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# I. Introduction

In programming the Apple II Plus computer in Applesoft Basic, it often happens that some special operation is required which cannot be implemented within that language, or which is awkward or inefficient to implement. An expedient solution is to implement the operation as a subroutine written in another, more appropriate language - usually an assembly language - and to access it from Basic via the CALL statement or the ampersand (&) command.

In our setup at NRAO, where we have several Apple II Plus computers with similar peripherals, the same special operations can be expected to be useful in many programs written by different people. For example, many of our present programs need routines to control the ADIOS module [1,2]. To avoid duplication of programming effort, the code for these operations should be written, maintained, and distributed in a way that is independent of the programs that will use it, and yet is easily accessible to them. The present report describes a method of accomplishing this.

## II. Memory Organization

Figure 1 shows the suggested organization of the Apple's memory when binary subroutines are to be called from Applesoft Basic. This plan is based on the following ideas:

The subroutines are placed in the lower part of memory, starting at
 \$800 = 2048. The starting point of the Basic program, normally \$800 also, must



Fig. 1. Memory configuration of Apple II Plus with binary library, with and without protection of HGR1.



Fig. 2. Configuration of lower memory if library becomes larger than 3k bytes and HGR1 is needed.

be moved up enough to make room for the subroutines. An alternative would have been to place the subroutines in upper memory and to push HIMEM downward. But since we often want to use high resolution graphics, which requires that any long Applesoft program be placed above HGR1 (\$2000-\$3FFF), the space \$800-\$1FFF is often unused. The total usable memory is then larger with the subroutines in low memory.

2. All subroutines which are thought to be generally useful - i.e., used by at least several different main programs - are assembled together in a single block called the "binary library," starting at \$1400 = 5120. Programs which use any of the library subroutines would normally load the entire library; this produces no penalty in usable memory space if HGR1 is also needed.

3. The first page of the library (\$1400 thru \$14FF) is reserved for JMP instructions to the entry points of the various subroutines in the library. Normally, a Basic program should CALL the appropriate JMP instruction address rather than the actual entry point address of a subroutine. This allows the library to be updated in a way that might require changing the entry point addresses of some subroutines without requiring changes in any Basic programs which use the library.

4. The space \$800-\$13FF is intended for loading subroutines which are not in the library but which are needed by a particular Basic program. The idea is to use this space for specialized routines which are needed by only one program (or at most a few). An exception is the high resolution graphics character generator, a purchased program [3] which occupies \$C00-\$FFF and requires data (a "font") occupying \$1000-\$13FF. If this program is required, the space for other routines is reduced to \$800-\$BFF, which is shared with Text Page 2.

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#### III. The Pointer Reset Program

As mentioned earlier, the starting point of the Basic program must be moved upward to make room for the library. This can be accomplished simply by changing several pointers in the zero page, provided that the Basic program has not yet been loaded. A short program to do this is included in the initial versions of the library. The following command will load the library and reset the pointers so that subsequently-loaded Basic programs will reside above the library:

#### BRUN LIB

where LIB is the name of a binary file containing the library. This routine returns to the user in immediate mode, with any previously-loaded Basic program no longer accessible. An alternative is to use the utility program LOMEM [4] which actually moves a previously-loaded Basic program, and which can be executed from within the program. One can then

## BLOAD LIB

so that the pointer-resetting program is not executed. However, LOMEM requires the user to specify the destination address, which might require knowing the length of the library, and the latter is variable.

The following example illustrates the procedure that I recommend. Suppose that a Basic program called WORK needs some routines from the library and also needs a special routine stored in a binary file named WORKER. The user stores the Basic program in a file named WORK.A and creates a text file named WORK containing these lines:

> BRUN LIB BLOAD WORKER RUN WORK.A

Then, whenever he wants to run WORK, he types

#### EXEC WORK

and all the memory organization is automatically taken care of. Incidently, the EXEC file can also do various other useful things, such as making sure that the text window is properly set and that any resident routines required (DOS, PLE, etc.) are properly connected.

The pointer reset program knows exactly where the library ends and can place the Basic program immediately afterward, so no space is wasted. However, if Hires Graphics is to be used, then at least HGR1 (\$2000-\$3FFF) must also be protected from the Basic program. Therefore, another version of the library exists in which the pointer reset program causes Basic to start at \$4000 = 16384 rather than at the end of the library. So far, the library does not extend up to the beginning of HGR1. If it should ever grow beyond that point, we can still have a version which protects HGR1 by skipping over it, as shown in Figure 2.

## IV. The LINK Subroutine

Most useful subroutines require parameters from the calling program and produce results which must be returned to the calling program. Therefore, it is important to provide a method of passing data between a Basic program and a called subroutine. This could be done through POKE's and PEEK's, but that would be slow and cumbersome, especially for arrays.

The library includes a program which allows parameters to be passed in a simpler and more efficient manner. If a list of Basic variables is appended to the CALL statement, we can use routines within the Applesoft ROM [5] to find the addresses of these variables in memory. Our subroutine can then obtain the values of these variables or store results into them.

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A subroutine called from Basic which needs the addresses of passed parameters should include the instruction

#### JSR LINK

where LINK is an entry point in the library. Upon return, the addresses of up to three parameters will be stored on the zero page, starting at \$19, in the same order as in the CALL statement. For example, if Basic executes

### CALL SUB,A,B,C

and SUB contains JSR LINK, then upon return from LINK the address of the Basic variable A will be in \$19,\$1A; the address of B will be in \$1B,\$1C; and the address of C will be in \$1D,\$1E. LINK also advances the text pointer to the end of the Basic statement, so that when SUB executes a RTS, the Basic program continues normally. If the CALL statement lists more than three parameters, the additional ones are ignored.

The precise syntax of the CALL statement is

CALL <adr>[{<delim><parameter>}]

where <delim> is any of the delimeter characters defined on page 33 of the Applesoft manual, except the colon and either parenthesis <sup>\*</sup>; <parameter> is the name of a simple variable or an array element; and <adr> is a Basic expression which evaluates to the entry point address of the subroutine being called. Note that an array name (without a subscript, as distinguished from an array element) cannot be used as a parameter because LINK will think it is a simple variable. Another linking routine, called MLINK, has been written to pass array names without subscripts, but it will not be discussed here; contact the author if this interest you.

The delimeters are thus  $\sim$  = + - < > / \* , ;

## V. Calling Library Subroutine by Name

As mentioned earlier, the first page (255 bytes, actually) of the library is reserved for JMP instructions to the entry points of the various subroutines. This allows for 85 such instructions, which we'll call "indirect entry points." The addresses of these indirect entry points should remain stable through many revisions of the library. Nevertheless, the user must know at least the indirect entry address for each subroutine he calls.

To free the Basic program almost completely from the need to know absolute addresses in the library, a short program has been written which allows library subroutines to be called by name. The calling syntax is

CALL <libent>"<name>" <parameter>[{<delim><parameter>}]

where <libent> is the address of the LIBENT program, and <name> is the name of the desired subroutine. For example,

CALL LIB"CMUL"Y(0) = A(0) \* B(0)

will execute the complex multiply subroutine. A slightly shorter calling sequence is obtained if the & command vector has been set to <libent>. Then

&"CMUL"Y(0) = A(0)\*B(0)

will have the same effect as the previous example. Notice that, in either calling syntax, the second quote replaces the first delimeter of the parameter list.

In timing tests which compared CALL's through LIBENT to CALL's to the indirect entry points, no measurable difference was seen with a resolution of about 200  $\mu$ sec.

## VI. Library Versions 2.0 and 2.1

At this writing, the NRAO binary library contains the subroutines listed in Table I. The current library is called Version 2.0 or 2.1, according to whether

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the Basic program begins immediately after the library or after HGR1.

When the library is loaded, the version number times 10 is stored in \$14FF = 5375. It is intended that this number will be odd for versions in which HGR1 is protected, and even otherwise. It is also intended that changes in the fraction part of the version number will indicate a minor revision which is downward-compatible (that is, all programs which worked with the earlier version should work with the new one), whereas changes in the integer part indicate major revisions in which some routines <u>may</u> operate differently or be deleted. If the library is loaded through an EXEC file as suggested earlier, it might be useful to include the line

#### PRINT "LIBVERS = "PEEK(5375)/10

to be sure the user knows which version he got.

# TABLE I: Contents of Versions 2.0 and 2.1

PROGRAM NAME	INDIRECT	ENTRY	NOTES
	Dec	Hex	
PTRSET	5120	1400	Resets pointers for Applesoft;
			automatically executed by
			BRUN LIB.
LINK	5123	1403	See text and Appendix B of this report.
ADIOS	5126	1406 \	ADIOS interface control; see [1,2].
ADOUT	5129	1409 ∫	
AND16	5132	140C \	Logical operations on 16-bit integer
OR16	5135	140F	variables. See Appendix D for listing.
XOR16	5138	1412	
CADD	5141	1415	
CMUL	5144	1418	
CDIV	5147	141B	
POLAR	5150	141E	Complex Arithmetic Package; see [8].
RECT	5153	1421	compiler
ADD2X2	5159	1427	
SUB2X2	5162	142A	
MUL2X2	5165	142D	
INV2X2	5168	1430	
LIBENT	5171	1433	See text and Appendix C of this report.

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- [6] S-C Software, P. O. Box 5537, Richardson, TX 75080; telephone (214) 324-2050.
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#### Appendix A

#### INTERNAL ORGANIZATION OF THE BINARY LIBRARY

The following information is provided for the benefit of those wanting to write programs for the library or to modify it. Familiarity with 6502 assembly language programming is assumed.

Two assemblers were evaluated for this application, the S-C Assembler II [6] and the DOS Tool Kit Editor-Assembler [7]. Several other assemblers were considered on the basis of their advertised features. The S-C Assembler II was selected, primarily because of a feature that allows the various subroutines to be maintained in separate source files but assembled together. The assembler accepts the pseudo-op

## .INCLUDE filename

which causes the specified source file to be included in the assembly in place of the pseudo-op. This assembler has the disadvantages that its editing facilities are poor and it stores the source code in a way that is not compatible with other editors.

To produce the library, a source file called LIBROOT was created containing the code for the indirect entry JMP table, the version number, the pointer reset program, and a list of .INCLUDE pseudo-ops for the subroutines to be assembled. Also in LIBROOT is a list of label definitions ("equates" or .EQ pseudo-ops) for addresses commonly needed by subroutines, including a large number of Applesoft internal subroutines and zero page addresses.

The library is maintained on a disk called the "NRAO Binary Library Master Disk," which includes a copy of the assembler; LIBROOT; the source code for each subroutine; and binary files with the current versions of the assembled library.

# <u>Appendix B</u>

# LISTING OF "LINK" SUBROUTINE

	2330 .IN LINK 1000 **********************************	FROM APPLESOFT
	1030 * 810831 LRD. REV 1040 *	820111.
0019- 00FA-		PARAMETER ADDRESS TABLE, THRU \$1E. SECONDARY PTABLE
1527- 86 06 1529- 20 87 00 152C- F0 18 152E- 20 81 00 1531- F0 16 1533- C9 2C 1535- F0 09 1537- 20 E3 DF 153A- A6 06 153C- 94 1A 153E- 95 19	1080 LINK      LDX #0        1090 .1      STX TEMP        1100      JSR CHRGOT        1110      BEQ .5        1120      JSR CHRGET        1130      BEQ .5        1140      CMP #COMMA        1150      BEQ .4        1160 .2      JSR PTRGET        1170 .3      LDX TEMP        1180      STY PTABLE4	END OF BASIC STATEMENT, EXIT. SKIP DELIMETER (NORMALLY COMMA). END OF BASIC STATEMENT, EXIT. DOUBLE COMMA? YES: PARAMETER WAS OMITTED. GET POINTER TO PARAMETER IN (A,Y). RESTORE X-REG (USED BY PTRGET). +1,X
1542- E0 06		

## Appendix C

#### LISTING OF "LIBENT" PROGRAM

.IN LIBENT 2410 \* 1010 \* ROUTINE TO CALL PROPER LIBRARY PROGRAM BASED ON NAME. 1020 \* 1030 + 811210 LRD 1040 **\*---**öðžž-1060 QUOTE .EQ \$22 1070 ERROR .EQ \$D412 0412-1049- 20 B7 00 1080 LIBENT JSR CHR60T CHECK DELIMITER i040- F0 25 1090 BEQ .4 END OF STATEMENT: SYNTAX ERR 1100 \* 1110 \* READ STRING FROM APPLESOFT PGM UP TO NEXT QUOTE 1120 \* AND COMPUTE ITS HASH CODE: 1130 1140 104E- A9 00 LDA #0 INITIALIZE HASH CODE 1050- 85 06 STA TEMP 1052-20 B1 00 1150 .1 JSR CHRGET NEXT CHARACTER 1160 BEQ .2 1055- FØ 10 END OF STATEMENT? 1057- 09 22 1170 CMP #QUOTE 1659- FØ ØC 1180 BEQ .2 YES, END OF NAME. 1190 1056-18 CLC HASH IT... 1200 1210 1220 1230 iD50- E9 30 SBC #48 UPPER CASE ONLY ASL TEMP ADC TEMP 103E- 06 06 1060- 65 06 iD62- 85 06 STA TEMP SAVE 1064-40 52 10 1240 JMP .1 LOOP TO NEXT QUOTE 1250 \* 1260 \* SEARCH TABLE OF VALID HASH CODES 1067- A2 10 1270 .2 LDX #HASHEN-HASHTB 1069- A5 06 1280 LOA TEMP iD68- DD A9 1D 1290 .3 CMP HASHTB,X 1300 106E- F0 20 BE0 .6 1070- CA 1310 DEX 1320 1071- DØ F8 BNE .3 1073- A9 7F 1330 .4 1075- A0 1D 1340 1077- 20 3A 0B 1350 LDA #.5 CODE NOT FOUND. LDY /.5 PRINT ERR MESSAGE JSR STROUT CODE FOR "SYNTAX ERR" .07A- A2 10 1360 LDX #16 i076-40 12 **D**4 1370 JMP ERROR 107F- 55 4E 4B iD82- 4E 4F 57 1085- 4E 20 4C 1088-494220 .088- 53 55 42 103E- 52 22 1380.5 .AS /UNKNOWN LIB SUBR"/ 1390 \*\* 1400 \* CODE FOUND, SO JMP TO APPROPRIATE ROUTINE IN JUMP TABLE: 1410 .6 STX TEMP 1420 LDA #JTB 1430 LDY /JTB 1030- 86 06 LDA #JTBL+1 10 EA -SEG1 1094- 40 14 LOY /JTBL 1096- 18 1440 CLC

# Appendix C (continued)

1097- 65 06 1099- 65 06 1098- 65 06 1090- 90 01 1096- 68 1080- 80 87 10 1083- 80 88 10 1086- 60 86 10	1450 1460 1470 1480 1490 1500 .7 1510 1520 .8 1530 *	ADC TEMP ADC TEMP ADC TEMP BCC .7 INY STA .8+1 STY .8+2 JMP (*)	3 BYTES PER ENTRY
، سريس سريسر	1540 * HERE		OF VALID HASH CODES:
10A9- 00	1550 HASHTB	.DA #0	*USE ZERO FOR PROTECTED ROUTINES
10AA- 80	1560	.DA #141	
1048- 56	1570	.DA #86	
10AC- 70	1580	.DA #125	
10A0- 38	1590	.DA #59	·
10AE- 7A	1600	.DA #122	
IDAF- EC	1610	.DA #236	
1080- 09 1554 64	1620	.DA #9	
1081- 64	1630	.DA #100	
1082-32	1640	.DA #50	
1083- 90 1084- AØ	1650	.DA #144	
	1660	.DA #160	
1065- 4F	1670	.DA #79	
1066- 10 1087- 62	1680 1666	.DA #29 .DA #98	
.088- F1	1690 1700	.DA #241	
1069-51	1700 HASHEN	.DA #81	
a la la sur sur la	1710 HOHEN	.UH #01 .EN	
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#### Appendix D

#### LISTING OF LOGICAL OPERATION SUBROUTINES

.IN LOGICAL 1010 \* LOGICAL OPERATIONS ON INTEGER VARIABLES. 1020 +1030 \* CALL ADR, Z%=X%+Y% 1040 \* WILL COMBINE (X%) WITH (Y%) AND PUT RESULT IN (Z%). 1050 \* THE OPERATION PERFORMED WILL BE 16-BIT LOGICAL: 1060 \* AND IF (ADR)=AND16, OR 1070 × OR IF (ADR)=OR16, OR XOR IF (ADR)=XOR16. 1080 \* 1090 \*-----1100 AND16 LDA #\$31 OP CODE i5F7- A9 31 15F9- 80 IC i6 1110 STA OPERI 15FC- 8D 23 16 1120 STA OPER2 13FF- 4C 15 16 1130 JMP LOGIC 1140 OR16 LDA #≸11 1602- A9 11 OP CODE FOR ORA (M),Y 1604- 80 10 16 1150 STA OPER1 1607- 8D 23 16 1160 STA OPER2 160A- 4C 15 16 1170 JMP LOGIC 160D- A9 51 1180 XOR16 LDA #\$51 OP CODE FOR EOR (M),Y 160F- 3D 1C 16 1190 STA OPER1 STA OPER2 1612- 8D 23 16 1200 1615- 20 25 15 1210 LOGIC JSR LINK 1618- AØ ØØ 1220 LDY #0 161A- B1 0B 1230 LDA (PTABLE+2),Y GET LSB OF X. 1610-31 00 1240 OPER1 AND (PTABLE+4), Y OPERATE WITH LSB OF Y. 161E- 31 09 1250 STA (PTABLE),Y RESULT TO LSB OF Z. 1620- 08 1260 INY 1270 LOA (PTABLE+2),Y GET MSB OF X. 1280 OPER2 AND (PTABLE+4),Y OPERATE WITH MSB OF Y. 1621- B1 ØB i623- 31 0D 1825- 3i 09 1290 STA (PTABLE),Y RESULT TO MSB OF Z. 1627- 60 1300 RTS DONE.

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NRAO BINARY LIBRARY VERSIONS 3.0 and 3.1

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I. NRAO Binary Library Versions 3.0 and 3.1

Versions 3.0 and 3.1 of the NRAO Binary Library are now current. Changes from versions 2.0 and 2.1, described in EDIR #225, are as follows:

1. LINK has been extended to allow passing up to six parameters instead of three. The addresses of the 4th, 5th, and 6th parameters are stored beginning at PTABLE2=\$FA.

2. Errors in CMUL and CDIV have been corrected. The original versions did not handle properly the case where the result used the same variable as an operand.

3. POLAR has been changed to conform to the description in EDIR #225.

4. To save space, some code common to CMUL, CDIV, POLAR, and RECT has been moved to a subroutine called LINKC; the latter calculates the addresses of imaginary parts of passed parameters.

5. The new routines for handling the ADIOS module (see addition to EDIR #224, dated March 30, 1982) have been incorporated. The old routines ADIOS and ADOUT have been deleted.

6. The hash code table used by LIBENT has been moved to LIBROOT for convenience in maintaining the library.

Changes 1 through 4 have also been incorporated in versions 2.2 and 2.3, which should be compatible with 2.0 and 2.1.

Persons desiring copies of the library object code or the source code of any subroutine should contact Stowe Keller or Larry D'Addario. <u>Notices of future</u> <u>revisions will be sent only to known users within NRAO and persons requesting</u> to be put on a mailing list.

From the attached listing one can determine the entry points of each routine (direct and indirect), the name used to access each routine through LIBENT, and the memory occupied by the library. :ASM

1400-	1000 **********************************	1 
$\begin{array}{c} 1400-&4C&11\\ 1403-&4C&36\\ 1406-&4C&6A\\ 1409-&4C&84\\ 1400-&4C&10\\ 140F-&4C&28\\ 1412-&4C&33\\ 1415-&4C&4E\\ 1418-&4C&8F&1\\ 1418-&4C&8F&1\\ 1418-&4C&8F&1\\ 1418-&4C&8F&1\\ 1421-&4C&84&1\\ 1427-&4C&67&1\\ 1424-&4C&84&1\\ 1427-&4C&67&1\\ 1420-&4C&67&1\\ 1430-&4C&37&1\\ 1430-&4C&37&1\\ 1430-&4C&37&1\\ 1430-&4C&58&1\\ 1430-&4C&58&1\\ 1436-&1E\\ 1500-&00\\ 1501-&80\\ 1502-&89\\ 1503-&C9\\ 1503-&C9\\ 1504-&38\\ 1505-&7A\\ 1506-&EC\\ 1507-&09\\ 1508-&64\\ 1509-&32\\ 1508-&64\\ 1509-&32\\ 1508-&64\\ 1509-&32\\ 1508-&64\\ 1509-&10\\ 150E-&62\\ 150F-&F1\\ 1510-&51\\ \end{array}$	1090 * LINKS TO SUBROUTINES:      1100 JTEL JMP LOADER      1110 JMP LINK      1110 JMP ANDIG      1110 JMP CADD      1120 JMP KCT      1120 JMP ADD2X2      1120 JMP ADD2X2      1120 JMP ADD2X2      1120 JMP ADD2X2      1120 JMP MUL2X2      11280 JMP MUL2X2      1280 JMP MUL2X2      1290 UERS DA #30 VERSION NUMBER      1300 * HERE IS THE TABLE OF VALID HASH CODES FOR LIBENT:      1310 HASHTB DA #0 *USE ZERO FOR PROTECTED ROUTINES      1320 DA #137 "AINIT"      1340 DA #201 "ASERU"      1350 DA #30 UERSION NUMBER      1360 DA #122 "ORIG"      1370 DA #235 "KORIG"      1380 DA #137 "AINIT"      1340 DA #236 "KORIG"      1360 DA #330 UERSION NUMER      1370 DA #236 "KORIG"	
1E58- 1E58-	2700 LASTLB .EQ * 2710 LIBEND .EQ * 2720 .EN	