press	screen when entering SET-UP are
SETUP A/B to enter	again displayed on the screen.
SET-UP A	

# **Answerback Message**

This feature provides the VT125 with the capability of transmitting an identifying message to the computer. The answerback message is transmitted to the computer under the following conditions.

- 1. The answerback message is transmitted under a direct request for identification by the computer. The complete answerback sequence happens automatically without affecting the screen or requiring operator action.
- 2. The operator manually transmits the answerback message. While pressing CTRL, press BREAK, then release both keys to manually transmit the answerback message.

Enter an answerback message using the following steps (refer to Figure 2-7).

Pro	ocedure	Indication/Comments
1.	Press <b>SET-UP</b> to enter SET-UP.	SET-UP A is displayed on the screen.
2.	Press SETUP A/B to enter SET-UP B.	SET-UP B is displayed on the screen.
3.	Hold down SHIFT, press A, and release both keys.	The terminal displays A = (refer to Figure 2-7.
4.	Type the message delimiter character.	This is any character not used in the answerback message. The message delimiter character is not transmitted as part of the answerback message.
5.	Type the answerback message.	The answerback message may be up to 20 characters. If control characters are used they are displayed as the ( ) character.
		If you make a mistake while typing the message, type the delimiter character (used in step 4) and go back to step 3. This is the only way to correct errors in the answerback message.
<b>6</b> .	If less than 20 characters are in the message, type the delimiter character.	If 20 characters are typed, the message is automatically entered into operating memory. If less than 20 characters are typed the delimiter character is used to enter the message into operating memory.
7.	Press SET-UP to exit SET-UP, or press SETUP A/B to enter SET-UP A.	The characters displayed on the screen when entering SET-UP are again displayed on the screen.

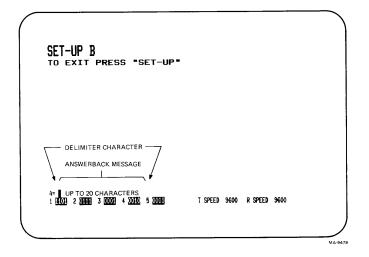


Figure 2-7 Answerback Message

# Transmitted Characters



# **GENERAL**

This chapter describes the character codes generated by the VT125 terminal. The keys are divided into three groups: standard, function, and auxiliary keypad keys.

# STANDARD KEYS

The standard keys are shown in Figure 3-1. The terminal generates American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) character codes. Lowercase ASCII character codes are generated when SHIFT or CAPS LOCK are not pressed. Uppercase ASCII character codes are generated when either SHIFT or CAPS LOCK are pressed. CAPS LOCK does not affect the nonalphabetic keys.

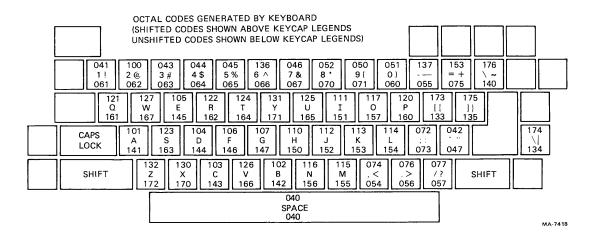


Figure 3-1 Standard Key Codes

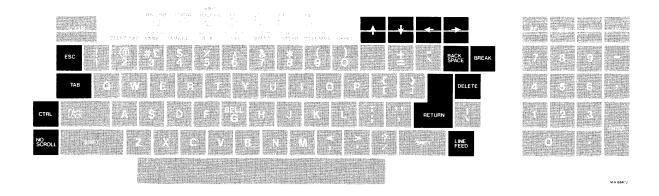


Figure 3-2 Function Keys

#### **FUNCTION KEYS**

The function keys are shown in Figure 3-2. These keys generate character codes whose function is defined by the computer software or communication system. The following paragraphs describe the function keys.

# **BREAK**

This key generates a Break signal. The Break signal function is defined by the computer system. Refer to the Communications chapter (Chapter 7) for more information about the Break signal.

Hold down **SHIFT**, and press **BREAK** to generate a long break disconnect. This usually disconnects the terminal from the communication line. Refer to Chapter 7 for more information about long break disconnect.

Hold down CTRL, and press BREAK to generate the answerback message. Refer to the SET-UP chapter (Chapter 2) for more information about the answerback SET-UP B feature.

# **Cursor Control Keys**

The cursor key character codes generated by the terminal depend on the ANSI/VT125 feature selection. When the ANSI/VT125 feature is set for ANSI compatibility, the cursor keys generate sequences that depend on the cursor key mode selection. Cursor key mode is only selected by the computer. Refer to the Received Character Processing chapter (Chapter 4) for more information about cursor key character selection. Table 3-1 lists the ANSI and VT52 compatible cursor key character codes.

Table 3-1 C	ursor Co	ntrol K	ey Cod	es				
Cursor Key		or Key Rese			Mode or Key Set	1 19	VT52	Mode
	ESC	[	A	ESC	0	A	ESC	A
	033	133	101	033	117	101	033	101
	ESC	l	B	ESC	0	B	ESC	B
	033	133	102	033	117	102	033	102
	ESC	[	C	ESC	0	C	ESC	C
	033	133	103	033	117	103	033	103
	ESC	[	D	ESC	O	D	ESC	D
	033	133	104	033	117	104	033	104

# **Control Character Keys**

Figure 3-3 shows the keys that generate control characters. Control characters can be generated in two ways.

- 1. Hold down CTRL, and press any of the unshaded keys in Figure 3-3.
- 2. Press any of the shaded keys in Figure 3-3 without using CTRL. The shaded keys are dedicated keys that generate control characters without using CTRL.

NOTE: The RETURN key character code can be changed by the linefeed/new line feature. When off, this feature causes RETURN to generate a single control character (CR). When on, this feature causes RETURN to generate two characters (CR, LF). Also, depending on the auxiliary keypad mode selected, RETURN and ENTER may generate the same control codes.

Table 3-2 lists the control characters that are generated differently from previous DIGITAL terminals. No details are provided about the function of the control character codes because different computer systems may use each control character differently.

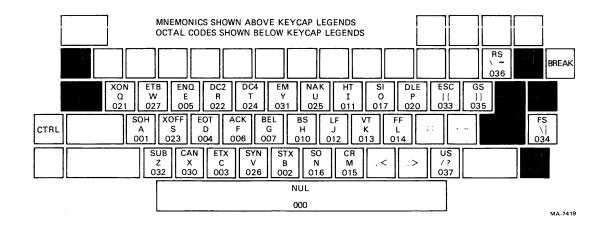


Figure 3-3 Function Key Control Codes

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Table 5	2 Companson of Co	ontrol Character Generation
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Code	Keys	Previous Terminal Keys
NUL	CTRL - Space bar	CTRL - @
RS	CTRL-~	CTRL-
US	CTRL-?	CTRL

# **AUXILIARY KEYPAD KEYS**

The characters generated by the auxiliary keypad keys change depending on the selection of two features: ANSI/VT52 and alternate keypad features. The alternate keypad feature is usually selected only by the computer. Refer to the Received Character Processing chapter (Chapter 4) for more information about keypad character selection.

When alternate keypad mode is not selected (numeric keypad mode is selected), the auxiliary keypad generates the numeric, comma, period, and minus sign character codes used by the main keyboard.

NOTE: SHIFT and CAPS LOCK do not affect the codes generated by the auxiliary keypad.

When alternate keypad mode is selected, the auxiliary keypad generates control functions. Table 3-3 lists the character codes generated by the auxiliary keypad.

Table 3-3	Table 3-3 Auxiliary Keypad Codes									
Key	Numeric Keypad Mode	NSI Mode Alternate Keypad Mode		V Numeric Keypad Mode	T52 Mode Alternate Keypad Mode					
0	000	ESC O 033 117	P 160	0 060	ESC ? 033 077	P 160				
1	1	ESC O	q	1	ESC ?	q				
	061	033 117	161	060	033 077	161				
2	2	ESC 0	r	2	ESC ?	r				
	062	033 117	162	062	033 077	162				
3	3	ESC O	s	3	ESC ?	s				
	063	033 117	163	063	033 077	163				
4	4	ESC O	t	4	ESC ?	t				
	064	033 117	164	064	033 077	164				
5	5	ESC 0	u	5	ESC ?	u				
	065	033 117	165	065	033 077	165				
6	6	ESC O	v	6	ESC ?	v				
	066	033 117	166	066	033 077	166				
7	7	ESC O	w	7	ESC ?	w				
	067	033 117	167	067	033 077	167				
8	8	ESC 0	x	8	ESC ?	x				
	070	033 117	170	070	033 077	170				
9	9	ESC O	y	9	ESC ?	y				
	071	033 117	171	071	033 077	171				

Table 3-3	Auxiliary Keypad Co			
Key	AN	SI Mode	V	T52 Mode
	Numeric	Alternate	Numeric	Alternate
	Keypad	Keypad	Keypad	Keypad
	Mode	Mode	Mode	Mode
	– (minus)	ESC O m	— (minus)*	ESC ? m
	055	033 117 155	5 055	033 077 155
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	, (comma)	ESC O I	, (comma)*	ESC ? I
	054	033 117 154	054	033 077 154
	. (period)	ESC O n	. (period)	ESC ? n
	056	033 117 156	5 056	033 077 156
ENTER†	CR or CR LF	ESC O M	CR or CR LF	ESC ? M
	015 015 012	033 117 115	015 015 012	033 077 115
PF1	ESC O P	ESC O P	ESC P	ESC ? P
	033 117 120	033 117 120	0 033 120	033 077 120
PF2	ESC O Q	ESC O Q	ESC Q	ESC ? Q
	033 117 121	033 117 121	033 121	033 077 121
PF3	ESC O R	ESC O R	ESC R	ESC ? R
	033 117 122	033 117 122	033 122	033 077 122
PF4	ESC O S	ESC O S	ESC S*	ESC ? S*
	033 117 123	033 117 123	033 123	033 077 123

<sup>\*</sup> These sequences were not available in the VT52. Do not use the **PF4**, "—" (minus), or "," (comma) keys with VT52 software.

<sup>†</sup> When numeric keypad mode is selected (alternate keypad mode off), the ENTER character code can be changed by the linefeed/new line feature. When off, this feature causes ENTER to generate a single control character (CR, octal 015). When on, this feature causes ENTER to generate two characters (CR, octal 015 and LF, octal 012).



# RECEIVED CHARACTER PROCESSING



#### **GENERAL**

This chapter describes the terminal's response to received data. Most of the data are displayable characters that appear on the screen with no other effect. But a type of data, called control functions, has important effects on the operation of the terminal.

A control function is one or more character codes that provide control of the transmission, processing, and display of characters. Control functions command the VT125 to change its operations, for example, by controlling and commanding graphics protocols, changing its response to other control functions, erasing parts of the screen, ringing the bell, or selecting character sets. The VT125 can also transmit control functions to the computer, either with special keys or at the request of the computer.

This chapter explains the implementation of control functions using control characters, escape sequences, control sequences, and device control strings. This implementation is explained according to standards created by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The words used are defined, and all control functions that the VT125 understands are listed and explained. For VT125 features that do not have an ANSI standard control function, DIGITAL private control functions have been defined within the extensions permitted by the ANSI standards. A detailed explanation of the format of ANSI control functions is in Appendix E.

Each control function has a unique name, and each name has a unique abbreviation. The name and abbreviation are standardized. The abbreviation is derived from the name to help the programmer remember its meaning, and so it is also called a mnemonic. This book lists the mnemonic with the control function name.

#### **ERRORS**

A control function that is not understood by the VT125 is ignored. Unsupported control functions (any sequences that meet ANSI specifications but are not listed in this document) are generally ignored but may produce unexpected responses.

If a control character appears in the middle of a sequence (including the device control strings of the graphics processor), the VT125 uses these rules.

- 1. XON and XOFF always function as defined in the Communications chapter (Chapter 7).
- 2. ESC, CAN, and SUB always stop a control function in process without considering which device was receiving the control function. NUL and DEL are fill characters when received by the terminal.
- 3. Any other control characters are understood as part of the sequence that they are in. If the communication data paths in the VT125 are set to pass the control sequence to another device (such as the VT100 or the auxiliary port) any control characters in the control sequence also pass to the other device. Both the text terminal and the graphics processor understand a control character inside a control sequence as if the control character arrived before the control sequence. (The graphics processor ignores these other control characters.)
- 4. Any control characters or control sequences received inside a device control string introducer/string terminator (DCS/ST) pair is passed to the process or device that was selected by the last DCS. But, no DCS or ST that is understood as a data path control switch is passed to another device or process. The graphics processor ignores a DCS inside a DCS/ST pair.

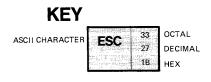
# **ASCII TABLE AND RECEIVED CHARACTERS**

The VT125 terminal processes characters according to the codes shown in the ASCII table (Table 4-1). This table is a part of the ANSI standards. It is the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) and is also ISO Standard 646 and Consultive Committee for International Telephone and Telegraph (CCITT) Alphabet 5. Table 4-1 shows each character with its binary, octal, decimal, and hexadecimal values. The table is 8 columns wide and 16 rows long. This arrangement allows binary relationships between characters. For example, lower- and uppercase letters differ only by the value of bit 6.

The VT125 processes a received character based on the type of character as defined by ANSI. Control characters (refer to the following paragraphs) are all in the first two columns of the table (except Delete). All other characters are displayable characters with the exception of Space (SP). SP can be considered either an information separator or a displayable character.

Table 4-1 ASCII Table

B7 B6 B5	0 0	0	0 0	1	0 1	0	0 1	1	1 0	0	1 .0	1	1	0	1	1
<b>BITS</b> B4 B3 B2 B1 ROW	COLUN	AN	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
0 0 0 0 0	NUL	0 0 0	DLE	20 16 10	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	@	100 64 40	Р	120 80 50	•	140 96 60	р	160 112 70
0 0 0 1 1	SOH	1 1 1	DC1 (xon)	21 17 11	!	41 33 21	1	61 49 31	A	101 65 41	Q	121 81 51	а	141 97 61	q	161 113 71
0 0 1 0 2	STX	2 2 2	DC2	22 18 12	1)	42 34 22	2	62 50 32	В	102 66 42	R	122 82 52	b	142 98 62	r	162 114 72
0 0 1 1 3	ETX	3 3	DC3 (XOFF)	23 19 13	#	43 35 23	3	63 51 33	С	103 67 43	S	123 83 53	c	143 99 63	s	163 115 73
6 1 0 0 4	EOT	4 4	DC4	24 20 14	\$	44 36 24	4	64 52 34	D	104 68 44	T	124 84 54	d	144 100 64	t	164 116 74
0 1 0 1 5	ENQ	5 5 5	NAK	25 21 15	%	45 37 25	5	65 53 35	E	105 69 45	U	125 85 55	е	145 101 65	Ü	165 117 75
0 1 1 0 6	ACK	6	SYN	26 22 16	&	46 38 26	6	66 54 36	F	106 70 46	٧	126 86 56	f	146 102 66	٧	166 118 76
6 1 1 1 7	BEL	7 7 7	ЕТВ	27 23 17	,	47 39 27	7	67 55 37	G	107 71 47	W	127 87 57	g	147 103 67	W	167 119 77
1 0 0 0 8	BS	10 8 8	CAN	30 24 18	(	50 40 28	8	70 56 38	Н	110 72 48	X	130 88 58	h	150 104 68	х	170 120 78
1 0 0 1 9	нт	11 9 9	EM	31 25 19	)	51 41 29	9	71 57 39	1	111 73 49	Y	131 89 59	i	151 105 69	У	171 121 79
1 0 1 0 10	LF	12 10 A	SUB	32 26 1A	*	52 42 2A	:	72 58 3A	J	112 74 4A	Z	132 90 5A	ı,	152 106 6A	z	172 122 7A
1 0 1 1 11	VT	13 11 B	ESC	33 27 1B	+	53 43 28	;	73 59 3B	K	113 75 4B	- [	133 91 58	k	153 107 6B	{	173 123 7B
1 1 0 0 12	FF	14 12 C	FS	34 28 1C	,	54 44 2C	<	74 60 3C	L	114 76 4C	<b>\</b>	134 92 5C	1	154 108 6C	1	174 124 7C
1 1 0 1 13	CR	15 13 D	GS	35 29 1D	-	55 45 2D	=	75 61 3D	M	115 77 4D	]	135 93 5D	m	155 109 6D	}	175 125 7D
1 1 1 0 14	so	16 14 E	RS	36 30 1E		56 46 2E	>	76 62 3E	N	116 78 4E	٨	136 94 5E	'n	156 110 6E	~	176 126 7E
1 1 1 1 15	SI	17 15 F	US	37 31 1F	7	57 47 2F	?	77 63 3F	0.	117 79 4F	-	137 95 5F	o	157 111 6F	DEL	177 127 7F



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# **DISPLAYABLE CHARACTERS**

These characters are displayed on the screen when received. The character displayed on the screen depends on the character set selection. The character set is selected using control functions. Refer to Character Sets and Selection on page 57 for more information about character sets.

# **Control Characters Received**

A control character is a single character which, when received by the terminal, starts, modifies, or stops a control function. The value of a control character is in the octal range of 0 through 37 and 177.

The control characters that the VT125 understands are shown in Table 4-2 and described in the following paragraphs. All other control codes are ignored by the VT125.

Table 4-2 C	ontrol Cha	racters Recogr	nized by VT125
Control Character Mnemonic	Octal Code	Name	Action Taken
NUL	000	Null	Ignored on input (not stored in input buffer, refer to full-duplex protocol)
ENQ	005	Enquire	Transmits answerback message
BEL	007	Bell	Sounds the bell
BS	010	Backspace	Moves the cursor to the left one character position. If it is at the left margin, it stays there
<b>HT</b>	011	Horizontal tab	Moves the cursor to the next tab stop, or to the right margin if there are no more tab stops in the line
LF	012	Line feed	Causes a linefeed or a new line operation (refer to Linefeed/New Line mode)
VT	013	Vertical tab	Understood as LF
FF	014	Form feed	Understood as LF
CR	015	Carriage return	Moves the cursor to the left margin on the current line
SO	016	Shift out	Select G1 character set, as designated by a Select Character Set sequence

Table 4-2 C	ontrol Cha	racters Recogn	ized by VT125 (Cont)
Control Character Mnemonic	Octal Code	Name	Action Taken
SI	017	Shift in	Select G0 character set, as designated by a Select Character Se sequence.
DC1	021	Device control 1	Understood as XON; lets termina continue transmission after XOFF
DC3	023	Device control 3	Understood as XOFF; tells ter- minal to stop transmitting all char- acters except XOFF and XON
CAN	030	Cancel	If received during an escape or control sequence, cancels the sequence and displays the substitution character. Any characters from the sequence that follow the cancel character are displayed after the substitution character.
SUB	032	Substitute	Understood as CAN
ESC	033	Escape	Understood as introducer of an escape sequence
DEL	177	Delete	Ignored on input (not stored in input buffer)

# **SEQUENCES**

The VT125 is an upward and downward software-compatible terminal; that is, previous DIGITAL video terminals have DIGITAL private standards for escape sequences. The VT125 is compatible with both the previous DIGITAL standard and the ANSI standards. Customers may use existing DIGITAL software designed around the VT52 or new VT125 software. The VT125 has a "VT52 compatible" mode in which it responds to escape sequences like a VT52.

Throughout this section of the manual references will be made to "VT52 mode" or "ANSI mode". These two terms are used to indicate the VT125's software compatibility. All new software should be designed around the VT125 ANSI mode. (All graphics software must use ANSI mode.) Future DIGITAL video terminals will not be committed to VT52 compatibility.

All of the following escape and control sequences are transmitted from the computer to the VT125 unless otherwise noted. All of the escape sequences are a subset of those specified in ANSI X3.64-1979 and ANSI X3.41-1974.

This chapter groups the sequences by function. Table 4-3 lists the order of the groups and each group's starting page number.

Figure 4-10 (at the end of the chapter) is a one-page summary of the ANSI mode display control functions. These control functions directly or indirectly affect the way the screen looks.

A summary of all control functions is in Appendix C.

Table 4-3 Escape and Control Sequence Arrangement	Control of the second of the s
Sequence	Page
VT125 SET-UP Feature and Mode Selection	47
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# **ANSI SEQUENCES**

# SET-UP FEATURE AND MODE SELECTION

SET-UP features are terminal characteristics that can be controlled from the keyboard and stored in the user permanent SET-UP feature memory. Some SET-UP features can also be changed from the computer, but the computer cannot store them in the user permanent memory. Some SET-UP features are terminal modes. Table 4-4 lists the VT125 SET-UP features and modes.

SET-UP Feature or erminal Mode	Changeable from Computer*	Changeable in SET-UP and Stored in NVR
NSI/VT52 mode	Yes (DECANM)	Yes
uto repeat mode	Yes (DECARM)	Yes
utowrap mode	Yes (DECAWM)	Yes
UTO XON XOFF	No	Yes
Bits per character	No	Yes
Column mode (char/line)	Yes (DECCOLM)	Yes
Cursor	No	Yes
Cursor keys mode	Yes (DECCKM)	No
(eyclick	No	Yes
Ceypad application mode	Yes (DECKPAM)	No
Ceypad numeric mode	Yes (DECKPNM)	No
inefeed/new line mode	Yes (LNM)	Yes
/largin bell	No	Yes
Origin mode	Yes (DECOM)	Yes
Parity	No	Yes
arity sense	No	Yes
Power	No	Yes
auxiliary port bits per char	No	Yes
uxiliary port speed	No	Yes
Receive speed	No	Yes
Screen mode	Yes (DECSCNM)	Yes
Scroll mode	Yes (DECSCLM)	Yes
abs	Yes (HTS/TBC)	Yes
ransmit speed	No	Yes
JS/UK char set	Yes (SCS)	Yes

A mode is a state of the terminal that affects the operation of the terminal or how the terminal understands or transmits data. Modes are selected by either the computer or the operator. The terminal stays in a mode until the computer or operator changes the mode setting.

Modes may be changed with the set mode (SM) and reset mode (RM) commands, except for keypad numeric and application modes. (These modes are changed using dedicated sequences.) Multiple parameters may be included in a single command.

NOTE: Ps represents a variable parameter selected from a list of parameters. A series of asterisks (\*\*\*) represent the parameter in the octal sequence. Each parameter listed represents a mode. When you set several modes with a single SM or RM sequence, a semicolon (octal 073) separates parameters. The semicolon is not used when selecting only one mode.

# Set Mode (SM)

The above command causes one or more modes to be set within the VT125 as specified by each parameter in the parameter string. Each mode to be set is specified by a separate parameter. A mode is considered set until it is reset by a reset mode (RM) control sequence or is in SET-UP.

# Reset Mode (RM)

The above command resets one or more VT125 modes as specified by each parameter in the parameter string. Each mode to be reset is specified by a separate parameter.

The following is a list of VT125 modes that may be changed with set mode and reset mode.

#### **ANSI Specified Modes**

Parameter	Mode Function	Mode Mnemonic
0	Error (ignored)	
20	Auto linefeed/new line mode	LNM

# **DIGITAL Private Modes**

# **NOTES**

- 1. The first character in the DIGITAL private parameter string is ? (77(8)). The parameters are understood according to Table 4-5. Any other parameter values are ignored.
- 2. Keypad Application Mode (DECKPAM) and Keypad Numeric Mode (DECKNM) are changed using two special two-character sequences; not the usual set and reset mode sequences.

The modes in Table 4-6, (specified in the ANSI X3.64-1979 standard) may be considered to be permanently set, permanently reset, or not applying, as indicated. Refer to that standard for more information about these modes.

The following modes are listed alphabetically by name (refer to Table 4-4).

Table 4-5 L	DEC Private Modes	
	Mode	Mode
Parameter	Function	Mnemonic
0	Error (ignored)	
1	Cursor key	DECCKM
2	ANSI/VT52	DECANM
3	Column	DECCOLM
4	Scrolling	DECSCLM
5	Screen	DECSCNM
6	Origin	DECOM
7	Auto wrap	DECAWM
8	Auto repeat	DECARM

Name	State	Mnemonic and Description
Control representation	Reset	CRM – Control functions are performed without displaying a character to represent the control function received.
Editing boundary	Reset	EBM-Characters moved outside the margins are lost and erasing and cursor positioning functions are not performed outside the margins.
Erasure	Set	ERM - All characters displayed can be erased.
Format effector action	Reset	FEAM – Control functions that affect the screen display are performed immediately.
Format effector transfer		FETM
Guarded area transfer	<u>.</u>	GATM
Horizontal editing		HEM
Insertion replacement	Reset	IRM – Received characters replace the characters at the cursor position.
Keyboard action	Reset	KAM - Typed characters are processed except when the keyboard is locked.
Multiple area transfer		MATM
Positioning unit	Reset	PUM – Horizontal and vertical parameters in control functions are specified in units of character positions.
Selected area transfer		SATM
Status reporting transfer	Reset	SRTM – Status reports are transmitted by the VT125 using the Device Status Report (DSR) sequence.
Tabulation stop	Reset	TSM - The tab stop selection applies to the corresponding column of all lines on the screen
Transfer termination	•	
Vertical	$\mathcal{L}_{2}$	VEM

# ANSI/VT52 Mode (DEC Private) (DECANM)

This mode changes the cursor key and auxiliary keypad codes. (Refer to Cursor Keys Mode and Keypad Application and Keypad Numeric Modes.) This mode must be set to ANSI or the graphics processor cannot work.

Set: (From VT52 Mode) ESC 
$$<$$
 033 074

The set state causes only ANSI escape and control sequences to be understood and executed.

The reset state causes only VT52 compatible escape sequences to be understood and executed.

## Auto Repeat Mode (DEC Private) (DECARM)

The set state causes keyboard keys to auto repeat except SET-UP, EN-TER, ESC, RETURN, NO SCROLL, and CTRL with any key.

The reset state causes no keyboard keys to auto-repeat.

#### Autowrap Mode (DEC Private) (DECAWM)

The set state turns autowrap on. If a displayable character is received when the cursor is at the right margin, the set state causes the cursor to advance to the start of the next line. A scroll up is done if needed and if the cursor has not been positioned outside of the scrolling region.

The reset state turns autowrap off. If a character is received while the cursor is at the right margin the reset state causes it to replace any characters previously there.

# Column Mode (DEC Private) (DECCOLM)

The set state causes a maximum of 132 columns on the screen (Figure 4-1).

The reset state causes a maximum of 80 columns on the screen (Figure 4-1).

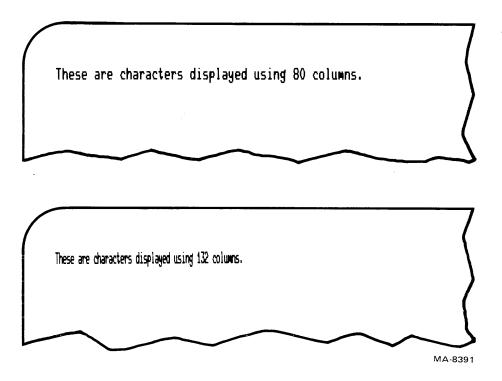


Figure 4-1 Column Mode

## Cursor Keys Mode (DEC Private) (DECCKM)

This mode is only effective when the terminal is in ANSI mode. Table 4-7 shows the sequences generated by each key.

The four cursor keys send application control functions.

The four cursor keys send ANSI cursor control commands.

# Linefeed/New Line Mode (LNM)

This mode does not affect Index or Next Line (Table 4-8).

Table 4-7	Cursor Control I	(ey Codes
Cursor Ke	v	
(Arrow)	Mode Reset	Mode Set
Up	ESCIA	ESC O A
Down	ESC [B	ESC O B
Right	ESC [C	ESC O C
Left	ESC[D	ESC O D

Linefeed/		
New Line Mode	Key Pressed	Code Sent
Reset	RETURN	CR
Reset	LINE FEED	LF
Set	RETURN	CR LF
Set	LINE FEED	LF
Linefeed/		
New Line Mode	Code Received	Action Taken
Reset	CR	Return
Reset	LF	Linefeed
Set	CR	Return
Set	LF	Return - Linefeed

The set state causes received linefeed (LF) to move the active position to the first position of the following line (new line). It causes RETURN (CR) to send the two codes (CR, LF).

Reset: ESC [ 2 0 033 133 062 060 154

The reset state causes linefeed to move the active position down only (linefeed), and causes RETURN to send the single code CR.

# Keypad Application Mode (DEC Private) (DECKPAM)

ESC = 033 075

The auxiliary keypad keys and cursor control keys transmit escape sequences. Table 4-9 lists the sequences.

NEZNAMA CITATRA DE PARA ESTA ESTA ESTA ESTA ESTA ESTA ESTA EST		
	Keypad	Keypad
(ey	Numeric Mode	Application Mode
	0	ESC O p
	1	ESC O q
2	2	ESC O r
	3	ESC O s
	4	ESC O t
5	5	ESC O u
3	6	ESC O v
	7	ESC O w
	8	ESC O x
	9	ESC O y
– (minus)	– (minus)	ESC O m
(comma)	, (comma)	ESC O I
(period)	. (period)	ESC O n
ENTER	Same as RETURN key	ESC O M
PF1	ESC O P	ESC O P
PF2	ESC O Q	ESC O Q
PF3	ESCOR	ESC O R
PF4	ESC O S	ESC O S

# **Keypad Numeric Mode (DEC Private) (DECKPNM)**

**ESC** > 033 076

The auxiliary keypad keys send **ASCII codes** corresponding to the characters on the keys (except for the **PF** keys and **ENTER**). The cursor control keys send cursor controls. Table 4-9 lists the sequences.

NOTE: In ANSI mode, if the codes are echoed back to the VT125, or if the terminal is local, the last character of the sequence is displayed on the screen. For example, PF1 is displayed as a "P". Refer to SS2 and SS3 in Character Sets and Selection on page 63.

#### Origin Mode (DEC Private) (DECOM)

Lines and columns are numbered consecutively, with the origin being line 1, column 1. The cursor is moved to the new home position when this mode is set or reset.

Set: ESC [ ? 6 h 033 133 077 066 150

The set state causes the origin to be at the upper-left character position within the margins of the scrolling region (refer to Scrolling). This is the home position when origin mode is set. Line numbers are **relative** to the current margin settings. For example, if the top margin is line 5, the top line is addressed as line 1 for cursor positioning. (Home position is therefore line 5, column 1, absolute.) The cursor is not allowed to be positioned outside the margins.

Reset: ESC [ ? 6 | 033 | 133 | 077 | 066 | 154

The reset state causes the origin to be at the upper-left character position on the screen. This is the home position when origin mode is reset. Line numbers are **absolute** and are not affected by the current margin settings. The cursor may be positioned outside the margins with a Cursor Position or Horizontal and Vertical Position control sequence.

# Screen Mode (DEC Private) (DECSCNM)

**Set: ESC** [ ? 5 h 033 133 077 065 150

The set state causes the screen to be white with black (reverse) characters (Figure 4-2).

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Figure 4-2 Screen Mode

The reset state causes the screen to be black with white (normal) characters (Figure 4-2).

## Scroll Mode (DEC Private) (DECSCLM)

The set state causes smooth scrolling at a maximum rate of six lines per second.

The reset state causes jump scrolling.

# **Character Sets and Selection**

#### Select Character Sets (SCS)

The VT125 text mode can display 94 characters (one character set) at a time without using control functions. Using control functions to select the character sets allows the VT125 to display more than 94 different characters on the screen. Characters are stored in up to five different character sets (some characters appear in more than one character set). The following are the VT125 character sets.

**United States United Kingdom** Special characters and line drawing Alternate ROM standard Alternate ROM special

NOTE: The Alternate ROM is an optional feature of the VT100 terminal controller board. It allows two more character sets to be resident in the terminal, as compared with the graphics processor character sets that must be loaded for use. Refer to the VT100 Series Technical Manual for the specifications of this ROM.

Tables 4-10 through 4-12 show the three standard VT125 character sets. Notice that the control characters and the Space and Delete characters are the same in all character sets.

Any two VT125 character sets can be considered active at any one time. They can be invoked (selected) with single-character control functions if they are first designated by multiple character escape sequences. The two active character sets are designated by the computer as G0 and G1 using the Select Character Set (SCS) escape sequence. Once the character sets are designated by the computer, a single control character is used to switch between the character sets. The Shift In (SI, octal 017) control character invokes the G0 character set. The Shift Out (SO, 016) control character invokes the G1 character set.

Table 4-10 UK Character Set

87 B	<b>B</b> 5	0 0	0	0 0	1	0 1	0	0	1	1 0	0	1 0	1	1	0	1	1
BIT: 84 83 82 81		COTO	MN	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
0 0 0 0	0	NUL	0		20 16 10	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	0	100 64 40	P	120 80 50	•	140 96 60	p	160 112 70
0 0 0 1	t		1 1	DC1 (xon)	21 17 11	!	41 33 21	1	61 49 31	Α	101 65 41	ø	121 81 51	а	141 97 61	q	161 113 71
0 0 1 0	2		2 2 2		22 18 12	11	42 34 22	2	62 50 32	В	102 66 42	R	122 82 52	b	142 98 62	r	162 114 72
0 0 1 1	3		3 3 3	DC3 (XOFF)	23 19 13	£	43 35 23	3	63 51 33	С	103 67 43	S	123 83 53	С	143 99 63	s	163 115 73
0 1 0 0	4		4 4 4		24 20 14	\$	44 36 24	4	64 52 34	D	104 68 44	T	124 84 54	d	144 100 64	t	164 116 74
0 1 0 1	5	ENQ	5 5 5		25 21 15	%	45 37 25	5	65 53 35	Ε	105 69 45	U	125 85 55	е	145 101 65	u	165 117 75
0 1 1 0	6		6 6 6		26 22 16	&	46 38 26	6	66 54 36	F	106 70 46	٧	126 86 56	f	146 102 66	٧	166 118 76
0 1 1 1	7	BEL	7 7 7		27 23 17	,	47 39 27	7	67 55 37	G	107 71 47	W	127 87 57	9	147 103 67	w	167 119 77
1000	8	BS	10 8 8	CAN	30 24 18	(	50 40 28	8	70 56 38	н	110 72 48	X	130 88 58	h	150 104 68	×	170 120 78
1 0 0 1	9	нт	11 9 9		31 25 19	)	51 41 29	9	71 57 39	1	111 73 49	Y	131 89 59	i	151 105 69	у	171 121 79
1 0 1 0	10	LF	12 10 A	SUB	32 26 1A	*	52 42 2A	••	72 58 3A	J	112 74 4A	z	132 90 5A	j	152 106 6A	Z	172 122 7A
1 0 1 1	11	VT	13 11 B	ESC	33 27 1B	+	53 43 28	•	73 59 38	K	113 75 4B	Ε	133 91 5B	k	153 107 68	{	173 123 7B
1 1 0 0	12	FF	14 12 C		34 28 1C		54 44 2C	<b>Y</b>	74 60 3C	L	114 76 40	\	134 92 5C	1	154 108 6C	1	174 124 7C
1 1 0 1	13	CR	15 13 D		35 29 1D	-	55 45 2D	-	75 61 3D	М	115 77 4D	3	135 93 5D	m	155 109 6D	}	175 125 7D
1110	14	so	16 14 E		36 30 1E	•	56 46 2E	>	76 62 3E	N	116 78 4E	٨	136 94 5E	n	156 110 6E	~	176 126 7E
1 1 1 1	15	SI	17 15 F		37 31 1F	1	57 47 2F	?	77 63 3F	0	117 79 4F	-	137 95 5F	0	157 111 6F	DEL	177 127 7F

# **KEY**

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Table 4-11 US Character Set

B7 B6	<b>B</b> 5	0	0	0	1	0 1	0	0	1	1 0	0	1 0	1	1 1	0	1	1
BITS 84 83 82 81		COLUI	ΔN	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
0 0 0 0	0	NUL	0 0 0		20 16 10	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	0	100 64 40	Р	120 80 50	•	140 96 60	р	160 112 70
0 0 0 1	1		1	DC1 (XON)	21 17		41 33 21	1	61 49 31	A	101 65 41	Q	121 81 51	а	141 97 61	q	161 113 71
0 0 1 0	2		1 2 2		11 22 18	11	42 34	2	62 50	В	102 66	R	122 82	b	142 98	r	162 114
0 0 1 1	3		2 3 3	DC3	12 23 19	#	22 43 35	3	32 63 51	С	42 103 67	S	52 123 83	С	62 143 99	S	72 163 115
0 1 0 0	4		3 4 4		13 24 20	\$	23 44 36	4	33 64 52	D	43 104 68	Т	53 124 84	đ	63 144 100	t	73 164 116
0 1 0 1	5	ENQ	5 5		14 25 21	%	24 45 37	5	34 65 53	Ε	44 105 69	U	125 85	е	145 101	U	74 165 117
0 1 1 0	6		5 6 6		15 26 22	â	25 46 38	6	35 66 54	F	45 106 70	٧	55 126 86	f	146 102	٧	75 166 118
0 1 1 1	7	BEL	6 7 7		16 27 23	,	26 47 39	7	36 67 55	G	46 107 71	W	56 127 87	g	56 147 103	w	76 167 119
1000	8	BS	7 10 8	CAN	17 30 24	(	27 50 40	8	37 70 56	Н	47 110 72	X	57 130 88	h	67 150 104	x	77 170 120
1001	9	нт	8 11 9		18 31 25	)	28 51 41	9	38 71 57	1	48 111 73	Y	58 131 89	i	68 151 105	у	78 171 121
1010	10	LF	9 12 10	SUB	19 32 26	X	29 52 42	•	39 72 58	J	49 112 74	Z	59 132 90	j	69 152 106	z	79 172 122
		VT	13 11	ESC	1A 33 27	+	2A 53 43	÷	3A 73 59	K	4A 113 75	Ε	5A 133 91	k	6A 153 107	{	7A 173 123
1 0 1 1	11	FF	B 14 12		1B 34 28	,	28 54 44	<b>(</b>	3B 74 60	L	4B 114 76	1	58 134 92	1	68 154 108	1	7B 174 124
1 1 0 0	12	CR	C 15		1C 35	-	2C 55	=	3C 75	M	4C 115	]	92 5C 135 93	m	108 60 155 109	}	7C 175 125
1 1 0 1	13	so	13 D 16		29 1D 36		45 2D 56	>	61 3D 76	N	77 4D 116		5D 136	n	6D 156	~	7D 176
1 1 1 0	14		14 E 17		30 1E 37	•	46 2E 57		62 3E 77		78 4E 117		94 5E 137		110 6E 157	DEL	126 7E 177
1111	15	SI	15 F		31 1F	/	47 2F	?	63 3F	0	79 4F	_	95 5F	0	111 6F	DEL	127 7F



в7 ВіТ <b>S</b>	B5	O COLUI	O	0 0	1	0 1	0	0 1	1	1 0	0	1 0	1	1	0	1	1
B4 B3 B2 B1		0	viiv	1		2		3		4		5		6		7	
0 0 0 0	0	NUL	0 0 0		20 16 10	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	0	100 64 40	Р	120 80 50	+	140 96 60	- SCAN 3	160 112 70
0 0 0 1	1		1 1 1	DC1 (xon)	21 17 11	!	41 33 21	1	61 49 31	Α	101 65 41	Q	121 81 51	H	141 97 61	- SCAN 5	161 113 71
0 0 1 0	2		2 2 2		22 18 12	11	42 34 22	2	62 50 32	В	102 66 42	R	122 82 52	4	142 98 62	SCAN 7	162 114 72
0 0 1 1	3		3 3 3	DC3 (XOFF)	23 19 13	#	43 35 23	3	63 51 33	С	103 67 43	S	123 83 53	Ę	143 99 63	SCAN 9	163 115 73
0 1 0 0	4		4 4 4		24 20 14	\$	44 36 24	4	64 52 34	D	104 68 44	Т	124 84 54	ĥ	144 100 64	+	164 116 74
0 1 0 1	5	ENQ	5 5 5		25 21 15	%	45 37 25	5	65 53 35	E	105 69 45	U	125 85 55	þ	145 101 65	1	165 117 75
0 1 1 0	6		6 6 6		26 22 16	&	46 38 26	6	66 54 36	F	106 70 46	٧	126 86 56	0	146 102 66	L	166 118 76
0 1 1 1	7	BEL	7 7 7		27 23 17	7	47 39 27	7	67 55 37	G	107 71 47	W	127 87 57	ż	147 103 67	Т	167 119 77
1 0 0 0	8	BS	10 8 8	CAN	30 24 18	(	50 40 28	8	70 56 38	Н	110 72 48	x	130 88 58	ž.	150 104 68		170 120 78
1 0 0 1	9	нт	11 9 9		31 25 19	)	51 41 29	9	71 57 39	1	111 73 49	γ	131 89 59	¥	151 105 69	۷.	171 121 79
1 0 1 0	10	LF	12 10 A	SUB	32 26 1.A	*	52 42 2A	•	72 58 3A	J	112 74 4A	Z	132 90 5A	J	152 106 6A	ż	172 122 7A
1 0 1 1	11	VT	13 11 B	ESC	33 27 18	+	53 43 28	•	73 59 3B	K	113 75 48	L	133 91 5B	1	153 107 6B	1	173 123 7B
1 1 0 0	12	FF	14 12 C		34 28 1C	,	54 44 2C	<	74 60 3C	L	114 76 4C	\	134 92 50	r	154 108 6C	<b>#</b>	174 124 7C
1 1 0 1	13	CR	15 13 D		35 29 1D	-	55 45 2D	=	75 61 3D	М	115 77 4D	]	135 93 5D	L	155 109 6D	£	175 125 7D
1 1 1 0	14	SO	16 14 È		36 30 1E		56 46 2E	>	76 62 3E	N	116 78 4E	٨	136 94 5E	+	156 110 6E	=	176 126 7E
1 1 1 1	15	SI	17 15 F		37 31 1F	1	57 47 2F	?	77 63 3F	O	117 79 4F	(BLANK)	137 95 5F	- SCAN 1	157 111 6F	DEL	177 127 7F



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The designated character sets are active until another Select Character Set (SCS) sequence is received. The GO and G1 character sets can be redesignated by the computer as often as needed using the SCS sequence. The following sequences designate the VT125 G0 character set.

## Select Character Set (SCS)

The above sequence designates the United Kingdom character set as G0.

The above sequence designates the **United States** character set as G0.

The above sequence designates the special character and line drawing character set as G0.

The above sequence designates the alternate ROM standard character set as G0.

The above sequence designates the alternate ROM special character and line drawing set as G0.

The following sequences designate the VT125 G1 character set.

The above sequence designates the **United Kingdom** character set as G1.

The above sequence designates the United States character set as G1.

The above sequence designates the **special** character and line drawing character set as G1.

The above sequence designates the alternate ROM standard character set as G1.

The above sequence designates the alternate ROM special character and line drawing set as G1.

The VT125 terminal also has a G2 and G3 character set. However, these character sets are always the United States (ASCII) character set. The G2 and G3 character sets can be selected for only one character at a time. The G2 and G3 character sets are selected using the single shift 2 (SS2) and single shift 3 (SS3) sequences. The terminal returns to the previously used character set after a single character is displayed. Select the G2 and G3 character sets for one character using the following sequences.

#### Single Shift 2 (SS2)

**ESC N** 033 116

The above sequence selects the **G2 (ASCII)** character set for one character.

# Single Shift 3 (SS3)

**ESC O** 033 117

The above sequence selects the G3 (ASCII) character set for one character.

The United States and United Kingdom sets conform to the "ISO international register of character sets to be used with escape sequences." The other sets are private character sets. Special graphics means that the graphic characters for the codes 137(8) to 176(8) are replaced with other characters. The specified character set will be invoked by SI or SO until another SCS is received. Table 4-10 lists the US character set, Table 4-11 lists the UK character set, and Table 4-12 lists the special character and line drawing character set. The VT125's US character set is a subset of the ASCII character set because in the VT125, only a few of the ASCII control characters have displayable forms.

NOTE: The character set selected by SCS is only used by the text terminal. The graphics processor selects character sets with a ReGIS command.

#### Select Graphic Rendition (SGR)

**ESC** [ **Pn m** default value: 0 033 133 \*\*\* 155

The above control function selects the character attributes. Character attributes are special display features that can be used (along with line attributes like double width) to make text on the screen appear special. All characters, transmitted to the VT125 after the SGR sequence, are displayed with the selected attributes until the next SGR sequence clears or changes the attributes.

The above control function turns attributes off.

The above control function makes the text **bold** (increases the intensity).

The above control function underlines text on the screen (Figure 4-3).

The above control function causes the text on the screen to **blink** (Figure 4-3).

The above control function changes the text on the screen to a **reverse** (negative) image (Figure 4-3).

All other parameter values are ignored.

Without the Advanced Video Option, a character can have only one attribute, and the attribute can only be underline or reverse. Either 4 or 7 can be used in the control sequence, but the VT125 interprets the parameter as the attribute selected for the cursor in SET-UP. Refer to Cursor Selection in the SET-UP Features chapter (Chapter 2).



Figure 4-3 Select Graphic Rendition

# **Scrolling**

#### **Scrolling Region**

This is the area of the screen that can receive new characters by scrolling old characters off the screen either up or down. This area is defined by the top and bottom screen margins. The minimum size of the scrolling region allowed is two lines, so the number of the top margin must be at least two less than the number of the bottom margin. The cursor moves to the home position when the margins are set. (Refer to Origin Mode on page 55.)

NOTE: Pt and Pb represent variable numeric parameters. The parameters are decimal numbers transmitted to the terminal as ASCII characters. Asterisks (\*\*\*) represent one or more variable numeric parameters in the octal sequence.

Set Top and Bottom Margins (DEC Private) (DECSTBM)

The above sequence sets the top and bottom margins to define the scrolling region (Figure 4-4). Parameter Pt is the line number of the top line in the scrolling region; parameter Pb is the line number of the bottom line in the scrolling region. Default is the complete screen (no margins).

NOTE: Power up or reset causes the scrolling region to be the complete screen.

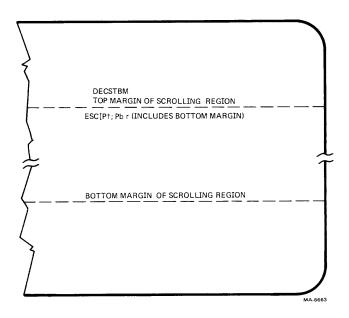


Figure 4-4 Set Top and Bottom Margins

# **Cursor Positioning**

The cursor indicates the location of the active position (Figure 4-5). This is where the next character appears. The cursor always moves one column to the right when a character appears, and moves down one line when the terminal receives a linefeed. The cursor moves to the left margin when the terminal receives a carriage return. If a command tries to move the cursor past any margin, the action that will result is stated. The cursor moves to the home position (refer to Origin mode on page 55) when the top and bottom margins of the scrolling region are set and when origin mode is set or reset. Table 4-13 lists the sequences that move the cursor according to their parameters (all parameters have a default value of 1).

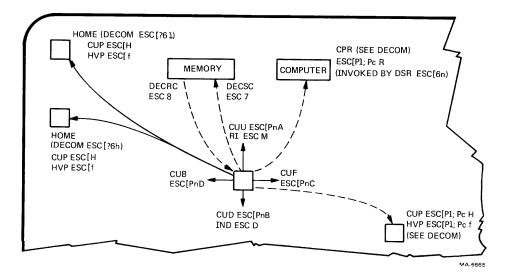


Figure 4-5 Cursor Positioning

Command Name	Format	Mnemonic Function
Cursor up	ESC [ Pn A	CUU This command moves the cursor Pn lines up in same column. Cursor stops at the top margin.
Cursor down	ESC [ Pn B	CUD This command moves the cursor down Pn lines in same column. Cursor stops at the bottom margin.
Cursor forward	ESC [ Pn C	CUF This command moves the cursor Pn columns to the right. Cursor stops at the right margin.
Cursor backward	ESC [ Pn D	CUB This command moves the cursor Pn columns to the left. Cursor stops at the left margin.
Cursor position	ESC [PI; Pc H	CUP This command moves the cursor to line PI, column Pc. Default value for either moves the cursor to the first line or column, respectively, for both, to home. For PI or Pc outside margins, cursor stops at the nearest margin.
		The numbering of lines depends on origin mode. In the VT125, this control acts like the horizontal and vertical position control.
Horizontal and vertical position	ESC [ PI; Pc f	HVP This command moves the cursor to line PI, column Pc. Default value for either moves the cursor to the first line or column, respectively. When the default value is used for both parameters, the cursor moves to home position. For PI or Pc outside margins, cursor stops at near est margin.
		The numbering of lines depends on origi mode. In the VT125, this control behave identically with cursor position.
Cursor position report	ESC [ PI ; Pc R	CPR This command is requested by DSR ESC [ 6 n from the host. Refer to the Reports section of this chapter.

Command		Mnemonic					
Name	Format	Function					
Index	ESC D	IND This command moves the cursor down one line in same column. If the cursor is a the bottom margin, a scroll up is performed.					
Reverse index	ESC M	RI This command moves the cursor to the same horizontal position on the preceding line. If the cursor is at the top margin, a scroll down is performed.					
Next line	ESC E	NEL This command moves cursor to the first position on the next line down. If the cursor is at the bottom margin, a scroll up is performed.					
Save cursor (DEC Private)	ESC 7	DECSC This command saves the cursor position, graphic rendition (character attribute), and character set in terminal memory. (Refer to Restore Cursor in this chapter.)					
Restore cursor (DEC Private)	ESC 8	DECRC This command restores the previously saved cursor position, graphic rendition (character attribute), and character set. If none was saved the cursor moves to the top left home position (line 1, column 1) regardless of origin mode.					

# **Tabs**

Tabs are positions selected on the horizontal lines of the screen (Figure 4-6). The cursor advances (tabs) to the tab stops when the terminal receives an HT (octal 011) control character. Each control character advances the cursor to the next tab stop. If no tabs are set, any HT character moves the cursor to the right margin.

## **Horizontal Tabulation Set (HTS)**

**ESC** Н 033 110

The above sequence sets one horizontal stop at the cursor position.

#### **Tabulation Clear (TBC)**

**ESC** [ g 033 133 060 147

The above sequence clears the horizontal tab stop at the cursor position (default).

**ESC** 3 033 133 063 147

The above sequence clears all horizontal tab stops.

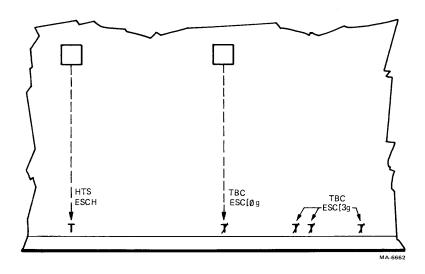


Figure 4-6 Tabs

# **Line Attributes**

Line attributes are special display features of the VT125 that affect a complete line at a time. Only the line containing the cursor is affected. The cursor stays in the same character position unless it would be to the right of the right margin, in which case it moves to the right margin.

# Double-Height Line (DEC Private) (DECDHL)

Top	Half:		Bottom Ha					
<b>ESC</b>	#	3	ESC	#	4			
033	043	063	033	043	064			

These sequences cause the line including the active position to become the top or bottom half of a double-height double-width line (Figure 4-7). The sequences must be used in pairs on adjacent lines and the same character output must be sent to both lines to form full double-height characters. If the line was single-width single-height, all characters to the right of the center of the screen are lost.

# Double-Width Line (DEC Private) (DECDWL)

**ESC** # 6 033 043 066

The above sequence causes the line that includes the active position to become double-width single-height. If the line was single-width singleheight, all characters to the right of the center of the screen are lost.

# Single-Width Line (DEC Private) (DECSWL)

**ESC** # 5 033 043 065

The above sequence causes the line that includes the active position to become single-width single-height. This is the default condition for all new lines on the screen.



Figure 4-7 Line Attributes

# **Erasing**

Erasing removes characters from the text memory of the VT125 (Figure 4-8). When characters are erased from the text memory, they are lost. Any complete line erased by Erase in Display has its line attribute set to single-height, single-width. Erasing does not change the number of columns per line.

#### Erase In Display (ED)

The above sequence erases some or all of the characters in the display according to the parameter. Any complete line erased by this sequence is given a line attribute for single-height, single-width.

Either of the above sequences erases from the cursor to the end of the screen.

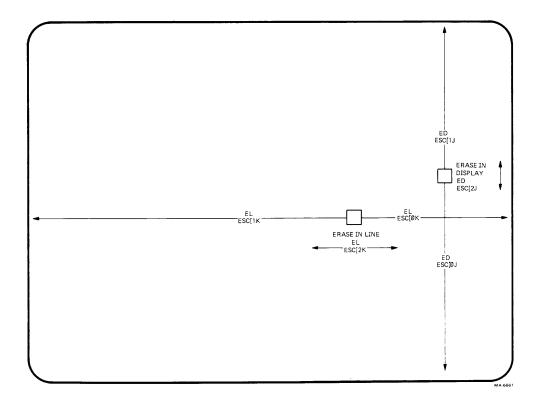


Figure 4-8 Erasing

The above sequence erases from start of the screen to the cursor.

The above sequence erases all of the display - all lines are erased, changed to single-width, and the cursor does not move.

#### Erase In Line (EL)

The above sequence erases some or all characters in the active line according to the parameter. Erasing does not change line attributes.

Either of the above sequences erases from the cursor to the end of the line.

The above sequence erases from the start of the line to the cursor.

The above sequence erases all of the line.

# VT125 Communication and Graphics Protocol Controls

The VT125 uses an ANSI protocol called the Device Control String to control its graphics and some of its communications. A control string is a group of characters that have a clearly marked beginning and end and are understood by a device as a unit for control purposes. The device control string is made of an introducer, followed by data, followed by a terminator. The introducer (ESC P) tells the VT125 that the characters that follow are parameter information about which graphics protocol is coming (ReGIS, DECwriter, or VT105) and where the protocol data should go (to the host, the auxiliary port, or the video screen). The rest of the string is graphics data in the specified protocol, followed by the string terminator (ESC \). The string terminator returns the VT125 to its text operation. When a device control string begins, the VT125 can not understand another device control string command until the first one is terminated by the string terminator characters.

#### **Device Control String (Introducer) (DCS)**

**ESC P** 033 120

The above sequence is the introducer to the commands that control the VT125's internal protocols. When the VT125 receives this sequence from one of its data paths, it looks at that same data path for one or two more characters to select the operation, as listed below. Refer to the Communications chapter (Chapter 7) for an explanation of the data path.

#### **Device Control String Parameters**

**ESC P p** or **ESC P 0 p** 033 120 160 033 120 060 160

Either of the above sequences tells the VT125 to enter ReGIS, accepting data from the same data path as this sequence, at the command level that was in effect at the end of the last ReGIS device control string. (ReGIS is at the highest command level if the terminal was reset after the last device control string.)

The above sequence tells the VT125 to **enter ReGIS**, accepting data from the same data path as this sequence, and force immediate synchronization to the **highest command level** in the same way that the ";" character acts in a ReGIS command string. The semicolon is explained in the ReGIS Graphic Programming chapter (Chapter 7).

The above sequence tells the VT125 to **enter ReGIS** according to 0 p (allowing completion of previous commands) and also send the ReGIS **text** to the data path that was previously selected. (This typically is the host to VT100 data path and allows the simultaneous display of both the graphics and the ReGIS text that creates the graphics.)

The above sequence tells the VT125 to **enter ReGIS** according to 1 p (immediate synchronization) and also send the ReGIS **text** to the data path that was previously selected. (This typically is the host to VT100 data path and allows the simultaneous display of both the graphics and the ReGIS text that creates the graphics.)

NOTE: Asterisks (\*\*\*) represent variable numeric parameters in the octal sequence.

#### **Delimit Image Format**

The above sequence tells the VT125 to accept the text that follows from the same data path as this sequence as **DECwriter graphics hardcopy descriptor** and display it. Pn is ignored. Refer to the Media Copy control function description for information about generating DECwriter descriptor.

#### **Enter VT105 Emulator Mode**

The above sequence tells the VT125 to accept the text that follows from the same data path as this sequence as VT105 commands to be executed by the VT125. The parameter is ignored and may be omitted (but if included, should be 0 for compatibility with future sequences). The VT105 emulator does not have the simultaneous text display capability of ReGIS.

# String Terminator (ST)

The above sequence ends the string of data and returns the VT125 to text mode.

NOTE: Ps represents a variable parameter selected from a list of parameters. Asterisks (\*\*\*) represent the parameter in the octal sequence.

#### Media Copy (MC)

Media Copy selects the connections between the different ports of the VT125. There are two classes of parameters (Ps) understood by this sequence: ANSI standardized and DIGITAL private. Standardized and private parameters can not be in the same sequence. More than one parameter from a class can be in each sequence, using the semicolon syntax for multiple selective parameters (Ps;...;Ps). The VT125 does not accept a sequence that turns off all output paths. Therefore, turn on the auxiliary port before turning off the screen. Refer to the explanation of ports starting on page 194 for more information.

#### **ANSI Parameters**

The above sequence turns off copying of data from the host computer to the auxiliary port.

The above sequence turns on copying of data from the host computer to the auxiliary port.

The above sequence turns off copying of data from the host computer to the text screen.

The above sequence turns on copying of data from the host computer to the text screen.

#### **Private Parameters**

The above sequence selects the auxiliary port as the destination for **DECwriter descriptor data** containing the contents of the graphics memory as controlled by the S(H) option in ReGIS. Usually used to produce a hardcopy of the screen on an LA34-VA. This is the default condition when using the ReGIS protocol.

The above sequence selects the **host computer as the destination for DECwriter descriptor data** containing the contents of the graphics memory as controlled by the S(H) option in ReGIS. It is usually used to store a file of DECwriter descriptor on the host computer, for later transmission to an LA34-VA or VT125.

# **Reports**

Reports are transmitted by the VT125 in response to requests from the computer or other device. Reports are used to determine the cursor position, type of terminal, and the operational status of the terminal. The following sequences are the requests for reports and the reports generated.

#### **Cursor Position Report**

The above report is requested by a Device Status Report (DSR) sequence (ESC [ 6 n). The terminal reports the active position with the CPR sequence. This sequence has two parameter values, the first specifying the line and the second specifying the column. The default condition with no parameters present, or parameters of 0, indicates the cursor at home position. The numbering of lines depends on the setting of origin mode.

#### **Device Attributes (DA)**

#### Request:

A device asks the VT125 to identify itself by sending the DA control sequence with either no parameter or a parameter of 0.

The VT125 responds to the DA request with a DA sequence having numeric parameters only on the same data path from which the request came.

This part of the sequence is the DIGITAL private identifier for the VT125.

#### < VT100 features >

This part of the sequence is 5 if no advanced video option is installed, or a 7 if an advanced video option is installed. The VT125 checks the VT100 with an internal DA swap during power up or reset.

#### <VT125 features>

This part of the sequence is a 1 if a printer is connected to the auxiliary port, or a 0 if nothing is connected to the auxiliary port. The VT125 checks for a printer by reading the EIA DSR pin during power up or reset. Only printers that drive DTR can be detected.

#### < VT125 ROM version>

This number indicates the firmware revision level of the VT125 graphics processor code.

# **Identify Terminal (DEC Private) (DECID)**

**ESC Z** 033 132

The above sequence causes the same response as device attributes if the terminal is in ANSI mode. (Refer to VT52 Reports in this chapter.) This sequence will not be supported in future DIGITAL terminals; therefore, any new software should use Device Attributes.

#### **Device Status Report (DSR)**

NOTE: Ps represents a variable parameter selected from a list of parameters. Asterisks (\*\*\*) represent the parameter in the octal sequence.

The above sequence requests the general status of the VT125 with the following sequences.

## Requests

Command from computer - Report status of the VT125 on the same data path that the request came on with the following sequences.

Command from computer - Report active position (using a cursor position report control sequence)

#### Responses

Response from VT125 - Ready, no malfunctions detected (default)

Response from VT125 - Malfunction - soft error -reset and retry

DSR with a parameter value of 0 or 3 is always sent as a response to a requesting DSR with a parameter value of 5.

# Reset

## Reset To Initial State (RIS)

**ESC c** 033 143

The above sequence resets the VT125 to its initial state. This is the state it has after it powers up, performs the internal self-test, and reads the SET-UP information in the user permanent SET-UP feature memory.

NOTE: When the terminal is reset, cursor key mode and origin mode are reset, keypad numeric mode is selected, and the top and bottom margins of the scrolling region are set to be the complete screen. Any graphics protocol selection and the graphics memory are cleared and the graphics processor returns to text mode.

# **Tests and Adjustments**

The VT125 has many tests that are performed to be sure the terminal is running properly. Also, a pattern for screen alignment is provided. All DECTST sequences have an effect on the communication port (Table 7-1). Refer to the Maintenance and Troubleshooting chapter (Chapter 9) for the meanings of displayed error codes.

## Screen Alignment Display (DEC Private) (DECALN)

```
ESC
          8
033 043
        070
```

The above command fills the entire screen area with uppercase Es for screen focus and alignment (Figure 4-9). This command is used by DIGITAL manufacturing and Field Service personnel.

#### **Invoke Confidence Test (DECTST)**

If the first parameter of the sequence is 2, the VT125 tells the VT100 to perform its self-tests according to the numeric parameter. Table 4-14 lists the VT100 tests. If the first parameter of the sequence is 4, the VT125 performs its own self-tests according to the selective parameters that follow the 4. Table 4-15 lists the VT125 tests. Refer to the Maintenance and Troubleshooting chapter (Chapter 9) for explanations of the tests' actions.

NOTE: Be sure that these sequences get transmitted correctly because some wrong sequences do not give any indication of error.

```
EEEEE
EEEEE
          DECALN
EEEEE
          ESC #8
EEEEE
               MA-6664
```

Figure 4-9 Screen Alignment Display

VT100 Self-Test Format: ESC [ 2 ; Pn y							
Sequence	Meaning						
	use VT100 loopback tests with the graphics processor installed s require test connector. Continuous tests end at failure or						
ESC[2;1y	VT100 resets and performs power-up test. It also causes VT125 power-up self-test.						
ESC [ 2 ; 2 y	This is the VT100 Data Loopback test						
ESC[2;3y	This is the VT100 power-up and data loopback tests.						
ESC [ 2 ; 4 y	This is the VT100 EIA modem control loopback test.						
ESC [ 2 ; 5 y	This is the VT100 power-up and EIA modem control loopbactests.						
ESC[2;6y	This sequence is the VT100 data loopback and EIA modem control loopback tests.						
ESC[2;7y	This sequence is the VT100 power-up, data loopback and Elimodem control loopback tests.						
ESC[2;8y	Reserved. Do not use.						
ESC [2;9y	This sequence causes the VT100 power-up test to repeat continuously until failure or power off. This sequence is not usable while graphics processor is installed.						
ESC [ 2 ; 10 y	This sequence causes the VT100 data loopback test to repea continuously until failure or power off.						
ESC [ 2 ; 11 y	This sequence causes the VT100 power-up and data loopback tests to repeat continuously until failure or power off.						
ESC [ 2 ; 12 y	This sequence causes the VT100 EIA modem control loopback test to repeat continuously until failure or power off.						
ESC [ 2 ; 13 y	This sequence causes the VT100 power-up and data loopback tests to repeat continuously until failure or power off.						
ESC [ 2 ; 14 y	This sequence causes the VT100 data loopback and EIA modem control loopback tests to repeat continuously until failure or power off.						
ESC [ 2 ; 15 y	This sequence causes the VT100 power-up, data loopback and EIA modem control loopback tests to repeat continuously						

#### Table 4-15 VT125 Self-Tests

#### VT125 Self-Test Format: ESC [4;1; Ps...; Ps y

#### **NOTES**

- 1. Test parameters may appear in the sequence in any order, but they always run in increasing numerical order. Always include the power-up test parameter for correct display of error indications.
- 2. Refer to Operator Maintenance and Troubleshooting (Chapter 9) for the meanings of displayed error codes.
- Ps = 1VT125 Power-up test
- Ps = 2VT125 Computer port data loopback test
- Ps = 3VT125 Auxiliary port data loopback test
- Ps = 4VT125 Display test
- Ps = 5VT125 Video bit map memory test
- Ps = 9 Repeat any selected tests continuously until power off or failure

# **Indicators**

#### **Keyboard Indicators**

The keyboard has seven indicator lights that are light emitting diodes (LEDs). The ON LINE and LOCAL indicators light to indicate the communication status of the terminal. If the keyboard is connected and power is on, either the ON LINE or the LOCAL indicator is on.

The KBD LOCKED indicator lights to show the keyboard locked condition. In this condition the keyboard transmit buffer is full and cannot accept characters from the keyboard.

The L1 through L4 indicators are programmable and can be assigned any meaning for specific applications. The following sequences turn these indicators on or off.

## Load LEDs (DEC Private) (DECLL)

NOTE: Ps represents a variable parameter selected from a list of parameters. Asterisks (\*\*\*) represent the parameter in the octal sequence.

The above sequence loads the four programmable indicators on the key-board according to the parameter(s).

Sequence	Meaning
ESC[0q	Clear indicators 1 through 4
ESC[1q	Light indicator 1
ESC [ 2 q	Light indicator 2
ESC [ 3 q	Light indicator 3
ESC [ 4 q	Light indicator 4

Indicator numbers are marked on the keyboard.

# VT52 COMPATIBLE SEQUENCES

The sequences compatible with the VT125 and VT52 meet private DIGITAL standards. Therefore, the VT125 can use existing software designed for previous terminals (such as the VT52), but only for text applications. The graphics processor cannot operate with VT52-compatible sequences. VT52 compatibility is selected from the keyboard in SET-UP (refer to Chapter 2) or by the computer using a sequence (refer to the ANSI-compatible sequences on page 51).

# VT52 MODES

#### SET-UP FEATURE AND MODE SELECTION

While in VT52 mode, sequences cannot be used to select most VT125 SET-UP feature selections. However, the following three modes can be selected using sequences.

- 1. ANSI mode
- 2. Alternate keypad mode on
- 3. Alternate keypad mode off

#### **Enter ANSI Mode**

ESC < 033 074

All subsequent escape sequences are understood according to ANSI Standards X3.64-1979 and X3.41-1974. The VT52 escape sequences shown in this section are not recognized.

# Alternate Keypad Mode On

ESC = 033 075

The auxiliary keypad keys send uniquely identifiable escape sequences for use by applications programs. Table 4-16 lists these codes and sequences.

# Alternate Keypad Mode Off

 $\mathbf{ESC} \quad > \quad$ 033 076

The auxiliary keypad keys send the ASCII codes for the functions or characters on the keys.

Table 4-16	VT52 Mode Auxiliary Keypad Codes			
Key	Alternate Keypad Mode Off	Alternate Keypad Mode On		
0	0	ESC?p		
1	1	ESC?q		
2	2	ESC?r		
3	3	ESC?s		
4	4	ESC?t		
5	5	ESC? u		
6	6	ESC?v		
7	7	ESC?w		
8	8	ESC?x		
9	9	ESC?y		
- (minus)	– (minus)	ESC?m		
, (comma)	, (comma)	ESC?1		
. (period)	. (period)	ESC?n		
ENTER	Same as RETURN key	ESC?M		
PF1	ESC P	ESC P		
PF2	ESC Q	ESC Q		
PF3	ESC R	ESC R		
PF4	ESC S	ESC S		

# VT52 CHARACTER SETS AND SELECTION

While in VT52 mode, the VT125 can use either the character set selected in SET-UP B or the VT125 Special Character and Line Drawing character set. The following sequences select the character sets.

# **Enter Graphics Mode**

ESC F 033 106

The above sequence causes the special graphics character set to be used.

NOTE: The special graphics characters in the VT125 are different from those in the VT52. Refer to Table 4-17.

# **Exit Graphics Mode**

ESC G 033 107

The above sequence causes the standard ASCII character set to be used.

Octal Code	US/UK Set	200	ecial Characters I Line Drawing Set	VT52 in Graphics Mode*
137	<u> -</u>		Blank	Blank
140	1	•	Diamond	Reserved
141	а	Ħ	Checkerboard (error indicator)	Solid rectangle
142	b	4	Horizontal tab	1,
143	c	Ė	Form feed	3/
144	d	ĥ	Carriage return	5/
145	e	þ	Linefeed	7,
146	f	0	Degree symbol	Degrees
147	g	ŧ	Plus/minus	Plus or minus
150	h	ľ	New line	Right arrow
151	<b>i</b>	Ÿ	Vertical tab	Ellipsis (dots)
152	į	1	Lower-right corner	Divide by
153	k	1	Upper-right corner	Down arrow
154	1	Γ	Upper-left corner	Bar at scan 0
155	m	L	Lower-left corner	Bar at scan 1
156	n	ł	Crossing lines	Bar at scan 2
157	0	_	Horizontal line – scan 1	Bar at scan 3
160	p	_	Horizontal line – scan 3	Bar at scan 4
161	q	-	Horizontal line - scan 5	Bar at scan 5
162	r	-	Horizontal line – scan 7	Bar at scan 6
163	S	-	Horizontal line - scan 9	Bar at scan 7
164	t	+	Left "T"	Subscript 0
165	u	1	Right "T"	Subscript 1
166	٧	L	Bottom "T"	Subscript 2
167	w	Τ	Top "T"	Subscript 3
170	X	- 1	Vertical bar	Subscript 4
171	у	ζ.	Less than or equal to	Subscript 5
172	z	Ž	Greater than or equal to	Subscript 6
173	1	Л	Pi	Subscript 7
174	-1	<b>,</b> #	Not equal to	Subscript 8
175	1	f	UK pound sign	Subscript 9
176	Veri	•	Centered dot	Paragraph

# **VT52 CURSOR POSITIONING**

The cursor indicates the location of the active position. This is where the next graphic character appears. The cursor always moves one column to the right when a graphic character is displayed, and moves down one line when a linefeed is received. The cursor moves to the left margin when a carriage return is received. If a command tries to move the cursor past any margin, the action that will result is stated. The VT52 mode margins are always the top and bottom of the display screen. Table 4-18 lists the sequences that move the cursor according to the sequence's parameters.

Table 4-18 VT52 Cursor Positioning			
Sequence	Format	Result	
Cursor up	ESC A	The cursor moves up one line in same column Cursor stops at the top of the screen.	
Cursor down	ESC B	The cursor moves down one line in same column. Cursor stops at the bottom of the screen.	
Cursor right	ESC C	The cursor moves one column to the right. Cursor stops at the right margin.	
Cursor left	ESC D	The cursor moves one column to the left.  Cursor stops at the left margin.	
Cursor to home	ESC H	The cursor moves to the home position at line 1, column 1.	
Reverse line feed	ESC I	The cursor moves up one line in the same column. If the cursor is at the top margin, a scroll down is performed.	
Direct cursor address	ESC Y PI Pc	The cursor moves to the specified line and column. The line and column numbers are sent as the ASCII characters whose codes are the decimal numbers plus 31; for example, 32(10) (SPACE) refers to the first line or column, and 111(10) refers to the eightieth column.	

# **VT52 ERASING**

Erasing removes characters from the screen of the VT125. When characters are erased from the screen, the characters are lost. The following sequences erase characters from the screen.

# **Erase to End of Screen**

ESC J 033 112

The above sequence erases all characters from the cursor to the end of the screen. The cursor does not move.

# **Erase to End of Line**

ESC K 033 113

The above sequence erases all characters from the cursor to the end of the current line. The cursor does not move.

# **VT52 REPORTS**

The VT125 generates only one report in VT52 mode.

# Identify

ESC Z 033 132

The above sequence causes the terminal to send its identifier escape sequence to the computer.

The response is  $\mathsf{ESC}/\mathsf{Z}.$ 

NOTE: This is the VT52 response.

Figure 4-10 is a one-page summary of the ANSI mode display control functions.

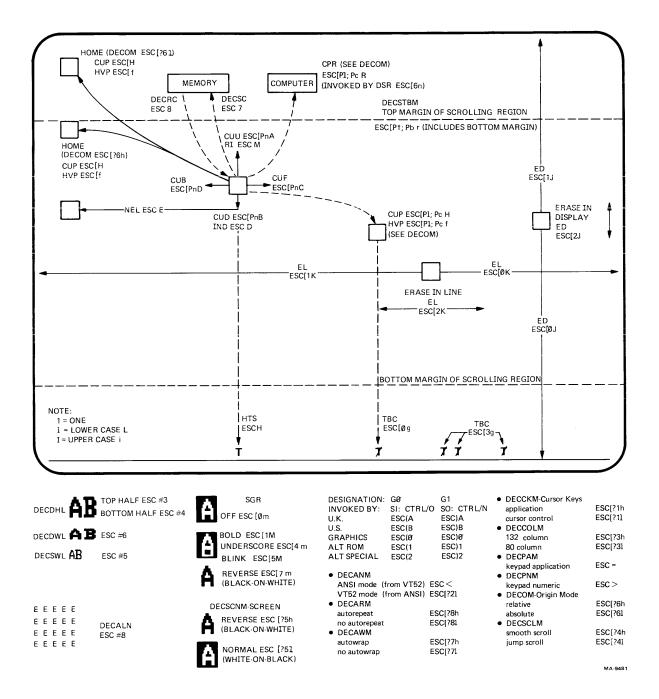


Figure 4-10 VT125 ANSI Mode Display Control Functions



# ReGIS GRAPHIC PROGRAMMING

#### INTRODUCTION

This chapter explains the Remote Graphics Instruction Set (ReGIS) for the VT125 graphics processor. With the information in this chapter, a programmer can prepare images for display on the VT125 internal monitor or a connected color monitor, or print the images on a DECwriter graphics printer.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

ReGIS is a graphics descriptor. A graphics descriptor is a symbol system that describes the parts of an image. An image is a type of information that people understand by seeing and relating it to familiar visual images. An image (graphic) is the best way to communicate some types of information. The problem for a graphics descriptor is to describe the image with as few symbols as possible to save storage space and communication line time. ReGIS works by considering an image to be a group of graphic objects. Each graphic object is a standard geometric form that can be described with a few characters of information. For example, ReGIS understands that the form of a circle applies to any circle that can be drawn. A circle can be described on the screen by the location of its center and a point on its circumference. The same type of understanding for other graphic objects lets ReGIS describe graphics images with short commands.

VT125 ReGIS is one implementation of a graphics instruction set designed at DIGITAL. Details of ReGIS may differ from one ReGIS device to another, depending mostly on the hardware's capabilities. For example, refer to Appendix F which lists differences between the VT125 and the VK100 (GIGI).

Each graphic object is made of a group of the smallest units of information on the screen. These units are pixels. Pixel size is determined by both the minimum size of unit that the monitor can display, and by the maximum number of units that the graphics processor can address and store. If a device can display more pixels than another, it is has higher resolution than the other. The VT125 graphics processor can display 184,320 pixels in a 768  $\times$  240 array and is considered a medium resolution device. The

graphics processor's memory can store 196,608 pixels in a  $768 \times 256 \times 2$  array. The display of the VT125 is a window that looks into this memory. The window can move in any direction with a Screen command to display all parts of the pixel memory, or to move an object in the image to the center of the display.

#### **ReGIS SYNTAX**

The VT125 graphics processor command syntax is a Device Control String (DCS) introducer sequence (ESC P), followed by protocol selection characters, followed by any number of characters in the selected protocol, followed by the String Terminator (ST) sequence (ESC \). These sequences are explained in detail on pages 73-76. The first characters after ESC P select the graphic protocol that is used during the rest of the string. These characters are formatted as part of a private ANSI control sequence. Table 5-1 lists the possible graphic protocols with typical device control strings. Refer to the Received Character Processing (Chapter 4) for complete details.

The LA34-VA Hardcopy Descriptor protocol is explained on page 76. The VT105 Emulation Protocol is explained in VT105 Emulation (Chapter 6). The ReGIS protocol is explained here.

# **ReGIS Single Character Commands**

Any commands from the complete ReGIS instruction set can follow the initial selection characters. A ReGIS command is a single alphabetic command key character followed by options and arguments in many formats including parentheses and brackets. An alphabetic character can be either upper- or lowercase, except in any quoted string. The key character is usually the first letter of the name of the command, for example "S" for screen. Any keyletter not included in this document, and characters in parentheses, quotes, or brackets, or any digit strings, that follow the invalid keyletter or a semicolon, are ignored.

# Parentheses, Brackets, Pixel Vectors, and Quotes

Parentheses "(" and ")" after a single character mean that the characters inside the parentheses are options to the command (example: S(E) = screen erase). This document shows a general option with the symbol command(option<arg>) where command is the command keyletter, option is typically an option keyletter, and <arg> is the number, letter-number, bracketed, or quoted argument of the option. The angle bracket characters "<" and ">" are shown to highlight the argument; they are never actually part of a command. Options have the same format as a complete ReGIS command.

Table 5-1 VT125 Graphics Protoc	ols
Protocol	Example String
ReGIS	ESC P pdata ESC\
LA34-VA Hardcopy Descriptor	ESC P qdata ESC\
VT105 Emulation	ESC Ptdata ESC\

Numbers in brackets "[" and "]" are position information (also called coordinate or point specifiers). This document shows a general position with the symbol [<position>], where <position> = "x" or ",y" or "x,y". The first number is the x-axis or horizontal position, and the second number is the y-axis or vertical position. A comma separates the two numbers. When only one number is in brackets without a comma (or with a comma after it), it is a new x position while the y position stays the same. When only one number is in brackets with a comma in front of it, it is a new y position while the x position stays the same. When the numbers do not have + or - signs with them, the position given is absolute (referred to the origin). When the numbers do have + or - signs with them, the position is relative (referred to the current position). At power up, the position coordinates have [0,0] at the top left corner of the screen and [767,479] at the bottom right corner of the screen. Refer to Screen Display Addressing Definition, S(A), on page 143 to change the coordinate system.

#### **Examples:**

```
[200, 100] is absolute, x = 200, y = 100.
[+200, -100] is relative, x = current + 200, y = current - 100.
[200] is absolute, x = 200, y = unchanged (same as [200, +0]).
[+200] is relative, x = current + 200, y = unchanged.
[,100] is absolute, x = \text{unchanged}, y = 100 (same as [+0,100]).
[,-100] is relative, x = unchanged, y = current - 100.
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If a keyletter has one or more numbers after it with no parentheses, brackets, or quotes, the numbers are pixel vectors. These are position information that specifies movement in one of eight possible directions. This document shows general pixel vectors by the symbol  $\langle pv \rangle$  or <pixel vector> after a keyletter. Refer to Position Command on page 101 for more information.

Quotes indicate characters that the text command can put on the screen as they appear. Both ' and " " are quote characters. This document shows a general text string with the symbols 'text' or "text". Text Command on page 117 explains quotes in detail.

#### **Commas and Spaces**

Option keyletters and arguments in parentheses can appear next to each other (except for E) or they can be separated with commas, spaces, or other control characters. Separated options are easier to read and are good ReGIS practice except when the communication line speed limits performance. (Refer to Screen Erase on page 145 for E's special restriction.)

#### **Control Characters**

ReGIS ignores control characters (columns 0 and 1 of Table 4-1 plus space and delete). The VT125 (which supervises the communications between ReGIS and the communication lines), monitors the data for ESC. If ESC appears, the VT125 checks for the string terminator sequence. If the sequence is the string terminator (ESC \), the VT125 returns to text mode. If the sequence is a control function that applies to the graphics processor (DA, DECID, DECTST, DSR, MC, RIS, refer to Chapter 4), its action is performed. Any other characters after ESC pass to ReGIS as ReGIS commands, not as ANSI control functions.

Because ReGIS ignores control characters, ReGIS command strings can be formatted to make them easy to read. In particular, spaces, carriage returns, and linefeeds can be in the listing of ReGIS commands as instructions to the terminal or printer for page formatting for display. Most of the commands in this book are shown with spaces between keyletters and arguments for clarity. The commands can be copied exactly because ReGIS ignores the spaces, but to save storage and communication time, all spaces can be removed except those inside quoted strings.

#### **Order of Performance**

Each command is acted on as it arrives. ReGIS always responds to each command and option as soon as it has enough information to work with. A command keyletter can be followed by:

- Digits,
- Pairs of parentheses.
- Pairs of brackets,
- Pairs of quotes,
- Any combination of the above with option keyletters and arguments,
- Or another command keyletter.

The last command keyletter to arrive defines the meanings of the following options and arguments. It can only act as a command keyletter (instead of an option keyletter) if it follows matched sets of parenthesis, brackets, and quotes.

The parentheses, brackets, and quotes described above control the way ReGIS responds to the characters of the string. For example, a left bracket "[" tells ReGIS to look for a position specification. A right bracket "]" ends the position specification. If a communication line error or a programming error loses the right bracket, all the following ReGIS commands will probably be understood incorrectly. The semicolon character (if included in the string of commands) clears any control errors caused by unmatched sets of parentheses or brackets. This is called synchronization. Enough semicolons mixed with commands can help get the most usable image on the screen even in the presence of communication problems. (A semicolon cannot clear errors involving quotes because inside quotes, it is a literal character instead of an instruction.)

An option selection applies to all the following related commands unless it is a temporary write option or a curve option. For example, the W(C) command causes all writing to be in complement mode until another writing mode command is given. However, a writing control can be a temporary option if it is an option to any P, V, C, T, or S command. For example, a pixel vector multiplier that is set by a writing control command as an option in a Screen Scroll command applies only to that command, for example S(W(M100))v>. Options can be specified by their option keyletter in parentheses without repeating the command keyletter if no other command keyletter has been used. For example, a line can be drawn with the vector command starting with one temporary writing control intensity setting and ending with another: V (W(I3)) [+100] (W(I2)) [+100].

#### **Numeric Values**

The VT125 does all its calculations with integers. This means that the smallest meaningful value that it can understand is the distance between two pixels. That distance is 1. The terminal's coordinate system is designed to address the pixels with integers. The VT125 accepts decimal fractions (1.53) and floating point numbers (3.215E2) so that images can be transported to higher resolution ReGIS devices. However, those numbers are truncated (cut off) during processing so that only the integer portions are used in calculations, with no rounding (1.53 = 1, 3.215E2 = 321). Floating point numbers are truncated to 16-bit signed integers (after scaling, if allowed by the coordinate system); values larger than  $(2^{**}15)-1$  are kept as  $(2^{**}15)-1$ , and values smaller than  $-(2^{**}15)$  are kept as  $-(2^{**}15)$ .

#### **POSITION**

The most basic concept in the use of ReGIS is current position. This is a location on the screen with many possible functions. It is generally the last position where a drawing or command action occurred. It may be the location of the next pixel to be drawn, the center of a circle, the starting point of a vector, or many other things. If ReGIS is active in the VT125 but not processing data, a blinking graphic cursor appears to mark the current position. The graphic cursor is a diamond shape with a cross in it.

#### Coordinates

A coordinate is a number that specifies a position. X-coordinates specify horizontal positions and Y-coordinates specify vertical positions. A point is the intersection of an imaginary vertical line that passes through an X-coordinate and an imaginary horizontal line that passes through a Y-coordinate. So a pair of coordinates specifies a point. (The coordinates are sometimes called point specifiers in ReGIS documentation.) The general symbol for a pair of position coordinates in this book is [<position>].

When the VT125 is first powered up, it starts counting screen positions at the top left corner of the screen. This position is called the screen origin and has coordinates [0,0]. The X-coordinates start at 0 at the left margin of the screen and end at 767 at the right margin. The Y-coordinates start at 0 at the top margin and end at 479 at the bottom margin. With these coordinates, the VT125 can address all pixels on the screen with integer numbers. On the 12-inch monitor screen in the VT125, horizontal pixels are about one-hundredth of an inch apart. The scan lines, which define the vertical pixel spacing, are about two-hundredths of an inch apart. To let the same number of horizontal and vertical addresses be equal distances on the screen, the addressing counts by one for horizontal pixels and by two for vertical pixels. Refer to explanation of pixels in Writing Commands on page 105.

#### **POSITION COMMAND**

The P (position) command sets or changes the current position and moves the graphics cursor to the new current position.

#### **Absolute Position**

# P[<x-coordinate,y-coordinate>]

This command moves the current position to the given coordinates referred to the origin. If a coordinate is not signed, it is an absolute coordinate. If an x- or y- coordinate is not given, its value is unchanged.

#### **Relative Position**

$$P(< \pm x$$
-change,  $\pm y$ -change>]

This command moves the current position by adding the given numbers to the last current position. If a coordinate is signed, it is a relative coordinate. If an x- or y- coordinate is not given, its value is unchanged. (For negative values of change, adding is the same as subtracting a positive value.)

## **Combining Absolute and Relative Positions**

Absolute and relative values can be combined in one command. Sign the coordinate that is relative and leave the absolute coordinate unsigned.

#### **Null Position**

**P**[]

This command resets the writing pattern so that the next writing operation begins with the first bit in the pattern memory. Refer to Patterns in Writing Controls on page 136. The "[]" argument is a relative position specification indicating no change in x or y.

#### **Pixel Vectors**

# P<pixel vector>

This command moves the current position in the direction specified by <pixel vector> (also shown as <pv>). A pixel vector is a vector whose length is the distance between two adjacent pixels times a multiplier that is set with a writing control command. A pixel vector has a limited set of directions that it can specify. These are eight directions at 45 degree intervals starting at 0 on a 360 circle. They are specified by the integers 0 through 7 according to Figure 5-1.

Each time a pixel vector number appears after the keyletter P, the current position moves one pixel multiplier in that direction. Thus, with the default multiplier, P000 moves the current position three pixels to the right. Refer to Temporary Pixel Vector Multiplier.

# **Temporary Pixel Vector Multiplier**

This command sets a temporary pixel vector multiplier for the following series of pixel vectors in this command only. The multiplier can be any positive integer. Each pixel vector number that follows the multiplier moves the current position by the multiplier number of pixels. When the VT125 powers up, the multiplier is 1, meaning that each command moves the current position only one pixel (a very small amount). The multiplier increases the power of the pixel vector command. Refer to Pixel Vector Length Multiplier on page 133 for the general command.

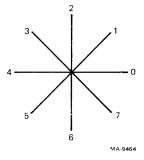


Figure 5-1 Pixel Vector

#### Begin a Bounded Sequence of Coordinates

# P(B)

This command saves the first position to allow return to the beginning position without respecifying that position. The saved position is restored by the (E) option. The (B) option can be repeated up to 10 times and each value of position is saved. Each (E) option then restores the most recently saved position, until the tenth (E) option restores the first value saved. The positions stored and recalled include those stored in the vector V(B) command.

#### Start an Unbounded Sequence of Coordinates

#### P(S)

This command is similar to the (B) option explained above except that it specifically does not move the cursor at the end of a sequence of positions. (S) saves a dummy or nonacting position in memory so that the next (E) option does not change the current position. Positions saved by (S) are in the same memory as (B) positions and are included in the ten count. The position (S) option is provided for symmetry with the other commands that have (B) and (S) options.

# **End a Sequence of Coordinates**

#### P(E)

This command restores the first position at the end of a P(B) command.

B, S, and E options are used to group sets of coordinates together in blocks (position blocks) so they can be processed as units, for example, for polygon definition or filling or shading operations. The position blocks do not have to be completed in a single P command, and they can have V or C commands inside them. Refer to B, S, and E in Vectors on page 107 and Curves on page 113.

Table 5-2 is a summary of the position commands.

	Reset pattern memory
[ <position>]</position>	Move to <position></position>
<pre><pixel vector=""> or <pv></pv></pixel></pre>	Move <multiplier> pixels in <pv> direction</pv></multiplier>
(B)	} Save current location
(S)	Save dummy location
(E)	<ul><li>} Move to last saved location</li></ul>

#### WRITING COMMANDS

This section explains how to specify locations of pixels for lines, shapes, and text. The next section, Writing Controls, explains the attributes of intensity and pattern that pixels and shapes can have. The Screen Controls section explains the controls for the color and background of images, the positioning of the complete image, timing of actions, and the production of hardcopy output.

#### **Pixels**

A pixel is the smallest unit of color and intensity information on the screen. The intersection of every horizontal address and every even vertical address is a pixel. (Refer to Coordinates on page 100.) The writing commands do two processes at each address. They access the address (prepare to write into it) and then act on it. The action can be setting bits (refer to Foreground Planes in Screen Controls on page 140) clearing them, complementing them, or perhaps doing nothing at all. (Refer to Patterns on page 136.)

#### **Odd-Y Simulation**

There are 512 defined vertical addresses but only 256 actual memory locations. Only even-numbered vertical addresses have any associated memory. The next higher odd vertical address accesses the same pixel memory as the even address. This is called odd-y simulation and allows dimensions to be consistent in both axes (squares have the same number of addresses on each side). Some combinations of pattern and multiplier may give unexpected results because of odd-y simulation. Refer to Pattern Multiplier on page 138 for more information.

#### **VECTOR COMMAND**

This command draws a straight line between the current cursor location and a specified screen location.

#### **Dot at Current Position**

**V**[]

This command draws a dot (one pixel) at the current position. It is useful because most other vector commands do not draw the pixel at the current position.

# **Vector from Current Position to Specified Position**

V[<position>] [<position>] ...

This command draws a straight line from the first pixel after the current position to the position given. Any number of positions can be included in the same vector command to draw a continuous series of straight lines. The first dot of each line is not drawn so that the next line can connect smoothly to the previous line. Use the dot command V[] to draw the first dot of a series of vectors.

NOTE: With shading on, the vector command draws from the current position.

Round-off errors in the VT125's computation of vectors can add. The main causes of cumulative errors are relative coordinates or nondefault display addressing (refer to Screen Display Addressing Definition on page 143) especially with noninteger specifiers. If you need an absolute position after a series of vectors, include a Position command. This starts the next commands at a known location.

Refer to Patterns on page 136 for details about how the vector command uses patterns.

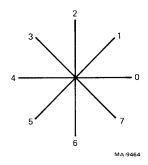


Figure 5-2 Pixel Vector

#### **Pixel Vectors**

# V<pixel vector>

This command draws a line one pixel multiplier long in the direction specified by <pixel vector> (also shown as <pv>). The direction may be any of the integers 0 through 7 according to Figure 5-2. The direction numbers represent angles at 45 degree intervals from 0 (0) to 315 (7).

Each time a pixel vector number appears after the keyletter, the line is drawn one more pixel multiplier in that direction. Any number of the eight pixel vectors numbers can appear in the command. Thus, V00066 draws a line three pixel multipliers to the right and then two pixel multipliers down. (The pixel multiplier is the actual number of pixels changed in any command that affects pixels. The power-up default is 1 but it can be set to any convenient value. Refer to Pixel Vector Length Multiplier on page 133.

#### **Bounded Sequence of Positions**

The (B) option saves the current position in the graphics processor's memory. This helps you draw a sequence of vectors that ends at the starting position. At the end of the sequence, the (E) option recalls the starting position. The vector command then draws a line from the last specified position to the saved position. The (B) option can save up to 10 positions in memory. Each (E) option recalls the position saved by the last (B) option and erases the position from memory. The positions stored and recalled include those stored with the position P(B) command. Figure 5-3 illustrates the action of the "nested" (B) and (E) options. (E) 2 recalls (B) 2; the next (E) is 1 which recalls (B) 1.

V (B) [
$$<$$
position1 $>$ ] (B) [ $<$ position2 $>$ ]  $\rightarrow$  (E) [ $<$ position2 $>$ ] (E) [ $<$ position1 $>$ ]

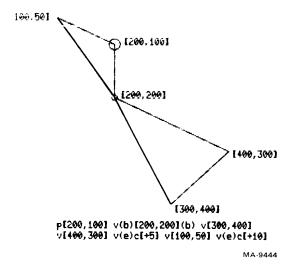


Figure 5-3 Nested (B) and (E) Commands

# **Unbounded Sequence of Positions**

The (S) option is similar to the (B) option explained above except that it specifically does not move the cursor or draw a vector at the end of a sequence of positions. (S) saves a dummy or nonacting position in memory so that the next (E) option does not change the current position. Positions saved by (S) are in the same memory as (B) positions and are included in the ten count.

The vector (S) option is provided for symmetry with the open curve (S) option. (Note that the open curve option requires null position specifiers to draw the same segments as the Vector (S) option. These specifiers in a sequence of positions do not affect the vector command except for drawing the first dot of a line.)

## **Temporary Writing Controls**

#### V(W(<temporary writing control options>))

The temporary writing control options are the same as the writing controls command options but they apply only during the vector command that they are in. Only options specified or implied by those specified are changed. Options return to their previous values at the end of the V command.

Table 5-3 is a summary of the Vector Commands.

(II)	Draw dot at current position
{[ <position>]</position>	Draw vector to <position></position>
<pre>{ <pixel vector=""> or <pv>}</pv></pixel></pre>	Draw <multiplier> pixels   in <pv> direction</pv></multiplier>
(B)	Save current position
(S)	Save dummy position
\ {(E)	Draw to last saved position

#### **CURVES**

This command draws these members of the family of graphic objects called curves.

- Circles
- Arcs
- Closed Curves
- Open Curves

A circle is a group of pixels that are all the same distance away from a center position. There are two types of curve commands that generate circles; they use different information to specify the circle.

An arc is a part of a circle. There are two types of curve commands that generate arcs; they use the same information as the two circle commands to specify the circle of which the arc is part. They also use information to determine what part of the circle is drawn.

A closed curve is a general curve that is made by interpolating the locations of pixels around four or more specified locations. The closed curve is a bounded shape like the circle (which is a special case of the closed curve) or an ellipse.

An open curve is a general curve that is made by interpolating the locations of pixels around several specified locations. The endpoints of the open curve are not meant to meet. Pay special attention to the endpoints of an open curve to get the wanted graphic object.

# **Circles**

#### Circle with Center at Current Position

# C[<position>]

This command draws a circle around the current position with the circumference at the specified position (Figure 5-4). The radius of the circle is the distance from the current position at the center to the circumference.

The current position stays at the center after the circle is drawn.

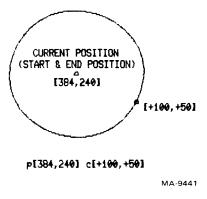


Figure 5-4 Circle with Center at Current Position

# Circle with Center at Specified Position

# C(C)[<position>]

This command draws a circle around the specified position with the current position located on the circumference. (Figure 5-5). The radius of the circle is the distance from the current position to the center.

The current position stays at the starting location on the circumference after the circle is drawn.

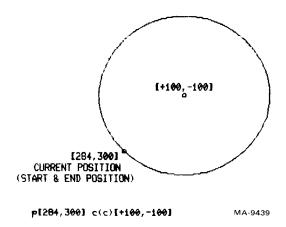


Figure 5-5 Circle with Center at Specified Position

#### **Arcs**

An arc is a part of a circle. It is specified by the location of the center of the circle, radius of the circle, starting position of the arc, and amount of the circle to be drawn, measured in degrees. A complete circle is 360 degrees. The VT125 draws a circle as 36 vectors, each covering 10 degrees. Degree specifiers are rounded down from 4 and up from 5 to the nearest 10 degree increment. The minimum specifier is 5, and specifiers greater than 360 are interpreted as 360.

## Arc with Center at Current Position

This command draws an arc that is <degrees> around a circle starting from <position>. The radius of the circle that the arc is a part of is the length between the current position and <position>. The graphics processor draws the arc counterclockwise for the specified number of positive degrees and clockwise for negative degrees. The current position stays at the center after the arc is drawn (Figure 5-6).

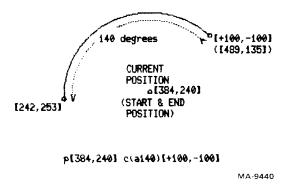


Figure 5-6 Arc with Center at Current Position

#### Arc with Center at Specified Position

# C(A<degrees> C) [<position>]

This command draws an arc that is <degrees> around a circle starting at the current position. The center of the circle that the arc is a part of is at <position>. The radius is the distance between the current position and <position>. The graphics processor draws the arc counterclockwise for the specified number of positive degrees and clockwise for negative degrees. The current location is at the end of the arc after the arc is drawn. (Figure 5-7).

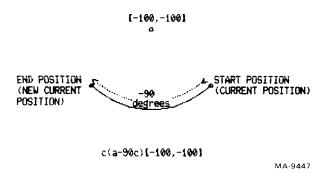


Figure 5-7 Arc with Center at Specified Position

#### **OPEN AND CLOSED CURVES**

#### Interpolation of Curves

Given a sequence of positions, ReGIS can draw a curve between the positions. The curve represents a generalized nonlinear function that intersects all the specified positions. It is generalized because it is not the result of the actual function that specified the points. It is the result of a graphic technique that produces a reasonable imitation of a function curve. The curve indicates the presence of a nonlinear function, rather than the function itself. You cannot get accurate intermediate values from a graphics processor curve unless you have given enough positions to make sure that the curve generator is closely following your function. The curve generator can produce a curve segment with as few as four positions. The result can be misleading if the positions are too far apart to define the function by themselves.

#### Unbounded (Open) Curves

# P[<position>]C(S)[][<position>]...[<position>][](E)

An open curve is a general curve that is made by interpolating the locations of pixels around several specified locations. The endpoints of the open curve are not meant to meet (Figure 5-8). Pay special attention to the endpoints of an open curve to get the graphic object that you want. The open curve option can draw a curve segment with as few as four positions including the position preceeding the (S) option. To make sure that segments are drawn between all given positions, include null position specifiers ([]) at the beginning and end of the list of positions. Otherwise, only the segments from the second to the next-to-last positions are drawn.

The current position stays at the next to last position specifier after the curve is drawn. When null specifiers are used, the last position and the next-to-last position are the same.

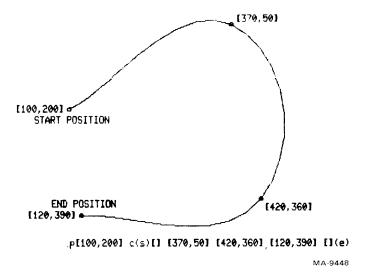


Figure 5-8 Unbounded (Open) Curve

# **Bounded (Closed) Curves**

# P[<position>]C(B)[<position>]...[<position>](E)

A closed curve is a general curve that is made by interpolating the locations of pixels around four or more specified locations. The closed curve is a bounded shape like the circle (which is a special case of the closed curve) or an ellipse (Figure 5-9). The (B) option saves the beginning position and the (E) option closes the curve by providing the beginning position as the last position specifier for the curve command.

The current position returns to the second position specifier after the curve is drawn.

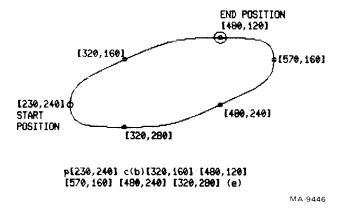


Figure 5-9 Bounded (Closed) Curve

# **Temporary Curve Writing Controls**

# C(W(temporary writing controls))

The temporary writing control options are the same as the writing controls command options but they apply only during the curve command that they are in. Only options specified or implied by those specified are changed. Options return to their previous values at the end of the C command.

Table 5-4 is a summary of the Curve Commands.

[ <position>]</position>	<ul><li>Circle with center at current</li><li>position, circumference at</li><li>position&gt;</li></ul>
{ (C) [ <position>] { } }</position>	Circle with center at   <position>, circumference   at current position  </position>
{ (A <degrees>) [<position>] {</position></degrees>	Arc with center at current position, starting at control control position for control positio
(A <degrees>C) [<position>]</position></degrees>	Arc with center at <position> } starting at current position } for <degrees></degrees></position>
{ (B) [position] [position] (E) { (S) [ ] [position] [position] [ ] (E)	Bounded (closed) curve   Unbounded (open) curve

#### **TEXT**

The graphics processor displays characters differently from the text terminal. The ReGIS text command can draw characters with many combinations of size, orientation, and position.

The text command is formatted as a keyletter followed by options and a quoted string. All options in the T command (except temporary write options) apply to all following T commands until they are changed in another T command. ReGIS understands that two quotes of the same kind next to each other, inside a string that is delimited by the same kind of quote, means that one quote is supposed to be displayed inside the string. But with both kinds of quotes available, you can include one kind or the other inside the string without having to double it up. Two strings delimited by the same kind of quotes can be concatenated by separating them with a comma. For example, "stop\*", "here" and "stop\*here" are the same. Empty strings are allowed (""), because doubling only occurs inside a string. There is no defined upper limit on the length of a string.

ReGIS never uses the characters inside a pair of quotes or double quotes as commands. These include the semicolon synchronization character and the macrograph definition and invocation characters. Printing characters (space through  $\sim$ , octal 40 through 127, refer to Character Sets in Chapter 4) are displayed according to the pattern stored in the currently-selected alphabet. (This defaults to ASCII.) All control characters except CR, LF, HT, and BS are ignored.

CR (carriage return) moves the active position to the position it had when the current quoted string began to be drawn. LF (linefeed) moves the active position down a distance equal to the current vertical cell size. HT (horizontal tab) acts as a nonprinting space. HT moves the active position forward one character position without affecting any image in that character position. BS (backspace) moves the active position back one current text spacing distance to the last written character position. This is the simplest method of performing an overstrike (drawing two characters in the same place, such as zero with a slash).

The initial position in a text command is the current position at the end of any other writing command. This position is the top left corner of the next character to be drawn. The size and spacing values of the text command then control where the next current position occurs.

#### **TEXT COMMANDS**

#### **Initial Text Defaults**

When the VT125 graphics processor first powers up, many of the text commands listed in this section have default values assigned. The defaults allow the graphics processor to respond immediately to many of a novice ReGIS user's commands. General applications should include text command specifications at the beginning of each graphic image to ensure the needed state of the graphics processor at the time of image generation. The defaults are: T[+9,+0] (S1, H2, S[9,20], M[1,2], D0, I0).

# Text

#### T 'ABCD'

This is the basic form of the text command. It can be used when the options' settings are known to be correct.

#### **Text Character Cell Size**

This command selects a character cell size from a standard set of sizes. The sizes are multiples of a predetermined width of 9 and height of 15. The sizes are numbers in the range of 0 to 16. The resulting character cells are the size number times 9 pixels wide and the size number times 15 pixels high, except for size 0 characters (which are  $5\times10$  pixels in size), and size 1 characters (which are  $9\times20$  pixels in size). The size 1 characters are close in size and vertical spacing to the VT100 characters.

The rest of this section refers to the region defined by a bit in the character cell memory as a unit instead of pixel. The word "unit" is used because the commands in this section can display text that has more than one pixel controlled by each bit.

A standard character cell is 9 units wide by 15 units high. The character that is displayed in the cell is 8 units wide and 10 units high. (80 bits are stored for each character in the graphics processor's character memory.) This standard combination of cell and character sizes results in one horizontal unit and five vertical units of spacing between characters.

Because of the default character cell size that is selected with this command, there is room for 9 horizontal units of pattern in the default cell but there are only 8 units of information available. To fill the ninth space, the graphics processor copies the unit from the first position of the character pattern (Figure 5-10). Most characters of character set 0 (the permanent set) are only seven units wide and are right justified in their pattern cells. Therefore, the first unit of each scan of the character is dark. When this first unit gets copied to the ninth position in the cell, the ninth position is also dark. The result is characters that are seven units wide and spaced two units apart.

Because the first unit of a cell is copied into the ninth position, continuous patterns (like the underline of character set 0) can be drawn. If the first unit of a character is visible but you do not want that unit repeated, use the explicit character specifiers (shown in following command descriptions) to obtain a character cell that is eight units wide instead of the default nine units of this command.

All of the values that are set by default in this command can also be set or modified by using the following group of explicit character specifiers together. This group of specifiers also illustrates the parameters that are set by the S command. The pairs of commands shown in Table 5-5 are equivalent and provide character cells that are nine units wide.

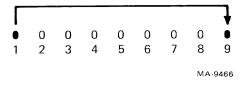


Figure 5-10 Copying Unit 1 to Unit 9

Table 5-5	Text Size Con	nmand Equivalen	its
	Character	Character	Pixel
	Spacing	Cell Size	Multiplier
	T [+9,+0]	(S[9,20]	M[1,2])
	T [+36,+0]	(S[36,60]	M[4,6])
	T [+144,+0]	(S[144,240]	M[16,24])

# Text Character Height Multiplier

# T(H < multiplier > )

This command selects a nonstandard character aspect ratio when using the text character size command. <multiplier> is an integer from 1 to 25 which multiplies the 10-pixel height of the character pattern after the character size command sets the standard width. The largest multiplier causes a character which is within 5 pixels of the largest character cell size possible (255). (Larger values cause distorted and incomplete characters.)

# **Text Character Spacing**

The spacing option follows the T command keyletter before any options in parenthesis. It is a relative position specifier that indicates the distance and direction that the active position must move from the top left corner of one character to the top left corner of the next character (Figure 5-11). Use this command with the text character cell size and text pixel multiplier options. The default spacing used with the S<integer> option is [+9,+0] which leaves one pixel between characters and keeps all characters on the same horizontal line.

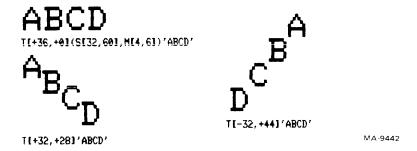


Figure 5-11 Text Character Spacing

The spacing option values are always relative and the option sets both x and y every time it is used, even if a value is omitted. Therefore, an omitted value causes that dimension of spacing to be set to relative 0, which means it will draw the next character at the same x or y position. For horizontally arranged text, the y value can be 0 or omitted. If the x value is also 0 or omitted, the following characters are all drawn in the same location (overstriking).

NOTE: For occasional overstrikes, use the backspace control character in the text string.

# **Text Pixel Vector Spacing**

This command is not in parentheses and uses pixel vector numbers to indicate directions of offset for characters. The amount of offset is determined by the size of the characters, and is one-half of the given character's size in the direction of movement. The pixel vector multiplier does not apply. The vector direction is relative to the character baseline so this command is affected by the tilt direction option.

From the pixel vector directions given in Figure 5-12, T6 makes the following characters appear as subscripts (moved down from the current baseline by one-half character height). T2 produces superscripts, and T44 moves a character back one complete character width to produce an overstrike. Offsets up and down from the character baseline must be followed by reversing offsets to put the rest of the characters back on the baseline.

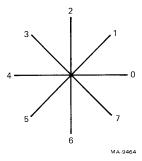


Figure 5-12 Pixel Vectors

#### **Text Character Cell Size**

# T(S[<width in pixels>,<height in pixels>])

This command sets the size of the area on the screen that is drawn by a single character T command. The maximum area specifier is [255,255]. (Larger specifiers are counted modulo 256.) Use this command with the character spacing and text pixel multiplier option to select nonstandard character sizes and aspect ratios. A cell with room for 8 horizontal units and 15 vertical units is some multiple of [8,15]. (Compare to sample S option in character cell size.)

Refer to Figure 5-13. If the cell is smaller than the character that appears in it, the character is cut off at the right and bottom edges. If the cell is larger than the character that appears in it, the character repeats as many times as possible across the width of the cell, and the next alphabetical characters in the character set appear sequentially and repeatedly along the remaining height and width of the cell.

# **Text Pixel Multiplier**

```
T(M[<width mult>,<height mult>])
```

This command specifies how many pixels in the display will be controlled by each pixel in the character pattern. The command multiplies the pixels of each character by the given width and height multipliers. The maximum multiplier is [16,127]. (Larger specifiers set the multipliers to the maximum values.) Use this command with the Character Spacing and Character Cell Size options.

If a character cell has been selected that is  $18 \times 30$  pixels in size, for example, pixel multipliers of [2,3] must be selected to adjust the character to fill the cell. This example is a standard size. Many other combinations are possible. Refer to Figure 5-13 for more examples.



AAAA BBBB CCCC DDDD BBBB CCCC DDDD EEEE CCCC DDDD EEEE FFFF T[+36,+01(S[32,60],M[1,2])'ABCD'



T[+36,+01(S[32,601,M[4,6])'ABCD' MA-9443

Figure 5-13 Text Character Cell Size

# **Text String and Character Tilt Direction**

# T(D<direction angle> S<size number>)

The direction command has different effects depending on how it is formatted. The simplest form of the command is given above; this controls the tilt of the baseline for a text string. A text string can be tilted at any 45 degree interval (either positive or negative), on a 360 degree compass (Figure 5-14). Compass values other than 45 degree intervals are translated as the nearest lower 45 degree increment. The size option can be a repeat of the last chosen value or a new value but must be included. Characters reading from left to right are not tilted if the baseline is at 0 degrees, and they are upside down if the baseline is at 180 degrees (refer to the left example in Figure 5-15). Both the baseline and the characters are tilted. You may need to adjust the size for tilted characters because the VT125 does not control the scaling between horizontal or vertical and diagonal characters.

The next form of the command controls both the text string baseline tilt, and the tilt of individual characters in the string.

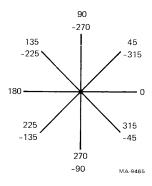


Figure 5-14 360 Degree Compass

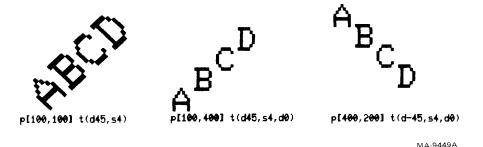


Figure 5-15 Text String and Character Tilt Direction

# T(D<string tilt> S<size number> D<character tilt>)

The first D value sets the tilt for the complete text string, and the second D value sets the tilt for each character in the string. Refer to the middle and right examples of Figure 5-15. The baselines are tilted but the characters are not.

The D option works by setting the tilt of characters. Then the character size <size number> option uses the angle specified by D to calculate the spacing needed to position the tilted characters on a common baseline. After spacing information is calculated by the S<size number> option, another D option changes the character tilt again to the final value before drawing starts.

Some display combinations can also be produced with other options. For example, many values of string direction other than 45 degree intervals can be drawn with the explicit spacing option. And if the string tilt is 0, the italic option gives better results and more values of character tilt without requiring a spacing option.

### **Text Italic Tilt**

### T(I<Italic degrees>)

This command tilts the vertical lines of individual characters without tilting the horizontal lines. (Refer to Figure 5-16.) Table 5-6 lists the values of tilt that are available in the VT125 and the specifiers needed to get them. Positive specifiers tilt the characters to the left according to the compass directions in Figure 5-14. Note that the actual angles of tilt are approximate, and smaller tilt angles may distort small characters. Specifiers between the listed values set the tilt to the next lower value. This command can be used with the D option.



Figure 5-16 Text Italic Tilt

Table 5-6	Italic Tilt Values	
Italic Specifier	Approximate Angle	
± 0	± 0	
± 1	± 2	
± 2	± 3	
± 3	± 5	
± 4	± 6	
± 5	** ± 7	
± 6	± 8	
± 7	±10	
± 9	±13	
±11	±15	
±13	±20	
±19	±25	
±31	±45	

### Select Text Character Set

# T(A < character set number > )

This command selects the character set that is used for all text commands until another set is selected. The number can be 0, 1, 2, or 3. Set 0 is the default character set which is ASCII and cannot be changed. Sets 1, 2, and 3 are user-loadable 95-character memories. If a character cell has not been loaded, it is displayed as a filled in block.

This command only selects a character set for display. Refer to Character Cell Controls on page 155 for the command that selects a character set for loading, and for the command that loads the character set.

# **Store and Restore Options**

T (<current options>) 'ABCD' (B) (<temporary options>) 'ABCD' (E)

All text options controlled by the T command can be saved as a unit and later restored to their saved settings. The (B) option saves the current text option values in the graphics processor's memory. You can make changes to one or more of the current options with another T command and display text with the changed options, and you can draw other graphic objects. Then, the (E) option restores the saved option values for the following text display. Only one set of option values can be saved at a time. This feature allows you to temporarily change the text display options without needing to respecify the original values when you return to them.

# **Temporary Writing Controls**

# T(W(temporary writing controls))

This command allows writing control options that only affect text drawn during this particular command. Usually, writing control options stay active for all following writing commands until they are respecified. The temporary writing controls command allows temporary changes to color specifiers, writing modes, etc., during the text command that they are in. The writing controls that are in effect for all commands except this particular text command stay unchanged. Refer to Writing Controls on page 127 for the formats of writing controls options.

Table 5-7 is the Text Command summary.

Table 5-7	Test Command Summary	
T. { (S <siz< td=""><td>e number&gt; </td><td></td></siz<>	e number>	
{ (H <he< td=""><td>ight&gt;]</td><td></td></he<>	ight>]	
{ [ <spac< td=""><td>[&lt; gnic</td><td></td></spac<>	[< gnic	
(S [ < w	idth in pixels>, <height in="" pixels="">])</height>	
{ (M [ < v	/idth pixel multiplier>, <height multiplier="" pixel="">]) }</height>	
⊹ (D <dir< td=""><td>ection angle&gt;)</td><td></td></dir<>	ection angle>)	
{ (D <str< td=""><td>ing tilt&gt; S <size> D <char tilt="">)</char></size></td><td></td></str<>	ing tilt> S <size> D <char tilt="">)</char></size>	
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   (A <pa< td=""><td>itern set number&gt;)</td><td></td></pa<>	itern set number>)	
i ! ((B) <te< td=""><td>emporary attributes block&gt; (E))</td><td></td></te<>	emporary attributes block> (E))	
í ∐(W(tem	porary writing controls))	

### WRITING CONTROLS

This section describes the attributes of intensity and pattern that pixels and shapes can have, and explains the commands that control the attributes.

### **Initial Writing Control Defaults**

When the VT125 graphics processor first powers up, many of the writing controls listed in this section have default values assigned. The defaults allow the graphics processor to respond immediately to many of a novice ReGIS user's commands. General applications should include writing control specifications at the beginning of each graphic image to ensure the needed state of the graphics processor at the time of image generation. The defaults are: W(V, I3, F3, M1, N0, P1, P(M2), S0).

# **Writing Modes**

The four writing modes (Complement, Erase, Replace, and Overlay) can be used at any time, but only one at a time. They control the way pixels are placed in a graphic image, and their major effects are visible when a part of the image already exists.

### **Complement Writing**

# W(C)

During a write, this command complements the bit pattern of the foreground specifiers of the pixels present in the existing image wherever the pattern register is 1 and does not change wherever the pattern register is 0. (Refer to Foreground Planes on page 130, Patterns on page 136, and Figure 5-17.) Complement writing is generally reversible by repeating the same writing command. Complementing the foreground specifier gives the results shown in Table 5-8.

Use the foreground planes command to get other combinations with complement writing.

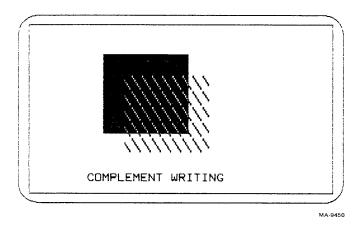


Figure 5-17 Complement Writing

Table 5-8 Complementing the Foreground			
Initial Foreground Specifier	Specifier Bit Pattern	Complemented Foreground Specifier	Specifier Bit Pattern
13 12	11	10	0.0
11	0.1	12	1.0
		13	11

# **Erase Writing**

# W(E)

This command writes each pixel with the background specifier if negative writing (W(N0)) is off (Figure 5-18), or write each pixel with the foreground specifier if negative writing is on. This command does not use the pattern register.

# **Replace Writing**

# W(R)

This command replaces the current image with a new image. Areas where the pattern memory is 0 in the new image erase the parts of the current image that were in that area.

Figure 5-19 shows boxes written with replace writing in which part of the shaded area of the upper box has been replaced with the shading pattern of the lower box.

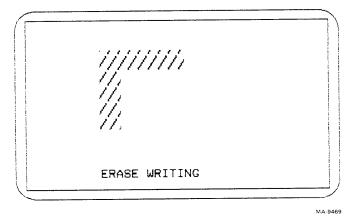


Figure 5-18 Erase Writing

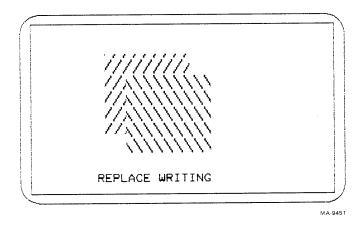


Figure 5-19 Replace Writing

# **Overlay Writing**

# W(V)

This command writes a new image on top of the current image, wherever the pattern memory is 1, without erasing any part of the current image. Blank areas in the new image and areas where the pattern memory is 0 have no effect on the overwritten area. This is the default option in the VT125 graphics processor. Figure 5-20 shows boxes written with overlay writing in which part of the upper box is written with both its original pattern and also the new pattern of the lower box.

### **Foreground Planes**

```
W(F <integer>)
<integer> = 0 = no planes
1 = plane 1
2 = plane 2
3 = planes 1 and 2
```

Any pixel can have four choices of appearance because there are two bits of memory for each pixel in the graphics processor. This command gives you control over the individual bits for each pixel in writing commands. (Screen erase always clears all bits.)

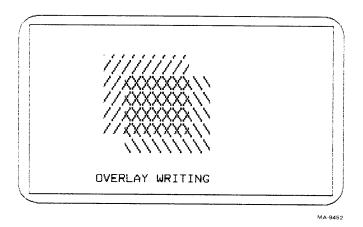


Figure 5-20 Overlay Writing

Each of the 196,608 pixels in the graphics processor has two bits in the display memory. Each bit is in one of two identical planes of bits that have addresses that correspond to the display's pixel addresses (Figure 5-21). The graphics processor uses both bits when it displays each pixel.

The two bits hold an address that selects one of four intensities and colors that the graphics processor can display at one time. These intensities and colors are set with the screen map control and are stored in the output map. The address stored in a pixel's two bits controls which of the four intensities and colors that the pixel has on the display.

The foreground plane command lets you write each of the bits individually by limiting the write commands to one plane or the other. This has three main applications.

- 1. Suppose you want to use complement mode (perhaps because its effects are reversible by repeating the same command) to change an object from I3 (intensity 3) to I2. During complement writing, both bits are changed. When both bits change (Figure 5-21), the object changes from I3 to I0. But if you turn off plane 1 writing and only complement the low bit, you get I2. Or turn off plane 0 writing, only complement the high bit, and you get I1 from I3.
- 2. One plane can hold a fixed image (like a graph grid) and the other plane can hold overlays that you can write in replace mode without redrawing the grid.
- 3. Another application for the foreground planes command is the alternate display (including blinking) of two graphic images. The graphics processor takes a noticeable amount of time to draw most images into its memory. This drawing time makes blinking or other closely timed visual effects difficult to do. However, if you can afford to use only two colors or intensities in your images, you can use the two foreground planes as two separate graphic memories that can be drawn in with full pixel resolution.

Figure 5-21 shows the process of writing to the graphic memory with pixels controlled by the writing commands. The writing commands select the individual pixels to be written, the pattern controls whether the selected pixel changes or not, and then the foreground plane command controls which of the two planes can be written. The four addresses that the two bits form in the planes are shown for pixels (x,y), (x,y+1), (x,y+2), and (x,y+3) in Figure 5-21. These addresses point to the four values of intensity and color stored in the output map.

Refer to Figure 5-21 to select the correct plane to write. Complementing a pixel means that the two bits in memory for that pixel are changed to their opposite values. Complementing both bits means that if the intensity is I3, its complement is I0, and if the intensity is I2, its complement is I1.

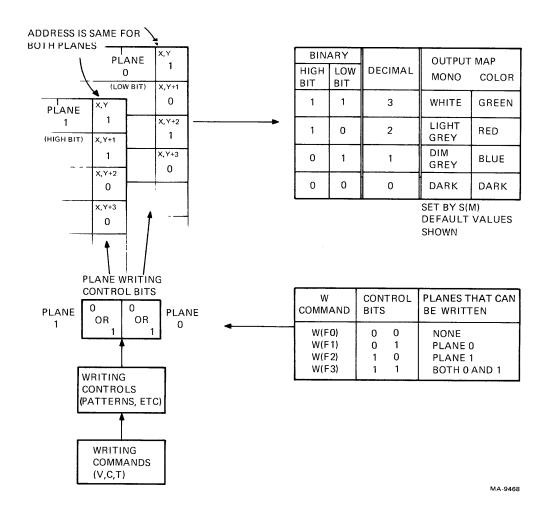


Figure 5-21 Foreground Planes and the Output Map

Refer to the binary to decimal conversion and the output map in Figure 5-21. Changing from I3 (white or green) to I2 (light grey or red) is a one bit change in plane 0 with no change in plane 1. But complement changes the bits in both planes. By using the foreground planes command to turn off writing to plane 1 (W(F1)), you can use the complement command to change pixels from I3 to I2.

Remember to restore writing to both planes when you finish single plane writing.

# Foreground Intensity and Color

```
W(I<integer>) or W(I(<letter)) or W(I(H<hue>Llightness> S<saturation>))
```

This command determines how new graphic objects will appear. The appearance is selected from four values in the output map. Another com-

mand (Screen Output Map Definition, page 147) loads the output map. An integer specifier in this command selects one of the four output map values. A letter or HLS specifier makes the graphics processor compare the specifier with the four values stored in the color output map. The location in the output map that holds the color output map value that is closest to the foreground definition then becomes the foreground value for a color display. The same numbered location in the mono output map provides the mono foreground intensity. This command cannot store a value in the output map but only selects from the available choices. If the letter or HLS specifier in this command is too different from the current output map values, the graphics processor may not find a close enough value and may give unpredictable results.

Any pixel can have any of the four values of monochrome intensity (for the internal monitor) and color hue, lightness, and saturation (HLS for the external color monitor). However, one value in the map is used as the background specifier (refer to Screen Background S(I) and Screen Erase S(E) on pages 146 and 145). Any object drawn with the background color or intensity should be drawn on top of another object or it will not be visible.

Any pixel can have four choices of appearance because there are two bits of memory for each pixel in the graphics processor. Refer to the Foreground Planes Command on page 130 for control over the individual bits for each pixel.

The default value is I3 or I(G) or I(L 100).

# **Pixel Vector Length Multiplier**

This command sets the number of pixels that pixel-related position and vector commands move or draw in one step. The default and minimum value is 1 pixel, and the maximum is 255. (Larger values modulo 256; 0 is set to 1.)

# **Negative Writing**

$$(N 1) = negative on (N 0) = negative off$$

This command inverts the effect of the pattern memory. For writing commands that use the pattern memory, where the memory is 1, the background value is written, and where the memory is 0, the foreground value is written.

### **Shading**

These commands let you fill the inside of a graphic object with the same command used to describe the outline of the graphic object. When shading is on, the vector and curve commands operate as usual. But starting at each pixel on the vector or curve path, the graphics processor draws a line to the shading reference line. The graphics processor does not automatically make sure that arbitrary areas are completely and correctly filled. You must make sure that the correct reference lines are specified to get the shading effect that you want. The shading reference line is the horizontal line whose Y-coordinate is specified when shading is turned on. The default shading reference is the current Y-coordinate. You can specify a different shading reference line in the shading command.

The default writing pattern used when writing the shading lines is the current writing pattern, which also has a default value of all 1's. You can specify a text character from any of the graphic processor's character sets to be used as the shading pattern. Such shading can be used for area fill.

Shading with a pattern can provide density or "half-tone" effects. If you are limited to two intensity values, as for example with the LA34-VA hard-copy printer, you can get grey scale effects by shading with different density characters. Use the character cell controls to define a set of characters that have different numbers of pixels dark, and use them as shading characters. The same technique can let you mix colors at the pixel level. Define characters that have the same number of pixels dark but that have the pixels offset from character to character. Then overlay write the graphic object with the different shading characters using a different foreground color for each character.

### Shading On or Off

W(S1) = shading on W(S0) = shading off

This command turns shading on for area fill. The current Y-position is the shading reference line, unless you include the reference line command. The S(E) command turns off shading and sets the shading reference line to the current position.

# **Shading Character**

### W(S 'shading character')

This command turns shading on (same as S1) and uses the shading character in single or double quotes to provide a particular pattern for area filling. (Refer to Patterns on page 136.) Use the text command to select a character size or character set before specifying the shading character. When characters from the character set are being used as a shading pattern, only the first eight (of ten) lines of character pattern are used.

# **Shading Reference Line**

# W(S [,<y-position>])

Including a Y position in a shading command sets the shading reference line to the needed position to properly fill the graphic object to be drawn. This command is used with the Shading On or Shading Character commands. Used by itself, this command turns shading on and clears the shading character (same as S1).

Shading is drawn vertically from pixels on the outline of a graphic object to the reference line. If that line is in the wrong place, the shading can cover parts of the graphic object. For example, a reference line that is above a circle will cause a solid U shape to appear. The reference line needed for a circle is in the middle, where the x dimension is largest.

Other graphic objects can be more difficult to shade, particularly if they are concave on their left or right sides. (Figure 5-22). A general rule is to draw such objects in two or more sections, putting the shading reference line above one section and below the other. Shading patterns are always aligned everywhere in the display, so objects can appear continuously shaded even if they are generated in separate operations.

Shading with patterns (using the W(P) commands) gives horizontal pattern lines. This is because the command to shade to a reference line actually draws a series of vertical vectors to that line, using the pattern.

The S(E) command turns off shading and sets the shading reference line to the current position.

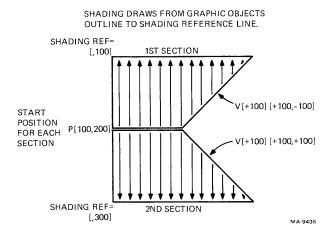


Figure 5-22 Selecting a Shading Reference Line

### **Patterns**

Patterns allow you to vary the appearance of lines and shaded areas in a graphic object. The typical drawing process sets all pixels in the graphic object either to one of three foreground intensity (or color) values or to the background value. A pattern keeps some pixels of the graphic object at the background value while the rest change to a foreground value. The pattern does not have to be related to the graphic object's outline.

Patterns are stored in memory and read during a write operation to control the appearance of pixels in graphic objects. For example, a vector command may write a series of pixels in a line on the display. As the pixels are written, the pattern memory is read bit by bit to determine whether a corresponding pixel should have the foreground or background intensity. The shading pattern is also controlled by the pattern memory.

The memory is 8 bits wide, and its default contents are all 1's (pattern P1). Other patterns can be loaded into the pattern memory, including standard patterns selected by number (select standard pattern), or your own pattern loaded by its bit pattern (specifiy binary pattern).

### Select Standard Pattern

### **W(P < pattern number > )**

This command selects a pattern for drawing the outlines of graphic objects. The patterns included in the VT125 graphics processor are listed in Table 5-9.

(Patterns 6 through 9 are reserved for future standardization, but are displayed in the VT125 as separated dots so they are visible.)

# Table 5-9 Standard Patterns in the VT125 P0 = 000000000 P1 = 11111111 P2 = 11110000 P3 = 11100100 P4 = 10101010 P5 = 11101010 P6 through 9 = 10001000

### **Specify Binary Pattern**

### W(P < binary pattern > )

A binary pattern is a 2- to 8-bit pattern that you can set with 1s and 0s. When the graphics processor draws on the screen, bits that are set to 1 are drawn, and bits that are set to 0 appear as gaps in the line. (If negative writing is on, the effects of 1s and 0s are switched.)

A maximum of 8 bits can be specified for the pattern memory. During the drawing of graphic objects, groups of 2, 4, or 8 bits are repeated as full subunits. Table 5-10 illustrates the repeat methods.

Table 5-10 2-, 4	, and 8-Bit Binary Pattern Repeats	
Pattern		
(Bit Number)	Pattern Repeated (Spaces for Clarity)	
12.	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	
1234	1234 1234 1234 1234	
12345678	12345678 12345678 12	

Groups of 3 are repeated twice and then followed by the first two bits of the group before starting again. Groups of 5, 6, or 7 are displayed once and then followed by the first 3, 2, or 1 bits of the group before starting again. Table 5-11 illustrates the repeat methods.

For example, P1100 draws lines dashed with equal gap and mark spacing. P11100111 draws dashed lines with marks three times as long as gaps (because of the pattern repeat). P101 draws a pattern 101101101101101 (note that the 3-bit pattern is not cyclic over all groups of 3 bits).

For more variations, use the pattern multiplier command.

	5-, and 7-Bit Binary Pattern Repeats
Pattern (Bit Number)	Pattern Repeated (Spaces for Clarity)
123	123 123 12 123 123 12 123
12345	12345 123 12345 123 12345
123456	123456 12 123456 12 123456
1234567	1234567 1 1234567 1 1234567

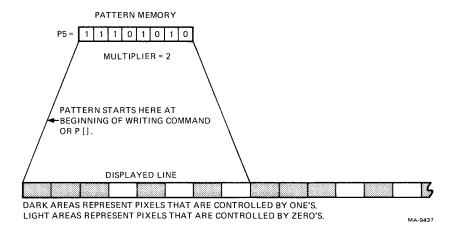


Figure 5-23 Pattern Memory and Multiplier

### Set Pattern Multiplier

This command sets the number of pixels affected by each bit in the pattern memory. The minimum value is 1 pixel and the maximum value is 16. (O does not change the setting. All other values set the multiplier to 16.) Figure 5-23 shows the pattern memory and multiplier in operation. The default multiplier is 2 so the interaction of the write modes and some patterns does not prevent graphic objects from appearing the way you want. This makes odd-y simulation work to let a square have the same number of addresses in both axes.

### **Custom Writing Control Definition**

This command defines the values that replace a specific value of current contents at a pixel location. The contents of the pattern memory selects which of the two values is used. The command must be expanded to define the complete writing control. Numbers are in the range 0 to 3.

<i> = current pixel contents (repeat for 0 through 3)
<j> = writing value (0 - 3) if pattern memory bit is 1
<k> = writing value (0 - 3) if pattern memory bit is 0

The VT125 has several writing controls that define the effects of a writing operation on the display. Standard writing controls provided include, for example, complement and overlay.

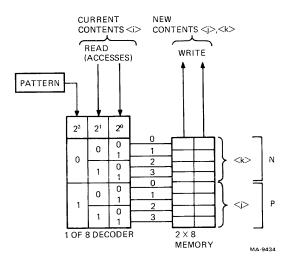


Figure 5-24 Custom Writing Control Command

Each of the standard writing controls is a predefined shorthand use of the W(W) command. You can create your own writing control to get the effect you want. The W(W) command lets you define writing actions for single pixels based on every possible combination of bit plane and pattern memory contents.

Figure 5-24 shows that the hardware associated with the W(W) command is a one of eight decoder and an eight-by-two bit memory. The decoder has two inputs. The current pixel in the display bit map supplies the two low bits. The current bit in the pattern memory supplies the high bit. The eight outputs from the decoder select eight possible writing choices for the current pixel.

The W(W) command loads the eight-by-two bit memory with your choices for new information to write into the current pixel location. All the numbers in the command represent 2-bit numbers in the range 0 to 3. The command introduction is W(W). The next number  $\langle i \rangle$  is the current pixel value. All four possible current pixel values are inputs to the 1 of 8 decoder, so the command must be repeated four times to change the complete memory. The rest of the command is (P < j >, N < k >). P and N are keyletters for the contents of the pattern memory.  $\langle j >$  and  $\langle k >$  are numbers representing the new information to be written. For a given  $\langle i >$ , if the current bit of the pattern memory is 1 (P for positive), then  $\langle j >$  is the value that is written. If the current bit of the pattern memory is 0 (N for negative), then  $\langle k >$  is the value that is written.

For example, if the current pixel is 0 and you want to change it to 3 if the pattern memory bit is 1, and leave it 0 if the pattern memory bit is 0, the command is W(W0(P3,N0)).

W(R), W(C), W(V), W(E), W(N)M, W(F<n>) and W(I<n>) are actually shorthand expressions for forms of the W(W) command. The following are shorthand expressions and their equivalents.

W(C) is:

W(W 0(P3,N0) 1(P2,N1) 2(P1,N2) 3(P0,N3))

W(F1,R) is:

W(W 0(P1,N0) 1(P1,N0) 2(P3,N2) 3(P3,N2))

W(F3,V,I2) is:

W(W 0(P2,N0) 1(P3,N1) 2(P2,N2) 3(P3,N3))

Specifying any shorthand form sets the complete map to the appropriate value. When you use W(W), only those choices you specify are filled in. Unspecified values remain as previously set.

Table 5-12 is a summary of the writing controls.

C) E) R) V)	Complement   Erase   Replace   Overlay	
F <foreground planes="">)</foreground>	} 0 = no planes } 1 = plane 1 } 2 = plane 2 } 3 = planes 1 & 2	
(I 0 or (D)) 1 (R)) 2 (G)) 3 (B)) (C)) (Y)) (M))	Light grey Gr White BI Cy Ye	
or I (H < hue angle> L < lightness percent> S < saturation percent)) (M < multiplier>)		
N 1) N 0)	<ul><li>  = negative on</li><li>  = negative off</li></ul>	
S 1) S 0) S [,shading reference]) S 'shading character')	} = shading on } = shading off }	
P <binary pattern="">) P <pattern number="">) P (M <pattern multiplier="">))</pattern></pattern></binary>	} } Enter pattern } Use VT125 pattern }	
(W <i>(P<j>,N<k>))</k></j></i>	}	

### **SCREEN CONTROLS**

These commands affect the complete screen of the VT125 at the same time. This section explains the controls for positioning and addressing the complete image, color and background of images, timing of actions, and production of hardcopy output. All screen control commands begin with S.

### **Initial Screen Control Defaults**

When the VT125 graphics processor first powers up, many of the screen controls have default values assigned. The defaults allow the graphics processor to respond immediately to many of a novice ReGIS user's commands. General applications should include screen control specifications at the beginning of each graphic image. These specifications make sure that the graphics processor is in the correct state when the image is generated. The defaults are: S[0,0] (A[0,0][767,479], I0, S1, T0, H(P[50,0]). (Refer to page 150 for M defaults.)

# **Screen Scrolling**

### S<pv> or S[<position>]

A window (represented by the display screen of the VT125 terminal) moves around the screen image. The window moves its top left corner by a relative amount if the specifier is a relative position or a pixel vector, or to an absolute position (measured from the origin) if the specifier is an absolute position. Pixel multipliers apply if the pv form is used, and the origin is determined by the screen addressing option if the position form is used. (Refer to the Position section and Screen Display Addressing in this chapter.) Display addresses stay with the image so the image stays in the same position relative to the origin (Figure 5-25).

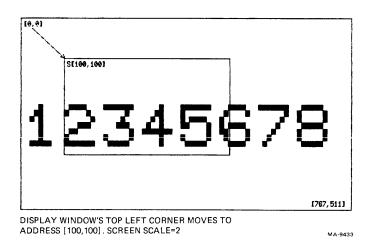


Figure 5-25 Scrolling the Display Window

If the screen scale command changes the display of an image, this command moves the display window to allow any part of the image to be seen. Also, the image scrolls through an address space of 256 pixels vertically (represented by 512 addresses for odd-Y simulation) and wraps from top to bottom. The visible area is only 240 pixels (or 480 addresses) so vertical scrolling allows all of the image to be seen. The image wraps horizontally at pixel (and address) 768.

### Screen Display Addressing Definition

### S(A[<position>][<position>])

The addressing option is a compatibility feature. It allows the VT125 to display graphic images that are created for other ReGIS devices and have different resolutions or address orientations. Use a host system's software to do scaling (size) transformations and maintain the performance of the graphics processor. Scaling transformations done by the graphics processor have roundoff errors, resulting distortions, and generally produce smaller images than expected. Axis transformations (for example, moving the origin to the lower left corner) may be done by the graphics processor because they have little effect on graphics processor performance and do not cause distortions or size changes.

NOTE: Pixel vector directions do not change with the addressing option.

The first <position> is the address you want the upper left corner of the display to have, and the second <position> is the address you want the lower right corner of the display to have. If either or both <position> are missing or illegal (negative), the entire option is ignored and the display coordinates stay unchanged. The graphics processor defaults to a specification of A[0,0][767,479].

If the right margin value is smaller than the left margin value, the x coordinate increases to the left. If the bottom margin value is smaller than the top margin value, the y coordinate increases going up (Figure 5-26). There are no absolute negative coordinates in ReGIS, so do not specify an addressing range that has negative coordinates.

The graphics processor uses odd-Y simulation. Odd-Y simulation means that although the vertical resolution of the graphics processor is 240 pixels, each pixel can be addressed by both an even number and the next higher odd number. This system allows compatibility with higher resolution displays and lets a given number of addresses in the x direction be the same physical length as the same number of addresses in the y direction.

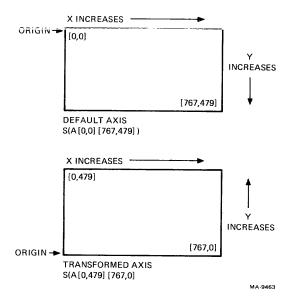


Figure 5-26 Axis Address Transformation

ReGIS does not reject addresses that are outside the area of the displayable screen. ReGIS accepts these addresses for compatibilty with future devices that have a larger displayable area than the graphics processor's screen. By accepting these addresses ReGIS also allows proper computation of graphic objects that partially extend into the borders of the screen area. The VT125 has a computing address space with full resolution that extends at least one full screen size in each direction (Figure 5-27) provided that the screen display addressing specification is less than [16383,16383]. If no computing address space is needed outside the displayable screen, the addressing screen display specification can be as large as [32767,32767].

Beyond a certain address, which varies according to the address specification, the graphics processor wraps graphic objects into the opposite side of the screen. Wrap addresses greater than 32767 are invalid. The wrap addresses can be calculated with the formulas in Table 5-13.

The current position, as reported by the report command, is given in the coordinates set by this option. If a command has moved the cursor into the address space above or to the left of the screen, it is in "negative" address space. ReGIS cannot use negative addresses but the graphics processor reports the location of the current position in the form: 65536 + 1000 + 10

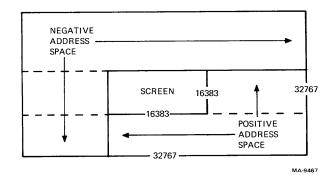


Figure 5-27 VT125 Addressing Range

# Table 5-13 Wrap Address Formulas Horizontal wrap = (X-address option specifier × 4096/767 – 1 Vertical wrap = (Y-address option specifier × 4096/511 – 1

When the addressing option is set to be any value except the default, integer scaling is used. It is used so that there is a constant integral relationship between the number of pixels that are displayable on the screen and the number of pixels that can be addressed by the selected coordinates. The result is that images prepared on low resolution devices transfer to other low resolution devices with constant interval step sizes that may waste up to half of the receiving device's display area.

### **Screen Erase**

# S(E)

This command sets the complete screen area to the background intensity and color value that was selected by the screen background definition (S(I)) command. (The range of values for S(I) is set by the screen output map definition (S(M)) command.) The current cursor position is not changed. Shading is turned off and the shading reference line is set to the current position. No other writing controls are affected. Any curve interpolation is terminated and all (B), (S), and (E) coordinate blocks are cleared. The contents of the output map (refer to Screen Output Map) are unchanged.

The E keyletter has a restriction in its formatting with other commands. ReGIS understands a string of numbers followed by E to mean exponential (scientific) notation. Therefore, a comma is necessary in the command S(IO,E) to cause a screen erase to intensity 0.

### **Screen Hardcopy Output**

```
S(H (P[<position>]) [<position>][<position>])
```

This command generates a hardcopy image of the screen area within the rectangle defined by the two position specifiers. If only one position specifier is given, that position and the current cursor position define the rectangle. If no position specifiers are given, the whole visible screen is output. The output image is scaled as the screen is scaled by the S(S) command, and the range of addresses printed is defined by the two position specifiers.

S(H(P[<position>])) is a command that specifies the location of the upper left corner of the hardcopy image on the paper. The position is measured from the left margin at the current vertical printhead position. The value set by the P option stays the same until it is changed by another P option. The default position for hardcopy output is [50,0] to horizontally center the image on 8.5 inch paper. Unless the P[<position>] option is followed by other position arguments, it only sets the image corner location without causing a hardcopy printout. If it is followed by arguments or another H keyletter, it causes a printout.

Refer to the Media Copy control sequence in the Received Character Processing chapter (Chapter 4) under VT125 Communication and Graphic Control Sequences. With Media Copy, the hardcopy image output can be sent either to the auxiliary port for printing, or to the host for storage.

NOTE: Entering and exiting SET-UP cancels a hardcopy command.

Most printers can only display two intensities, on and off. The VT125 can display four monochrome intensities. To generate hardcopy output, the VT125 puts a dot wherever there is a nonzero intensity according to the monochrome output map. Refer to Shading in Writing Controls on page 134 for a method for getting grey scale hardcopy.

### Screen Background Definition

```
S(I<integer>) or S(I(<letter>))
or S(I(H<hue> L<lightness> S<saturation>))
```

This command selects the appearance of the background. The background is the intensity or color that the screen has when it is erased (S(E)) or when a graphic object is written that specifies background writing. The background is selected from a range of four values that were entered into the output map by the Screen Output Map Definition (S(M)) command. An integer specifier selects one of the four output map values. A letter or HLS specifier makes the graphics processor compare the specifier with the four values stored in the color output map. The location in the output map that holds the color output map value that is closest to

the background definition then becomes the background value for a color display. The same numbered location in the mono output map provides the mono background intensity.

This command cannot store a value in the output map but only selects from the available choices. If the letter or HLS specifier in this command is too different from the current output map values, the graphics processor may not find a close enough value and may give unpredictable results.

The default value is IO or I(D) or I(LO).

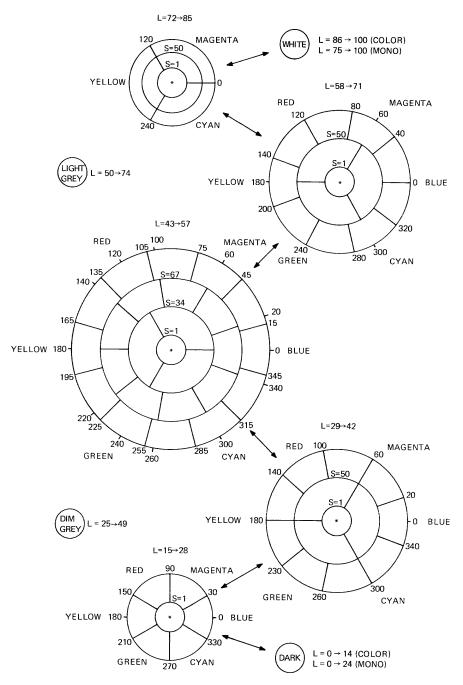
# **Screen Output Map Definition**

$$S(M < n > (< mono lightness >))$$
 (A  $H < hue > L < (lightness > S < saturation >))$ 

<n> is 0, 1, 2, or 3 to select the output map section that stores the definition.

(<mono lightness>) is an HLS specifier with only the L or lightness specifier given, or a letter specifier (Table 5-14). It selects the intensity of a given pixel on the monochrome monitor in the VT125 terminal. The four possible lightness values (dark, dim grey, light grey, white) are on a percent scale that is divided into four ranges: 0-24, 25-49, 50-74, 75-100. Any percentage within a range selects the lightness value for that range; for example, L65 selects the third value: light grey. Values are truncated to their integer part, so 24.99 is in the 0-24 range while 25.00 is in the 25-50 range. H and S specifiers are ignored in the monochrome part of the command.

Color	RGB	HLS	Mono Intensity Defined by RGB Specifier
ark	D	LO )	Dark
lue	В	H0 L50 S100 J	Dark
led	R	H120 L50 S100	Dim grey
Magenta (+B)	M	H60 L50 S100	
Green	G	H240 L50 S100 )	Light grey
Cyan (B+G)	С	H300 L50 S100 ∫	
/ellow (R+G)	Υ	H180 L50 S100 )	White
White (R+G+B)	W	L100 (	wille



NOTE: DEGREE SPECS DEFINE THE SEGMENT FOLLOWING COUNTER CLOCKWISE.

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Figure 5-28 Colors in the VT125

<sup>\*</sup> THERE ARE FOUR MONO INTENSITIES, THEY ARE SHOWN IN SMALL CIRCLES.

(A H<hue> Llightness> S<saturation>) is an HLS specifier that selects the intensity of a given pixel of an external (Alternate) color monitor. Many different colors can be displayed using the HLS specifiers because the six bits of information that each output map holds for the color monitor can describe any of 64 combinations. Refer to Figure 5-28 for an illustration of the range of hues available for different levels of lightness and saturation. A more limited set of colors can be selected using the letter specifiers shown in Table 5-14. Appendix G explains the HLS specifier system in more detail.

If the graphics processor does not understand a specifier (perhaps because it was incorrectly formatted) the output map involved is set to a default light grey: H L50 S0. There is a set of default values for the output map that are used at power-up. The default values can be described by the command in Table 5-15.

The VT125 displays color and brightness by displaying one of four preset values for each pixel on the screeen. The VT125 can display each pixel on the screen with a different hue, lightness, or saturation. However, it can do this with only four different combinations at one time. That is, any pixel can be different from its neighbors, but there can only be four different pixel colors on the screen at one time.

The VT125 has a pixel memory and an output map. For each pixel, there are two bits of information. These pairs of bits are in two separate but closely connected planes of addressable locations. (Refer to Figure 5-21 in Writing Controls.) The pairs of bits represent the four numbers 0, 1, 2, and 3 when their binary values are decoded. (The foreground planes command has a more detailed discussion of this subject.)

Each of the four numbers is the address of one of four output map locations. Each output map location holds a description of one intensity for the monochrome display in the terminal, and one color for the external color monitor. When the pixel memory is being displayed, each pixel bit pair indicates the output map location that holds the pixel's appearance on the display screen.

Table 5-15 Defa	ault Output Map Values	
S(M0 (L0) (A	. <b>Lo</b> )	
1 (L25) (A	H0 L50 S100)	
2 (L50) (A	H120 L50 S100)	
3 (L75) (A	H240 L50 S100))	

Each of the four output map locations holds one of four levels of intensity for the monochrome display; dark, dark grey, light grey, and white, and one of 64 different values of lightness, hue, and saturation for the color monitor. The information in each of the four output maps can be set using the mapping command with RGB letters, or HLS specifiers. Table 5-14 lists the specifications for the colors available by RBG letter code in the VT125. Many more colors can be defined with HLS. Figure 5-29 shows the default values stored in the output maps for the internal monochrome and external color monitors.

Specifying anything with A changes a color, specifying anything without A changes only the monochrome map. Figure 5-30 shows sample definitions and the resulting maps.

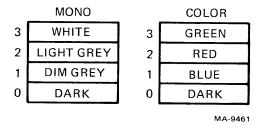


Figure 5-29 Default Output Map

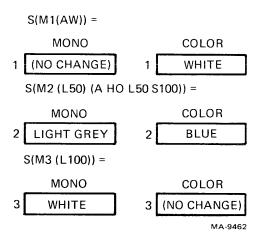


Figure 5-30 Sample Output Map Definitions

### **Screen Scale**

This command takes the contents of the graphic memory and changes the portion of the memory that appears on the screen at any one time. If <scale> is a number, for example S(S2), use that number as the scaling value for both the X and Y dimensions. To scale differently in X and Y, put X<number> and Y<number> in parentheses at <scale>, for example S(S(X2)). Legal values in the VT125 are 1 for usual size and 2 for double size. Values less than 1 are understood as 1 and values greater than 2 are understood as 2. Dimensions not specified do not change. When the image is enlarged, the upper left corner of the image stays in the same place, so you must offset the display with the scrolling command to see the other areas of the display. Refer to Screen Hardcopy Output for the effects of scaling on that command.

### Screen Time Delay

The time delay option causes ReGIS to delay the processing of the next command for the specified amount of time. Ticks are either 60ths or 50ths of seconds, depending on the Power SET-UP feature setting. The largest possible number is 255, which is approximately 4 or 5 seconds.

Table 5-16 is a summary of the screen controls.

<pre><pixel vector=""> [<position>]</position></pixel></pre>	} Scroll
(A [ <position>] [<position>])</position></position>	Display addressing
(E)	Erase screen
(H [ <position>] [<position>])</position></position>	Hard Copy (corner positions optional)
(H (P[ <position>]))</position>	Set hard Copy Offset
(I 0 or (D))  1 (R)) 2 (G)) 3 (B) (C)) (Y)) (M)) (W))	Background Intensity: Dark or Dark Dim grey Red Light grey Green White Blue Cyan Yellow Magent White
or (I (H < hue angle>     L < lightness percent>     S < saturation percent>))	
S(M <n> (<mono hls="">) (A<color hls="">))</color></mono></n>	Output Mapping
(S <scale>)</scale>	
(S (X <scale>Y<scale>))</scale></scale>	Tarana and a same and a same and a same a
(T <ticks>)</ticks>	} } Time Delay

### **MACROGRAPHS**

A macrograph is a character string substitution utility provided in ReGIS. Strings are command strings or any other string of characters stored in the VT125 memory and then substituted in another command string. Generally, a macrograph is a part of or a complete ReGIS command string that is used often. ReGIS inserts the contents of the macrograph in the command string at the position where the macrograph is invoked.

The 26 letters of the alphabet are the keyletters for defining and invoking macrographs, so 26 macrographs can be defined. Each macrograph can be as long or as short as needed. There are at least 5000 characters of storage available in the VT125 memory for all macrographs.

A macrograph can invoke another macrograph but not itself. A macrograph cannot be defined inside a macrograph (the inner terminator terminates the outer definition) or in a quoted string (the definition or invocation characters become part of the text in a quoted string).

### Clear All Macrographs

@.

This command has the same effect as defining all 26 macrographs as null or empty. If this command is inside a macrograph, the macrograph is completed and then all macrographs are cleared.

# **Macrograph Definition**

### @:keyletter character\_string @;

@: (commercial at-sign and colon) - These characters start the macrograph definition.

keyletter - This character defines one letter of the alphabet to be the name of the macrograph. ReGIS ignores the case of the letter. If a macrograph with the same keyletter was previously defined, it is cleared before the new definition is saved. A null definition (no characters in the character string) is legal and clears any macrograph with that keyletter.

character\_string - These characters specify the characters saved as the macrograph. All characters in character\_string are saved including all control characters. The macrograph definition start and end characters are not included with the saved characters. Character\_string has no fixed maximum length, but the number of characters saved in all macrographs should be less than 5000.

@; (commercial at-sign and semicolon) - These characters end the macrograph definition and returns ReGIS to the command level it had before invoking the macrograph. The semicolon does not synchronize the command level the way it does at any other place in the command string. Do not put a control character between these two characters.

# **Macrograph Invocation**

# @ keyletter

The @ sign and one of the 26 keyletters invokes the macrograph with that name and inserts the character string in the ReGIS command string in place of the @ and keyletter. A macrograph can not be used to supply a keyletter for an @ sign: @@ is illegal. Invoking an empty macrograph is not an error.

Table 5-17 is a summary of the macrograph commands.

Table 5-17 Macrograph Command	Summary
	Clear all macrographs
:keyletter character_string @;	Define macrograph
( keyletter	Invoke macrograph

### CHARACTER CELL CONTROLS

The VT125 graphics processor can write text with up to four character sets at one time. Each character set has 95 displayable characters. One character set is always ASCII but the other three can be loaded into the graphics processor's character memory over the communications line.

### Select Character Set for Loading

This command selects one of three loadable character set memories in the graphics processor for loading. Set 0 is the ASCII character set in the VT125 graphics processor and can not be changed. Sets 1, 2, and 3 can be loaded according to the instructions in Load Character Cell. The select command can include a name as in Associate Name.

The load command selects a character set for loading, but the actual loading process does not have to follow immediately. Other commands can be performed without changing the selection. In particular, the text command selects a character set for writing. This text selection is not the same as the load selection and does not change the character set selected for loading.

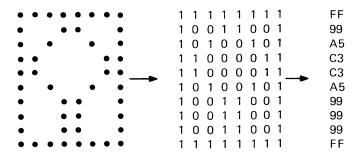
### **Associate Name with Current Character Set**

This command gives a name, up to ten characters long, to the character set currently selected for loading. This name is used for reporting the current character set (refer to Reports on page 157). Both <name> and <integer> may be specified in the same option, but if <name> is specified first, it will be associated with the currently selected set, not necessarily the one specified by <integer>.

# **Load Character Cell**

A character set is 95 cells, with each cell identified by one ASCII printing character in <ascii char> enclosed in double ("") or single (") quotes. However, if more than one character is in <ascii char>, only the first character is used and the rest are ignored.

Each character cell is 10 pixels high and 8 pixels wide. It is defined by the locations of bits in a series of 10 8-bit bytes that are transmitted as hexadecimal digit pairs separated by commas. You can load other character cells in the set in the same L command by putting the quoted character immediately after the last <hex pair> of the previous character cell. A semicolon terminates the complete load command. Figure 5-31 shows a sample cell and its construction.



FORMAT: L"a"FF,99,A5,C3,C3,A5,99,99,99,FF;

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Figure 5-31 Sample Character Cells

1's represent light (foreground) pixels in usual (nonreversed) writing. The default width for displayed characters using the S<integer> text command is 9 pixels. The ninth pixel is copied from the first pixel. If you want a dark space between characters, you must either use only the right seven bits in each row (like the permanent ASCII character set), or use the explicit text size and spacing commands.

Cells are always loaded one row at a time using hexadecimal ASCII digits for the character specifiers. A cell is specified from the top down, with the most significant bits in the left digit of the specifier. If more than two digits are given for a single line of the character specifier, the digits on the left are ignored. If only a single digit is specified, it fills the low order portion of the character map line specifier, setting the high order part to zero. If less than ten specifier lines are given, the unspecified portion of the cell is cleared to zero.

Table 5-18 shows the format for a complete character set definition.

Table 5-19 is a summary of the character cell controls.

### **REPORTS**

This command causes the graphics processor to send information through the requesting channel.

If multiple reports are requested in a single report command or report command option, each separate report requested is sent as if it was the only report requested. Every report sent ends with a carriage return.

In a terminal to host environment, make sure that data reported are not echoed back to the terminal in a way that could cause errors. For example, a cursor position echoed to the terminal could cause either an unwanted vector or curve element, or an unmatched point specifier. A macrograph report that is very long (more than 40 to 50 characters) and is echoed back to the terminal, may cause the terminal to hang in a deadlock situation: The terminal refuses (using XOFF) to accept characters echoed until the report is complete. If the host cannot accept the remainder of the report without echoing it, then the deadlock occurs.

# Report Character Set Selected for Loading

R(L)

With this command the character set name is reported back in the same form as the option specifier that defined it, for example, (A"Greek").

### Report Contents of a Macrograph

R(M(<keyletter>))

With this command the macrograph with name <keyletter> is reported back headed by a macrograph report indicator "@=<keyletter>". It is followed by a macrograph terminator "@;" and followed by a carriage return. Any control characters saved as part of the macrograph are also reported back. If there is no macrograph defined for the keyletter, a null macrograph is reported back (no characters), enclosed in the indicator and terminator. Include more keyletters in the inner parenthesis for more reports. The macrograph report indicator format is ignored if echoed back to the terminal.

## Report Use of Macrograph Storage

## R(M(=))

If there is an equal sign "=" in the command, the report lists the status of macrograph storage in the form:

```
"<free>,<total>"
```

where <free> is the number of characters still available for macrograph storage and <total> is the total number of characters of macrograph storage provided in the graphics processor memory. Storage in use may be calculated by subtracting <free> from <total>. The report ends with a carriage return.

## **Report Cursor Position**

## R(P)

This command reports the current cursor position in user coordinates as set by the Define Display Addressing command (page 143).

The cursor position is reported as a pair of unsigned numbers, X-value first, enclosed in square brackets.

Table 5-20 is a summary of the report command.

Table 5-20 Report Co	mmand Summary	73.24.25.50cm
R ( (L)	Set selected for loading	22922232
(M( <keyletter>)</keyletter>	Contents of macrograph	28500960555
{ (M(=))	Use of storage	
{ " <free>,<total>"</total></free>	Reply to Use	5597.03.03.00
(P)	Cursor position	Secondary of the second

# VT105 Emulation

## VT105 EMULATION

## INTRODUCTION

The VT105 function set is described in this chapter. It is the same as the VT105 described in the *VT105 User Guide* with the following exceptions.

- To enter VT105 mode the control sequence is ESC P t (DCS format) and NOT ESC 1. The sequence to exit VT105 mode is ESC \ (ST) and NOT ESC 2.
- Only one VT105 emulator can exist in a VT125. Accesses to a second waveform generator board (an optional configuration in the VT105) through command characters P, Q, R, S, T, X, Y, Z, [, and \ are ignored.
- 3. The relative positions of the graphics and text display fields are not exactly the same as in the VT105. There are always at least 6 VT100 character positions to the left of the left graphics margin. The width of the graphics field with respect to the 80 character VT100 text field may be off by one or two characters.
- 4. The resolution of the VT105 is mapped into the VT125 display using nonuniform dot spacing. Therefore, there may be some small scale differences visible in some graph presentations.
- 5. The VT105 interactive graphics test does not exist in the VT125 emulation. The hardware is tested by the VT125 tests.
- Some actions performed by dedicated hardware in the VT105 (blank, reset, and shade, for example) will take longer to execute in the VT125, and may cause a slight difference in performance between the machines.

NOTE: The state of the VT125 cannot be guaranteed if you switch between protocols. For example, while it may be possible to use ReGIS to add to a VT105 presentation, you cannot be sure that either protocol will be where you left it when you switch between them. This is different from switching between ReGIS and text mode, where ReGIS stays in the same state until you return.

This chapter describes how to:

Select the graph drawing mode, Establish the graph area, Establish desired display, Load graph data, Generate shade lines, cursors, and grid, and Enter strip chart data.

## **ENTERING GRAPH DRAWING MODE**

ESC P t (033 120 164) switches the terminal to VT105 graph drawing mode. The terminal will remain in this mode until ESC \ (033 134) is received.

## **DEFINITIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

Graph

A graph is a series of points representing the variation in value of two variables: X and Y. For each horizontal value(x), there can be only one Y value; example, a sine wave.

Graph Marker

A graph marker is a short vertical line that may be programmed to mark any point of the graph. Each marker represents a specific value of X and appears at intervals of Y = 240/16. As many as 512 markers can be placed on each graph or histogram for a total of 1024 markers (Figure 6-1).

Histogram (shaded graph)

A histogram in the VT105 is a graphic display that has the area between the graph line and the bottom of the graph drawing field intensified. Two histograms can overlap and still be discernible. A bar graph is an example of a histogram (Figure 6-2).

Shade line

A shade line (baseline) is the line referenced (baseline) for shading a graph. One shade line can be displayed for each of the two graphs. If no shade line is established, the graph can be shaded to the bottom of the graph drawing area (refer to Histogram).

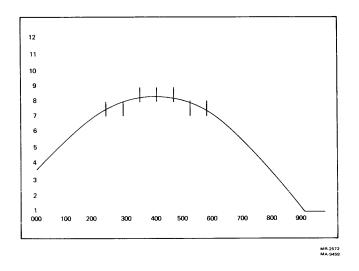


Figure 6-1 Graph with Graph Markers

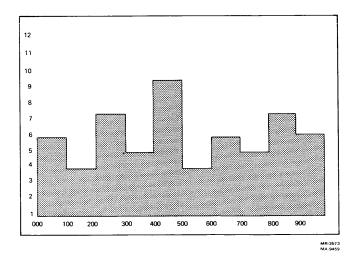


Figure 6-2 Histogram Display (Shaded Graph)

Horizontal lines/vertical lines

Horizontal lines and/or vertical lines may be displayed in the graph area to represent set values of X or Y. As many as 512 vertical or 240 horizontal lines may be individually displayed on the screen. For example, a grid is displayed using specific values for horizontal and vertical lines (Figure 6-3).

Strip chart

A strip chart is a graph or histogram that permits new data to be added to its right side while shifting previous data to the left (Figure 6-4). Vertical and horizontal lines, if present, move from right to left as the strip chart moves, and wraparound the screen as they leave the left edge.

Dual strip chart

Dual strip chart is a feature that allows both Graph 0 and Graph 1 to pass across the screen.

Rectangular graph drawing field

The rectangular graph drawing field is one of two aspect ratios selectable within the VT105. It has a 20  $\times$  10.9 cm (8  $\times$  4-3/8 in) graph drawing field compatible with previous DIGITAL graph drawing terminals (e.g., VT55). Refer to Figure 6-5.

Square graph drawing field

The square graph drawing field is a selectable aspect ratio with a  $16.5 \times 11.5 \text{ cm } (6.5 \times 4.6 \text{ in})$ graph drawing field. It compresses the X-axis length and provides a greater area outside the field for alphanumeric labels, grid identifiers, or notes (Figure 6-6).

Graph resolution

Up to 512 horizontal and 230 vertical points may be displayed per graph in the rectangular graph drawing field; 512  $\times$  240 points, in the square graph drawing field.

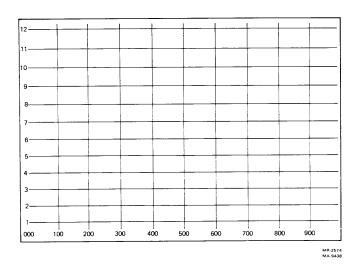


Figure 6-3 Example of a Grid Display

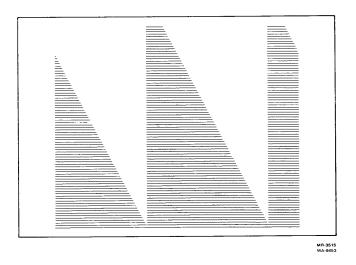


Figure 6-4 Strip Chart Display (Moves From Right to Left)

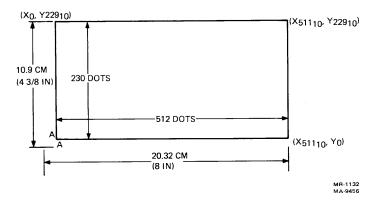


Figure 6-5 Rectangular Graph Drawing Field

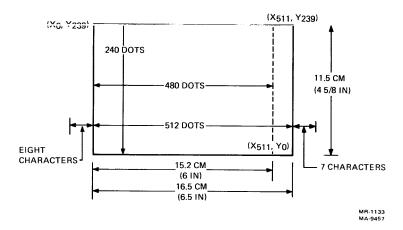


Figure 6-6 Square Graph Drawing Field

## **SELECTING GRAPH DRAWING FIELD**

The VT105 has two selectable graph drawing fields or formats. Both formats display up to two 512-point graphs having single valued functions of X. Either or both graphs can be displayed as a histogram or a strip chart. Graphs and histograms can overlap and still be discernible, allowing the use of the entire field for both graphs, both histograms, or a graph and a histogram displayed together. Both formats display individually programmable horizontal and vertical lines over the entire graph field allowing a grid to represent any desired value. Graph markers can be displayed in either format. Table 6-1 compares the formats and how each is selected.

## Example

Character Sequence	Octal Code Sequence	Field
I space!	111 040 041	Enable square format
I space space	111 040 040	Enable rectangular format

## **SELECTING DESIRED DISPLAY**

Enabling graphs, histograms, strip charts, and shade lines (baselines) is accomplished by loading control register 0 in the VT105; enabling graph markers, vertical lines, and horizontal lines is accomplished by loading control register 1. The registers are loaded by sending a two or three character sequence from the keyboard or host computer. The number of characters depends on the type of graph or shade line (baseline) desired. The control bits are encoded as 7-bit ASCII characters that are sent to the terminal.

Feature	Rectangular Format	Square Format
Graph field	20 × 10.9 cm*	16.5 × 11.56 cm <sup>4</sup>
maximum)	(8 × 4.3 in)	(6.5 × 4.625 in)
Graph resolution	512 × 230	512 × 240
maximum)	points	points
- Features		
Graphs	2	2
Shaded graphs	2	2
Movable shade lines	1 per graph	1 per graph
Strip charts	2	2
Vertical lines	512	512
Horizontal lines	230	240
Graph markers	512 per graph	512 per graph
Space provided in	1 character	8 characters
eft margin for:	(column 1)	(column 1-8)
Character lines	1 line	none
oelow graph field:	(line 24)	
Selected on initialize	Yes	No
Program selectable by:	I space space	l space!
Display using previous	Display	Both height
DECgraphic software	unchanged	and width are
i.e., VT55)		changed

## **Loading Control Register 0**

Refer to Table 6-2 to determine the required bits to set in register 0. A seven-digit binary code transmits the desired display. The bits are set as desired, for example: Bit 2 is set to enable Graph 1: bit 0 is set to enable the display. The binary code created is 0100101 (045<sub>8</sub>). For examples of loading register 0, refer to Tables 6-3 and 6-4.

Table 6-5 can be used to convert the binary codes created for register 0 to the program requirements.

## Example

Function	Octal Code	Character	Code
Enable Graph 1	045	%	0100101

## Table 6-2 Load Enable Register O Command

## **Rectangular or Square Format**

First character: A (101<sub>8</sub>)

Second character: variable (See below)
Third character: variable (See below)

## **Explanation**

The second character is formed by setting bits where the bits have the following functions.

## 2nd Character (Register 0)

		Binary Code 0 1 X X X X X
Bit 6	Always 0	
5	Always 1	
4	If 1, displays graph 1 as a shaded graph to the bottom of the graph field	
3	If 1, displays graph 0 as a shaded graph to the bottom of the graph field ————————————————————————————————————	
2	If 1, displays graph 1	
1	If 1, displays graph 0	
0	If 1, enables all graphic information to be displayed ——	

## **NOTES**

- Enabling graph 0 and histogram 0 (or graph 1 and histogram 1) at the same time intensifies the graph envelope.
- Enabling shade line 0 (or shade line 1) automatically shades graph 0 (or graph 1); histogram 0 (bit 3) and histogram 1 (bit 4) do not need to be enabled when shade lines are used.

Table 6-2 Load Enable Register 0 Command (Cont) 3rd Character (Register 0) **Binary Code** 01 X X X X X Bit 6 Always 0 Always 1 5 4 If 1, allows graph 0 and 1 data to be shifted from right to left (dual strip chart feature) 3 If 1, allows graph 0 or 1 data to be shifted from right to left (single strip chart enabled) 2 If 1, displays graph 1 as a shaded graph, referenced to shade line 1 -1 If 1, displays graph 0 referenced to shade line 0 0 If 0, allows shade line 0 data to be loaded by the second word of the @ instruction: if 1, allows shade line 1 data to be loaded by the second word of the @ instruction

NOTE Bit 3 enables the single strip chart feature: either graph 0 or graph 1 data (but not both) can be incremented from right to left.

Bit 4 enables the dual strip chart feature. With graph 0 enabled, graph 0 data is entered, but the data does not shift at this time. Graph 1 is enabled and graph 1 data is entered, then both graph 0 and graph 1 shift their data one increment to the left.

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Function Enabled	Character Sequence*		l Code ience	Binary Code of Second Character	Decimal Value
Graph 0	A#	101	043	0100011	35
Graph 1	A%	101	045	0100101	37
Graphs 0 and 1	Α′	101	047	0100111	39
Histogram 0	A)	101	051	0101001	41
Histogram 1	A1	101	061	0110001	49
Histograms 0 and 1	A9	101	071	0111001	57
Graph 0 and histogram 1	A3	101	063	0110011	51
Graph 1 and histogram 0	<b>A</b> —	101	055	0101101	45
Disable graphs and histograms	A space	101	040	0100000	32

<sup>\*</sup> A third character is used to enable (or disable) shaded graphs (referenced to a shade line) and to enable strip charts. Refer to Table 6-4.

**Examples of Selecting Shaded Graphs with Shade Lines** Table 6-4 (Baselines) and Strip Charts

	Third	Octal	Binary	Decimal
Function Enabled	Character	Code	Code	Value
Load shade line 0*		042	0100010	34
Load shade line 1*	%	045	0100101	37
Enable shaded graphs with shade line 0 and 1	8	046	0100110	38
Enable single strip chart		050	0101000	40
Enable strip chart with shaded graph 0 and shade line 0		052	0101010	42
Dual strip chart	0	060	0110000	48
Dual strip chart with shaded graphs and shade lines	6	066	0110110	54

<sup>\*</sup> Loading or moving the shade line (baseline) in the VT105 does not affect graph 0 or graph 1 data. Refer to Loading the Shade Line (Baseline) on page 176.

Character	Octal Code	Binary	Code	Decimal Value
SPACE	040	0100	000	32
	041	0100	001	33
	042	0100	010	34
#	043	0100	011	35
<b>)</b>	044	0100	100	36
<b>%</b>	045	0100	101	37
<b>(</b>	046	0100	110	38
(apostrophe)	047	0100	111	39
	050	0101	000	40
	051	0101	001	41
	052	0101	010	42
<del>L</del>	053	0101	011	43
(comma)	054	0101	100	45
– (minus)	055	0101	101	45
(period)	056	0101	110	46
	057	0101	111	47
)	060	0110	000	48
La constitución de la constitución	061	0110	001	49
2	062	0110	010	50
3	063	0110	011	51
4	064	0110	100	52
5	065	0110	101	53
3	066	0110	110	54
7	067	0110	111	55
3	070	0111	000	56
)	071	0111	001	57
	072	0111	010	58
	073	0111	011	59
<	074	0111	100	60
	075	0111	101	61.
>	076	0111	110	62
?	077	0111	111	63

## **Enabling Graphs and Histograms (Shaded Graphs)**

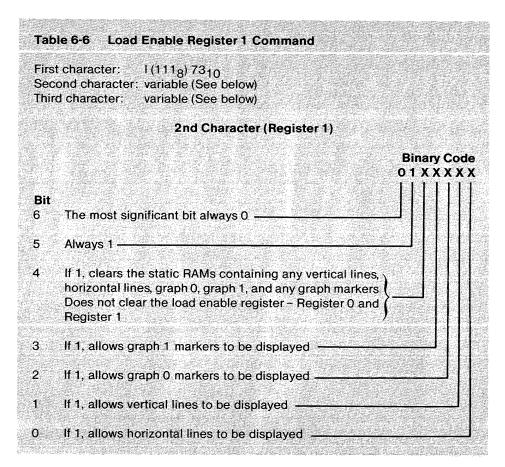
The second character in a sequence for loading register 0 selects the graph or histogram to be displayed. The letter a (1018) allows register 0 to be loaded.

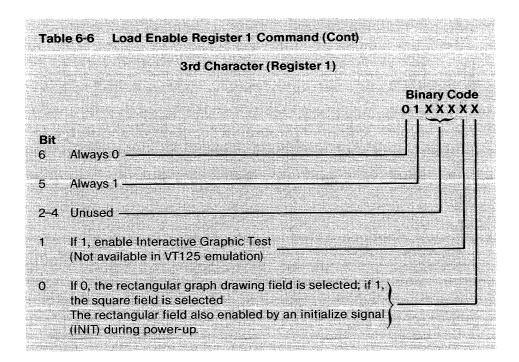
## **Enabling Strip Charts and Shade Lines (Baselines)**

The third character in the load register 0 sequence enables shaded graphs and strip charts. Some of the common functions enabled by the third character are listed in Table 6-4.

## **Loading Control Register 1**

The characters required to enable graph markers and grid lines are formed by setting the appropriate bits in the diagrams in Table 6-6, then finding the character for the code created in Table 6-5.





## **Enabling Graph Markers, Vertical Lines, and Horizontal Lines**

Turning graph markers and grid lines on and off is accomplished by loading register 1. The character sequence is the same in either graph drawing format, except a third character establishes the desired format. The exclamation mark, !(0418), enables the square format; a SPACE (0408) enables the rectangular format. The rectangular format is enabled also on initializing the terminal.

Table 6-7 shows examples of enabling graph markers, horizontal lines, and vertical lines.

Table 6-7 Examples of Selecting Graph Markers, Horizontal Lines, and Vertical Lines

Remember to bit map all options correctly when sending out a command. Setting a desired feature may reset other features if all options are not considered.

Function Enabled	Character Sequence	And the second second	ence* Second	Binary Code of Second Character	Decimal Value
Clear graph drawing memories	10	111	060	0110000	48
Enable horizontal and vertical lines	1#	111	043	0100011	35
Enable horizontal lines only	Ħ	111	041	0100001	33
Enable vertical lines only	1"	111	042	0100010	34
Enable graph 0 markers	<b>I\$</b>	111	044	0101100	36
Enable graph 1 markers	16	111	050	0101000	40
Enable graph 0 and 1 markers	Walled at the control of the state of the st	111	054	0101100	44
Enable grid and graph 0 markers	<b>P</b>	111	047	0100111	39
Enable grid and graph 1 markers	14	111	053	0101011	43
Enable grid and graph 0 and 1 markers		111	057	0101111	47
Disable fines and graph markers	I space	111	040	0100000	32

<sup>\*</sup> A third character is required to establish the square format, to change formats, or to set up the Interactive Graphics Test.

To load coordinates for the function enabled by register 1, refer to the following paragraphs in this chapter.

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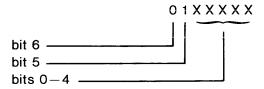
## FORMING GRAPH DRAWING DATA CHARACTERS

In order to represent a horizontal or vertical address of a point on a 240  $<math>\times$  512 point graph, at least 9 binary bit positions are required.

Examples:  $239_{10} = 011101111_2$  $511_{10} = 111111111_2$ 

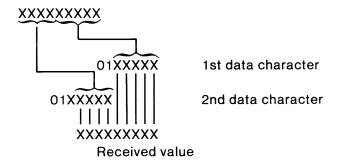
Keys typed from the keyboard, or transmitted from the host computer, normally only contain 7 bits (7-bit ASC11 characters). Therefore, two keys must be typed, or two codes transmitted, to fully describe an X or a Y value. The first key (character) transmits the lower five bits of the binary data value: the second key transmits the remaining bits, or upper data value.

The graph drawing data characters can be standardized to the 32 characters listed in Table 6-8 if bits 5 and 6 of each character are always 1 and 0, respectively, as in the following format:



The data value is then transmitted in two parts as in the following diagram.

Data to be transmitted



<sup>\*</sup> Upper data values below this line are used for loading graph markers and horizontal or vertical lines; they require bit 4=1. To erase these lines, or load shade lines (baselines), graph data or starting X-coordinate, use values above this line.

## Selecting Upper and Lower Data Characters

The value of the lower data ranges from 0 to 31<sub>10</sub>; the upper data value increases in increments of 32 decimal units. Together they can describe any value of the graph drawing field. To find the characters or code to transmit a desired location, perform the following.

1. Select the upper data value closest, but not exceeding, the desired value in Table 6-8. This is the second data character which is transmitted last.

## Example

Value To be Transmitted	Nearest Upper Data Value	Second Data Character	Binary Code	Octal Code
200 <sub>10</sub>	192 <sub>10</sub>	&	01001102	0468

NOTE: If a horizontal line, vertical line, or graph marker is to be loaded, use values in the lower half of the upper data column; i.e., 192<sub>10</sub> is 066<sub>8</sub> or the character 6.

2. Find the remainder of the value to be transmitted in the lower data value column. This will be the first data character transmitted.

## Example

Remaining Value	Lower Data Value	First Data Character	Binary Code	Octal Code
8	8	(	0101000 <sub>2</sub>	050 <sub>8</sub>

## **Load Data Sequences**

The data to be transmitted is initially preceded by a "load character," as described in Table 6-9. In the above example, loading a shade line at line 200<sub>10</sub> is transmitted by @(& or equivalent program. Storing a horizontal line at line 200<sub>10</sub> is transmitted by D(6 or equivalent program.

For multiple data entries, the load character does not need to be repeated. This allows data for a graph to be loaded into memory without repeating the character B or J. Exceptions to this procedure are loading a shade line and loading the starting X-coordinate.

	Load	Character	
Function	Character	Sequence	Rang
Load shade line (baseline)	@	@ 1st data 2nd data	0-239
Load graph 0 data	В	B 1st data 2nd data	0-239
Load graph 1 data	J	J 1st data 2nd data	0-239
Load graph 0 marker	C	C 1st data 2nd data	0-511
Load graph 1 marker	K	K 1st data 2nd data	0-511
Load horizontal line	D	D 1st data 2nd data	0-239
Load vertical line	L	L 1st data 2nd data	0-511
Load starting x-coordinate	H	H 1st data 2nd data	0-511

## Frequent Data Entry Errors

Largest Data Character Transmitted First - The low-order bits of the data value (lower data value in Table 6-8) must be transmitted first. If reversed, the point will typically exceed the range limits of the graph drawing field and not be displayed, or, it may appear near the edge of the field.

## Example

Desired	Data	Correct	Characters	New
Shade line	Transmitted	Characters	Reversed	Values
40	8 + 32	@(!	@!(	1+256
70	6 + 64	@&''	@''&	2+192

Zero Valued Characters Not Transmitted - When transmitting data with two characters, if the upper data value is equal to the point or line desired, a SPACE (0408) (equal to zero) must be the first data character. If missed, the line or point will be much less than desired.

## Example

Shade Line	Data	Correct	Characters	Wrong
Desired	Required	Characters	in Error	Value
160	0 + 160	@ SPACE %	<b>@</b> %	5

## LOADING SHADE LINE (BASELINE)

A moveable shade line can be displayed for both graph 0 and graph 1. One shade line can be entered for graph 0, and one for graph 1, on any of the 230 (or 240, square format) horizontal lines available. To transmit positions within this range, a load character and two data characters are used (Table 6-10). Create positions by following the information in Forming Graph Drawing Data Characters on page 173.

Table 6-10 Loadir	ng Shade Line Pos	ition
	Previous VT55 Format	New VT105 Format Load Shade Line
First character:	@ NOP	@ (100 <sub>8</sub> ) 64 <sub>10</sub>
Second character:	none	01XXXXX
Third character.	none	01XXXX

NOTE: Shade line 0 or shade line 1 is loaded depending on which shade line is selected by loading register 0. Refer to Enabling Strip Charts and Shade Lines (Baselines) on page 170.

## LOADING GRAPH MEMORIES

The M7071 has two graph memories – graph 0 and graph 1. Each graph may plot up to 512-horizontal points. Each horizontal point may have only one value using up to 230 vertical points with the rectangular format (or 240 vertical points with the square format). The graph begins entering data at X=0 (0408) unless a starting X-address is specified. Refer to Load Starting X-Coordinate on page 183.

The data to be entered is initially preceded by the letter B ( $102_8$ ) for graph 0, or J ( $112_8$ ) for graph 1. Each pair of data characters describes a Y-data point.

A Y-value is entered for each value of X, using two data characters (as described in Forming Graph Drawing Data Characters on page 173). As the X-address is incremented from 0 to 511, the values of Y can sequentially be loaded into memory. The X-register automatically increments after each pair of Y-data characters are stored in memory, except when dual strip charts are enabled. (Refer to Entering Strip Chart Data on page 185.) The letters B or J do not need to be repeated for each pair of Y-data characters. Table 6-8 may be used to determine the Y-data characters.

NOTE: For each value of Y, the lower data value must be transmitted first, then the upper data value.

Table 6-11 describes the formation of graph data characters.

## **HISTOGRAM DATA**

Data for a histogram (shaded graph) is entered by loading the appropriate graph memory (refer to Loading Graph Memories on page 177). Histogram 0 and/or Histogram 1 is enabled by loading register 1 (refer to Selecting Desired Display on page 164). Enabling a histogram shades points between the graph envelope and the bottom of the graph field. Shading occurs from the graph data to graph line 0 (Figure 6-7). With a shade line (baseline) enabled, the graph is shaded above and below this line (Figure 6-8).

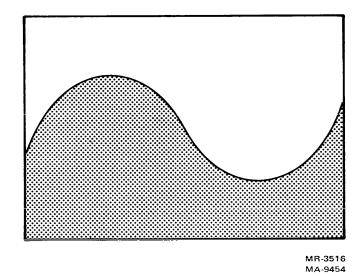


Figure 6-7 Histogram without Shade Line (Baseline) Enabled

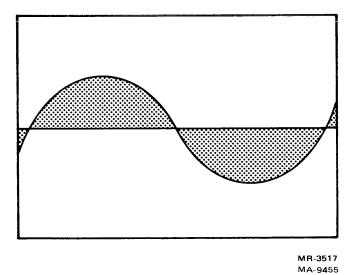


Figure 6-8 Graph with Shade Line (Baseline) Enabled

## LOADING GRAPH MARKER MEMORY

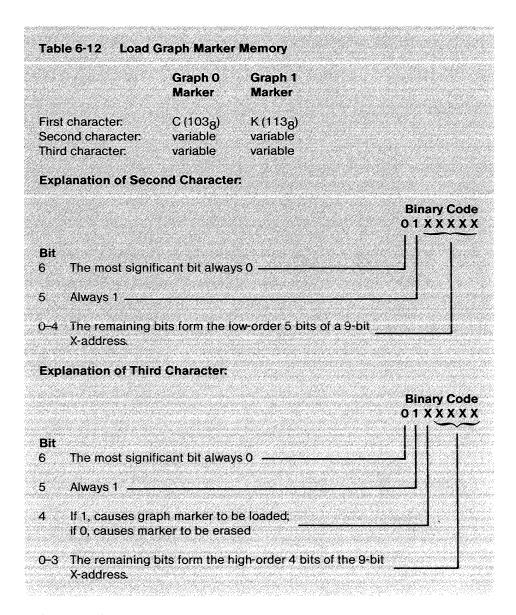
A graph marker is a short vertical line marks the graph line at a desired value of X. A graph marker can be programmed for any point on graph 0 and on graph 1. As many as 512 graph markers can be placed on each graph.

Loading graph marker memory is accomplished by sending pairs of data characters following the letter C (1038) for graph 0, or K (1138) for graph 1. Each pair of data characters represents the lower data value and the upper data value of an X-address, (Table 6-12). Note that bit 4 of the third character determines whether the graph marker will be loaded or erased.

## Example

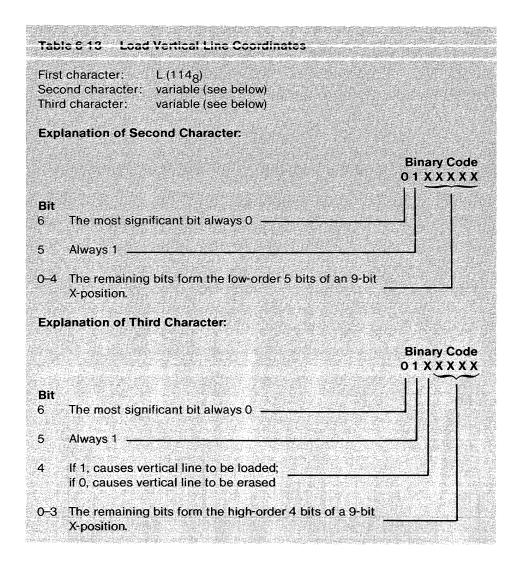
Function	Binary Code	Octal Code	Character Sequence
Load graph 0 marker at location 100	1000110 0100100 0110011	106 044 063	C\$3
Erase graph 0 marker at location 100	1000110 0100100 0100011	106 044 043	C\$#

Table 6-8 may be used to determine the characters required to load or erase a specific graph marker. Once stored in memory, graph markers are enabled and disabled by loading register 1. (Refer to Loading Control Register 1 on page 170.)



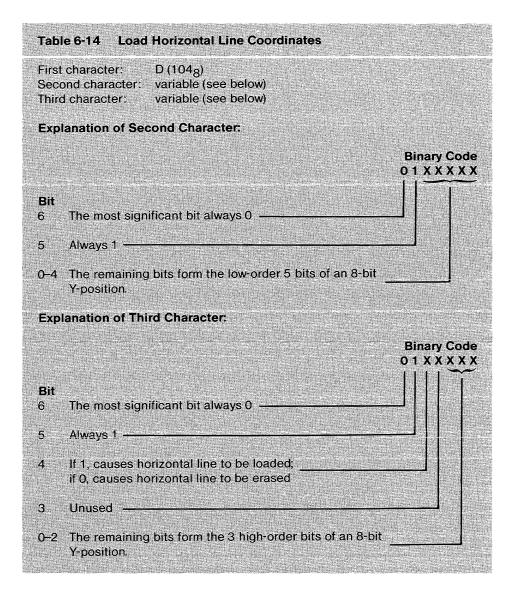
## **DISPLAYING VERTICAL LINES**

Vertical lines may be programmed for any of the 512 points along the X-axis. Vertical lines are loaded following the letter L (1148). The second and third characters form an X-data value (Table 6-13). Note that bit 4 of the third character must equal a 1 for the line to be loaded; a 0 in bit 4 erases that line. Table 6-8 may be used to determine the characters required to load or erase a specific line. Vertical lines are enabled and disabled by loading register 1. (Refer to Loading Control Register 1 on page 170.)



## **DISPLAYING HORIZONTAL LINES**

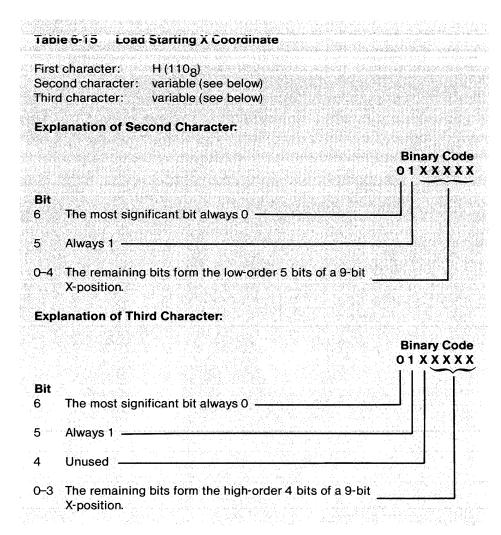
A horizontal line is loaded into memory by two data characters following the letter d (1048). The second and third characters form a Y-data value (Table 6-14). Up to 230 horizontal lines may be displayed in the rectangular format; 240, in the square format. Note that bit 4 in the third character must equal a 1 to load a horizontal line; bit 4=0 erases the line. Table 6-8 can be used to determine the characters required to load or erase a specific horizontal line. Horizontal lines are enabled and disabled by loading register 1. (Refer to Loading Control Register 1 on page 170.)



## LOAD STARTING X-COORDINATE

A starting X-coordinate may be loaded by two data characters following the letter H (1108) (Table 6-15). Any value of X, from 0 to 511, may be used. The data characters required for the desired X starting address can be determined from Table 6-8.

NOTE: The lower data value of X must be transmitted first, then the upper data value.



## **ENTERING STRIP CHART DATA**

## Single Strip Chart Data

Data for a single strip chart is entered by loading either graph 0 or graph 1 memory.

1. Enable the desired graph and single strip chart feature by loading register 0 (Table 6-2).

## Example

Enable graph 0, single strip chart, and shade line 0. Enter the following.

Character	Octal	Decimal	
Sequence	Sequence	Sequence	
A#*	101 <sub>8</sub> 043 <sub>8</sub> 052 <sub>8</sub>	65 <sub>10</sub> 35 <sub>10</sub> 42 <sub>10</sub>	

2. If desirable, load the starting X-coordinate at the right margin. Enter the following.

H?? 110<sub>8</sub> 077<sub>8</sub> 077<sub>8</sub> 72<sub>10</sub> 63<sub>10</sub> 63<sub>10</sub>

3. Enter data into graph 0 memory; type B plus any sequence of two data characters. If started at the right margin, this causes the graph to move from right to left; if not, the graph fills the screen first, then moves data from right to left with each new data word.

B(data)(data) 1028(data)(data) 6610(data)(data)

## **Dual Strip Chart Data**

Perform the following procedure to set up the dual strip chart feature.

1. Enable both graphs and the dual strip chart feature. Set bit 4 of the third character in register 0. (Refer to Table 6-2.)

## Example

Load graph 0 and 1, dual strip chart, and shade line 0 and 1. Enter the following.

Character Sequence	Octal Sequence	Decimal Sequence
A '6	101 <sub>8</sub> 047 <sub>8</sub> 066 <sub>8</sub>	65 <sub>10</sub> 39 <sub>10</sub> 54 <sub>10</sub>
H??	110 <sub>8</sub> 077 <sub>8</sub> 077 <sub>8</sub>	72 <sub>10</sub> 63 <sub>10</sub> 63 <sub>10</sub>

2. Enter graph 0 data; enter a B and two data characters. (The data is entered, but the graph does not move at this time.)

B(data)(data) 102<sub>8</sub>(data)(data) 66<sub>10</sub>(data)(data)

3. Enter graph 1 data; enter a J plus two data characters. The graph now displays and shifts both graph 0 and graph 1 data points one increment to the left.

J(data)(data) 1128(data)(data) 74<sub>10</sub>(data)(data)

## **NOTES**

- 1. Load starting X-coordinate, desired graph markers, and vertical lines before enabling either single- or dual-strip chart mode. The exact position of these points may vary once a strip chart is enabled.
- 2. Any graph markers and vertical lines enabled wrap around as the strip chart moves.
- 3. When the strip chart mode is disabled, any displayed graphics shifts. The X-coordinate that moved during strip chart mode returns to its normal location.
- 4. When in dual-strip chart mode, the last available graph position (X=511) is not displayed. The switching action between graph 0 and graph 1 in that position is eliminated from the display.

## Communications

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

## **GENERAL**

This chapter describes how the VT125 terminal communicates with a computer using the standard EIA interface. Also included are descriptions of communication features, a definition of the Break signal, a description of communication of the graphics processor with the rest of the terminal and its options, and methods used to prevent input buffer overflows of the terminal.

NOTE: The 20 mA current loop interface option (VT1XX-CA) is described in Options (Chapter 10).

## **CONNECTING TO COMPUTER PORT**

The VT125 terminal is connected to a computer directly or through a common carrier facility (telephone line) as shown in Figure 7-1. In both applications, either the Electronic Industry Association (EIA) interface provided with the terminal or the VT1XX-CA 20 mA Current Loop interface option are used. Table 7-1 lists the computer port EIA connector signals.

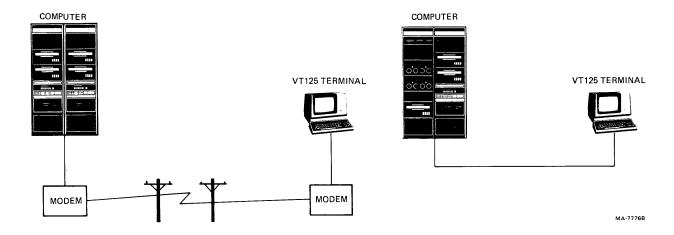


Figure 7-1 Connecting to the Computer

Pin	Name	Mnemonic	CCITT/EIA Designation	Description
1	Protective ground	PGND	101/AA	This conductor is connected to the VT125 chassis and to external groun through the third wire of the ac power cord.
2	Transmitted data	TXD	103/BA	From VT125 The VT125 transmits sericharacters and Break signals on this circuit. This conductor is in the mark state when no character or Break signals are bein transmitted.
3	Received data	RXD	104/BB	To VT125 This conductor receives serial characters from th computer.
4	Request to send	RTS	+105/CA	From VT125 This signal is on whenever the terminal is on.
7	Signal ground	SGND	102/AB	This conductor is the conmon ground reference potential for all connected signals except protective ground. Also, it is connected to the VT125 chassis.
20	Data terminal ready	DTR	108.2/CD	From VT125 This signal is on except when the following conditions exist:  • VT125 is not on  • VT125 is LOCAL  • During a reset or test  • 3.5 seconds during a long break disconnect
2	Speed select	SPDSEL	111/CH	From VT125 Also called Secondary Request to Send, this signal is on whenever the VT125 is on.

When connecting the terminal to the computer through a telephone line, a modem or acoustic coupler is needed. The modem or acoustic coupler changes the serial characters transmitted between terminal and computer into signals that can be transmitted over the telephone line. Several types of modems can be used with the VT125 terminal. However, the modem used by the terminal must be compatible with the modem used by the computer.

## **CONNECTING TO AUXILIARY PORT**

The auxiliary port connects a graphics or text printer to the VT125. It is bidirectional so it can also be used for input to the computer. The application program on the computer must use the media copy commands (Chapter 4) to use the auxiliary port.

## SERIAL CHARACTER FORMAT

The VT125 terminal communicates using serial characters. Serial characters are transmitted using a start bit, 7 or 8 data bits, an optional parity bit, and one or two stop bits. Figure 7-2 shows an example of the serial character format used by the terminal.

The number of data bits per character and parity are selected using the parity sense, parity, and bits per character SET-UP B features. If 8-bit characters are selected, the last data bit is forced to the Space (0) condition and the eighth data bit is ignored when receiving characters. The data bits are transmitted with the least significant bit first. (Refer to ANSI X3.15-1976 for details on the serial character format.)

The parity bit is used to detect character transmission errors of both transmitted and received characters. The parity sense SET-UP B feature selects the type of parity bit used when transmitting and receiving characters.

The parity SET-UP B feature determines if the parity of received characters is checked or ignored. If the parity SET-UP B feature is off, the parity bit is removed from the serial character.

The number of stop bits (1 or 2) in the serial character is determined by the transmit and receive speed SET-UP B features.

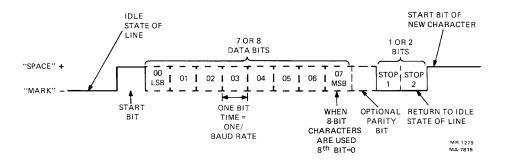


Figure 7-2 Serial Character Format

## **BREAK SIGNAL**

A Break signal can be transmitted by the terminal. The Break signal is a transmitted space condition for 0.275 seconds  $\pm$  10 percent. However, the computer response to the Break signal depends on the computer and software used. A long break disconnect is a transmitted space condition for 3.5 seconds  $\pm$  10 percent and then the Data Terminal Ready interface signal is turned off.

NOTE: On some modems, the long break disconnect causes the modem to perform a communication line disconnect.

## **FULL-DUPLEX COMMUNICATION**

The VT125 terminal operates in full-duplex communication. Full-duplex communication means that the terminal transmits and receives characters at the same time. The VT125 provides some EIA signals (Table 7-1).

## **ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (EIA) INTERFACE**

The VT125 communication interfaces are DB-25 (EIA RS-232-C type) male connectors mounted on the back of the terminal (Figure 7-3). These connectors meet EIA standards RS-232-C and CCITT V.24 and V.28. When connecting to a device that meets EIA standard RS-232-C, the terminal can operate at speeds up to 19200 baud using communication cables up to 15 meters (50 feet) in length. Table 7-1 describes the EIA connector pin signals used by the computer port. Table 7-2 describes the EIA connector pin signals used by the auxiliary port. All connector pins not described are not used by the terminal. Figure 7-3 shows the connector pin arrangement.

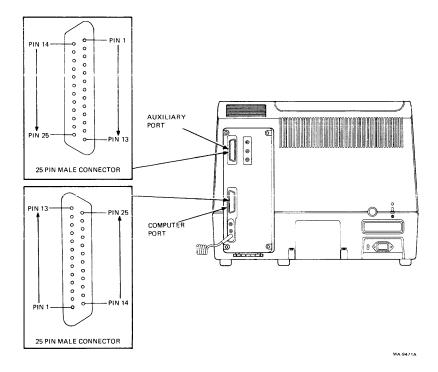


Figure 7-3 EIA Connectors and Pin Locations

Pin	Name	Mnemonic	CCITT/EIA Designation	Description
1	Protective ground	PGND	101/AA	This conductor is con- nected to the VT125 chas- sis and to external ground through the third wire of the ac power cord.
2	Transmitted data	TXD	103/BA	From VT125 The VT125 transmits serial characters and Break signals on this circuit. This conductor is in the mark state when no characters or Break signals are being transmitted.
3	Received data	RXD	104/BB	To VT125 This conductor receives serial characters from the auxiliary port
6	Data set ready	DSR	107/CC	To VT125 The terminal receives data terminal ready (DTR) from the printer on this conductor. If DSR is present at power-up, the printer controls print operations. If DSR is not present at power-up, then before each character print operation, the terminal checks again. If DSR is still not present, the print occurs. If DSR ever appears, then it controls all following prints. The terminal also uses DSR to detect the printer for the Device Attributes response (Chapter 4).
7	Signal ground	SGND	102/AB	This conductor is the common ground reference potential for all connector signals except protective ground. Also, it is connected to the VT125 chassis.
20	Data terminal ready	DTR	108.2/CD	From VT125 This signal is always on when the terminal is on.

# SET-UP AND COMMUNICATIONS

When you exit SET-UP, the terminal:

- 1. Updates all aspects of its operation according to any new SET-UP feature selections.
- 2. Sends XON to the computer port and auxiliary port if buffer space is available.
- 3. Clears any received XOFF to allow transmission on all ports.
- 4. Cancels any ReGIS hardcopy operation.

NOTE: Some graphic printers have large input buffers. A cancelled hardcopy operation may not stop for several seconds while the printer empties its buffer.

# **CONTROL FUNCTIONS**

The graphics processor is the control point for all communication in the VT125. (Refer to Figure 7-5.) The graphics processor examines any ANSI control function arriving from any of the communication ports. If the graphics processor has a response for the control function, it acts on the control function and generally does not pass it on. If the graphics processor does not have a response for the control function, it ignores the control function and passes it on. The device at the receiving end of the data path that the control function arrived on receives the passed control function.

From the keyboard, however, a special condition applies. The escape character (ESC) has many software applications and must be allowed to pass to the application program. The following process decides when to pass ESC.

- 1. ESC is held in the graphics processor for a maximum of 50 milliseconds.
- 2. If another character arrives within 50 milliseconds:
  - a. Both characters are accepted by the graphics processor as part of a control function, or
  - b. Both characters are passed immediately if the control function does not apply to the graphics processor.
- 3. If no character arrives within 50 milliseconds, the ESC is passed.

A common delay between characters for a typist is 50 milliseconds. Internal communications between the graphics processor and the VT100 text terminal operate with less than 20 ms delay between characters. The graphics processor does not have responses to the control functions transmitted by the special keys on the keyboard, so they are always passed through.

# **COMMUNICATION CABLES**

Communications cables for both the EIA and 20 mA current loop interfaces of the terminal can be ordered from the DIGITAL Accessories and Supplies Group. Part numbers and ordering information for these cables is supplied in Chapter 11. Table 7-3 describes each communication cable used and Figure 7-4 shows connection examples for each cable.

	11	Cte-Tosas	Function		
Number	Length	Connector Types	Function		
BC22A-10	3 meters (10 ft)	RS-232 (female) to RS-232 (female)	Null modem; direct connection between VT125 and computer or printer (6-conductor cable)		
BC22A-25 7.6 meters (25 ft)		RS-232 (female) to RS-232 (female)	Null modem; direct connection between VT125 and computer or printer (6-conductor cable)		
BC22B-10 3 meters (10 ft)		RS-232 (male) to RS-232 (female)	Extension; connects VT125 to a modem (14-conductor cable)		
BC22B-25	7.6 meters (25 ft)	RS-232 (male) to RS-232 (female)	Extension; connects VT125 to a modem (14-conductor cable)		
BC03M-xx	Variable	RS-232 (female) to RS-232 (female)	Null modem; direct connection between VT125 and computer or printer		
BC05D-xx	Variable	RS-232 (male) to RS-232 (female)	Extension; connects VT125 to a modem		
BC05F-xx	Variable	Mate-N-Lok <sup>™</sup> (male) Mate-N-Lok (male)	20 mA; direct to connection between VT125 with a 20 mA option installed and a computer (Supplied with 20 mA option)		
BC05X-xx Variable		Mate-N-Lok (male) to Mate-N-Lok (male)	20 mA extension cable		
30-10958-02 EIA: 450 mm (18 in) 20 mA: 2.4 meters (8 ft)		RS-232 (male) to RS-232 (female) and 20 mA (male)	Connection between DF01-A acoustic coupler and VT125 EIA or 20 mA		

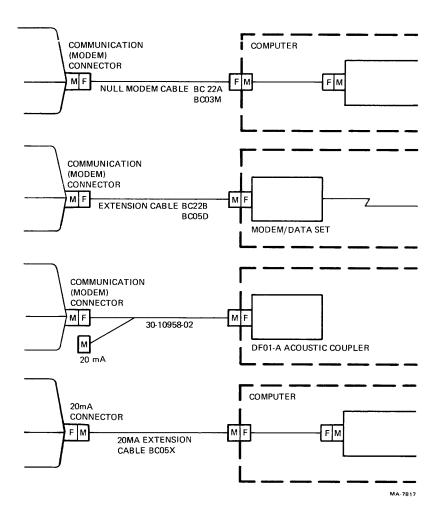


Figure 7-4 Cable Summary

# **BLOCK DIAGRAMS**

The VT125 is a complex device that has several separate processes operating at the same time to provide graphics and text over a simple terminal communication line. Figure 7-5 shows a general block diagram of the VT125. This shows two main functional blocks: the graphics processor and the VT100 text terminal that holds the graphics processor. The figure shows two important facts.

- The keyboard communicates only with the VT100, so that LOCAL operation can only cause actions in the VT100, not in the graphics processor.
- The graphics processor manages all communications between the computer and the VT100, and always uses XON/XOFF. (This SET-UP feature cannot be turned off.)

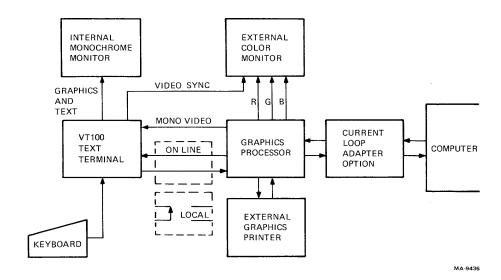


Figure 7-5 VT125 General Block Diagram

Figure 7-6 is a more detailed look at the communication structure in the graphics processor itself. This shows the buffers that are included for each of the three bidirectional communication ports in the graphics processor. The dispatcher is many processes. It controls the buffers with XON/XOFF. It sets up the data paths from each sending port to each receiving port. And it parses all communications according to ANSI X3.64-1979. That is, it examines data from all ports for instructions to itself. It passes anything that does not apply to the graphics processor to whichever ports are set to receive the data from that source. Among the ports controlled by the dispatcher are the selection of the graphics protocol under ANSI sequence control. The choices in that block of the diagram are ReGIS, VT105 emulation, and DECwriter graphics. The following five figures show the internal connections that are set up for different applications.

Figure 7-7 shows the VT125 operating as a text-only terminal. This is how the terminal operates when it is first powered up. If you send XOFF from the keyboard, either by pressing NO SCROLL (if AUTO XON/XOFF is on) or by pressing S while pressing CTRL, the receive buffer in the VT100 fills to the 32 character mark. Then the VT100 sends XOFF to the graphics processor. When the 16 character transmit buffer in the graphics processor fills, it sends XOFF to the dispatcher, and then the 128 character receive buffer fills to its 48 character mark. At that point (80 characters later) the graphics processor sends XOFF to the computer.

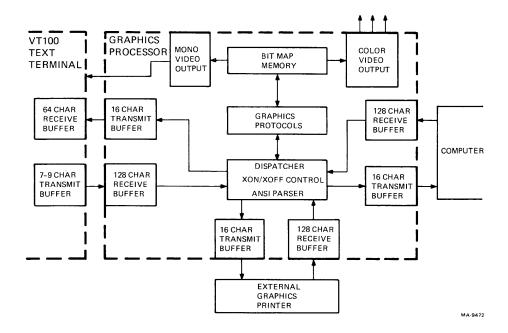


Figure 7-6 VT125 Data Paths

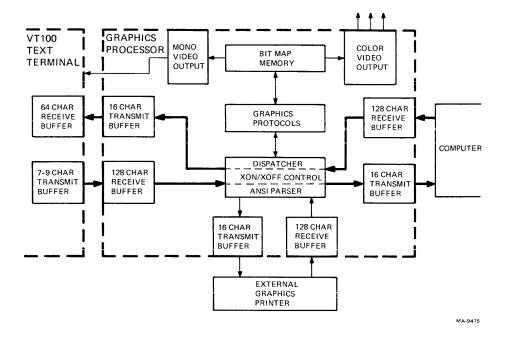


Figure 7-7 VT125 as Text-Only Terminal

Figure 7-8 shows the VT125 operating as a graphics terminal. A device control string is being sent to the terminal from the computer. The terminal may be in any protocol: ReGIS, VT105, or DECwriter graphics. The keyboard can communicate with the computer, but any screen response to keyboard commands is under the control of the computer's programming.

Figure 7-9 shows the VT125 operating as a graphics terminal. A device control string is being sent to the terminal from the computer. The graphics protocol commands are being displayed on the screen at the same time. This is a feature of VT125 ReGIS and is not available with the other protocols. The keyboard can communicate with the computer, but any screen response to keyboard commands is under the control of the computer's program.

Figure 7-10 shows the VT125 printing from the screen to the optional graphics printer in DECwriter graphics protocol. This is the result of the screen hardcopy command in ReGIS. The keyboard can communicate with the computer, but the computer cannot communicate with the dispatcher until the print operation is complete. However, if a graphics off command (string terminator: ESC \) immediately follows the hardcopy command, the computer can communicate with the dispatcher during the print operation.

Figure 7-11 shows the VT125 printing from the computer to the optional printer. This is the result of the ANSI media copy command from the computer. The media copy command can turn the VT100 and auxiliary (printer) ports on and off. Therefore, the screen could display the data that is going to the printer if wanted. To print a stored DECwriter graphics protocol file, display it on the screen and then use the ReGIS hardcopy command to print it.

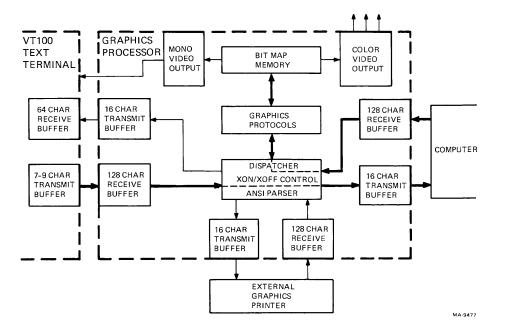


Figure 7-8 VT125 in a Graphics Protocol

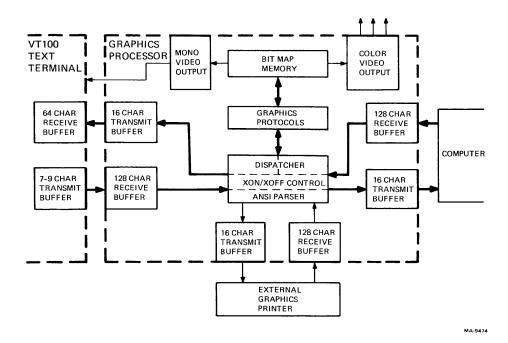


Figure 7-9 VT125 in ReGIS Graphics with Commands on Screen

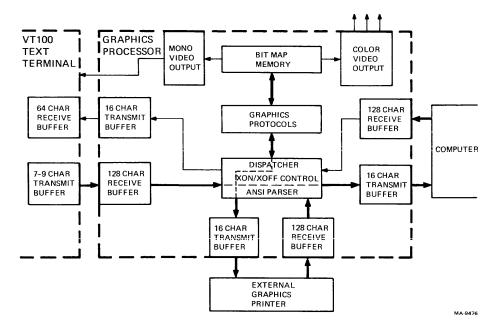


Figure 7-10 VT125 Printing from Screen

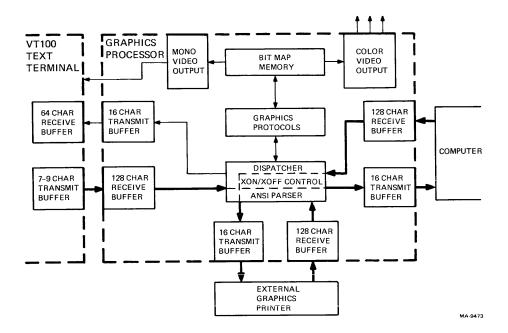


Figure 7-11 VT125 Printing from Computer

# INPUT BUFFER OVERFLOW PREVENTION

When the terminal receives a character (other than the NUL and DEL characters), the character is placed in a 128-character input buffer. The input buffer holds the received character until the dispatcher processes the character. When processed, the character is removed from the input buffer.

If received characters are placed in the input buffer faster than the characters are processed, the input buffer begins to fill with characters. If the input buffer becomes full, all new characters received are lost and the substitute character (\*) is displayed.

Using XON and XOFF characters between the terminal and the devices it communicates with prevents input buffer overflow. The graphics processor always has an automatic XON/XOFF protocol in operation. The many different operations that the processor can perform, from graphics protocols to local printing, take widely different amounts of time to perform. The techniques of fill characters and low speed operation (that are suggested as alternate methods of buffer overflow prevention for the VT100 text terminal) cannot be used with the VT125 graphics terminal.

# **XON and XOFF Control Characters**

The XON and XOFF control characters indicate the number of characters in an input buffer. When the 128 character input buffer of the graphics processor holds 48 characters, the graphics processor transmits XOFF (DC3, octal 023). The computer or other device should stop transmitting characters.

As the dispatcher removes characters from the input buffer, the number of characters in the buffer decreases. When the input buffer holds 16 characters, the graphics processor transmits XON (DC1, octal 021) requesting the computer to continue transmission.

If the computer fails to respond to the XOFF character transmitted by the graphics processor, the input buffer continues to fill. The graphics processor transmits a second XOFF when the input buffer holds 112 characters. This second XOFF is a last request to the computer to stop transmitting characters before overflow. Then, an overflow at 128 characters transmits a final XOFF.

To determine how fast the computer must respond to the first XOFF character to avoid input buffer overflow, use the following formulas.

Number of characters to overflow =  $80 - [3 \times (receiver speed/transmit speed)]$ 

Time to respond to XOFF = Number of characters to overflow  $\times$  (bits per character + parity bit + number of stop bits + 1)/receiver speed.

# Example 1

The graphics processor transmits and receives 8-bit characters with no parity at 1200 baud. When the graphics processor transmits the first XOFF, the computer stops transmitting within 0.642 seconds or the input buffer overflows.

Number of characters to overflow  $= 80 - [3 \times 1200/1200)] = 77$  characters

Time to respond to XOFF =  $77 \times (8+0+1+1)/1200 = 0.642$  second

# Example 2

The graphics processor is transmitting and receiving 7-bit characters with parity at 300 baud. When the graphics processor transmits the first XOFF, the computer stops transmitting within 2.57 seconds or the input buffer overflows.

Number of characters to overflow = 80 - [3  $\times$  300/300] = 77 characters

Time to respond to XOFF =  $77 \times (7+1+1+1)/300 = 2.57$  seconds

NOTE: If the input buffer overflows, received characters are ignored and the substitute character ( 🕷 ) is displayed.

# **EFFECTS OF RESET AND TESTS**

Two control sequences, reset and invoke confidence test, initialize the terminal and erase all buffers. This means that characters received while these two functions are processed are lost. Therefore, immediately after sending the reset or invoke confidence test sequences, the computer should assume that it received an XOFF from the terminal. The computer should then send no more characters until it receives XON. The terminal transmits XON only after it completes the test.

NOTE: The reset and invoke confidence test sequences may cause the terminal to disconnect from the communication line.

# TRANSMIT BUFFERS

The transmit buffers hold characters generated by the terminal before they are transmitted to the computer. The computer can use the XON (DC1, octal 021) and XOFF (DC3, octal 023) characters to control the transmission of characters from the terminal.

Receipt of XOFF stops the graphics processor from transmitting any characters except XOFF and XON. When the 16-character transmit buffer fills, the dispatcher stops accepting characters from the receive buffer of the port that is transmitting (for example, the VT100). When the receive buffer fills with 48 characters, it sends XOFF to its sender (in this example, the VT100). It transmits a second XOFF if the buffer fills to 112 characters. From seven to nine characters are stored in the VT100 keyboard buffer. (Some keys transmit three characters at once. The buffer locks at 7 characters to prevent loss of the added characters of a 3 character key stroke.) If the keyboard buffer fills, the KBD LOCKED indicator turns on and keyclicks stop (if the keyclick SET-UP B feature is on).

Receipt of XON starts the transmission of characters again. The 16-character transmit buffer empties and the dispatcher moves characters from the receive buffer to the transmit buffer. When the receive buffer empties to the 16-character level, it sends XON to the transmit buffer in the VT100. (Also, entering and exiting SET-UP turns off the KBD LOCKED indicator and allows the VT100 to transmit characters. However, characters transmitted after entering and exiting SET-UP may be lost if the receive buffer is not ready to receive characters.) When the keyboard buffer empties, the KBD LOCKED indicator turns off and keyclicks occur when keys are pressed (if the keyclick feature is on).

# Installation

# INSTALLATION

# **GENERAL**

This chapter describes how to install the VT125 terminal. The installation procedure describes how to select the proper input voltage selection and fuse for either 120 or 220 - 240 Vac operation. The power up and check-out procedure provides a step-by-step procedure for powering up the VT125 terminal.

# SITE CONSIDERATIONS

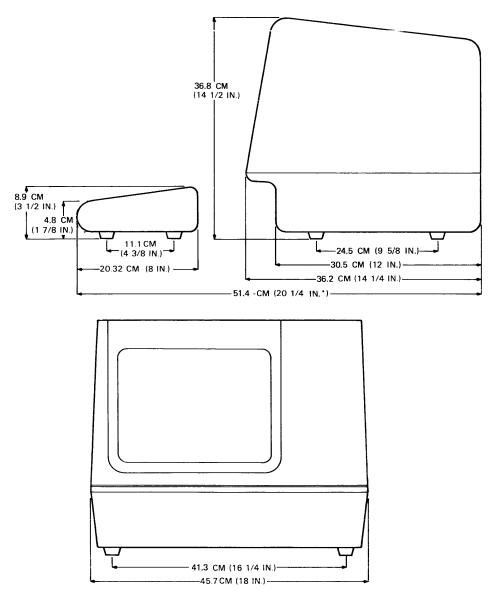
The VT125 terminal is made up of a video monitor and a detachable key-board. (Dimensions are shown in Figure 8-1). Table 8-1 lists the environmental and power specifications of the terminal. If the terminal will be used with a color video monitor, get four video cables that are long enough for your location.

NOTE: When installing the terminal, make sure that all power and signal cables are free from any stress, sharp bends, or obstructions. Also, be sure to provide access to the power switch on the back of the terminal.

Do not block air flow around the terminal. There are several ventilation openings to prevent the terminal from overheating. Do not block these openings by placing objects on top or under the terminal. Also, do not allow liquids, coins, paper clips, and other objects to enter these ventilation openings. These objects may damage the terminal. For this reason, do not put drinks or metal objects on the top of terminal.

The terminal may be placed on a desk or table top. However, people usually prefer the keyboard at standard typewriter table height rather than desk height. Terminal tables and stands are available from DIGITAL Accessories and Supplies Group. (Refer to Chapter 11 for more information on accessories.)

Position the terminal to avoid reflected light. Usually, the terminal is positioned facing away from light sources that reflect off the screen. However, if reflected light is a problem, nonreflective and antiglare screens are available from DIGITAL Accessories and Supplies Group. Also, antistatic mats are available from DIGITAL Accessories and Supplies Group for installations with static electricity problems.



\*MEASUREMENT TAKEN WITH THE KEYBOARD PLACED FLUSH TO FRONT OF TERMINAL UNDER UNDERCUT.

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Figure 8-1 VT125 Terminal Dimensions

Table 8-1 Site Con	siderations
Consideration	Specification
Temperature	18° to 40° C (50° to 104° F)
Relative humidity	10 to 90 percent with a maximum wet bulb temperature of 28° C (82° F) and a maximum dew point of 2° C (36° F) noncondensing
Input voltage	90 to 128 Vac 180 to 256 Vac (switch selectable)
Power consumption	250 VA apparent, 150 W maximum
Power receptacle	Nonswitched, grounded

# **INSPECTION**

The VT125 terminal is packed in a reinforced carton containing the following items.

Monitor Keyboard AC power cord SET-UP label VT125 User Guide VT125 Programming Reference Card

Inspect the terminal for damage and check that all the listed items are present.

NOTE: If damaged, notify the carrier and your local DIGITAL sales office.

# **INSTALLATION PROCEDURE**

The VT125 terminal can be installed using a 3 mm (1/8 in) blade screwdriver. However, more tools may be needed when installing accessories and options. Use the following general procedure to install the VT125 terminal (refer to Figure 8-2 for the switch and cable locations).

- 1. Unpack and inspect the terminal. Check that all items in the Inspection paragraph are listed.
- 2. Check the terminal for the proper voltage range selection. The terminal can operate with either 120 Vac or 220 - 240 Vac input power.

CAUTION: Failure to select the proper voltage range will damage the terminal.

A label over the power receptacle indicates the factory selected input voltage range. Check this label and the voltage selection switch to be sure that the voltage range of the terminal is the same as your local ac power source. Select the proper input voltage range if needed.

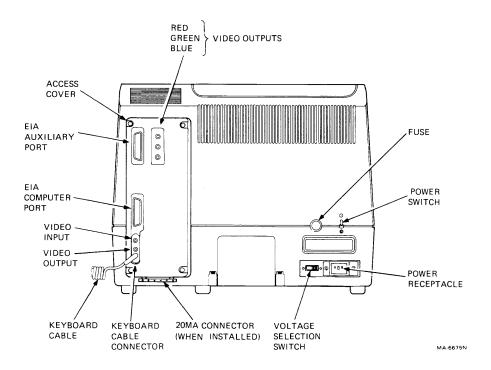


Figure 8-2 Monitor Controls and Connector Location

- 3. Install the correct power cable for your power source. (A list of available cables is in Chapter 11).
- Attach the SET-UP label to the bottom of the keyboard. Remove the backing paper on the self-sticking SET-UP label, then attach the label.
- 5. Place the keyboard in front of the terminal. Plug the keyboard into the keyboard connector located at the back of the terminal.
- 6. Connect the ac power cable to a nonswitched, grounded ac power receptacle.
  - NOTE: Check to be sure the power switch is in the OFF position before connecting the power cord.
- 7. Perform the power-up and checkout procedure in this chapter. When these procedures have been completed, continue this installation procedure.
- 8. Turn off the power and disconnect the power cord.
- 9. If needed, install the Advanced Video Option (VT1XX-AB) and the 20 mA Current Loop Option (VT1XX-CA). Perform the option installation and option checkout procedures in Chapter 10.

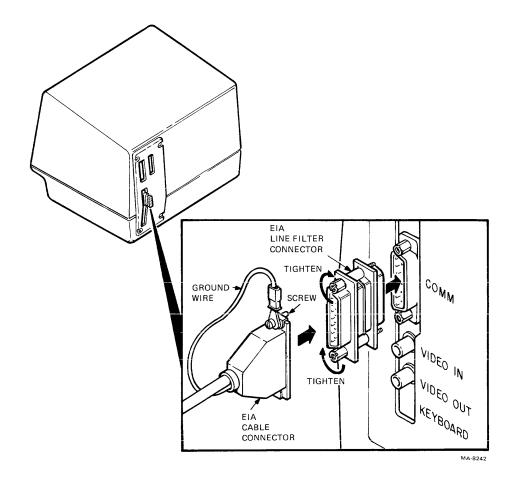


Figure 8-3 Interface Cable Connection

10. Connect the communication cable to the appropriate connector at the back of the terminal. If using the EIA interface, install the EIA line filter connector (see note) with a 5 mm (3/16 in) screwdriver (Figure 8-3.) Then fasten the cable connector to the terminal tightening the captive screws with a 3 mm (1/8 in) blade screwdriver. Be sure to attach the cable ground wire to one of the captive screws. (Refer to Chapter 5 for information about connector use and signal/pin definitions.)

NOTE: Step 10 also applies to VT100's that have been upgraded to VT125's. Some units do not require the EIA line filter. If your upgrade installer did not install the EIA line filter, you do not need to add it at this step.

11. Connect an optional external video monitor. If the monitor is color, use three video cables to connect the red, green, and blue outputs from the VT125 to the inputs on the monitor (Figure 8-2). Connect the composite video output from the VT125 to the sync input on the monitor, and set the monitor to select external synchronization.

If the monitor has the ability to pass the video signals to another device (loopthrough), be sure that either the monitor (if alone) or the last device in the string is set to terminate the video and sync signals in 75 ohms.

If the external monitor is monochrome (black and white), connect only the composite video output from the VT125 to the monitor input. Be sure the video signal is terminated in 75 ohms. The video output signals and the other connector, the video input, are described in detail in Appendix A.

12. Connect an optional printer to the auxiliary port. Refer to Chapters 7 and 2, and the printer's user guide for information about setting the communication features of both the printer and the auxiliary port to the same values.

Performing these procedures completes the installation of the terminal.

# **POWER UP AND CHECKOUT PROCEDURE**

A power-up self-test verifies the proper operation of the VT125 terminal each time the terminal is powered up. Perform the following procedure to power up and checkout the terminal.

- Turn the power switch to the ON position (refer to Figure 8-2 for the switch location). The terminal automatically runs the power-up selftest. The test gives the following indications.
  - a. Keyboard and screen flash on and off.
  - All keyboard indicators turn on and off, and either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator turns on.
  - c. The wait message displays on the screen and then is erased.
  - d. A bell tone sounds.
  - e. A band of light appears at the top of the screen and is erased.
  - f. Another bell tone sounds.

g. A message appears to announce the result of the VT125 self-test, and a box is drawn\* around the margins of the graphics screen area. (This message stays on the screen until the first character arrives over the communication line.)

NOTE: No messages appear on the screen until the terminal warms up.

h. The text cursor is displayed in the upper-left corner of the screen.

Any error found by the power-up self-test is displayed on the screen as a character, as a message, on keyboard indicators L1-L4, or by several bell tones. Refer to the Self-Test Error Codes section of Chapter 9 for more information about the error indications.

- 2. If the terminal powers up correctly and you are going to install any options, continue with the installation procedure. Then select the SET-UP features you want as described in Chapter 2.
- 3. When the SET-UP features are selected, record the feature selections on the SET-UP label attached to the bottom of the keyboard.

<sup>\*</sup>Not on all units

# Maintenance and Troubleshooting

# MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING



# **GENERAL**

This chapter describes maintenance procedures, troubleshooting (what to do in the event of a problem), and self-tests used with the VT125 terminal. Try to troubleshoot the terminal yourself before requesting service.

### MAINTENANCE

The VT125 terminal needs no preventive maintenance. However, its cabinet may be cleaned with any mild detergent that does not use solvents.

CAUTION: Do not use too much detergent when cleaning the terminal. If liquids get inside the terminal, it may be damaged.

- 1. To clean the surfaces of the terminal, apply the detergent to a cloth or tissue and then clean the terminal.
- 2. To clean the screen, apply the detergent to a cloth or tissue and then clean the screen.
- 3. To clean the keys, rub with a dry or moist cloth.

CAUTION: Do not remove the keycaps when cleaning; the keyswitch contacts can be damaged if the keycaps are replaced incorrectly.

# WHAT TO DO IN THE EVENT OF A PROBLEM

If the terminal appears to be faulty, perform the following procedure. If the problem is not solved by this procedure, refer to Table 9-1 for a list of typical problems.

- 1. Turn the power switch to the OFF position. Check the following.
  - a. Power Cord Be sure the cord is connected securely at both the terminal and at the wall outlet. Check the wall outlet with another device, such as a lamp, to be sure that it is providing ac power.

Table 9-1 Problem C	Checklist			
Symptom	Possible Cause	Corrective Action		
ON LINE or LOCAL indicator is on with no cursor on screen.	Screen brightness is too low.	Enter SET-UP and increase the screen brightness.		
ON LINE or LOCAL indicator is not on with no keyboard response. Cursor is on screen.	Keyboard cable is not connected to terminal.	Turn off terminal and connect keyboard cable		
KBD LOCKED indicator is on.	Keyboard buffer is full, keyboard cannot accept more charac- ters. Terminal was XOFFed by computer.	Entering and exiting SET-UP clears this condition.		
CAUTION: Characters	may be lost using this proce	edure.		
Terminal does not respond to typed characters. Keyclicks are generated and keyboard indicators	Screen can not be updated by the computer because terminal has XOFFed computer.	Press the <b>NO SCROLL</b> key. (If no change, press key again.)		
function	Print operation cannot be completed.	Check printer.		
Wrong or substitute (X)) characters or no characters appear on the screen.	SET-UP feature selection is incorrect.	Correct the SET-UP fea- tures. Suggested SET-UF features that may be in error are: ANSI/VT52 mode Auto XON/XOFF Bits per character Parity Parity sense Receive speed Transmit speed		
	Computer has made an error.	Check computer system.		
Several bell tones sound during power up, Reset or Recall.	There is a read or write problem with user permanent memory.	Check the SET-UP feature settings and try the save operation.		

- b. Voltage Selection Switch and Fuse Be sure the switch is in the correct position and the fuse is good. (Remove the fuse holder cap by pressing it in and turning it counterclockwise. Replace the fuse holder cap by pressing it in and turning it clockwise.)
- c. Keyboard Coiled Cord Check that the cord is securely plugged into the keyboard connector at the back of the terminal.
- 2. Turn the power switch to the ON position. The terminal performs the power-up self-test. (Refer to Power-Up Self-Test on page 215 for more information about the power-up test.) If the terminal does not power up correctly, call your local DIGITAL service office.
- 3. If needed, perform the computer port data loopback self-test with a loopback connector. (Refer to the Loopback Test descriptions on page 216 for more information.)

## VT125 SELF-TESTS

The VT125 terminal has several self-tests available for checking the operation of the terminal. The VT125 is a graphics processor residing in a VT100 terminal. Some self-tests check the VT100. The other tests are for the graphics processor itself.

The power-up self-test is performed each time the terminal is powered up. The other tests may be performed after the power-up self-test is completed. To perform the other tests the terminal must be disconnected from the communication line and an external loopback connector installed.

# Preparing for Self-Tests

Use this procedure to prepare the terminal for all self-tests except a single power-up test.

- 1. Press the power switch to the OFF position.
- 2. Disconnect the communication cables from the computer and auxiliary data ports. The computer port communication cable may be either EIA or 20 mA.
- 3. If a cable was connected to the EIA computer port connector, install an EIA loopback connector on the EIA connector (Figure 9-1). The EIA loopback connector part number is 12-15336. One loopback connector was shipped with the terminal or upgrade kit.
- 4. If a cable was connected to the 20 mA connector, the 20 mA Current Loop Adapter Option is installed. Install the loopback connector (DIGITAL PN 70-15503-00) that was included with the option. Do not use the EIA loopback connector at the same time as the current loop connector.

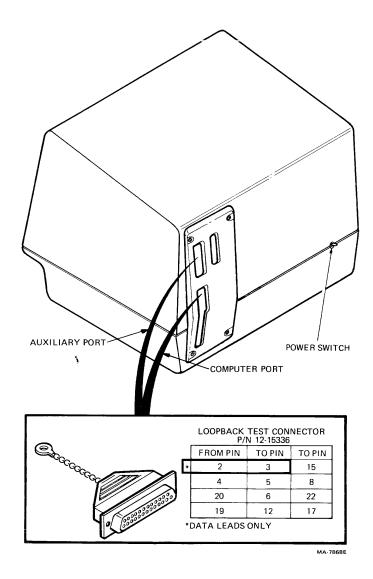


Figure 9-1 EIA Loopback Connector

- To perform the auxiliary port tests, install an EIA loopback connector on the auxiliary port connector. If the communication port is EIA, you need a second EIA loopback connector (refer to Chapter 11 for ordering information).
- 6. Turn the power switch ON.
- 7. Be sure the terminal is ON LINE with the ANSI/VT52 SET-UP B feature selected to ANSI (SET-UP B switch 2-3=1).

# **POWER-UP SELF-TEST**

A power-up self-test is built into the VT125 terminal to test the operation of the terminal. The test checks the general operation of the VT100 terminal, including the Advanced Video Option if installed, the user permanent SET-UP feature memory and the keyboard, and the general operation of the graphics processor, including the bit map memory.

To perform the power-up self-test, turn the terminal on. Or if power is on, enter SET-UP and press the **0** (RESET) key. Prepare the terminal for self-test if the test must be run continuously, and type one of the following sequences to perform the test.

ESC [ 4; 1 y Performs the power-up self-test once

ESC [4; 1; 9 y Performs the power-up self-test continuously

NOTE: This test can also be performed with the VT100 power-up test sequence (<ESC>[2;1y). The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the following indications.

- Keyboard and screen flash on and off.
- All keyboard indicators turn on and off, and either the ON LINE or LO-CAL indicator is turned on.
- The wait message displays on the screen and then is erased.
- A bell tone sounds.
- A band of light appears at the top of the screen and is erased.
- Another bell tone sounds.
- A message appears to announce the result of the VT125 self-test, and a box is drawn\* around the margins of the graphics screen area.

NOTE: No messages appear on the screen until the terminal warms up.

• The text cursor displays in the upper-left corner of the screen.

Any error found by the power-up self-test displays on the screen as a character, as a message, on keyboard indicators L1-L4, or by several bell tones. Refer to the Self-Test Error Codes section of this chapter for more information about the error indications.

<sup>\*</sup>Not on all units.

# COMPUTER PORT DATA LOOPBACK SELF-TEST

The computer port data loopback test checks that the VT125 terminal can transmit and receive characters over the computer data port. The computer port must have the loopback connector installed. Refer to Preparing for Self-Tests on page 213.

To perform the data loopback self-test, type one of the following sequences.

ESC[4;1;2y Performs the power-up and computer

port data loopback self-tests

ESC[4;1;2;9y Performs the power-up and computer

> port data loopback self-tests continuously until failure

NOTE: The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the following indications.

- Either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator turns on.
- The wait message displays on the screen and then is erased.
- The cursor displays in the upper-left corner of the screen.
- If the computer port data loopback test fails, the message "VT125 EC Error" displays on the internal monitor.

Turn the power switch OFF. Remove the loopback connector and connect the communication cable.

# **AUXILIARY PORT DATA LOOPBACK TEST**

The auxiliary port data loopback test checks that the VT125 terminal can transmit and receive characters over the auxiliary data port. Both the computer port and the auxiliary port must have loopback connectors installed.

To perform the auxiliary port data loopback test, type one of the following sequences.

ESC [4;1;3 y	Performs the power-up and auxiliary port data loopback self-tests
ESC [ 4; 1; 3; 9 y	Performs the power-up and auxiliary port data loopback self-tests continuously until failure

NOTE: The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the following indications.

- Either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator turns on.
- The wait message displays on the screen and then is erased.
- The cursor displays in the upper-left corner of the screen.
- If the test fails, the message "VT125 SC Error" displays.

Turn the power switch OFF. Remove the loopback connector and connect the communication cable.

# **DISPLAY TEST**

This test requires you to check the screen of the internal monitor and the color monitor (if present) for correct operation. The screen cycles through the four intensity levels of each of the three primaries and white to test the output memory. The computer data port must have the loopback connector installed.

To perform the display test, type one of the following sequences to perform the test.

ESC [4;1;4y Performs the power-up and display self-

tests

ESC[4;1;4;9y Performs the power-up and display self-

tests continuously until failure

NOTE: The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the indications listed in Table 9-2.

Step Monochrome				Color Hard Tolor				
1	Black	White	Light Grey	Dim Grey	Black	Light Red	Black	Black
2	Dim Grey	Black	White	Light Grey	Dim Blue	Dim Red	Dim Green	Dim Grey
3	Light Grey	Dim Grey	Black	White	Light Blue	Light Red	Light Green	Light Grey
4	White	Light Grey	Dim Grey	Black	Light Green	Light Red	Light Blue	Black
5	White	Light Grey	Dim Grey	Black	Black	Black	Black	Black

# **VIDEO BIT MAP MEMORY TEST**

This test checks that every bit in both video bit map planes can be written to both one and zero. The computer data port must have the loopback connector installed.

To perform the video bit map memory test, type one of the following sequences.

ESC[4;1;5y Performs the power-up and video bit map memory tests

ESC[4;1;5;9y Performs the power-up and video bit map memory tests continuously until failure

NOTE: The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the following indications.

- The screen fills with levels of intensity (or color) moving from top to bottom.
- If this test fails, the message "VT125 BM Error" is displayed.

# **VT125 SELF-TEST ERROR CODES**

If any of keyboard indicators L1 through L4 are lit at the end of power-up self-test, or if the complete screen flashes, request service for the terminal.

If a character appears under the blinking cursor at the top left corner of the screen, or a message appears in the center of the screen, check Table 9-3 for the meaning of the error code character or message. Note that the character displayed could mean that more than one error has been detected. To clear the error indication after the error is corrected, reset or power up the terminal.

	Memory	Keyboard		
Х				
	X*			
Χ	Χ			
		X†		
X		X		
X	X	X		
Faults Detected				
None – normal power up test results.				
VT100 text terminal is LOCAL LOCAL was saved in SET-UP, or User Permanent Memory problem.				
Video Bit Map Memory. One or more pixels are bad.				
Vector generator				
Internal communications				
Auxiliary port				
Compu	iter port			
100 March 1881 March 1	X X X None- VT100 or Use Video I Vector Interna Auxiliai	X* X X X X X X Y Faults Dete		

There are three types of errors indicated by the self-test code characters.

Advanced Video Option (AVO) if installed

If the advanced video option fails, the terminal operates with the basic VT100 text

If the user permanent SET-UP

capabilities.

**User Permanent SET-UP** Feature Memory failure

(memory)

feature memory fails, the terminal operates using default SET-UP feature selections for each of the features. (Refer to Chapter 2 for more information on the SET-UP feature memories.)

Keyboard missing or malfunction (keyboard) If only the keyboard fails, the terminal ends the test ON LINE, so that it may operate as a receive-only terminal. The SET-UP feature selections cannot be changed.

There are six types of errors indicated by the self-test error messages.

VT125 Offline

VT100 text terminal is LOCAL. LOCAL was saved in SET-UP, or user permanent memory problem. Terminal can only process received graphics commands.

Video bit map memory has one or more bad pixels. VT125 BM Error

VT125 VG Error Vector generator could not draw sample shape.

Graphics probably does not work, but terminal may

communicate normally.

Internal communications failed. VT125 cannot VT125 IC Error

communicate with VT100. Terminal can only

process received graphics.

VT125 SC Error Auxiliary port failed data loopback test. Terminal

cannot send data to printer.

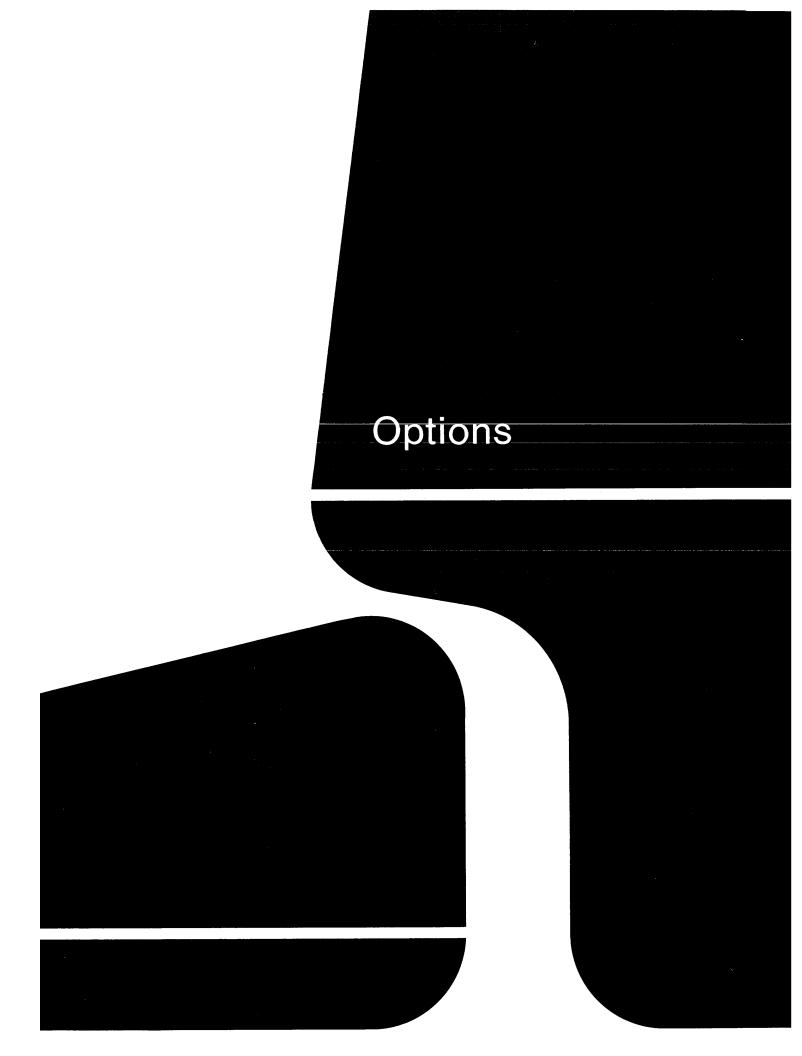
VT125 EC Error Computer port failed data loopback test. Terminal

can only operate as text terminal in LOCAL.

A box is drawn around the margin of the graphics screen area.\* If any part of the box is missing or distorted, the graphics board needs service.

Table 9-3 shows the possible error characters that are displayed on the screen and the failure indicated by each character. Notice that the character displayed could indicate that more than one error has been found.

<sup>\*</sup>Not on all units.



# OPTIONS

# **GENERAL**

The VT125 Graphics Terminal is a VT100 text terminal with a factory-installed graphics processor. There are two more options that can be installed into the VT125 at its operating location. They are the 29 mA Current Loop Option and the Advanced Video Option. Other options that can be used with the VT125 are a color monitor and a graphics hardcopy printer. Installation of the monitor and printer is explained in the Installation chapter (Chapter 8). This chapter explains the installation of options into the VT125 itself.

This chapter also explains the installation of the VT1XX-CB and -CL graphics processors into the VT100 and VT105.

# 20 mA CURRENT LOOP INTERFACE OPTION (VT1XX-CA)

This option is an optional interface used to connect the VT125 terminal to a computer. The 20 mA option is a board installed into the VT125 terminal and an interface connector. Figure 10-1 shows the 20 mA current loop interface connector and pin assignments. The 20 mA current loop interface option can operate at a distance up to 300 meters (1000 feet).

NOTE: The VT125 terminal is designed to use either 20 mA or EIA communications. If EIA is used on a terminal that has the 20 mA option installed, the cable connecting the 20 mA option board to the terminal controller board must be disconnected.

Both the transmitter and receiver of the 20 mA interface board can be selected for active and normal (passive) operation. The terminal is usually connected for normal (passive) operation. Operation is passive when the terminal does not supply the 20 mA current needed during communication. The transmitter goes to the mark condition when power is turned off.

Operation is active when the terminal supplies the 20 mA current needed during communication. In an active configuration, there is no isolation and the transmitter goes to the space condition when power to the terminal is turned off.

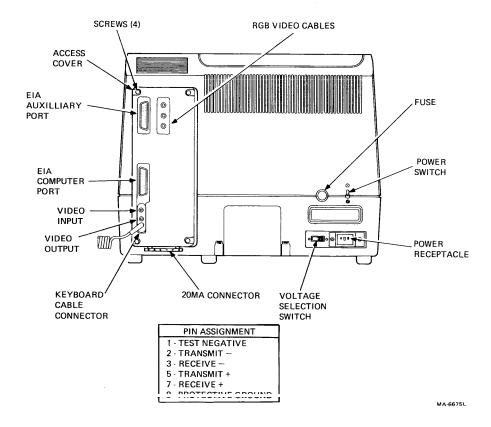


Figure 10-1 20 mA Connector and Pin Locations

# Installation

The tools needed to install this option are a 5 mm (3/16 in) blade screwdriver and a number 2 Phillips screwdriver. Use the following procedure to install the 20 mA current loop option.

- 1. Turn power switch to the OFF position and disconnect the power cord (Figure 10-1).
- 2. Unplug the keyboard.
- 3. If installed, disconnect any video cables.
- 4. If installed, disconnect any communication cables.
- 5. With a number 2 Phillips screwdriver, remove the four screws holding the VT125 access cover in place (Figure 10-1). Remove the access cover.
- 6. Install the 20 mA current loop option board onto the access cover with the three Phillips screws provided with the option (Figure 10-2).
- 7. Use a 5 mm (3/16 in) screwdriver and the two hexhead screws (provided with the option) to install the 20 mA connector to the bottom of the access cover.

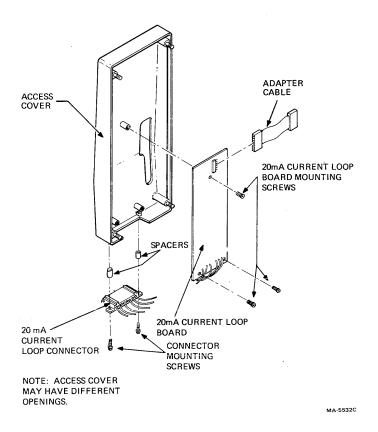


Figure 10-2 20 mA Current Loop Option Board Installation

- 8. Select TRANSmit and RECeive switches for the proper configuration (Figure 10-3).
  - NOTE: These switches must be selected for NORMAL (passive) operation to perform the loopback test. The loopback test verifies proper operation of the option after installation.
- Connect the adapter cable P5 to J5 on the terminal controller board.
   Note that the connector fits only one way. Place the access cover next to the opening in the back of the terminal. Connect the other end of the cable to the 20 mA board (Figure 10-4).
- 10. Place the access cover into the opening of the terminal and tighten the four screws to fasten it.
- 11. Perform the computer data port loopback test.

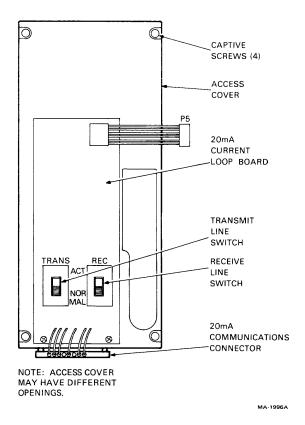


Figure 10-3 20 mA Current Loop Option Switches

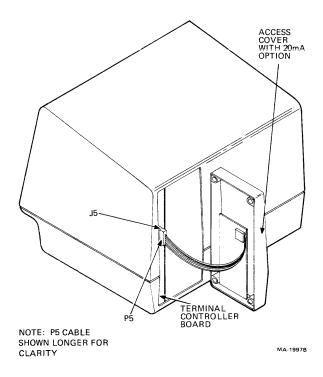


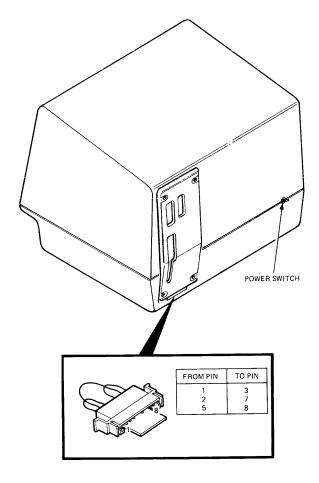
Figure 10-4 20 mA Current Loop Option Cable Position

### **Computer Data Port Loopback Self-Test**

This test checks that the VT125 terminal can transmit and receive characters over the computer data port. The transmit and receive lines must be connected to each other with an external loopback connector.

To perform the data loopback self-test, use the following procedure.

- 1. With the power switch OFF, disconnect the communication cable. Install the loopback connector (DIGITAL PN 70-15503-00), included with the option, on the computer data port connector (Figure 10-5).
- 2. Turn the power switch ON. The terminal performs the power-up self-test.



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Figure 10-5 20 mA Loopback Connector

3. Be sure the terminal is ON LINE with the ANSI/VT52 SET-UP B feature selected to ANSI (SET-UP B switch 2-3 = 1). The terminal transmit and receive speeds must be the same and 300 baud or faster. Type one of the following sequences to perform the test.

Performs the power-up and computer data port loopback self-tests.

Performs the power-up and computer data port loopback self-tests continuously until failure.

NOTE: The continuously running test ends only if an error is found or if power is turned off.

The test gives the following indications.

- a. Either the ON LINE or LOCAL indicator turns on.
- The wait message displays on the screen and then is erased.
- c. The cursor displays in the upper-left corner of the screen.
- d. If the computer data port loopback test fails, the message "VT125 EC Error" is displayed on the internal monitor.
- 4. Turn the power switch OFF. Remove the loopback connector and connect the communication cable.

### **Advanced Video Option**

This option adds the following features to the text terminal capabilities of the VT125.

- 1. Ten additional lines of 132-column display The screen can now display a total of 24 lines in either 80- or 132-column format.
- Additional character attributes Any text terminal characters can now be highlighted in any of the following ways: bold, blink, underline, reverse, or any combination of the four.
- 3. Capability to use an additional character generator ROM, for another resident character set.

### Installation

Use the following procedure to install the VT1XX-AB Advanced Video option. A number 2 Phillips screwdriver is needed to install this option.

- 1. Turn the power switch OFF and disconnect the power cord (Figure 10-1).
- 2. Unplug the keyboard.
- 3. If installed, disconnect any video cables.
- 4. If installed, disconnect any communication cables.
- 5. With a number 2 Phillips screwdriver, remove the four screws holding the access cover in place (Figure 10-2). Remove the access cover.
- 6. If a 20 mA current loop option is installed, disconnect the short cable from the current loop option board (Figure 10-4).
- 7. Remove the ground wires from the terminal controller and graphics processor boards.
- 8. Loosen the two large boards from their sockets, one at a time, and then pull them out together about 5 cm (2 in).
- Remove both flat cables from the graphics processor board. See the VT100 upgrade procedure illustrations in this chapter.
- 10. Remove the terminal controller board from the chassis.
- 11. Locate the four mounting holes drilled in the terminal controller board for the Advanced Video Option (AVO) and mount a plastic standoff in each hole (Figure 10-6).
- 12. Holding the AVO board by the edges, align the AVO connector with the pins on the terminal controller board. Press the board into place.
- 13. Slide the terminal controller partially into the chassis and reconnect the two flat cables to the graphics processor board.
- Reconnect the ground wires to the terminal controller and graphics processor boards.
- 15. Slide both boards into the chassis together, taking care not to stretch the cables. Seat both boards in their sockets, one at a time.

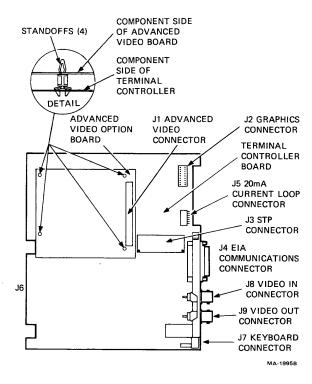


Figure 10-6 Advanced Video Option Location and Installation

- 16. Place the access cover into the opening of the terminal, replacing the 20 mA adapter cable if present, and tighten the four screws.
- 17. Replace the power cord.
- 18. Perform the advanced video option test.

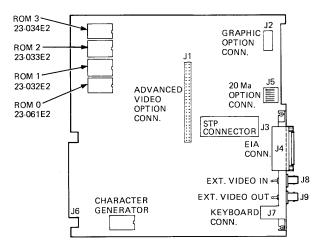
### **Advanced Video Option Test**

Use the following procedure to check out the operation of the Advanced Video Option.

- 1. Turn the terminal power on and check that no error was detected during the power-up self-test.
- Press SET-UP. The words SET-UP A should blink in boldface, the words TO EXIT PRESS SET-UP should be underlined, and the tab ruler at the bottom of the screen should have alternating normal and reverse video sections even if the cursor is selected to underline.
- 3. Place the terminal in 132-column mode and then in LOCAL.
- 4. Exit SET-UP and type the following sequence.

### ESC < ESC # 8

The screen should now display 24 lines  $\times$  132 columns.



23-061 E2 NUMBER SHOULD BE 061 OR LARGER

NOTE: ROMS MAY BE INSTALLED IN ANY ORDER ON TERMINAL CONTROLLER BOARD.

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Figure 10-7 Check ROM Numbers

### VT1XX-CB OR -CL INSTALLATION INTO VT100 AND VT105

The VT1XX-CB or -CL is a kit of all the parts needed to install a VT125 graphics processor into a VT100 or VT105.

NOTE TO CUSTOMER: Please do not try to install this complex option. Call your DIGITAL Field Service branch for assistance.

NOTE: Before installing the graphics processor, check the ROMs and the etch revision level on the terminal controller board (at step 7 of this procedure). Compare the numbers of the ROMs on the board with the numbers in Figure 10-7. They should be equal or larger.

Check the etch number on the solder side of the board. Look for the number 5013008 followed by a letter. If the letter is D, E, etc., the board can be used. If the letter is A, B, or C, you cannot use the board. Use the EIA line filter connector (included in kit) with a REV F board.

If either of these prerequisites cannot be met, consult your Field Service branch office for information.

### INSTALLATION

The tools needed to install the VT1XX-CB or -CL are the following: 1/4 inch nutdriver, number 2 Phillips screwdriver, needlenosed pliers, and 3/16 inch blade screwdriver. Use the following procedure to install the VT1XX-CB or -CL.

- 1. Turn off the power and disconnect the power cord.
- 2. Unplug the keyboard.
- Remove the access cover (4 Phillips screws or four slotted plastic screws). (Refer to Figure 10-1.) If a 20 mA current loop option is installed, disconnect the short cable from the terminal controller board (Figure 10-4).
- 4. Remove the shipping bolts if installed (1/4 inch hexhead). You can discard them.
- 5. Release the pop fasteners at the front and back of the terminal with a blade screwdriver and remove the top cover (Figure 10-8).
- 6. Release the pop fasteners at the front and back of the chassis with your fingers and remove the chassis from the bottom cover.
- 7. Remove the terminal controller board from the chassis.
- On VT100: Remove the terminal controller edge connector in either of two ways.
  - a. Release the two retaining rings from the edge connector with needlenosed pliers.
  - b. Lift the clips at the top and bottom of the edge connector and discard the clips.
  - On VT105: Disconnect the power cable from the VT105 expansion backplane and remove the backplane (Figure 10-9).
- 9. The new expansion backplane has two capacitors on it, and its terminal controller edge connector has an alignment key in it. Remove this key with needlenosed pliers unless installing the option in a terminal with a Revision F or higher terminal controller board. Install the new expansion backplane with four 12.7 mm (1/2 in) × 4-40 screws and keps nuts and four 6.4 mm (1/4 in) spacers. Install the screws at the connector positions marked J1 and J5 on the board (Figure 10-9). The dc power cable must be flat against the chassis or the backplane will not fit.

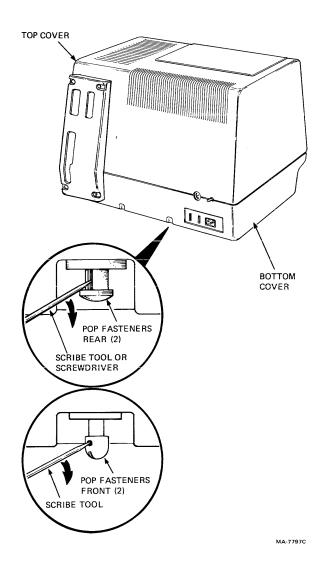


Figure 10-8 Top Cover Removal

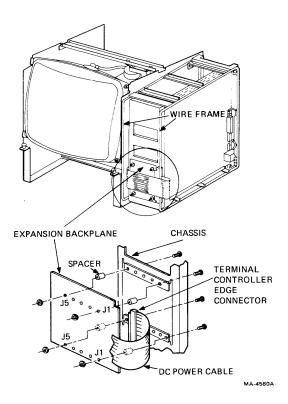


Figure 10-9 Expansion Backplane Installation

- 10. Use needlenosed pliers to remove the alignment key, if installed, from the connector opening in the dc power cable. Bend the dc power cable around so that the opening faces the CRT. Install the connector onto the board edge connector, passing the cable around the wire frame if it is present (Figure 10-9).
- 11. Install card guides into the top and bottom of the card cage at the VT125 connector position.
- 12. At the fourth hole from the left on the chassis top (over the BNC bracket) press the ground clip with a wire onto the chassis (Figure 10-10).

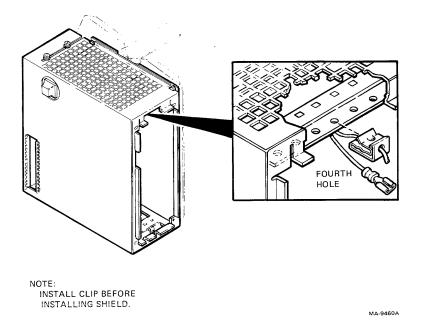


Figure 10-10 Installing Ground Clips

- 13. Install the FCC RF shield (Figure 10-11).
  - a. Loosen, but do not remove, two Phillips screws at the top of the chassis.
  - b. Set the chassis on end with the cage up.

NOTE: The terminal rests on several parts that stick out on the bottom. Set the terminal on a protected surface to prevent damage.

There are bumpers attached to both sides of the chassis. They protect the terminal during shipping and can be removed now if needed.

- c. Loosen, but do not remove, two Phillips screws at the bottom of the chassis.
- d. Slide the shield onto the cage.
- e. Tighten the four Phillips screws.

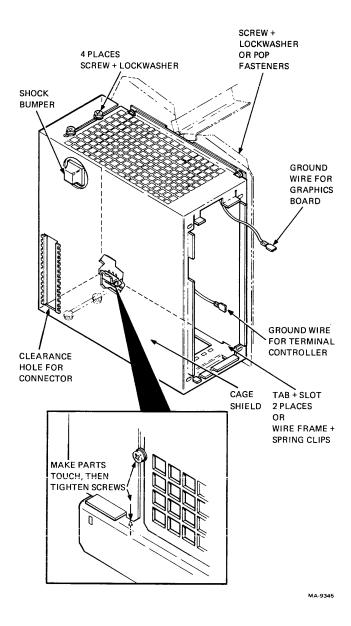


Figure 10-11 RF Shield Installed

- 14. Put the chassis into the bottom cover and press the pop fasteners to close them. Put the top cover over the terminal and press the pop fasteners to close them.
- 15. Slide the terminal controller board partially into the chassis.
- 16. Install the VT100 end of the 16-pin flat cable connector to the lower 16 pins of the terminal controller board's graphic connector (marked J2 on the terminal controller board) with the cable entering from the right (Figure 10-12).

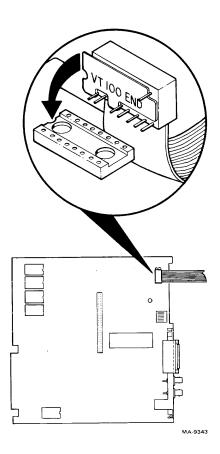


Figure 10-12 16-Pin Flat Cable on Terminal Controller

- 17. Install the STP board in the STP connector. Lift the 16-pin cable slightly if needed to clear the spacer when inserting the STP board. Attach it to the terminal controller board with the supplied screw and washer (Figure 10-13).
- 18. Find the end of the 24-pin cable that has pin 1 on the cable side. (The red stripe should be on the left.) Fold the cable under itself to the right approximately 3 cm (one inch) from the connector. Install that end into the socket on the STP board with the cable down (Figure 10-14).
- 19. Install the VT125 board into the chassis so that it sticks out approximately 5 cm (2 in) more than the terminal controller board.
- 20. Arrange the 16-pin graphic connector with the cable entering from above and install it into the connector at the top edge of the VT125 board (Figure 10-15).
- 21. Arrange the 24-pin connector with the cable entering from the right and install it into the 24-pin socket at the right edge of the VT125 board (Figure 10-15).

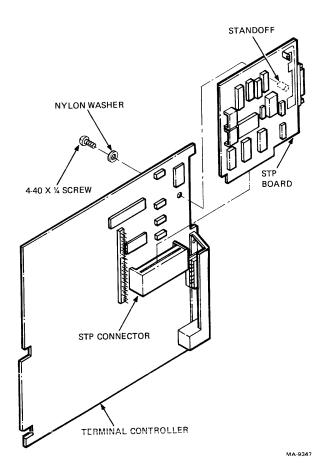


Figure 10-13 STP Board Installation

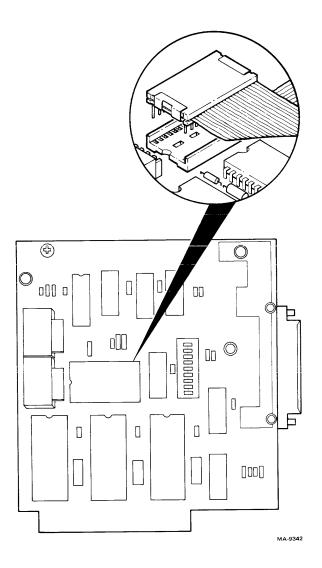


Figure 10-14 24-Pin Flat Cable on STP Board

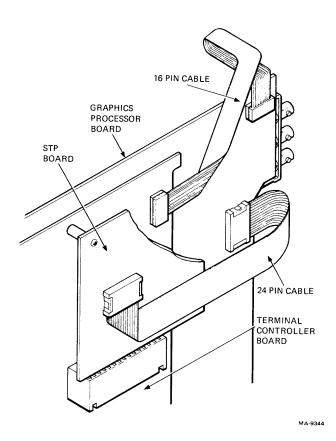


Figure 10-15 Graphic Cable Connections

- 22. Check the switches on the STP board and set switches 1, 3, and 4 OFF, with all the other switches ON (Figure 10-16).
- 23. Connect the ground wire from the top of the chassis to the quick-connect terminal on the BNC connector bracket (Figure 10-17).
- 24. Slide both boards into the chassis together, taking care not to stretch the cables. Seat both boards in their sockets, one at a time.
- 25. If the 20 mA adapter was installed on the VT100, remove the adapter board from the VT100 access cover and install it into the new access cover. (Refer to procedure in this chapter.)
- 26. Install the 20 mA connector cable (if present) to the red connector on the terminal controller board.
- 27. Adjust the cables in the access opening and install the access cover, tightening the four screws carefully.
- 28. Perform the installation, power-up, and checkout procedure that is described in Chapter 8. If using the EIA interface on a REV F etch board, be sure to install the EIA line filter connector as shown in Figure 8-3.

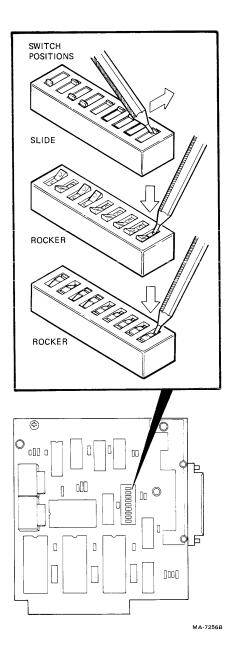


Figure 10-16 STP Board Switches - Variations

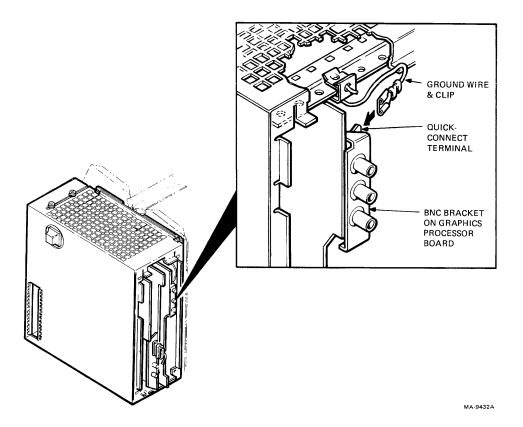


Figure 10-17 Connecting BNC Bracket and Ground Wire

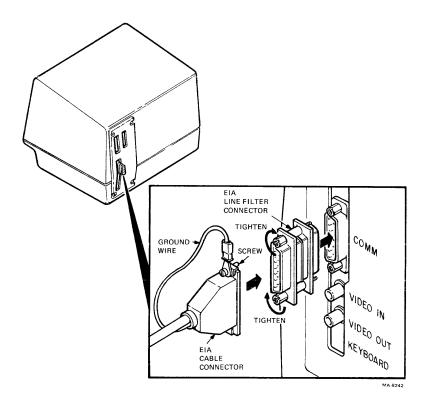


Figure 10-18 Interface Cable Connection

# Accessories and Supplies

## ACCESSORIES AND SUPPLIES

### **GENERAL**

This chapter describes accessories and supplies offered by DIGITAL for the VT125 terminal. Included in this chapter is a description of the accessories and supplies, their part numbers and ordering information. For a complete listing of accessories and supplies available from DIGITAL, see the DECdirect catalog. (See Ordering Information for the number to call for a free copy.)

### **ACCESSORIES**

Part Number	Description
VT1XX-AE	VT100 formed screen filter, grey, antiglare coating
VT1XX-AR	VT100 nonreflective filter screen
VT1XX-AW	VT100 formed screen filter, green
VT1XX-AX	VT100 formed screen filter, light green
VT1XX-AY	VT100 formed screen filter, amber
VT1XX-FA	Gray antiglare filter kit
VT1XX-FB	Green antiglare filter kit
VT1XX-FC	Bronze antiglare filter kit
VT1XX-SA	VT100 series tilt-swivel base
VT1XX-ST	VT100 terminal stand with casters
VT1XX-SU	VT100 terminal table (VT1XX-ST), lot of 25
VT1XX-SV	VT100 terminal table (VT1XX-ST), lot of 50

### **ACCESSORIES**

Part Number	Description
H9850-HK	Heavy gauge vinyl dust cover, charcoal brown
H980-CS	Catalog stand with eight one-inch removable cartridges for 8-1/2 inch $ imes$ 11 inch documentation
H980-CP	Cartridges for catalog stand
VT1XX-KA	KED/EDT keypad overlay
VT1XX-KB	FMS/FED keypad overlay
VT1XX-KC	FMS/FDV keypad overlay
VT1XX-KD	Numeric pad, clear overlay
DF01-A	Acoustic telephone coupler, 300 bits per second with combination EIA (RS232-C) and 20 mA loop cable
DF02-AA	Modem, full-duplex, direct connect, originate and auto answer, 300 pits per second, Bell 103J equivalent with RS232-C interface.
DF02-AC	DF02-AA with auto originate capability
DF03-AA	Direct connect, Bell 212A equivalent 300 / 1200 bits per second full-duplex, modem
DF03-AC	DF03-AA with auto originate capability
30-10958-02	Cable to interface older DF01 couplers to VT100
VT1XX-CA	20 mA current loop option with cable
VT1XX-AB	Advanced video option
VT1XX-CB	VT100 upgrade kit for VT125 graphics capability

### **ACCESSORIES**

Part Number	Description
H9850-DA	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 122 cm $ imes$ 183 cm (4 ft $ imes$ 6 ft), Driftwood color (brownish grey)
H9850-DB	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 122 cm $ imes$ 183 cm (4 ft $ imes$ 6 ft), Summer Earth color (brown/gold)
H9850-DC	Antistatic floor mat DECmat, 91 cm $ imes$ 305 cm (3 ft $ imes$ 10 ft), Silver Birch color (silvergrey/brown)
H9850-DD	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 91 cm $ imes$ 305 cm (3 ft $ imes$ 10 ft), Autumn Bronze color (orange/brown)
H9850-DE	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 91 cm $ imes$ 305 cm (3 ft $ imes$ 10 ft), Driftwood color (brownish grey)
H9850-DF	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 122 cm $ imes$ 183 cm (4 ft $ imes$ 6 ft), Silver Birch color (silvergrey/brown)
H9850-DH	Antistatic floor mat, DECmat, 122 cm $ imes$ 183 cm (4 ft $ imes$ 6 ft), Autumn Bronze color (orange/brown)
H970-EB	Terminal table, 68.6 cm high $ imes$ 91.4 cm wide $ imes$ 76.2 cm deep (27 in $ imes$ 36 in $ imes$ 30 in) with levelers
H970-HB	Terminal table, 68.6 cm high $ imes$ 61.0 cm wide $ imes$ 76.2 cm deep (27 in $ imes$ 24 in $ imes$ 30 in) with levelers
H9614-AD	Workstation desk, add-on split top design especially for VT100. Light grey with charcoal brown end panels. 100.33 cm wide $\times$ 76.2 cm $\times$ 76.2 cm high (39.5 in $\times$ 30 in $\times$ 30 in)
H9614-AB	Workstation desk, split top design especially for VT100. Light grey with charcoal brown end panels. 100.33 cm wide $\times$ 76.2 cm $\times$ 76.2 cm high (39.5 in $\times$ 30 in $\times$ 30 in)
H9850-AP	Media Mate <sup>TM</sup> , file or shelf storage cart with casters and lockable drawer, 64.1 cm high $\times$ 38.1 cm deep $\times$ 47.0 cm wide (25.25 in $\times$ 15 in $\times$ 18.5 in)

### **KEYCAPS**

Part Number	Description
LA12X-UA	Blank keycap kit of 50, Row 4*
LA12X-UB	Blank keycap kit of 50, Row 1*
LA12X-UC	Blank keycap kit of 50, Row 2*
LA12X-UD	Blank keycap kit of 50, F&J type
LA12X-UE	Blank keycap kit of 50, SET-UP
LA12X-UF	Blank keycap kit of 50, TAB
LA12X-UH	Blank keycap kit of 50, CAP LOCK
LA12X-UJ	Blank keycap kit of 50, SHIFT
LA12X-UL	Main array blank keycap set
LA12X-UM	Blank keycap kit of 50, CR
LA12X-UN	Blank keycap kit of 50, ENTER
LA12X-UP	Blank keycap kit of 50, Num Pad 0
LA12X-UR	Blank keycap kit of 50, Row 3
LA12X-US	Blank keycap kit of 50, Row 5
LA12X-UT	Numeric pad blank keycap set
12-14333-CO	Complete set of 82 keycaps for DECform VT100
12-14333-JO	Complete set of 82 keycaps for Word Processing VT100
12-14333-72	Set of 64 keycaps for main array on standard VT100
12-14333-91	Set of 18 keycaps for numeric pad on standard VT100

<sup>\*</sup>Row 1 is the row immediately above space bar.

### **CABLES**

Part Number	Description	
BC22A-25	EIA RS232 female-female null modem cable shielded 7.6 m (25 ft)	
BC22B-10	EIA RS232 male-female extension cable shielded 3.0 m (10 ft)	
BC22B-25	EIA RS232 male-female extension cable shielded 7.6 m (25 ft)	
BC23A-10	Kit of 5 BC22A-10	
BC23A-25	Kit of 5 BC22A-25	
BC23B-10	Kit of 5 BC22B-10	
BC23B-25	Kit of 5 BC22B-25	
NOTE: EIA RS-232-C specifies a maximum cable length of 15 m (50 ft). EIA RS-423 specifies a maximum cable length of 61 m (200 ft).		
BC03M-50	Female-female null modem cable, 15.2 m (50 ft)	
BC03M-AO	Female-female null modem cable 30.5 m, (100 ft)	
BC03M-B5	Female-female null modem cable, 76.2 m (250 ft)	
всозм-ео	Female-female null modem cable, 152.4 m (500 ft)	
BC03M-LO	Female-female null modem cable, 304.8 m (1000 ft)	
BC05X-15	20 mA current loop extension cable, 4.6 m (15 ft)	
BC05X-25	20 mA current loop extension cable, 7.6 m (25 ft)	
BC05X-50	20 mA current loop extension cable, 15.2 m (50 ft)	
BC22A-10	EIA RS232 female-female null modem cable shielded 3.0 m (10 ft)	

### **POWER CORDS**

Part Number	Description
17-00083-09	United States (120 V)
17-00083-10	United States (240 V)
17-00209-00	United Kingdom
17-00199-00	Continental Europe (SCHUKO)
17-00211-00	Switzerland
17-00198-00	Australia

**Description** 

### HARDWARE AIDS

**Part Number** 

4A-VT125-00

12-15336	Data loopback connector for RS232C
70-15503	Data loopback connector for 20 mA
TOOLS	
74-16355	Keycap puller
SPMAK-AA	VT101/102/125/131 maintenance aid kit RS232
SPMAK-AB	VT101/102/125/131 maintenance aid kit 20 mil

### **ALIGNMENT TEMPLATES**

94-03220-3	Screen alignment template
94-03246-3A	Character width template
94-03246-3B	Character height template
SPARES KIT	

VT125 Spares kit

### LOT PRICED KITS (Packaged in quantities of 10)

4A-LOTVT-EC	Flyback & choke assembly
4A-LOTVT-EB	Monitor board
4A-LOTVT-AC	Basic video board
4A-LOTVT-AD	Power supply

### **COMPONENTS AND LOOSE PIECE PARTS**

Modules, subassemblies and other individual piece parts to support the specific VT125 repair philosophy are available from Digital's Accessories and Supplies Group.

### RELATED DIGITAL DOCUMENTATION

item Number	Document Number	Description
13	EK-VT125-UG	VT125 User Guide - This document describes the installation, operation, and programming of the VT125 terminal. This document is shipped with the terminal.
13	EK-VT100-J1	VT100 Series Pocket Service Guide – This document describes procedures used to troubleshoot and repair the VT125 terminal to the module level (field replaceable unit).
13	EK-VT100-TM	VT100 Series Technical Manual - This document describes the VT125 terminal to a detailed block level. It provides troubleshooting information for the terminal. This document does not contain detailed schematic drawings. These drawings can be found in the VT125 Field Maintenance Print Set. That document is ordered separately.
13	EK-VT125-IP	VT125 Video Terminal IPB - This document describes a detailed parts breakdown of the VT125 field replaceable units. This document does not contain part numbers for components on the printed circuit boards. However, components are listed in the the VT125 Field Maintenance Print Set which is ordered separately.
13	EK-VT125-RC	VT125 Programming Reference Card - This document provides a summary of the VT125 ReGIS escape and control sequences on a pocket size reference card.
14	MP-01053-00	VT125 Field Maintenance Print Set - This document provides a complete set of electrical and mechanical schematic diagrams for the VT125 terminal.

### RELATED DIGITAL DOCUMENTATION

Item Number	Document Number	Description
14	MP-01052-00	VT1XX-CB and -CL Field Maintenance Print Set - This document provides a complete set of electrical schematic diagrams for the VT125 Graphics Processor Conversion kit.

### **ORDERING INFORMATION**

### **Continental USA**

Call 800-258-1710 or mail order to:

**Digital Equipment Corporation** PO Box CS2008 Nashua, NH 03061

### **New Hampshire**

Call 603-884-6660 or mail order to:

**Digital Equipment Corporation** PO Box CS2008 Nashua, NH 03061

### Alaska or Hawaii

Call 408-734-4915 or mail order to:

**Digital Equipment Corporation** 632 Caribbean Drive Sunnyvale, CA 94086

### Canada

Call 800-267-6146 or mail order to:

**Digital Equipment Corporation** PO Box 13000 Kanata, Ontario Canada K2K 2A6 Att: ASG Business Manager

Telex: 610-562-8732

# Appendices



### **SPECIFICATIONS**

### **GENERAL**

This apppendix lists the specifications of the VT125 terminal and provides X-ray emission statements, loopback connector wiring, and a list of related documentation not provided by DIGITAL.

### **VT125 SPECIFICATIONS**

### **Dimensions**

Monitor

Height 36.83 cm (14.5 in)
Width 45.72 cm (18 in)
Depth 36.20 cm (14.25 in)

Keyboard

 Height
 8.89 cm (3.5 in)

 Width
 45.72 cm (18 in)

 Depth
 20.32 cm (8 in)

 Minimum table depth
 51.4 cm (20.25 in)

Weight

Monitor 14.6 kg (32.2 lb) Keyboard 2.0 kg (4.5 lb) Shipping weight 19.6 kg (43.2 lb)

### **Environment**

Operating

Temperature 10° to 40° C (50° to 104° F)
Relative Humidity 10 to 90 percent
Maximum wet bulb 28° C (82° F)

Minimim dew point 2° C (36° F)
Altitude 2° C (82° F)
20° C (36° F)
20° C (36° F)

**Nonoperating** 

-40° to 66° C Temperature

> (-40° to 151° F) 0 to 95 percent

Relative Humidity

9.1 km (30,000 ft) Altitude

Power

Line voltage 99-128 V rms single-phase, 2 wire

198-256 V rms single-phase, 2 wire

(selected by switch)

Line frequency

47 Hz-63 Hz current 2.20 A rms maximum at 120 Vrms

1.10 A rms maximum at 240 Vrms

Input power 150 Wrms or 250 VA apparent

Current limiting 3.0 A fast blow fuse

Power cord Detachable, 3-conductor grounded

Power cord receptacle

EIA specified CEE22-6A

**Display** 

Cathode ray tube 12 inch diagonal measure,

P4 phosphor

**Format** 24 lines imes 80 characters or 14 lines

imes 132 characters (selected from

keyboard or computer)

(24  $\times$  132 with Advanced Video Option)

Character  $7 \times 10$  dot matrix with descenders

80-column mode Character size

> 3.35~mm imes 2.0~mm $(0.132 \text{ in} \times 0.078 \text{ in})$ 132-column mode  $3.35~\mathrm{mm} imes 1.3~\mathrm{mm}$  $(0.132 \text{ in} \times 0.051 \text{ in})$

Active display size 202 mm  $\times$  115 mm (8 in  $\times$  4.5 in)

Character set ASCII and UK displays 96 characters

> (with upper- and lowercase, numeric and punctuation), 32-character

special graphics set

Cursor type Blinking block character or blinking

underline (selected from keyboard)

Keyboard

83-key detachable unit with a 1.9 m General

(6 ft) coiled cord attached

65-keys arranged similar to standard Key layout

typewriter with 18-key auxiliary

keypad

18 keys with period, comma, minus, Auxiliary keyboard

enter, and four general purpose

function keys

Seven: ON LINE, LOCAL, KBD LOCKED, Visual indicators

and four programmable

Audible keyclick for each keystroke Audible indicators

(selectable from keyboard)

Bell: sounds when BEL character received, and sounds eight characters from right margin (selected from keyboard)

Multiple bell sounds on error in SET-UP save or recall operation

Communication

Type Full-duplex EIA

**Speeds** 50, 75, 110 (two stop bits), 134.5,

> 150, 200, 300, 600, 1200, 1800, 2000, 2400, 3600, 4800, 9600, 19.200 baud (selected from

keyboard)

ASCII (ISO 646 and CCITT Alphabet 5) Code

Character format Asynchronous

7 or 8 bits (selected from keyboard) Character size

Parity Even, odd or none (selected from

keyboard)

Automatic generation of XON and **Buffer overflow** 

XOFF control prevention

(VT125 Graphics Terminal requires

XON/XOFF support in its host computer.)

### Composite video output (J9)

The composite video output provides RS170 output with the following nominal characteristics (Figure A-1).

Output impedance = 75 ohms, dc coupled SYNC level = 0V

Black level = approximately 0.3 V when loaded with 75 ohms

White level = approximately 1.0 V with a 75 ohm load

Composite sync waveform meets EIA RS170 standards.

Vertical interval is six equalizing pulses, six vertical sync pulses, and six more equalizing pulses. Timing is as follows:

Equalizing pulse width  $2.33~\mu s \pm 50~n s$  Vertical pulse width  $27.28~\mu s \pm 200~n s$  Horizontal pulse width  $4.71~\mu s \pm 50~n s$  Horizontal blank width  $11.84~\mu s \pm 50~n s/80$  column mode  $12.34~\mu s \pm 50~n s/132$  column mode Front porch  $1.54~\mu s \pm 50~n s/80$ 

### **COLOR VIDEO OUTPUTS**

Each of the color outputs is a dc-coupled analog signal with an output impedance of 75 ohms and a level ranging from 0 to 1 volt when loaded with 75 ohms. No sync is available on the color outputs.

### **VIDEO INPUT**

An analog signal applied to the video input will be ORed with the internal video signal, so the beam intensity at any point on the screen will correspond to the intensity of that signal. This tends to make the beam brighter at that point. A video signal on this input affects only the internal screen and does not appear on the composite video output. This input has the following nominal characteristics.

- 1. Input impedance = 75 ohms, dc-coupled
- 2. Black level = 0 V
- 3. White level = 1.0 V
- 4. Maximum continuous input  $= \pm 2.0 \text{ V}$

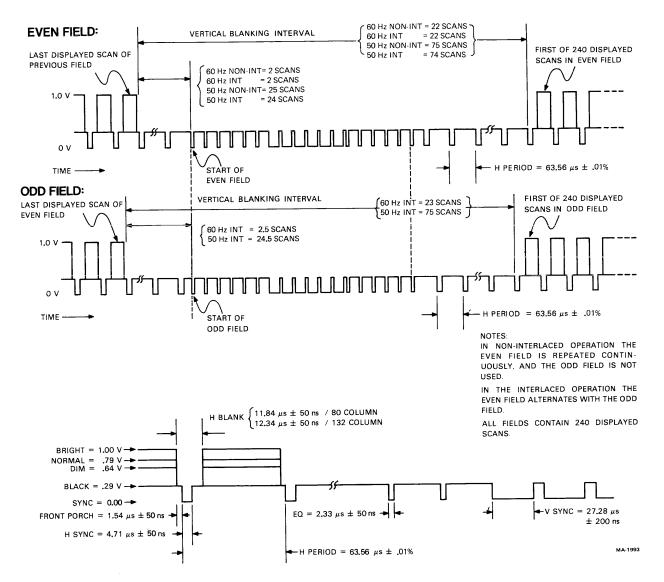


Figure A-1 Composite Video Output

The external video source must be synchronized to the VT125; it may do this by referencing the composite sync on the composite video output. This means that the VT125 video input will not synchronize with any composite video source.

### X-Ray Emission Data

The following information relates to X-ray emission.

Rated anode voltage

Dose rate

Compliance with

12 kV (fixed)

Less than 1.43 pA/kg (20 uR/h)\*

- Paragraph 5, clause 2 of German X-Ray ordinance (1973)
- CSA 22.2 no. 154-1975

Paragraph 4.1.4

- VDE 0804/5.72, Paragraph 23
- VDE 0730 part 2P/6.76, Paragraph 33
- VDE 0860 part 1/11.76, Paragraph 6
- IEC 65 public 1/1972, Paragraph 6
- CSA no. 65
- UL 478
- EMCA 57

Workstation exposure

Does not expose the operator to dangerous

X-ray radiation

### LOOPBACK CONNECTOR WIRING

The following describes wiring of the loopback connector.

From	10
EIA	
Pin 2	Pins 3 and 15
Pin 4	Pins 5 and 8
Pin 20	Pins 6 and 22
Pin 19	Pins 12 and 17
20 mA	
Pin 1	Pin 3
Pin 2	Pin 7
Pin 5	Pin 8

### RELATED DOCUMENTATION

ANSI specifications can be ordered from the following addresss.

Sales Department American National Standards Institute 1430 Broadway New York, NY 10018

<sup>\*</sup>Measured at a distance of 5 cm (1/96 in) at any accessible point from the outer surface.

EIA specifications can be ordered from the following address.

**Electronic Industries Association Engineering Department** 2001 Eye Street NW Washington, DC 20006

International standards can be ordered from the following address.

**CCITT UN Book Store United Nations Building** New York, NY 10017

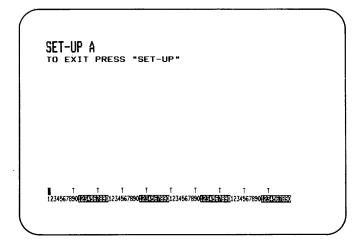
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### **SET-UP B SUMMARY**

### **GENERAL**

This appendix provides a summary of the VT125 terminal SET-UP features. Table B-1 lists the SET-UP features. Figure B-1 shows the screen displays. Figure B-2 is a summary of the SET-UP B features.

	0	Cammanatar		
SET-UP Feature	Operator Preference	Communication Compatibility	Installation	
ON LINE/LOCAL		X		
Screen brightness	Χ			
Columns per line		Χ		
Tab stops		X		
Scroll	X			
Auto repeat	X			
Screen background	X			
Cursor	Χ			
Margin bell	X			
Keyclick	Χ			
ANSI/VT52		X		
Auto XON/XOFF		X		
US/UK character set			Χ	
Auto wrap		X		
Line feed/new line		X		
Interlace			X	
Parity sense		X		
Parity		X		
Bits per character				
Power				
AUX port bits per character	X			
AUX port speed	X			
Transmit speed		X		
Receive speed	X			
Answerback		X		



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SET-UP B
TO EXIT PRESS "SET-UP"

1 (100) 2 (100) 3 (100) 4 (100) 5 (100) 1 (100) 2 (100) 9600 R SPEED 9600
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Figure B-1 SET-UP Displays

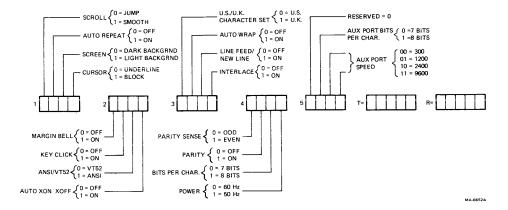


Figure B-2 SET-UP B Summary

# TRANSMITTED CHARACTER SUMMARY



#### **GENERAL**

This appendix lists the character codes generated by the VT125 terminal.

#### STANDARD KEYS

Figure C-1 shows the codes generated by the standard keys.

#### **FUNCTION KEYS**

Figure C-2 shows the control codes generated by the function keys. For the shaded keys, **CTRL** does not need to be pressed in order to generate the control character. Table C-1 lists the control codes generated.

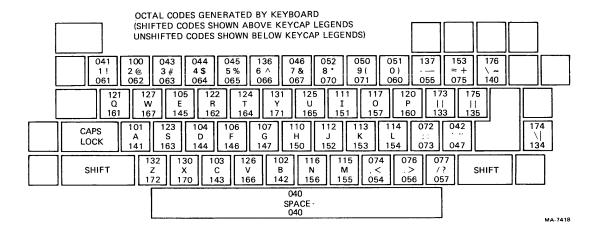


Figure C-1 Standard Key Codes

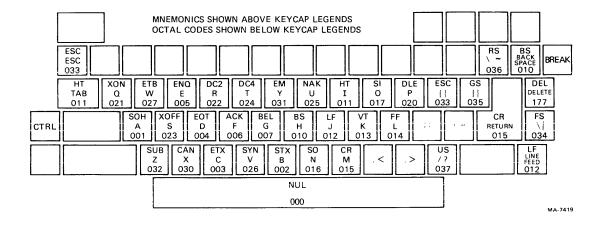


Figure C-2 Function Key Control Codes

Control Character	Character Mnemonic	Code (Octal) Sent	Key Pressed with CTRL	Dedicated Key
Null	NUL	000	Space Bar	
Start of heading	SOH	001	Α	
Start of text	STX	002	В	
End of text	ETX	003	С	
End of transmission	EOT	004	D	
Enquire	ENQ	005	E	
Acknowledge	ACK	006	F	
Bell	BEL	007	G	
Backspace	BS	010	H	BACK SPACE
Horizontal tabulation	HT	011	1	TAB
Line feed	LF	012	J	LINE FEED
Vertical tab	VT	013	K	
Form feed	FF	014	L	
Carriage return	CR	015	M	RETURN (ENTER
Carriage return line feed	CR LF	015 012		RETURN (ENTER
Shift out	-SO	016	N	
Shift in	SI	017	0	
Data link escape	DLE	020	P	
Device control 1	DC1 (XON)	021	Q	
Device control 2	DC2	022	R	
Device control 3	DC3 (XOFF)	023	S	
Device control 4	DC4	024	T	
Negative acknowledge	NAK	025	U	
Synchronous idle	SYN	026	V	
End of transmission block	ETB	027	W	
Cancel previous word or character	CAN	030	X	
End of medium	EM	031	Υ	
Substitute	SUB	032	Z	
Escape	ESC	033	[	
File separator	FS	034	1	
Group separator	GS	035		
			enmerale, graduleide Laubace in St. etc.	

036

037

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?

DELETE

RS

US

DEL

Record separator

Unit separator

Delete

<sup>\*</sup> The RETURN character code can be changed by the line feed/new line feature. When off, this feature causes RETURN to generate a single control character (CR). When on, this feature causes RETURN to generate two characters (CR, LF). Also, depending on the keypad mode selected, RETURN and ENTER may generate the same control codes.



#### **GENERAL**

This appendix provides a summary of the VT125 escape and control sequences.



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### **VT125 PROGRAMMING REFERENCE CARD**

#### CONTROL CHARACTERS RECEIVED

Name	Character Mnemonic	Octal Code	Function
Null	NUL	000	Ignored when received and used as a fill character.
Enquire	ENQ	005	Transmits the answerback message.
Bell	BEL	007	Generates a bell tone.
Backspace	BS	010	Moves the cursor to the left one character position.
Horizontal Tab	HT .	011	Moves the cursor to the next tab stop.
Line Feed	LF	012	Causes a line feed or a new line operation. (Refer to Linefeed/ New Line mode.)
Vertical Tab	VT	013	Processed as LF.
Form Feed	FF	014	Processed as LF.
Carriage Return	CR	015	Moves the cursor to left margin on the current line.
Shift Out	so	016	Selects the G1 character set, as designated by a Select Character Set sequence.
Shift In	SI	017	Selects the GO character set, as designated by a Select Character Set sequence.
Device Control 1	DC1	021	Processed as XON. Causes the terminal to continue transmitting characters.

Characte
Mnemoni

DC3

CAN

Name

Device

Cancel

Control 3

acter monic	Octal Code	Function
	023	Processed as XOFF. Cause terminal to stop transmit- ting all characters except XOFF and XON.
	030	If received during an escape or control se-

#### cancelled and substitution character (§) is displayed. Substitute SUB 032 Processed as CAN.

Escape	ESC	033	Processed as a sequence
			introducer.

#### Delete DEL 177 Ignored when received.

#### ANSI COMPATIBLE SEQUENCES

#### Set Mode

Name	Mnemonic	Mode	Sequence
Line feed/new line	LMN	New line	ESC [ 20 h
Cursor key	DECCKM	Application	ESC [ ? 1 h
ANSI/VT52	DECANM	ANSI	N/A
Column	DECCOLM	132 column	ESC [ ? 3 h
Scrolling	DECSCLM	Smooth	ESC [ ? 4 h
Screen	DECSCNM	Reverse	ESC [ ? 5 h
Origin	DECOM	Relative	ESC [ ? 6 h
Auto wrap	DECAWM	On	ESC [ ? 7 h
Auto repeat	DECARM	On	ESC [ ? 8 h

#### Reset Mode

Name	Mnemonic	Mode	Sequence*
Line feed/new line	LMN	Line feed	ESC [ 20
Cursor key	DECCKM	Cursor	ESC [ ? 1 I
ANSI/VT52	DECANM	VT52	ESC [ ? 2 I
Column	DECCOLM	80 column	ESC [ ? 3 I
Scrolling	DECSCLM	Jump	ESC [ ? 4 I
Screen	DECSCNM	Normal	ESC [ ? 5 I
Origin	DECOM	Absolute	ESC [ ? 6 I
Auto wrap	DECAWM	Off	ESC [ ? 7 I
Auto repeat	DECARM	Off	ESC [ ? 8 I

<sup>\*</sup> The last character of each sequence is lowercase L (154<sub>8</sub>)

#### Cursor Key Codes Generated

	AN	VT52 Code	
Cursor Key	Reset	Set	
(Arrow)	(Cursor)	(Application)	
Up	ESC [ A	ESC O A	ESC A
Dovin	ESC [ B	ESC O B	ESC B
Right	ESC [ C	ESC O C	ESC C
Left	ESC [ D	ESC O D	ESC D

#### **Keypad Character Selection**

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Alternate	DECKPAM	ESC =
Numeric	DECKPNM	ESC >

#### Keypad Codes Generated

ANSI Mode		VT52 Mode		
Numeric	Alternate	Numeric	Alternate	
Keypad	Keypad	Keypad	Keypad	
Mode	Mode	Mode	Mode	
		-	ESC?p	
1	ESC O q	1	ESC?q	
2	ESC O r	2	ESC?r	
3	ESC O s	3	ESC?s	
4	ESC O t	4	ESC?t	
5	ESC O u	5	ESC ? u	
6	ESC O v	6	ESC?v	
7	ESC O w	7	ESC? w	
8	ESC O x	8	ESC?x	
9	ESC O y	9	ESC ? y	
— (minus)	ESC O m	— (minus)†	ESC?mt	
, (comma)	ESC O I*	, (comma)†	ESC ? I*†	
. (period)	ESC O n	. (period)	ESC?n	
CR or CRLF	ESC O M	CR or CRLF	ESC? M	
ESC O P	ESC O P	ESC P	ESC?P	
ESC O Q	ESC O Q	ESC Q	ESC ? Q	
ESC O R	ESC O R	ESC R	ESC?R	
ESC O S	ESC O S	ESC S†	ESC ? S†	
	Numeric Keypad Mode  0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 — (minus) , (comma) . (period) CR or CRLF ESC O P ESC O Q ESC O R	Numeric         Alternate           Keypad         Mode           0         ESC 0 p           1         ESC 0 q           2         ESC 0 r           3         ESC 0 s           4         ESC 0 t           5         ESC 0 u           6         ESC 0 v           7         ESC 0 w           8         ESC 0 x           9         ESC 0 y           - (minus)         ESC 0 m           . (period)         ESC 0 m           CR or CRLF         ESC 0 m           ESC 0 P         ESC 0 P           ESC 0 Q         ESC 0 C           ESC 0 Q         ESC 0 D           ESC 0 R         ESC 0 R	Numeric Keypad Mode         Alternate Keypad Mode         Numeric Keypad Mode           0         ESC O p O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O	

- $^{*}$  The last character of the sequence is lowercase L (154 $_{8}$ )
- † These sequences were not available in the VT52. Do not use the PF4, "-" (minus), or "," (comma) keys with VT52 software.
- ‡ Line feed/new line off causes ENTER to generate CR (015<sub>8</sub>). On causes ENTER to generate CRLF (015 $_8$  012 $_8$ ).

#### Select Character Sets SCS

Character Set	G0 Designator	G1 Designator
United Kingdom (UK)	ESC ( A	ESC ) A
United States (USASCII)	ESC ( B	ESC ) B
Special characters and line drawing set	ESC ( 0	ESC) 0
Alternate character ROM	ESC (1	ESC) 1
Alternate character ROM – special characters	ESC ( 2	ESC)2
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Single Shift 2 Single character shift	SS2	ESC N
to G2 (ASCII)		

NOTE: The VT125 generates the following control characters differently from previous DIGITAL terminals.

Code	VT125 Keys	Previous Terminal Keys
NUL	CTRL – Space bar	CTRL – @
RS	CTRL − ~	CTRL - ^
US	CTRL - ?	CTRL

#### **Character Attributes**

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Select Graphic Rendition	SGR	_
No attributes	_	ESC [ m
No attributes	_	ESC [ 0 m
Select bold attribute		ESC [ 1 m
Select underline attribute	_	ESC [ 4 m
Select blink attribute	_	ESC [ 5 m
Select reverse video	_	ESC [ 7 m
attribute		-

NOTE: Without advance video option (AVO), only underline or reverse attribute is available.

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#### US/UK Character Set

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BITS 84 83 82 81 ROW	COLUMN	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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0 0 0 1 1	. }	DC1 21	! 41 33 21	1 61 49 31	A 101 65 41	Q 121 81 51	a 141 97 61	q 161 113 21
00102	2 2 2	22 18 12	11 42 34 22	2 62 50 32	B 102 66 12	R 122 82 52	b 142 98 82	r 162
0 0 1 1 3	3 2 3	DC3 23 IXOFF: 19	*/£ 23	3 63 51 33	C 103 67 43	S 123 83 53	C 143 99 63	S 163 115 73
0 1 0 0 4	4	24 20 14	\$ 44 36 24	4 64 52 34	D 104	T 124 84 54	d 144 100 64	t 164 116 74
0 1 0 1 5	ENQ ;	25 21 15	% 45 37 25	5 65 53 35	E 105	U 125 85	e 145 101 65	u 165
0 1 1 0 6	6 6	26 22 16	& 46 38 36	6 8 3 8	F 106 70 46	V '26 95 56	f 146 102 66	V 166 118 76
0 1 1 1 2	BEL ;	27 23 17	y 42 39 27	7 67 55 37	G 107	W 127 87 57	g 147 103 67	W 167 119 77
10008	BS 10	CAN 24	( 50 40 28	8 %	H 119 22 48	X 130 88 18	h 150 104 68	X 120 78
10019	HT 11	31 25 19	) 51 41 29	9 /1 57 39	I 117 73 49	Y 131 89 59	i 151 105 69	y 121 121 129
1 0 1 0 10	LF 110	SUB 32 %	★ 52 42 2A	: 17 58 3A	J 112 74 4A	Z 132 90 54	j 152 106 6A	Z 172 7A
1 0 1 1 11	VT 13	ESC 33 27 18	+ 53 43 28	; <sup>73</sup> 59 38	K 113	[ '33 91 58	k 153 107 68	{ '73 123 78
1 0 0 12	FF 14 C	34 28 10	, 54 20 20	< % % %	L 114	134 92 50	1 154 108 60	174 124 7C
1 10 1 13	CR 15	35 29 10	- 56 45 20	= 75 61 30	M 115	] 135 93 50	m 155 109 60	} 175
1 1 0 14	SO 16	36 30 1E	56 - 46 2F	> % 52 36	N 116 78 46	A 136 94 56	n 156	~ 176 126 76
1 1 1 1 15	SI 17	37 31 15	/ 57 47 28	? 63 3*	O 117		O 157	DEL 177

NOTE DEPENDS ON THE CHARACTER SET SELECTED U.S. \* U.K.-E

KEY
ASCHICHARACTER ESC 1 32 OCTAL
27 OECIMAL
16 HEX

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#### Special Characters and Line Drawing Set

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Scrolling Region		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Set top and bottom margins	DECSTBM	ESC [ Pt; Pb r
Cursor Movement Commands		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Cursor up Cursor down Cursor forward (right) Cursor backward (left) Cursor position Cursor position (home) Horizontal and vertical position Horizontal and vertical position (home) Index Reverse index Next line Save cursor (and attributes)	CUU CUD CUF CUB CUP HVP HVP IND RI NEL DECSC DECRC	ESC [ Pn A ESC [ Pn B ESC [ Pn C ESC [ Pn D ESC [ Pl ; Pc H ESC [ H ESC [ Pl ; Pc f ESC D ESC M ESC E ESC 7 ESC 8
Tab Stops		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Horizontal tab set (at current column) Tabulation clear (at current column) Tabulation clear (at current column) Tabulation clear (at current column)	TBC TBC TBC	ESC [ g ESC [ 0 g ESC [ 3 g
Line Attributes		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Double-height top half Double-height bottom half Single-width single-height Double-width single-height	DECDHL DECDHL DECSWL DECDWL	ESC # 3 ESC # 4 ESC # 5 ESC # 6

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Era	

Mnemonic	Sequence
EL	_
-	ESC [ K
_	ESC [ O K
_	ESC [ 1 K
-	ESC [ 2 K
ED	-
_	ESC [ J
_	ESC [ O J
-	ESC [ 1 J
_	ESC [ 2 J
	EL

#### Communication and Graphics Protocol Commands

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Device control string Enter ReGIS at previous command level	DCS -	– ESC P p
Enter ReGIS at highest	-	ESC P1 p
Enter ReGIS at previous command level with	-	ESC P 2 p
Enter ReGIS at highest command level with	-	ESC P 3 p
Enter DECwriter graphics	_	ESC P q
Enter VT105 emulator	-	ESC P t
String terminator	ST	_
Exit graphics	-	ESC \
Media copy	MC	_
Turn off computer to auxiliary port	_	ESC [ 4 i
Turn on computer to auxiliary port	_	ESC [ 5 i
Turn off computer to screen	_	ESC [ 6 i
Turn on computer to screen	_	ESC [ 7 i
Select auxiliary port for ReGIS hardcopy output	-	ESC [ ? 0 i
Select computer port for ReGIS hardcopy output	_	ESC [ ? 2 i

Reset to initial state

Reports		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Device status report (request status of VT125) Response:	DSR	ESC [ 5 n
Terminal OK	DSR	ESC [ O n
Terminal not OK	DSR	ESC [ 3 n
Device status report (request cursor position)	DSR	ESC [ 6 n
Cursor position report	CPR	ESC [ PI ; Pc R
Device attributes (what are you)	DA	ESC [ c
Device attributes (what are you)	DA	ESC [ O c
Identify terminal (what are you)	DECID	ESC Z
NOTE: ESC Z is not recommend	ded.	
Device attributes	DA	See Note.
response: VT125		
NOTE: Format is ESC [ ? 12 ; <v< td=""><td>t100&gt; ; <vt125< td=""><td>5&gt;; <version> c</version></td></vt125<></td></v<>	t100> ; <vt125< td=""><td>5&gt;; <version> c</version></td></vt125<>	5>; <version> c</version>
<vt100></vt100>	5 = no A	VO. 7 = AVO
<vt125></vt125>	1 = print	er, 0 = no printer
<version></version>	•	firmware
Reset 1		
Name	Mnemonic	Sequence

RIS

ESC c

#### VT100 Tests and Adjustments

NOTE: Do not use VT100 loopback tests with the graphics processor installed. Loopback tests require test connector. Continuous tests end at failure or power-off.

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Screen alignment display Fill screen with "Es"	DECALN -	- ESC # 8
Invoke confidence test Power-up test Data loopback test Power-up and data loopback tests	DECTST - - -	ESC [ 2 ; 1 y ESC [ 2 ; 2 y ESC [ 2 ; 3 y
EIA modem control loopback test	-	ESC [ 2 ; 4 y
Power-up and EIA loopback tests	-	ESC [ 2 ; 5 y
Data loopback and EIA loopback tests Power-up, data loopback,	_	ESC [ 2 ; 6 y
and EIA loopback tests Repeat power-up test	_	ESC [ 2 ; 9 y
continuously Repeat data loopback test continuously	-	ESC [ 2 ; 10 y
Repeat power-up and data loopback tests continuously	-	ESC [ 2 ; 11 y
Repeat EIA test continuously Repeat power-up and EIA tests continuously	_	ESC [ 2 ; 12 y ESC [ 2 ; 13 y
Repeat data loopback and EIA loopback tests continuously	-	ESC [ 2 ; 14 y
Repeat power-up, data loopback tests continuously	-	ESC [ 2 ; 15 y

#### VT125 Tests and Adjustments

NOTE: All tests require loopback connector. Always include power-up test for correct display of error indications.

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Invoke confidence test	DECTST	ESC [ 4 ; 1 ; Ps ; Ps y
VT125 power-up test	_	Ps = 1
VT125 computer port	_	Ps = 2
data loopback test		
VT125 auxiliary port	_	Ps = 3
data loopback test		
VT125 display test	_	Ps = 4
VT125 video bit map	_	Ps = 5
memory test		
Repeat any selected	_	Ps = 9
tests continuously unti	į.	
power-off or failure		

#### **Keyboard Indicators**

Name	Mnemonic	Sequence
Load LEDs	DECLL	_
All off	-	ESC [ q
L1 on	-	ESC [ 1 q
L2 on	_	ESC [ 2 q
L3 on	_	ESC [ 3 q
L4 on	_	ESC [ 4 a

#### VT52 COMPATIBLE MODE

Mode	Sequence
Enter ANSI mode	ESC <

#### **Keypad Character Selection**

Name	Sequence
Enter alternate keypad mode	ESC =
Exit alternate keypad mode	ESC >
(numeric keypad mode)	

NOTE: VT52 alternate keypad and numeric keypad modes are different from ANSI.

#### **Character Sets**

Name	Sequence
Special graphics character set	ESC F*
Select US/UK character set	ESC G
(as determined by the US/UK	
character SET-UP feature)	

Same as special character and line drawing set in ANSI mode.

#### **Cursor Position**

Name	Sequence
Cursor up*	ESC A
Cursor down <sup>#</sup>	ESC B
Cursor right*	ESC C
Cursor left*	ESC D
Cursor to home	ESC H
Direct cursor address	ESC Y PI Pc†
Reverse line feed	ESC I‡

- Same when sent from the terminal.
- Line and column numbers for direct cursor address are single character codes whose values are the desired number plus 31<sub>10</sub>. Line and column numbers start at one.
- ‡ The last character of the sequence is an uppercase i (111<sub>8</sub>).

#### Erasing

Name	Sequenc
Erase to end of line	ESC K
Erase to end of screen	ESC J

#### Reports

Name	Sequence
Identify (what are you)	ESC Z
Response: VT52	ESC / Z

#### **ReGIS COMMAND SUMMARY**

#### **Position Command Summary**

Co	ommand	Function
Р		Reset pattern memory.
	[ <position>]</position>	Move to <position>.</position>
	<pixel vector=""> or <pv></pv></pixel>	Move <multiplier> pixels in</multiplier>
		<pv> direction.</pv>
	(B)	Save current location.
	(S)	Save dummy location.
	(E)	Move to last saved location.
	(W ( <temp. controls="" writing="">))</temp.>	P (W (M <multiplier>)).</multiplier>

#### **Vector Command Summary**

Command	Function
V []	Draw dot at current position.
[ <position>]</position>	Draw vector to <position>.</position>
<pre><pixel vector=""> or <pv></pv></pixel></pre>	Draw <multiplier> pixels in</multiplier>
	<pv> direction.</pv>
(B)	Save current position.
(S)	Save dummy position.
(E)	Draw to last saved position.
(W ( <temp. controls="" writing="">))</temp.>	

#### **Curve Command Summary**

Command		Function	
С	[ <position>]</position>	Circle with center at current position, circumference at	
	(C)[ <position>]</position>	<pre><position>. Circle with center at <position>, circumference at current position.</position></position></pre>	
	(A <degrees>) [<position>]</position></degrees>	Arc with center at current position, starting at <position> for <degrees>.</degrees></position>	
	(A <degrees>C) [<position>]</position></degrees>	Arc with center at <position>, starting at current position for <degrees>.</degrees></position>	
	(B) [ <pos.>] [<pos.>] (E) (S) [ ] [<pos.>] [<pos.>] [ ] (E) (W(<temp. controls="" writing="">))</temp.></pos.></pos.></pos.></pos.>	Bounded (closed) curve Unbounded (open) curve	

#### **Text Command Summary**

#### Command

T (S <size number>) (H <height≻) [<spacing>] (S [<width in pixels>,<height in pixels>]) (M [<width pixel multiplier>,<height pixel multiplier>]) (D <direction angle>) (D <string tilt> S <size> D <char tilt>) (T <italic degrees>) (A <pattern set number>) ((B) <temporary attributes block> (E)) (W(<temp. writing controls>))

#### **Writing Controls Summary**

Command	Function
W (C) (E) (R) (V) (F < foreground planes>)	Complement Erase Replace Overlay 0 = no planes 1 = plane 1 2 = plane 2 3 = planes 1 and 2
(I	Foreground intensity:  Dark or Dark  Dim grey Red  Light grey Green  White Blue  Cyan  Yellow  Magenta  White
(M <multiplier>) (N 1) (N 0) (S 1) (S 0) (S [.shading reference]) (S 'shading character') (P <binary pattern="">) (P <pattern number="">) (P (M <pattern multiplier="">) (W<i>(P&lt;),N<k>))</k></i></pattern></pattern></binary></multiplier>	Pixels per <pv> Negative on Negative off Shading on Shading off  Enter pattern. Use VT125 pattern. ) Custom writing control</pv>

Function

Command

Screen Controls Summary									
Co	Command					Function			
S	<pixe [<pos< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>&gt;</td><td></td><td colspan="4">Scroll.</td></pos<></pixe 			>		Scroll.			
	(A [ <position>] [<position>]) (E)</position></position>					Display addressing. Erase screen.			
	(H [ <position>] [<position>]</position></position>				osition>]	Hardcopy (corner positions optional)			
	(H(P[<	<pos< td=""><td>itior</td><td>n&gt;]))</td><td></td><td>Set hardcopy offset.</td><td></td></pos<>	itior	n>]))		Set hardcopy offset.			
	(I	0 1 2 3	or	(D) (R) (G) (B) (C) (Y) (M) (W)	) ) ) ) ) ) )	Background intensity: Dark or Dark Dim grey Red Light grey Green White Blue Cyan Yellow Magenta White			
(I (H < hue angle> L < lightness percent> S < saturation percent>))  S(M <n>(<mono hls="">)(A<color hls="">)) Output mapping</color></mono></n>									
(S <scale>) (S (X<scale> Y<scale>)) (T <ticks>) (W (temporary writing controls)</ticks></scale></scale></scale>					,,	Time delay			
Ma	Macrograph								
Со	mman	d				Function			
@	@ :keyletter character_string @; keyletter			acter	_string @;	Clear all macrographs. Define macrograph. Invoke macrograph.			
Ch	aracte	r Cel	l Co	ontrol S	Summary				
Command						Summary			

Select for loading.

Give name to set.

Load cell.

L (A<integer>)

(A"<name>")

<hex pair>;

"<ASCII char>" <hex pair> . . .

#### **Report Command Summary**

Set selected for loading. (M (<keyletter>)) Contents of macrograph. (M (=)) Use of storage. "<free>,<total>" Reply to use. (P) Cursor position.

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# ANSI CODE EXTENSION TECHNIQUES



#### **GENERAL**

This appendix describes the ANSI code extension techniques as defined in ANSI standards X3.41-1974 and X3.64-1979 (ISO 2022 and 6429). (Refer to Chapter 11 for ANSI standards ordering information.) The description is based on the functions used in the VT100 and LA120 families of terminals. There are many special cases and details in the specifications that are not described here.

#### **CLASSES OF CHARACTERS**

The ANSI system is based on the use of classes of characters for specific purposes. The classes are determined by the character position in the ASCII table (Figure E-1). This table and the ANSI system can work for either a 7-bit or an 8-bit character environment. Current terminals support only 7-bit characters.

#### **CONTROL FUNCTIONS**

Control functions are all control characters and groups of characters (strings) that control terminal operation but are not displayed on the screen. Not all control functions perform an action in every device that understands ANSI, but each device can understand all control functions and discard any that do not apply to it. Therefore, each device is said to perform a subset of the ANSI functions.

#### ANSI COMPLIANCE

Different devices use different subsets. Therefore, compliance with ANSI does not mean compatibility between devices. Compliance only means that a given action, if defined in the ANSI standard, is caused by the same control function in all devices. If an ANSI device does not perform an action that has a control function defined in the ANSI standard, it cannot use that control function for any other purpose.

B7 B6 B5	0 0	0 0 1	0 1	0	0 1	1	1 0	0	1 0	1	1 1	0	1 1	1
BITS B4 B3 B2 B1 ROW	COLUMN	1	2	••	3		4		5		6		7	
0 0 0 0	NUL 0	DLE 16	SP	40 32 20	0	60 48 30	@	100 64 40	P	120 80 50	•	140 96 60	р	160 112 70
0 0 0 1 1	SOH 1	DC1 21 17 17 11	:	41 33 21	1	61 49 31	A	101 65 41	Q	121 81 51	а	141 97 61	q	161 113 71
0 0 1 0 2	STX 2 2 2	DC2   22   18   12		42 34 22	2	62 50 32	В	102 66 42	R	122 82 52	b	142 98 62	r	162 114 72
0 0 1 1 3	ETX 3 3 3	DC3 19 13	#	43 35 23	3	63 51 33	С	103 67 43	S	123 83 53	С	143 99 63	S	163 115 73
C 1 0 0 4	EOT 4 4	DC4 24 20 14	笋	36 24	4	64 52 34	D	104 68 44	T	124 84 54	d	144 100 64	t	164 116 74
0 1 0 1 5	ENQ 5 5 5	NAK 25 21 15		45 37 25	5	65 53 35	E	105 69 45	U	125 85 55	е	145 101 65	u	165 117 75
0 1 1 0 6	ACK 6 6 6	SYN 26 22 16	α	46 38 26	6	66 54 36	F	106 70 46	V	126 86 56	f	146 102 66	V	166 118 76
0 1 1 1 7	<b>BEL</b> 7 7 7 7	ETB 27 23 17		47 39 27	7	67 55 37	G	107 71 47	W	127 87 57	g	147 103 67	W	167 119 77
10008	<b>BS</b> 10 8 8	CAN 30 24 18	'	50 40 28	8	70 56 38	Н	110 72 48	Х	130 88 58	h	150 104 68	x	170 120 78
1 0 0 1 9	HT 9 9	EM 31 25 19	1	51 41 29	9	71 57 39	1	111 73 49	Y	131 89 59	i	151 105 69	у	171 121 79
1 0 1 0 10	<b>LF</b> 12 10 A	26		52 42 2A	:	72 58 3A	J	112 74 4A	Z	132 90 5A	j	152 106 6A	z	172 122 7A
1 0 1 1 11	VT 13 11 B	27 1E	<u> </u>	53 43 2B	;	73 59 3B	K	113 75 4B	[	133 91 5B	k	153 107 6B	{	173 123 7B
1 1 0 0 12	<b>FF</b> 14 12 C	10	,	54 44 2C	<	74 60 3C	L	114 76 4C	`	134 92 5C	1	154 108 6C	l	174 124 7C
1 1 0 1 13	CR 15	11	-	55 45 2D	=	75 61 3D	M	115 77 4D	]	135 93 5D	m	155 109 6D	}	175 125 7D
1 1 1 0 14	SO 16 14 E	NS 3	D •	56 46 2E	>	76 62 3E	N	116 78 4E	^	136 94 5E	n	156 110 6E	~	176 126 7E
1 1 1 1 15	SI 17 15		1 /	57 47 2F	?	77 63 3F	0	117 79 4F	_	137 95 5F	0	157 111 6F	DEL	177 127 7F

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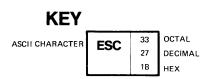


Figure E-1 ASCII Characters

For example, ESC c is the Reset sequence for devices meeting ANSI and having a remote reset function. If a device does not have this function, it may not use ESC c for any other purpose. ESC 7 (Save Cursor Position), however, is a private sequence and may be used for other purposes by devices from other manufacturers. But within DIGITAL each private sequence is registered in an internal standard so that all DIGITAL products use each sequence for only one purpose.

#### **CONTROL CHARACTERS**

A control character is a single character which (when received by the terminal) starts, modifies, or stops a control function. The value of a control character is in the octal range of 0 through 37 and 177.

Chapter 4 of this document explains the control characters understood by the terminal. All other control character codes are ignored.

This terminal can perform some actions usually caused by control character codes from the 8-bit ASCII environment, which this terminal does not understand. It does this by understanding certain combinations of 7-bit codes, which other sections of this appendix will explain.

#### **ESCAPE SEQUENCES**

The Escape or ESC character (0338) is a control character that causes the terminal to wait for more characters that are not in the control character numerical range. This character is defined by ANSI standard X3.4-1977 as Introducer. If the terminal receives this character, it waits for more characters to follow within certain numerical ranges to form an escape sequence as defined in ANSI X3.41-1974 and ANSI X3.64-1979.

The format of an escape sequence is:

ESC	ll	F
033	040-057	060-176
Escape	Intermediate	Final
sequence	characters	character
introducer	(Any number of	(One code)
	codes - 0 or more)	

If following characters are in the range 040 - 057(8) (column 2), they are called intermediate characters. The device accepts and stores them.

If a following character is in the range 060 - 176(8) (columns 3 to 7), it is a final character. The final character signals the end of an escape sequence which the device then analyzes. Final characters from column 3 are for private control functions for use in a specific device. Final characters from columns 4 - 7 are for ANSI standardized control functions.

Some two-character escape sequences perform the same actions as some 8-bit single-character control functions. The VT100 family supports six of these.

ESC [ is CSI (refer to Control Sequences)
 ESC D is IND)
 ESC E is NEL (refer to Cursor Positioning)
 ESC M is RI
 ESC N is SS2 (refer to Character Sets and Selection)

The VT125 also supports ESC P, which is DCS and ESC \, which is ST (refer to Communication and Graphic Protocol Controls).

The intermediate and final characters are taken together to define the function of the sequence. Then the device performs the action and accepts more data. If the action defined by the escape sequence does not apply to the device, the device ignores the complete sequence and accepts more data.

Escape sequence examples (all examples have added spaces between characters to make them easier to read).

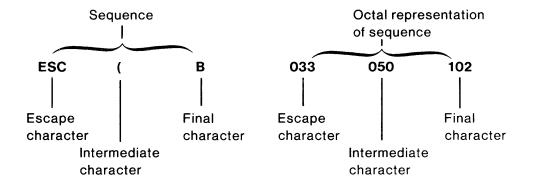
ESC H = Set tab at active position

ESC (B = Designate G0 character set as ASCII

ESC # 6 = Double width line (VT100)(6 = DIGITAL private)

ESC (0 = Designate GO character set as DIGITAL private special graphics character set (0 = private)

Example sequence: Designate G0 character set as ASCII Select Character Set (SCS) = ESC (B



#### **CONTROL SEQUENCES**

The string ESC [ is a two-character escape sequence and represents the 8-bit control character Control Sequence Introducer (CSI). CSI precedes all control sequences in the same way that the ESC introducer precedes all escape sequences. ESC [ allows the extended functions of the 8-bit control sequence environment to work in the 7-bit environment of current terminals. The control sequence is defined in ANSI X3.64-1979.

The format of a control sequence is as follows.

CSI	PP	1l	F
033 133	060-077	040-057	100-176
Control	Column 3	Column 2	Column 4-7
sequence	parameter	intermediate	final
introducer	(0 or more	(0 or more	(One code)
	codes)	codes)	

A device parses this sequence without considering its meaning. That is, characters are stored in classes only according to their range of values. Then, the device interprets these characters by value according to their classes. The intermediate and final characters are taken together to define the function of the sequence. In the range of final characters, 100 - 157 (columns 4 - 6) are reserved for standardization by ANSI, while 160 - 176 (column 7) are reserved for private use.

#### **Parameters**

Parameters modify the action or interpretation of the function. The parameters are from column 3 and may be any combination of the characters 0 - 9 (060 - 071) with each parameter separated from the others by; (073). (The other characters in column 3 are: (072) which is reserved, and <=>? (074 - 077) which are assigned for private use and mean that the following parameters have a private interpretation.) Any leading zero in a parameter is ignored; this also applies to the parameter value 0. Therefore, a sequence with no parameter is the same as a sequence with a parameter of 0 and both are understood as having the default value for that parameter in the sequence.

A single parameter that modifies the action of a control function is called a numeric parameter and has the abbreviation Pn. (Example: Cursor Up, ESC [ Pn A, where Pn is number of lines.) A parameter that defines the action of a control function by selecting from a list of possible actions is called a selective parameter and has the abbreviation Ps. (Example: Set Mode, ESC [ Ps h, where Ps selects the mode to be set.) Control functions that have selective parameters can accept multiple parameters to allow several actions to be commanded with a single control function.

A sequence with multiple parameters has several Ps separated by; characters (Ps;Ps;Ps). This is called a parameter string. If the parameters apply to the screen image, their abbreviations indicate this: Pt;Pb for top and bottom, and Pl;Pc for line and column.

Character 077 (?) at the beginning of a parameter string means that the parameters are private parameters. That means the control sequence is standardized but the function that it controls is private, for example, set and reset mode control functions. Some control functions are defined to have a default value for a parameter. The default value is assumed when no parameter character is included in a sequence.

#### **Examples with Octal Equivalents**

**ESC** [ **3 g** 033 133 063 147

The above sequence clears all tabs.

**ESC** [ **g** 033 133 147

The above sequence clears all tabs at active position (default value = 0).

**ESC** [ **1 6** ; **3 2 u** 033 133 061 066 073 063 062 165

The above sequence sets tabs at columns 16, 32 (LA120) (u = private).

**ESC** [ ? 2 ; 3 h 033 133 077 062 073 063 150

The above sequence sets modes 2 and 3 (? = private).

**ESC** [ **2 0 h** 033 133 062 060 150

The above sequence sets linefeed/new line mode (parameter = 20).

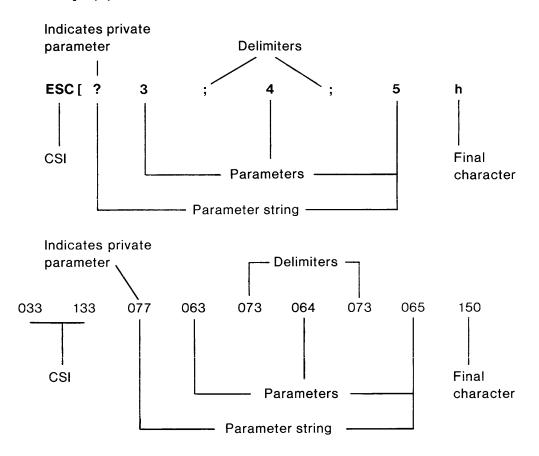
**ESC** [ **2** ; **1 y** 033 133 062 073 061 171

The above sequence runs power-up self-test (VT100) (y = private).

NOTE: There are no examples of control sequences with intermediate characters because current terminals do not have any control functions in that format. However, new software written to understand the ANSI syntax should be able to parse sequences with intermediate characters. Future DIGITAL terminal products may use intermediate characters.

**Example Sequence:** Control sequence to set modes for 132 column mode, smooth scrolling, and reverse screen

ESC[?3;4;5h



Alternate sequences that will do the same thing:

**ESC[?3hESC[?5h** Parameters can be split into separate control sequences.

ESC[?03;004;5h Leading zeroes are ignored.

#### **ERROR RECOVERY**

The ANSI standards do not define error recovery techniques for incorrect control functions. These errors include out of range parameters, invalid control functions, and control characters embedded in control functions. The VT100 family recovers from errors with as much correct function as possible rather than discard any error. For example, if the VT100 receives a sequence asking it to move the cursor beyond the right margin, it moves the cursor to the right margin. In the LA120, a command to move beyond the right margin is ignored and the active position stays unchanged.

If a control character appears within a sequence, the VT100 performs the function of the control character (for example, a carriage return) as if it had been received before the beginning of the sequence. However, CAN and SUB appearing in a sequence stop the processing of the sequence at that point. The terminal returns to regular character processing and displays any characters remaining in the sequence.

An unrecognizable control function is ignored. Unsupported control functions (any apparently valid sequences that are not listed in this document) are generally ignored but may produce unpredictable responses.

NOTE: Some programmers have used error condition actions in a given terminal to get the actions they wanted. This is not a safe practice in the ANSI environment because there is no guarantee that different ANSI-complying terminals will handle an error the same way. Using error conditions would limit the transportability of code.

#### CHARACTER SETS AND SELECTION

#### GO, G1, CO, C1 Character Sets

The ANSI and ISO standards provide extensions to the range of graphic and control character sets in a terminal, in addition to the extension of control functions described in the preceding section.

A typical terminal transmits and receives the 7-bit ASCII character set. This character set has an eight-column chart, and in it, columns 0 and 1 are control characters, while the rest of the set is graphics (except SP and DEL). SP (space) and DEL (delete) are always the same control characters with the same codes, regardless of character set and so they are independent of character set selection.

The ANSI standards provide a system to allow the use of larger character sets in any terminal, without increasing the number of bits that the terminal must use to describe each unique character.

Refer to Figure E-2. The left side of the figure represents the familiar 7-bit ASCII character set. G0 and G1 are labels attached to character sets to indicate how the sets can be substituted. The ANSI word for this is designate. There are escape sequences that designate character sets as either G0 or G1. The control characters shift out (SO (016)) and shift in (SI (017)), when included with 7-bit ASCII data, switch the display of a terminal from one character set to the other. The ANSI word for this is invoke.

In the VT100, any character set whose display patterns are stored in the terminal can become either G0 or G1. SO always invokes the G1 set and SI invokes the G0 set. Sets can be invoked or designated at any time and in any order. Some character sets have been internationally registered, while others are private for use in a given terminal.

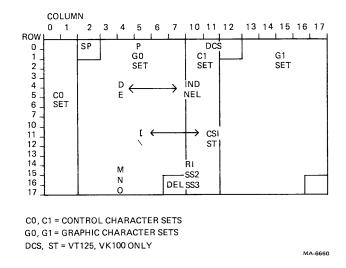


Figure E-2 8-Bit ASCII Chart

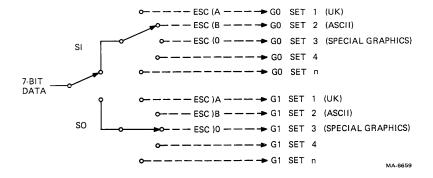


Figure E-3 Shift-Out and Shift-In Illustrations

In the VT100, the C0 control character set is normally available. There are escape sequences that cause the actions of single control functions of the C1 set on a one time basis. The ESC character followed by a final character from columns 4 or 5 causes the action of a control function that is also caused by a single 8-bit character in the C1 set. Figure E-2 shows how ESC [ causes the CSI function and ESC D causes the IND function from the C1 set. The other C1 characters that are supported in the VT100 family of terminals are also shown.

Figure E-3 shows a schematic representation of the Shift Out and Shift In concept. This figure shows how G0 and G1 character sets are designated by escape sequences and invoked by the SO and SI characters.

# CREATING COMPATIBLE REGIS



#### **GENERAL**

This appendix lists the differences in implementation of ReGIS between the VT125 and the VK100 (GIGI). Use this information to create ReGIS images if you must use the same source on both terminals.

#### **COMPATIBLE REGIS SUMMARY**

Use	Rather than
Four colors only; use S(M) if not D, B, R, G	More than four colors
HLS or RGB in S(I) and W(I)	Numeric arguments to W(I) and S(I)
S(I,E)	S(E,I)
W(V/R/E), W(N)	W(F), W(W)
W(I,C)	W(C)
S(H[0,y1][767,y2])	S(H[x1,y1][x2,y2]) or S(H[,y1][,y2])
S[<0 to 767>,<0 to 511>]	S[ ] with negative or overrange numbers
2000 or less characters of macrographs	More than 2000 characters of macrographs

#### **COMMAND DIFFERENCE SUMMARY**

VT125	VK100
S(M) selects color S(I) and W(I) select one of the colors specified by S(M), based on a closest-match algorithm	S(I) and W(I) explicitly select colors
HLS color specifiers to S(M), S(I), and W(I) specify one of 64 colors	HLS specifiers select one of 8 colors
S(In) and W(In) accept values of 0 to 3 for n	S(in) and W(in) accept values of 0 to 7 for n
No S(W)	S(W) controls erase write operations
S(S) controls screen scaling (zoom)	No S(S)
S(H[x1,y1][x2,y2]) will hardcopy a specified rectangle from x1,y1 to x2,y2	S(H) only uses Y values of range
S(H(P[x,y])) positions the hardcopy device at x,y before performing the hardcopy Default value is [50,0]	No S(H(P)), defaults to [50,0]
S(H) performs scaling (zoom) on hardcopy if selected	No scaling
No W(I) (no argument to I)	W(I) allows writing of only the foreground / background plane, leaving the color unchanged
W(F) selects planes to be written	No W(F)
W(C) writing complements each plane individually, thus it may change the color	W(C) writing complements only the foreground / background plane, writing an explicit new color or leaving the color

unchanged

VK 100

VT125

V1120	
No W(A)	W(An) selects "blink" attribute for writing
No locator mode; could be emulated in software.	R(P(I)) allows interactive positioning of a "locator" cursor, also accessible by a keyboard command
At least 5000 characters of macrograph storage	At least 2000 characters of macrograph storage
Concurrent text and graphics can be displayed by using "DCS 2 p" to enter graphics mode	SET-UP mode "GD" allows the last line of graphics commands to be displayed concurrently with graphics
ReGIS command parsing is not affected by "DCS p" and "ST"	"DCS p" resets ReGIS to top command level
Using "DCS 1 p" will reset ReGIS to top comand level	
Graphics cursor cannot be disabled; it is present whenever the VT125 is processing ReGIS graphics commands	SET-UP mode "VC" selects whether the graphics cursor is displayed
Hardcopy output can be directed to the host port using the "Media Copy" control sequence	Hardcopy output can be directed to the host port by swapping the cables
Hardcopy output is enclosed in a single "DCS q"/"ST" sequence, using the DECwriter control commands	Hardcopy output is enclosed in "DCS q" on a line-by-line basis
Hardcopy image data sent to the VT125 will be displayed as if the VT125 was a hardcopy device	Hardcopy data sent to the VK100 is ignored

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## HLS COLOR SYSTEM IN THE VT125



#### **GENERAL**

The display port for the external color monitor is driven by a six-bit output map. The output map provides two bits (four levels) of intensity for each primary color: red, green, and blue. This section describes the general allocation of RGB specifiers based on HLS descriptors.

The HLS double cone model (Figure G-1) is divided into seven layers linearly spaced along the lightness axis. If lightness is not specified in a color descriptor, it defaults to 50 percent, the layer with the greatest variety of colors. The extreme layers (below 14 percent and above 86 percent) map to black and white respectively, regardless of H and S.

Each nonextreme lightness level is divided into one to three concentric rings, based on the saturation parameter. If saturation is 0 percent, then the color specifier must map to one of four grey levels based on the lightness parameter. If saturation is not specified, it defaults to 100 percent.

Each nongrey lightness/saturation ring is divided into from 3 to 12 segments based on hue. Hue has no default. If not specified, then the lightness parameter again defines a grey level. By these defaults, the null specifier maps to the medium grey level in the VT125.

Percentage values for L and S of less than 0 or more than 100 map to 0 percent and 100 percent respectively. Hue is computed modulo 360.

The following table summarizes the color allocations derived from the above rules.

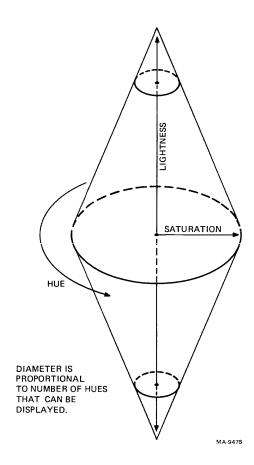


Figure G-1 HLS Double Cone Color Model

Lightness	Saturation	Color Range
0 to 14	Any	Black
15 to 28	Any >0	Three primaries and simple secondaries
29 to 42	1 to 49 50 to 100	Three light primaries nine shades, including middle lightness pure primaries
43 to 57	1 to 33 34 to 66	Three unsaturated secondaries nine shades, including less saturated primaries
	67 to 100	twelve shades, including the brightest pure primaries, almost brightest pure secondaries, and the six shades in between
58 to 71	1 to 49 50 to 100	Three unsaturated primaries nine shades, including the brightest pure secondaries

Lightness	Saturation	Color Range
72 to 85	1 to 49 50 to 100	Three very unsaturated primaries Three less than fully saturated secondaries
86 to 100	Any	White

The primaries are red, green, and blue. The secondaries are yellow, cyan, and magenta.

When saturation is 0 percent or hue is unspecified, lightness values 0 to 24, 25 to 49, 50 to 74, and 75 to 100 map to black, dim grey, brighter grey, and white respectively.

## ReGIS COMMAND LISTING



#### **GENERAL**

This appendix lists the ReGIS commands used to create art for this book.

```
p[200,100](b)[+15,-15] t'[200,100]' p(e) v(b)[200,200](b) p(b)[+10,-15] t'[200,200]' p(e) v(300,400] p(b)[+5] t'[300,400]' p(e) v[400,300] p(b)[+5,-5] t'[400,300]' p(e) v(e)c[+5] v[100,50] p(b)[-85,-10] t'[100,50]' p(e) v(e)c[+10] p[100,430]t(s1)"p[200,100] v(b)[200,200](b) v[300,400] v[400,300] v(e)c[+5] v[100,50] v(e)c[+10]"
```

#### Figure 5-3

```
p[384,240] c[+100,+50] c[+3]
p(b)[310,193] t'CURRENT POSITION'
p[285,213] t'(START END POSITION)'
p(e,b)[-40,+5] t'[384,240]'
p(e,b)[+100,+50] c[+3] p[+10] t'[+100,+50]'
p[300,390] t"p[384,240] c[+100,+50]"
```

#### Figure 5-4

```
p[284,300](b) c[+3] c(c)[+100,-100]
p(e,b)[-90] t'[284,300]'
p(e,b)[-150,+20] t'CURRENT POSITION'
p(e,b)[-180,+40] t'(START END POSITION)'
p(e)[+100,-100] c[+3] p[-50,-25] t'[+100,-100]'
p[240,400]t"p[284,300] c(c)[+100,-100]"
```

#### Figure 5-5

```
Set defaults for text, writing commands'
 \mathcal{E}(d0,s1) w(v,p1)
;'Set current position, mark and label it, add text above and below it'
p[384,240] c[+3] p(b) [-40,-50] t'CURRENT' p(e,b) [-40,-30] t'POSITION' p(e,b) [+5,-12] t'[384,240]' p(e,b) [-50,+10] t'(START END' p(e,b) [-40,+30] t'POSITION)' p(e)
; 'Draw arc, mark and label endpoints'
; 'Endpoint positions determined by temporarily embedding'
; other commands including r(p)'
c(al40)[+100,-100] p[+100,-100] c[+3] p[+5,-5](b) t'[+100,-100]'
p(e)[,+20] t'([489,135])'
p[242,253] c[+3] p[-85,+5] t'[242,253]'
; 'Draw arc with pattern to show drawing direction,'
; 'Leave gap for text'
p[384,240] [+90,-90] w(p4) c(a70c)[384,240] w(p0) c(a20c)[384,240]
p(b) p[+5,-15] w(v) t'140 degrees' p(e)
w(p4) c(a50c)[384,240] p[384,240] p[+90,-90][+7,-2]
;'Vs drawn at endpoints'
w(pl) t(d225,s0)'V' p[256,251][-5,-10] t(d0,s1)'V'
; 'Print basic command'
p[240,350] t'p[384,240] c(a140)[+100,-100]'
```

#### Figure 5-6

```
;'Mark and label radius of arc, move to start of arc'
p[384,140] c[+3] p(b) [-40,-30] t(sl)'[-100,-100]' p(e) [+100,+100]
;'Mark and label current position'
c[+3] p(b,b) [+5,-20] t'START POSITION'
p(e,b) [+5] t'(CURRENT POSITION)' p(e)
;'Draw arc'
c(a-90c) [-100,-100]
;'Mark and label end position'
c[+3] p(b) [-125,-20] t'END POSITION' p(e,b) [-125] t'(NEW CURRENT'
p(e) [-125,+20] t'POSITION)'
;'Return to start and draw inner arc with gap for text'
p(e) [-10,-10](b) [-2,-7] t(d-45,s0)'V' w(p4)
p(e) c(a-28c) [384,140] w(e,p0) c(a-34c) [384,140]
w(v,p1) p(b) [+10,-20] t(d0,s1)'-90' p(e,b) [,-5] t'degrees' p(e)
w(p4) c(a-28c) [384,140] p[+5,-4] t(d-135,s0)'V'(d0,s1)
;'Add command'
w(p1) p[300,350] t'c(a-90c) [-100,-100]'
```

#### Figure 5-7

```
p[100,200](b) c[+3] c(s)[] [370,50] [420,360] [120,390] [](e) p(e)[-90,-10] t'[100,200]' p[-50,+20] t'START POSITION' p[370,50] c[+3] p[+7,-20] t'[370,50]' p[420,360] c[+3] p[+5,+5] t'[420,360]' p[120,390](b) c[+3] p[-90,-10] t'[120,390]' p(e)[-50,-30] t'END POSITION' p[100,430] t'p[100,200] c(s)[] [370,50] [420,360] [120,390] [](e)'
```

#### Figure 5-8

```
p[230,240] c[+5] c(b)[320,160] c[480,120] c[570,160] c [480,240] c[320,280] c(e) c[+10] p[230,240](b) [-90,-10] t'[230,240]' p(e,b)[-90,+10] t'START' p(e)[-90,+30] t'POSITION' p[320,160] c[+3] p[-80,-20] t'[320,160]' p[480,120](b) c[+3] p[,-30] t'[480,120]' p(e)[,-50] t'END POSITION' p[570,160] c[+3] p[+5,-10] t'[570,160]' p[480,240] c[+3] p[+5,+5] t'[480,240]' p[320,280] c[+3] p[,+5] t'[320,280]' p[220,350]t(s1)'p[230,240] c(b)[320,160] [480,120] [570,160] [480,240] [320,280] (e)'
```

#### Figure 5-9

```
P[100,0] T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[4,6])'ABCD'
P[100,85] T[+32,+28]'ABCD'
P[200,255] T[-32,+44]'ABCD'
P[100,60] T(S1)"T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[4,6])'ABCD'"
P[100,235] T(S1)"T[+32,+28]'ABCD'"
P[100,450] T(S1)"T[-32,+44]'ABCD'"
```

#### Figure 5-11

```
P[100,0] T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[7,10])'ABCD'
P[100,120] T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[1,2])'ABCD'
P[100,240] T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[4,6])'ABCD'
P[100,70] T(S1) "T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[7,10])'ABCD'"
P[100,190] T(S1) "T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[1,2])'ABCD'"
P[100,310] T(S1) "T[+36,+0](S[32,60],M[4,6])'ABCD'"
```

#### Figure 5-13

```
p[100,150] t(d45,s4)'ABCD'
p[100,200] t(d0,s1)'p[100,100] t(d45,s4)'ABCD''
p[100,370] t(d45,s4,d0)'ABCD'
p[100,420] t(d0,s1) 'p[100,400] t(d45,s4,d0)'ABCD''
p[400,200] t(d-45,s4,d0)'ABCD'
p[400,400] t(d0,s1) 'p[400,200] t(d-45,s4,d0)'ABCD''
```

Figure 5-15

```
p[20,100] t(s8,i0)'H'
p[20,250] t(s1,i0) 'p[20,100] t(s8,i0)'H' '
p[350,100] t(s8,i-45)'H'
p[250,250] t(s1,i0) 'p[350,100] t(s8,i-45)'H' '
p[500,100] t(s8,i22)'H'
p[500,250] t(s1,i0) 'p[500,100] t(s8,i22)'H' '
```

Figure 5-16

```
; "FRAME. PIC"
p[50,50] c(a-90)[0,50]
w(v)p[50,0]v[717] c(a-90c)[717,50]
v[,430] c(a-90c)[717,430]
p[720,479] v[50] p[50] c(a-90c)[50,429]
v[,50] p[717,50] w(e)v[] p[25,25]
w(v)v[742][,454][25][,25]
; "WRMODE.PIC"
;set_up box drawing macrograph
%:av[+200][,+200][-200][,-200]@;
;'set up erase macrograph'
@:ep[717,50]v(w(e,sl[,430]))[50]p[200,100]@;
t(i0,s3)w(v,s1[,200]"/")@a
p[200,100]
p[+50,+50]w(sl"\")@a
p[180,400]t(s2)'OVERLAY WRITING'
; the next command waits 2 seconds, then prints display's (t120,h(p[100,300]),h)@e
t(i0,s3)w(r,s1[,200]"/")@a
p[200,100]
p[+50,+50]w(sl"\")@a
p[180,400]t(s2)'REPLACE WRITING'
s(t120,h(p[100,300]),h)@e
t(i0,s3)w(v,s1[,200])@a
p[200,100]
P[+50,+50]t(a0)w(c,sl"\")@a
p[160,400]t(s2)'COMPLEMENT WRITING'
s(t120,h(p[100,300]),h)@e
t(i0,s3)w(v,s1[,200]"/")@a
p[200,100]
p[+50,+50]w(e,sl"\")@aw(v)
p[200,400]t(s2)'ERASE WRITING'
s(t120,h(p[100,300]),h)(e)
```

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```
p[0,200] t(s10)'12345678'
p[0,0] v[767][,479][0][,0]
p[100,100] v[484][,340][100][,100]
p[0,0](b)[+5,+5] t(s1)'[0,0]'
p(e) [+25,+25]
v[95,95] p[-7,+2] t(d45s0)'V'
p[100,100][+5,+5] t(d0s1)'S[100,100]'
p[767,479][-95,-25] t'[767,511]'
```

Figure 5-25

# GRAPHICS PRINTER CHARACTER PROCESSING

#### **GENERAL**

The DECwriter Graphic Printer's response to received characters depends on the printing mode selected. There are two basic printing modes; text mode and graphic mode. This appendix describes the graphic printer response to characters received while the printer is in graphic mode. Refer to the user guide for your printer for more complete information.

## **GRAPHIC MODE**

While in text mode, characters are printed as they are received. In graphic mode, characters received define specific columns of dots to be printed. Graphic mode allows users to print dot combinations anywhere on a page. This mode can be used to draw pictures and plot graphs (Figures I-1 and I-2).

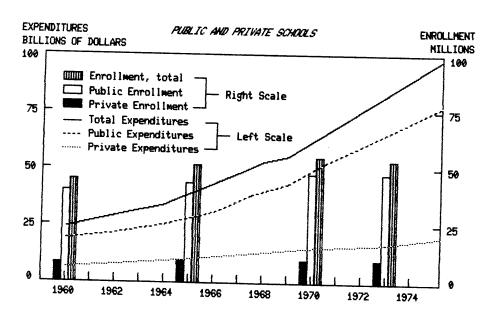


Figure I-1 Graph Example

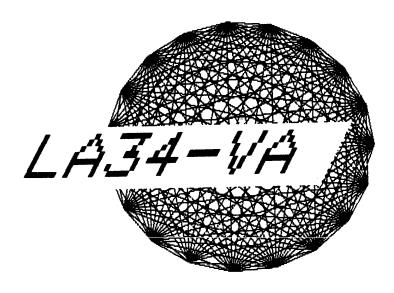


Figure I-2 Picture Example

After entering graphic mode, both the horizontal and vertical pitch change. The right, left, and bottom margins also change. The graphic mode pitch and margins section describes these changes. DIGITAL does not recommend using single sheet or tractor feed paper when operating in graphic mode.

The graphic printer has a horizontal resolution of 132 columns per inch with a 50 percent overlap, and a vertical resolution of 72 dots per inch with no overlap between dots. There is a 44 percent dot overlap between lines. The aspect ratio (ratio of horizontal to vertical resolution) is 1.83.

### **GRAPHIC STRING FORMAT**

The format for a string of graphic data is as follows.

DCS introducer

ESC P

Protocol selector

Pn q

Data

Control characters or column definitions

DCS terminator

ESC \

#### **DCS Introducer**

When the graphic printer receives the DCS introducer, it enters DCS mode and waits for the correct protocol selector. The DCS introducer is the ANSI DCS introducer sequence ESC P (octal 033 120).

When the protocol selector is received the graphic printer begins to process data as described in the data section.

The graphic printer remains in DCS mode if the proper protocol selector is not received, or if the graphic printer receives a character that is out of range before the correct protocol selector is recognized.

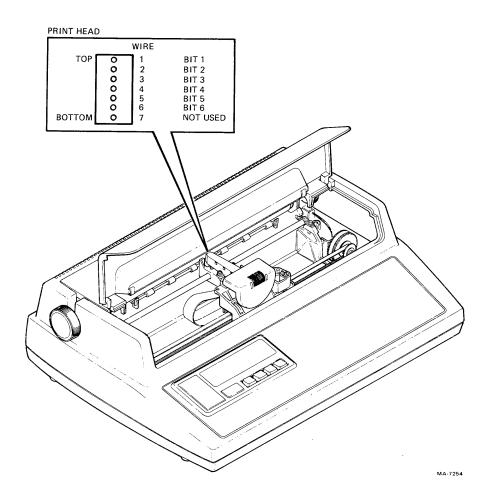


Figure I-3 Graphic Mode Printhead Firing

NOTE: In DCS mode the DECwriter Graphic Printer discards all printable characters in the octal range 040 - 176 (Figure I-3). All control characters received (octal 000 - 037) except CAN (cancel), SUB (substitute), and ESC (escape) are processed as described in the Received Character Processing chapter.

#### **Protocol Selector**

After receiving the DCS introducer, the protocol selector causes the graphic printer to enter graphic mode. The protocol selector for the graphic printer consists of a numeric parameter and a final character. The correct protocol is zero (octal 060) or one (octal 061) and q (octal 161).

#### Data

The data contained within a graphic string can either be control characters or printable data. The following paragraphs describe the control characters to which the graphic printer responds in graphic mode, and the format of the printable characters received.

#### **Control Characters**

In graphic mode, the graphic printer responds to a subset of the following control characters.

#### ANSI Control Characters

Table I-1 lists and describes the ANSI control characters in the 000 to 037 octal range that are processed in graphic mode.

#### Private Control Characters

Table 1-2 lists and describes the private control characters in the 040 to 076 octal range that are processed in graphic mode.

#### **Printable Data**

After the proper protocol selector is received, any character received in the 077 - 176 octal range is considered printable data. These characters define a column of six dots to be printed. This allows selective firing of the top six printhead wires (Figure I-3). The bottom or seventh printhead wire is not used in graphic mode.

Printable characters are processed in the following way. The offset (octal 077) is subtracted from the binary value of the character received. The result is a six dot column definition. A printhead wire is fired, and a dot printed, if the corresponding bit is set to one.

Table I-1 G			ontrol Characters
Name	Mnemonic	Octal Code	Function
Null	NUL	000	No operation (not stored in the input buffer) - used as fill characters
Bell	BEL	007	Sounds audible bell tone
Cancel	CAN	030	Immediately causes an exit graphic mode
Substitute	SUB	032	Replaces any character received with errors - when received in graphic mode, SUB is processed as a one column space
Escape	ESC	033	Causes the DECwriter Graphic Printer to exit graphic mode and process the sequence

	araphic Mode	······	. Jonator Gil	aracters
Name	Mnemonic	Octal Code	ASCII Character	Function
Graphic repeat introducer	DECGRI	041		Begin processing a repeat sequence
Graphic carriage return	DECGCR	044		The collected column definitions are printed, then carriage moves bac to position where first character was printed after entering graphic mode, this allows lines to be over printed
Graphic new ine		055		The collected column definitions are printed and carriage moves back to first character printed after entering graphic mode, then paper is advanced 1/12 inch this allows printing of two consecutive lines of graphic data at the same horizontal position

The least significant bit is associated with the top printhead wire (wire one). The sixth bit is associated with the second printhead wire from the bottom (wire six), and is the last wire that can be fired in graphic mode.

Wire		Bit
Top	1	1
	2	2
	3	3
	4	4
	5	5
	6	6
Bottom	7	Not used

Anny in the second		Binary	
	Ostal	Value (Minus	Wires
Character	Octal Value	Offset)	Fired
,	077	00000000	0
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Refer to Table I-3 for several printable character examples. Table I-4 contains a complete list of the printable characters and the corresponding dot columns. A printing action does not occur each time a dot column is received. The dot columns are printed when one of the following conditions occur.

- Fourteen columns are received.
- A paper motion command is received.
- An exit graphic mode sequence is received.

#### **Repeat Sequence**

A repeat sequence allows the graphic printer to continually print a dot column for a specified number. It has the same effect as receiving the dot column that many times. A repeat sequence is defined as follows.

Repeat introducer ! (octal 041)

Numeric parameter Number of times to print the dot column Dot column Character in the 077 - 176 octal range

The repeat sequence introducer is the private control character! (octal 041).

The numeric parameter specifies the number of times to print the column definition that follows. The numeric parameter is a string of characters in the 060 - 071 octal range. If a numeric parameter is not specified, a value of zero is assumed for the numeric parameter. If the value specified is larger than the graphic printer limit for numeric parameters (65,535), the limit is assumed. All decimal digits are processed as part of the count.

The dot column (a character in the 077 - 176 octal range) is printed as many times as specified by the numeric parameter count. All control characters received during a repeat sequence are processed as usual. For example, the control character! resets the repeat sequence count.

All unspecified characters (octal 072 - 076) are ignored.

If a repeat sequence with 14 or more blank column definitions is received, the graphic printer performs a graphic mode slew. During this condition, the printer moves the carriage assembly over the white space at 45 inches per second. The slew stops for the last 14 columns.

#### **DCS Terminator**

The DCS terminator ESC \ (octal 033 134) causes the graphic printer to exit graphic mode and revert to text mode character processing. The CAN (cancel) or ESC (escape) control characters also cause the graphic printer to exit graphic mode. If the ESC control character is received, the graphic printer exits graphic mode and processes the escape sequence.

After an exit condition, the graphic printer is set to the following conditions.

- Text mode features (margins, pitch) are restored.
- Vertical position is modified according to the control characters received while in graphic mode.
- Horizontal position is the same as just before entering graphic mode.
- The first text mode vertical motion command causes the graphic printer to advance to the next text mode line before executing the command (refer to vertical resynchronization).

#### **GRAPHIC MODE PITCH**

In graphic mode the horizontal pitch is set to 70 columns per inch (5 characters per inch). The vertical pitch is set to 1/12 lines per inch.

#### **GRAPHIC MODE MARGINS**

If an attempt is made to print past the right margin set in text mode, the printer automatically generates a graphic new line (refer to the Private Control Character section in this chapter).

Graphic mode maximum line length depends on the horizontal pitch and right margin selected in text mode. In graphic mode, the maximum line length is 13.1 inches (1,736 dots). To use the maximum line length, the following conditions must be met before entering graphic mode.

- Horizontal pitch feature must be set to 10 characters per inch.
- Text mode left margin must be set to column one.
- Text mode right margin must be set to column 132.
- · Active column must be column one.

After entering graphic mode the left margin is repositioned to the right (0.11 inches maximum) of the last printed column in text mode. Graphic mode left margin is calculated in the following way.

If there is a remainder, round up to the next whole number.

After entering graphic mode the right margin is repositioned to the left of the text mode right margin (0.11 inches maximum). The graphic mode right margin is calculated in the following way.

Discard any remainder.

The top margin remains the same as in text mode. The bottom margin is calculated in the following way.

#### **Perforation Skip**

When using perforated paper in graphic mode, it may not be desirable to print on the perforations between sheets of paper. If you are using friction feed roll paper, continuous printing is allowed.

The printer distinguishes between a perforated form and a continuous form in the following way.

- If the top margin equals one and the bottom margin equals the form length, the printer ignores the bottom margin and continues to print data (continuous form).
- If the top margin does not equal one or the bottom margin does not equal the form length, the printer does not print below the bottom margin and skips to the next top margin (perforated form).

#### **Vertical Resynchronization**

In text mode lines are spaced according to the vertical pitch selected. In graphic mode lines are spaced 1/12 inch apart. Because of the difference in vertical pitch, the printhead may not be on a text mode line when the printer exits graphic mode. The printer must resynchronize the printhead to the next text mode line. This resynchronization occurs during the following conditions.

- A perforation skip
- After exiting graphic mode, just before the first vertical motion such as a form feed or line feed (except superscript and subscript)

Superscript or subscript can be used to label grahic data with text mode comments. Reverse line feed is not recommended because the vertical registration of graphic data may not be satisfactory.

Table I-4 contains the graphic mode printable characters, and the dot column definitions for each character.

	Printable Character Dot Column Definitions (Graphic Mode)						
Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired		
?	077	0	Α	101	Ó		
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		0			0		
		O			O		
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haracter	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired
	103	o	1	111	O
		•			0
		0			•
		Ö			0
		0			0
	104	•	J	112	•
		0			•
		• 0		9.00	0
		0			0
		0			O
	105	0	K	113	o
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Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired
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		0			o
		• 0			•
	120	•	W	127	0
		0			0
		0			•
		•			•
		0			0
ì	121	0	X	130	•
		•			0
		0			0
		0			•
		o			. 0
	122	•	Y	131	0
		•			
		O			0
		0			•
		o			0
	123	o	Z	132	•
		o			•
		•			0
		O			•
		0			O
	124	•	Ĺ	133	O
		0			O
		•			•
		0			•
		Ō			o
	125	0	\	134	•
J		•	<b>,</b>		o
		•			•
		0			•
		•			•

Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired
	135	o •	C	143	0
		•			0 •
		•			0
	136	0	a a		•
	100	•	đ	144	•
		•			•
		•			0 •
	137	o	е	145	Ó
		0			•
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					•
	140	• 0	and the second of the second	146	•
		0			•
		O •			0 •
ı .	141	o	g	147	o
		• 0			0 0
		O O			• 0
		•			•
	142	•	h	150	• 0
		0			0 •
		O •			0 •

haracter	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired
	151		p	160	•
		0			0
		0 •			•
	152	•	<b>-q</b>	161	-o -
		0			0
		o			O •
k	153	Ō	<b>.</b>	162	
		o •			•
		•			0 •
		•			in <b>o</b>
L. Salar	154	•	S	163	0 0
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haracter	Octal Value	Wires Fired	Character	Octal Value	Wires Fired
	167	0 0 0		173	0
	170	0		174	• O
	171	0		175	•
	172			176	

## **GLOSSARY**

Active position This is the character position on the visual

display that displays the next graphic

character.

ANSI mode This VT100 mode recognizes and responds

> only to escape sequences whose syntax and semantics comply with ANSI specifications. The graphics processor always is in ANSI

mode.

Character position This is the part of the visual display that can

display a graphic symbol.

Control This is a control character, escape

sequence, or control sequence that performs

a control function.

Control character This character can initiate, modify, or stop a

control function.

Control function This action affects the recording, processing,

transmission, or interpretation of data.

Control sequence This sequence of characters is used to

> perform a control function. It begins with the control sequence introducer (CSI) control and may contain a parameter string.

This escape sequence provides Control sequence

> supplementary introducer (CSI) controls and is itself a prefix affecting the interpretation of a limited number of contiguous characters.

This string of characters performs a control Control string

function and is delimited by an opening and

closing delimiter control.

Cursor This blinking reverse-video or underline

represents the active position.

Cursor control This function moves the active position.

Default This function-dependent value is assumed

when no value, or a value of 0, is specified.

Display This active area of the screen inside the

scrolling region, or the entire screen,

depending on the origin mode.

Escape character This control character provides (ESC)

supplementary characters (code extension)

and is itself a prefix affecting the interpretation of a limited number of

contiguous characters.

Escape sequence This sequence of characters is used to

perform a control function, the first character

of which is the escape (ESC) control

character.

Final character The bit combination of this character

terminates an escape or control sequence

designated by F.

Graphic character This is a character, other than a control

character, that has a visual representation normally handwritten, printed, or displayed.

Graphic object This is a geometric shape that can be

described with a few characters of

information.

HLS Hue, Lightness, Saturation - This is A three

parameter system for describing a color on a

video monitor.

Home This is the character position at the origin.

[See origin mode (DECOM)].

Intermediate The bit combination of this character

precedes character a final character in an

escape or control sequence.

Macrograph

In ReGIS, this is any series of sequential commands stored in the terminal's memory and performed (invoked) on request by two characters. Macrographs reduce communication line traffic between the terminal and the computer when the same commands are used again and again.

Numeric parameter

This string of bit combinations represents a number, designated by Pn or Ps.

Parameter

Parameter can have two meanings.

- 1. It is a string of one or more characters that represents a single value.
- 2. It is the value so represented.

Parameter string

This string of characters represents one or more parameter values.

Pixel

This is the smallest unit of information on a graphics display.

Protocol

These are the conventions or rules for the format and timing of messages sent and received. Devices must be using the same protocol to understand each other.

ReGIS

Remote Graphics Instruction Set - This is a set of graphics object description commands.

Selective parameter

This string of bit combinations selects a subfunction from a specified list of subfunctions, designated by Ps. In general, a control sequence with more than one selective parameter causes the same effect as several control sequences, each with one selective parameter. For example, CSI Psa; Psb; Psc F is identical to CSI Psa F CSI Psb F CSI Psc F.

VT52 mode

This VT100 mode recognizes and responds only to escape sequences that DIGITAL VT52 type terminals use. The graphics processor does not have VT52 mode.

# OTHER TERMINALS

#### **GENERAL**

The terminal is a vital link between the user and the power of the computer. Often the right terminal, or the right enhancement to your terminal, can make work easier, more efficient, or more cost effective. For that reason, DIGITAL offers a full range of video and printer terminals and options that can help you with any application.

#### PRINTER TERMINALS

DIGITAL's printer terminals are noted for their strength and reliability, selectable baud rates, and multiple user-selectable features, that provide the flexibility you need to efficiently configure your workstations.

#### **DECwriter III**

DIGITAL's LA120 DECwriter III is the performance terminal for high-speed communications. At 180 characters per second, the DECwriter III boosts throughput by combining bidirectional smart printing and a 100-character buffer with fast horizontal and vertical skipping over white space. The LA120 also offers the convenience and flexibility of more than 45 key-board-selectable features. These features include variable font sizes, tabs, form lengths, and many other time-saving features previously available only as options. Mnemonic commands, prompting LED display, a special decal, and a convenient pocket-sized operator card all make the LA120 easy to set up and use.

A selectable baud rate (up to 9600) along with automatic self-test diagnostics give you the performance and reliability you look for in a high-speed communications terminal.

#### **DECwriter IV**

DIGITAL continues to develop new technology and better terminals with functional specifications our customers demand. The new DECwriter IV is the latest in small convenient printers. It comes in two models, both light and compact enough to be easily transported to the most convenient workstation for maximum efficiency. The LA34 is the desk-top model with designer appearance and typewriter-like keyboard. It is smaller, lighter, and quieter than many typewriters. The easy-to-change ribbon cartridge, roll-free paper, and convenient keyboard-selectable features – like four character-width adjustments – make this terminal simple enough for anyone to use.

The LA38 comes with tractor feed for multipart forms and includes roll feed for standard paper. A numeric keypad is standard for fast input of accounting data.

The DECwriter IV terminals include standard features such as microprocessor control, true 30 characters per second throughput, up to 9600 baud rate, and DECwriter reliability. These features give you all the performance you need in a convenient size package.

#### **DECwriter IV Graphic Printer**

DECwriter IV Graphic Printers are receive-only (RO) microprocessor-controller, low-cost, desk-top printers. They use an impact dot matrix printing technique for character representation. DECwriter IV Graphic Printers operate in one of two printing modes, text or graphic. In text mode, characters are printed as they are received. In graphic mode, received characters define columns of printed dots.

The printer can be used as an output device for a computer or word processor so that characters received from the computer are printed. The graphic printer can also be used as the output device for a graphic terminal such as the VT125 or the VK100.

#### **VIDEO TERMINALS**

DIGITAL's video display terminals offer unmatched convenience and capabilities with features designed to give you performance you would expect from much more expensive and complex equipment.

#### **VT100**

For the ultimate in video terminals, look to DIGITAL's VT100. It combines exceptional versatility with simplicity of operation. It's designed to allow a wide range of fast and easy field upgrades to meet your changing needs. There is a detached typewriter-style keyboard with a flexible, 3-wire coiled cord. An 18-key numeric/function keypad on the keyboard permits single keystroke control of application-specific functions. The VT100 fits easily on a standard typewriter table. There is an advanced video option that provides 132-column lines of the screen for easy viewing of wide-line printer reports. Double-height/double-width characters are selectable line by line for easier reading and text formatting. Smooth scrolling a scan at a time lets your operators read new lines at a reasonable speed. Divided-screen displays; blinking, underlining, double intensity and normal or reverse video character attributes; keyboard and/or computer-settable tab stops; built-in, self-test diagnostics; pictorial capability; and many, many more features are available.


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