

CP/M ver 1.4 &amp; 2.x

Programmer's Reference Guide

## BUILT-IN COMMANDS

DIR	Display file directory, current drive
DIR d:	Display file directory, designated drive
DIR filename.typ	Search for file name, current drive
DIR *.typ	Display all files of named type, curr drive
DIR filename.*	Display all types of designated filename
DIR x????.*	Display all filenames 5 characters long and starting with letter x
TYPE filename.typ	Display ASCII file, current drive
TYPE d:filename.typ	Display ASCII file, designated drive
ERA filename.typ	Erase named file, current drive
ERA *.*	Erase all files, curr drv, ver 2.x curr user
ERA *.typ	Erase all files, current drive
ERA d:filename.typ	Erase named file, designated drive
ERA filename.*	Erase all types of named file, current drive
REN nuname.typ=olname.typ	Rename file, current drive
REN d:nuname.typ=olname.typ	Rename file, designated drive
SAVE n filename.typ	Save as named file, current drive
SAVE n d:filename.typ	Save as named file, designated drive n pages (page = 256 bytes) starting at 100H
d:	Switch to designated drive, making it current drive V 1.4: A-D V 2.x: A-P
USER n	Change user area (n=0 to 15) (ver 2.x)

## TRANSIENT COMMANDS

DDT	Initiate Dynamic Debugging Tool
DDT filename.typ	Initiate DDT and load named file
ASM filename	Assemble named ASM file on current drive
ASM d:filename	Assemble named ASM file on designated drive
ASM filename.abc	Assemble named ASM file: a = source file drive b = HEX file destination drive (Z=skip) c = PRN file destination drive (X=console,Z=skip)
LOAD filename	Make COM file from named HEX file on current drive
LOAD d:filename	Make COM file from named HEX file on design. drive
DUMP filename.typ	Display file in hex, current drive
DUMP d:filename.typ	Display file in hex, designated drive
MOVCPM	Relocate and execute (max) KByte CP/M system
MOVCPM n	Relocate and execute n KByte CP/M system
MOVCPM n *	Create relocated image in RAM of n Kbyte CP/M system, ready for SYSGEN or SAVE

MOVCPM * *	Create relocated image in RAM of (max) Kbyte CP/M system, ready for SYSGEN or SAVE
SYSGEN	Initiate SYStem GENerate program
SUBMIT filename parameters	Execute SUB file using optional parameter(s)
XSUB	Execute eXTended SUBmit program (V2.x)
ED filename.typ ED d:filename.typ	Execute EDitor to create or edit named file Execute EDitor to create or edit named file
STAT STAT d: STAT DEV: STAT VAL: STAT DSK: STAT USR: STAT filename.typ \$S STAT filename.typ STAT d:filename.typ STAT d:=R/O STAT filename.typ \$R/O STAT filename.typ \$R/W STAT filename.COM \$SYS STAT filename.COM \$DIR STAT gd:=pd:	Display STATus (R/W or R/O) \/\ current drive and available disk space /\ design. drive Display DEvice assignments Display VALid device assignments Display DISK characteristics (V2.x) Display current USeR areas (V2.x) Display size of file (V2.x) Display file characteristics, current drive Display file characteristics, designated drive Change designated drive to Read-Only Change named file to Read-Only (V2.x) Change named file to Read-Write (V2.x) Change named file to System file (V2.x) Change named file to Directory file (V2.x) Change general device (CON:, LST:, PUN:, RDR:) assignment of physical device (IOBYTE)

## PIP

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## Commands

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PIP	Initiate Peripheral Interchange Program
*d:=s:filename.typ	Copy named file from source drive to dest drive
*d:nuname.*=s:olname.typ	Copy & rename from source drive to dest drive
PIP d:=s:filename.typ	Initiate PIP and copy named file
PIP d:=s:.*	from source drive \/ all files
PIP d:=s:filename.*	to    all named files
PIP d:=s:*.typ	destination drive /\ all files named type
PIP LST:=filename.typ	Send named file to list device
PIP PUN:=filename.typ	Send named file to punch device
PIP CON:=filename.typ	Send named file to console device
PIP filename.typ=RDR:	Copy data from reader device to named file
*nuname.typ=aname.typ,bname.typ,cname.typ	ASCII copy & concatenate
*nuname.typ=aname.typ,bname.typ	ASCII copy & concatenate
*nuname.typ=aname.typ[X],bname.typ[X]	binary copy & concatenate
PIP LST:=aname.typ,bname.typ	Send files in sequence to list device
PIP LST:=s:aname.typ,s:bname.typ	Send files in sequence to list device

PIP allows access to any logical and physical devices defined in the CP/M system. Logical devices: CON: RDR: PUN: LST:  
Physical devices: TTY: CRT: PTR: UR1: UR2: PTP: UP1: UP2: LPT: UL1:

Special PIP devices (locations 109H to 1FFH are not used in the PIP image and can be replaced by used drivers using DDT)

NUL:	Send 40 NUL's (ASCII 00H) to the device (can be issued at the end of punched output)
EOF:	Send a CP/M EOF (ASCII Ctrl-Z=1AH) to dest device (sent automatically at end of ASCII transfers thru PIP)

INP: Special PIP input source which can be patched into PIP:  
 PIP gets input from here by calling 103H, with data  
 returned at 109H)

OUT: Special PIP output destination which can be patched into PIP:  
 PIP calls 106H with data to be output in C for each char.

PRN: Same as LST: except that tabs are expanded to every 8th  
 column, lines are numbered, and page ejects are inserted  
 every 60 lines with an initial eject (same as PIP options [t8np])

#### Parameters

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example \*filename.typ=RDR:[B]

[B]	- read data block until ^S (ctrl-S) character
[Dn]	- delete characters past column n
[E]	- echo all copy operations to console
[F]	- remove form feeds
[Gn]	- get file from user area n (V2.x)
[H]	- check for proper HEX format
[I]	- same as H plus ignores ":00"
[L]	- change all upper case characters to lower case
[N]	- add line numbers without leading zeros
[N2]	- same as N plus leading zeros and a TAB after number
[O]	- object file transfer; ignore end-of-file (Ctrl-Z)
[P]	- insert form feed every 60 lines
[Pn]	- insert form feed every n lines
[Qstring^Z]	- Quit copying after string is found
[R]	- read SYS file (V2.x)
[Sstring^Z]	- Start copying when string is found
[Tn]	- expand tab space to every n columns
[U]	- change all lower case characters to upper case
[V]	- verify copied data (destination must be disk file)
[W]	- delete R/O files at destination (V2.x)
[X]	- copy non-ACII files
[Z]	- zero parity bit (hi bit) on all characters in file

#### Keywords

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CON:	CONsole device (defined in BIOS)
EOF:	send End-of-File (ASCII ^Z) to device
INP:	INPut source (patched in PIP)
LST:	LIST device (defined in BIOS)
NUL:	send 40 NUL's to device
OUT:	OUTput destination (patched in PIP)
PRN:	same as LST:; tabs every 8th char, number lines & page ejects every 60 lines with initial eject
PUN:	PUNch device (defined in BIOS)
RDR:	ReaDeR device (defined in BIOS)

#### COMMAND CONTROL CHARACTERS

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Control char	ASCII code	Function
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C	03h	Reboot - CP/M warm boot
E	05h	Start new line
H	08h	Backspace and delete (V2.x)
I	09h	Tab 8 columns

J	0Ah	Line feed
M	0Dh	Carriage return
P	10h	Printer on/Printer off
R	12h	Retype current line
S	13h	Stop display output (any char except ^C restarts)
U	15h	Delete line
X	18h	Same as Ü (V1.4)
Z	1Ah	End of console input (ED & PIP)
delete/rubout	7Fh	Delete and display character (tape only)

## ASM

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## Conventions

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line# label operation operant ;comment

labels followed by colon                    1-16 alphanumeric characters  
 symbol (eq. EQU) no colon                first must be alpha, ? or .  
     labels are case insensitive (treated as uppercase)  
     \$ is insignificant and can be inserted  
     anywhere for readability

## Assembly Program Format (space separates fields)

[line#] label: opcode operand(s) ;comment

## Constants

A number of digits with a suffix:

B	binary
O or Q	octal
D	decimal (default)
H	hexadecimal

## Reserved words in operand fields

The names of the 8080 registers are reserved, and produce the following values if encountered in the operand field:

A	7
B	0
C	1
D	2
E	3
H	4
L	5
M	6
SP	6
PSW	6

Mnemonics for machine instructions are reserved and evaluate to their internal codes. Instructions which require operands will get zeroes in their operand fields, e.g. MOV will produce 40H

The symbol \$ in the operand field evaluates to the address of the next instruction to generate, not including the instruction within the current logical line

String constants are delimited by an apostrophe ('), and a double apostrophe (') will produce one apostrophe

## Operators (unsigned)

a+b	a added to b
a-b	difference between a and b
+b	0+b (unary addition)
-b	0-b (unary subtraction)
a*b	a multiplied by b
a/b	a divided by b (integer)
a MOD b	remainder after a/b
NOT b	complement all b-bits
a AND b	bit-by-bit AND of a and b
a OR b	bit-by-bit OR of a and b
a XOR b	bit-by-bit XOR of a and b
a SHL b	shift a left b bits, end off, zero fill
a SHR b	shift a right b bits, end off, zero fill

## Hierarchy of operations

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highest: * / MOD SHL SHR
        - +
        NOT
        AND
        OR XOR

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## Pseudo-ops

ORG const	Set program or data origin (Default=0)
END start	End program, optional address where execution begins
EQU const	Define symbol value (may not be changed)
SET const	Define symbol value (may be changed later)
IF const	Assemble block conditionally until ENDIF
ENDIF	Terminate conditional assembly block
DS const	Define storage space for later use
DB byte[,byte...]	Define bytes as numeric or ASCII constants
DW word[,word...]	Define words (two bytes)
const=constant	(true if bit 0 is 1, otherwise false)

## Error codes

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D	Data error (element cannot be placed in data area)
E	Expression error (ill-formed expression)
L	Label error
N	Not implemented
O	Overflow (expression too complicated to compute)
P	Phase error (label has different values on each pass)
R	register error (specified value not compatible with op code)
U	Undefined label (label does not exist)
V	Vaue error (operand improper)

## Fatal errors

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NO SOURCE FILE PRESENT
NO DIRECTORY SPACE
SOURCE FILE NAME ERROR

SOURCE FILE READ ERROR  
 OUTPUT FILE WRITE ERROR  
 CANNOT CLOSE FILE

#### FILE TYPES

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ASC	ASCII text file, usually Basic source
ASM	ASSeMble langaige file (source for ASM program)
BAK	BAcKup copy file (created by editor)
BAS	BASic source program file, usually tokenized
COM	COMMAND file (transient executable program)
DAT	DATA file
DOC	DOCument file
FOR	FORtran source program file
INT	INTERmediate Basic program file (executable)
HEX	HEXadecimal format file (for LOAD program)
LIB	Library file used by macro assembler
PLI	PL/I source file
PRN	PRInt file (source and object produced by ASM)
REL	RELocatable file
SAV	System file (V2.x)
SUB	SUBmit text file executed by SUBMIT program
SYM	SID symbol file
TEX	TEXt formatter source file
XRF	Cross reference file
\$\$\$	Temporary file

Filename - 8 characters maximum

Filetype - 3 characters maximum

Invalid filename and filetype characters  
 < > . , ; : = ? [ ]

#### DDT COMMANDS

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DDT	
DDT filename.HEX	
DDT filename.COM	
A sad	Assemble symbolic code; start at sad
D	Dump RAM to console from cad, 16 lines
D sad	Dump RAM to console from sad, 16 lines
D sad,ead	Dump RAM to console from sad thru ead
F sad,ead,const	Fill RAM from sad thru ead with const
G	Start program exec. at saved PC
G sad	Start program exec. at sad
G sad,bp1	Start program exec. at sad and stop at bp1
G sad,bp1,bp2	Start program exec. at sad and stop at bp1 or bp2
G,bp1,bp2	Start program exec. at cad and stop at bp1 or bp2
G0	Jump to 0000H ==> exits DDT (equivalent to Ctrl-C)
H a,b	Display hex a+b and a-b
I filename	Set up FCB at 5CH for user code
I filename.typ	Set up FCB at 5CH for R-command (HEX or COM file)
L	Disassemble RAM from cad, 12 lines

L sad Disassemble RAM from sad, 12 lines  
 L sad,ead Disassemble RAM from sad thru ead

M sad,ead,nad Move RAM block from sad thru ead to nad

R Read file specified by I command to RAM  
 R offset at normal address + optional offset  
 The R command requires a previous I command  
 There is no W (write file) command, instead  
 exit DDT (by G0 or Ctrl-C) and then use SAVE

S sad Examine and optionally alter RAM, byte by byte,  
 starting at sad

T Trace: execute 1 instruction with register dump  
 T n Trace: Execute n instructions with register dump

U Untrace: same as T except that intermediate  
 U n steps are not displayed

X Examine register or flags, display format:  
 CfZfMfEfIf A=bb B=dddd D=dddd H=dddd S=dddd P=dddd inst

Xr Examine/change registers or flags

C	Carry flag	(0/1)
Z	Zero flag	(0/1)
M	Sign flag	(0/1)
E	Parity flag	(0/1)
I	Aux Carry flag	(0/1)
A	Accumulator	(0-FF)
B	BC reg pair	(0-FFFF)
D	DE reg pair	(0-FFFF)
H	HL reg pair	(0-FFFF)
S	Stack Pointer	(0-FFFF)
P	Program Counter	(0-FFFF)

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cad = current address
nad = new address
sad = start address
ead = end address

? = error, can mean:
    file cannot be opened
    checksum error in HEX file
    assembler(disassembler) overlayed
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#### ED COMMANDS

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nA Append n lines to buffer (n=0 - use haf of buffer)  
 B Move pointer to beginning of file  
 -B Move pointer to end of file  
 nC Move pointer forward n characters  
 nD Delete n characters forward  
 E End edit, close file, return to CP/M  
 nFs Find n'th occurrence of string 's'  
 H End edit, move pointer to beginning of file  
 I Insert text at pointer until ^Z typed  
 Is Insert string at pointer  
 nK Kill n lines starting at pointer  
 nL Move pointer n lines  
 nMx Execute command string 'x' n times

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nNs    Global F-command - until end of file
O      Abort ED, start over with original file
nP     List next n pages of 23 lines (n=0 - current page)
Q      Quit without changing input file
Rfn    Read fn.LIB into buffer at current pointer
nSx^Zy Substitute string 'y' for next n forward occurrences of string 'x'
nT     Type n lines
U      Change lower case to upper case (next entry)
V      Enable internal line number generation
nW     Write n lines to output file, start at beginning of buffer
nX     Write next n lines to file 'X$$$$$.LIB'
nZ     Pause n/2 seconds (2 MHz)
n      Move forward n lines
<CR>  Move forward one line and type one line
-      Move backward
n:x   Move to n line number and perform 'x' command
:mx  Perform command 'x' from current line to line m
n::mx Move to n line number and perform command 'x' from
           current line to line m

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note: "--" valid on all positioning and display commands  
for backward movement (e.g. -nC)

#### HOW TO OPEN UP A NEW USER AREA

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Enter PIP wait for the \* prompt. Hit Return to go back to exit PIP.  
Now, enter the user area, say USER 1. Type SAVE 28 PIP.COM and hit  
Return (SAVE 30 PIP.COM in CP/M 3).

Now, PIP.COM is in your new user area, and you can copy any file  
into your area from area 0 by typing PIP A:=<ufn>[G0] and Return.

#### PATCHING THE CCP TO PERFORM ONE COMMAND AT EVERY WARM BOOT

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The CCP stars with the instructions:

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JMP    CCPSTART      ; Start the console processor
JMP    CCPCLEAR      ; Clear the initial command
DB     127            ; Maximum command length
CL:   DB    0          ; Current command length
      '              ; 8 spaces
      '              ; 8 more spaces
      'COPYRIGHT...   ; Copyright notice

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Starting at CL, patch in the command, e.g.:

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CL:   DB    3          ; Current command length
      'DIR',0        ; DIR command, NUL terminated
      '              ; 4 spaces
      '              ; 8 more spaces
      'COPYRIGHT...   ; Copyright notice

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and add this to the CCP image on the system tracks of your disk  
(using MOVCPM, DDT and SYSTEM on most CP/M systems, or DDT and  
CPM56K.COM or CPM60K.COM on Apple CP/M). Now, after every warm boot  
the CCP will execute this command (in this example a 'DIR' command)

## BDOS FUNCTION CALLS

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Function no in C reg		Value passed to BDOS in DE (or E) regs	Value returned in A or HL regs
Dec	Hex		
0	00	System reset	--
1	01	Console read	--
2	02	Console write	E = char
3	03	Reader read	--
4	04	Punch write	E = char
5	05	List write	E = char
6	06	Direct console I/O (V2.x)	E = FFh (input) E = char (output)
7	07	Get IOBYTE	--
8	08	Set IOBYTE	E = IOBYTE
9	09	Print string	DE = string addr string terminated by \$, tabs are expanded as in func 2
10	0A	Read console buffer	DE = buffer addr buffer: 1st byte = bufsize, 2nd byte = chars input
11	0B	Get console status	--
12	0C	Lift head (V1.x)	--
		Get version (V2.x)	--
			HL = version no H: 0=CP/M, 1=MP/M L: 0=v1.4 20H-22H=v2.x
13	0D	Reset disk**	--
14	0E	Select disk	E = drive no 0=A, 1=B, ... 0FH=P
15	0F	Open file	DE = FCB addr
16	10	Close file	DE = FCB addr
17	11	Search for first	DE = FCB addr
18	12	Search for next	--
19	13	Delete file	DE = FCB addr
20	14	Read sequential	DE = FCB addr
21	15	Write sequential	DE = FCB addr
22	16	Create file	DE = FCB addr
23	17	Rename file	DE = old FCB addr
24	18	Get login vector	-- (V1.4)
25	19	Get disk no	--
			A = curr disk no (0-15 for A-P)
26	1A	Set DMA addr	DE = DMA addr
27	1B	Get alloc vector	--
28	1C	Write protect disk	--
29	1D	Get R/O vector	--
30	1E	Set file attrib	DE = FCB addr
31	1F	Get addr disk params	--
32	20	Set user code	E = user code
32	20	Get user code	E = FFh
33	21	Read random	DE = ext. FCB addr
34	22	Write random	DE = ext. FCB addr
35	23	Compute file size	DE = ext. FCB addr
36	24	Set random record	DE = ext. FCB addr
37	25	Reset drive	DE = drive vector
38	26	(unused)	--
39	27	(unused)	--
40	28	Write random with zero fill	DE = FCB addr A = ret code ***

dir code: directory code:  
 0FFH=failed (e.g. file not found, directory full)  
 0,1,2,3 = success: offset into current DMA buffer, which  
 contains a directory sector, where the FCB can be found

ret code: return code -- 0=success, non-zero=failed

\* V1.4 none  
 \*\* V1.4 initializes system and selects A: drive  
 \*\*\* ret codes:  
 00 - no error  
 01 - reading unwritten data  
 03 - cannot close current extent  
 04 - seek to unwritten extent  
 05 - directory overflow (write only)  
 06 - seek past physical end of disk

char = ASCII character  
 addr = address  
 dir = directory code  
 cdn = current drive number (A=0, B=1, etc)  
 dpba = disk parameter block address in CBIOS

Function 9: string is terminated with '\$'

Function 10: Console buffer: 1st byte = max # chars in buffer (input)  
 2nd byte = actual # chars in buffer (output)  
 remaining bytes = buffer

Function 12: CP/M version number: H=00 CP/M, H=01 MP/M  
 L=00 ver prior to 2.0  
 L=20,21,22... subsequent versions

Function 13: Resets DMS address to BOOT+0080h

Function 23: renames file in first 16 bytes of FCB to name in second  
 16 bytes in FCB

Function 24: Returns a 16-bit value in HL - a 16-bit bit map where  
 the lowest bit represents A: and the highest bit P:  
 If the bit is set, that drive is present in the CP/M system

Function 29: Returns a similar bit map as func 24, except that a set  
 bit marks a drive which is Read/Only.

Function 33,34: the rn (Random Record No) must be set in the FCB prior to call

Function 35: fills in the file size in rn. If followed by a random write,  
 the file will be extended in length. Note that the "file size"  
 merely is the last record # - "hole" in sparse files are not  
 accounted for

Function 36: same as function 35 except that the current random record  
 position is stored in rn in FCB.

Function 37: this function is buggy - avoid using it

Iobyte (0003H)  
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Device Bit position	LST: 7 6	PUN: 5 4	RDR: 3 2	CON: 1 0
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## Dec      Binary

0	00	TTY:	TTY:	TTY:
1	01	CRT:	PTP:	PTR:
2	02	LPT:	UP1:	UR1:
3	03	UL1:	UP2:	UR2:

TTY:      TeleTYpe  
 CRT:      Cathode Ray Tube type terminal  
 BAT:      BATch process (RDR=inut, LST=output)  
 UC1:      User defined Console  
 LPT:      Line Printer  
 UL1:      User defined List device  
 PTR:      Paper Tape Reader  
 UR1:      User defined Reader device 1  
 UR2:      User defined Reader device 2  
 PTP:      Paper Tape Punch  
 UP1:      User defined Punch device 1  
 UP2:      User defined Punch device 2

## LOGIN BYTE (0004H)

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low nibble = current drive (0=A, 1=B, etc)  
 high nibble = current user (V2.x only)

## BIOS ENTRY POINTS

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Hex addr	Vector name	Function	Value passed	Value returned
4A00H+b	BOOT	Cold start entry point	-	C=0
4A03H+b	WBOOT	Warm start entry point	-	C=drv no
4A06H+b	CONST	Check for console ready	-	A=const
4A09H+b	CONIN	Read from console	-	A=char
4A0CH+b	CONOUT	Write to console	C=char	-
4A0FH+b	LIST	Write to list device	C=char	-
4A12H+b	PUNCH	Write to punch device	C=char	-
4A15H+b	READER	Read from reader device	-	A=char
4A18H+b	HOME	Move head to track 0	-	-
4A1BH+b	SELDSK	Select drive	C=drv no	HL=dph*, HL=0 for error
4A1EH+b	SETTRK	Set track number	BC=trk no	-
4A21H+b	SETSEC	Set sector number	BC=sec no	-
4A24H+b	SETDMA	Set DMA address	BC=DMA	-
4A27H+b	READ	Read selected sector	-	A=dskst
4A2AH+b	WRITE	Write selected sector	-	A=dskst
4A2DH+b*	LOSTST	Get list status	-	A=lstst
4A30H+b*	SECTRAN	Sector translate	BC=lsecno DE=smap	HL=physec

BOOT: gets control after the cold start loader  
 Basic system initialization  
 Send sign-on message  
 Set IOBYTE  
 Set the WBOOT parameters  
 Jump to CCP at its entry point (at its first address 3400H+b)

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WBOOT: gets control after Ctrl-C or JP 0000 or CPU reset
    Reload CP/M CCP and BDOS
    Setup JMP WBOOT at 0000H-0002H (JMP 4A03H+b)
    Set initial value of IOBYTE at 0003H
    Set 0004H hi nibble = current user no, lo nibble = current drive no
    Setup JMP BDOS at 0005H-0007H (JMP 3C06H+b)
    Set C=current drive, then branch to CCP at 3400H+b

const  = console status: 00=idle, FF=data avail

dph = disk parameter/header address

dskst = disk status: 00=OK, 01=error

lstst = list status: 00=busy, FF=ready

lsecno = logical sector number      \
physec = physical sector number   | (standard skew factor = 6)
smap = sector interlace map address / 

char = 7-bit ASCII char with parity bit (=hi bit) zero

drv no = drive number: 0=A, 1=B, etc, max 15=P
trk no = track number (0-76 std CP/M floppy, 0-65535 non-standard)
sec no = sector number (1-25 std CP/M floppy, 1-65535 non-standard)
DMA = DMA address (default 0080H)

* = not used in V1.4
** = contents of location 0002Hz

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#### FILE CONTROL BLOCK (FCB)

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Byte offset	Function
0	dr Drive code (0=current, 1=A, 2=B, ..., 16=P)
1-8	f1-f8 File name, hi byte = 0
9-11	t1-t3 File type + status (hi bits) t1: 1=R/O t2: 1=SYS t3: 1=archived
12	ex Current extent number
13	s1 reserved (V1.4: not used)
14	s2 =0 on BDOS call to Open/Make/Search (v1.4: always 0)
16	rc extent record count: 0-127
16-31	d0-dn Disk map
32	cr Current record for R/W
33-35	rn Random record number, 0-65535, overflow into 3rd byte

#### MEMORY ALLOCATION

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V1.4:	b = memsize-16K
0000	- 00FF System scratch area
0100	- 28FF+b TPA (Transient Program Area) - COM file area
2900+b	- 30FF+b CCP - Console Command Processor
3100+b	- 3DFF+b BDOS
3E00+b	- 3FFF+b CBIOS
V2.2:	b = memsize-20K
0000	- 00FF System scratch area

0100	- 33FF+b	TPA (Transient Program Area) - COM file area
3400+b	- 3BFF+b	CCP - Console COMmand Processor
3C00+b	- 49FF+b	BDOS
4A00+b	- 4FFF+b	CBIOS

System scratch area, "page zero":

00 - 02	Jump to BIOS warm start entry point
03	IOBYTE
04	Login byte: Login drive number, current user number
05 - 07	Jump to BDOS
08 - 37	Reserved; interrupt vectors & future use
38 - 3A	RST7 - used by DDT and SID programs, contains JMP into DDT/SID
3B - 3F	Reserved for interrupt vector
40 - 4F	Scratch area for CBIOS; unused by distribution version of CP/M
50 - 5B	Not used, reserved
5C - 7C	Default FCB (File Control Block) area
7D - 7F	Optional Default Random Record Position (V2.x)
80 - FF	Default DMA buffer area (128 bytes) for disk I/O Also filled with CCP commandline at the start of a program

#### CP/M STANDARD DISK FORMAT (8" SSSD)

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Media: 8" soft-sectored floppy-disk single density (IBM 3740 standard)

Tracks: 77, numbered 0 thru 76

Sectors/track: 26 (numbered 1 thru 26)

Bytes/sector: 128 data bytes (one logical record)

Storage/disk: 256256 bytes (77\*26\*128)

File size: any number of sectors from zero to capacity of disk

Extent: 1 kBytes - 8 sectors (smallest file space allocated)

Skew: 6 sectors standard (space between consecutive physical sectors on track):

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

System: Track 0 & 1 (optional)

Track 0 sector 1: boot loader

Track 0 sectors 2-26: CCP & BDOS

Track 1 sectors 1-17: CCP & BDOS

Track 1 sectors 18-26: CBIOS

Directory: Track 2:

16 sectors typical

32 bytes/entry

64 entries typical

extents 0 and 1

User file area: Remaining sectors on Track 2 and 3 to 76, extents 2 and above

A Standard CP/M 8" SSSD floppy contains:

Track#	Sector#	Page#	Mem address	CP/M module name
00	01		(boot addr)	Cold start loader
00	02	00	3400H+b	CCP
00	03	.	3480H+b	CCP
00	04	01	3500H+b	CCP
00	05	.	3580H+b	CCP
00	06	02	3600H+b	CCP
00	07	.	3680H+b	CCP

00	08	03	3700H+b	CCP
00	09	.	3780H+b	CCP
00	10	04	3800H+b	CCP
00	11	.	3880H+b	CCP
00	12	05	3900H+b	CCP
00	13	.	3980H+b	CCP
00	14	06	3A00H+b	CCP
00	15	.	3A80H+b	CCP
00	16	07	3B00H+b	CCP
00	17	.	3B80H+b	CCP
00	18	08	3C00H+b	BDOS
00	19	.	3C80H+b	BDOS
00	20	09	3D00H+b	BDOS
00	21	.	3D80H+b	BDOS
00	22	10	3E00H+b	BDOS
00	23	.	3E80H+b	BDOS
00	24	11	3F00H+b	BDOS
00	25	.	3F80H+b	BDOS
00	26	12	4000H+b	BDOS
01	01	.	4080H+b	BDOS
01	02	13	4100H+b	BDOS
01	03	.	4180H+b	BDOS
01	04	14	4200H+b	BDOS
01	05	.	4280H+b	BDOS
01	06	15	4300H+b	BDOS
01	07	.	4380H+b	BDOS
01	08	16	4400H+b	BDOS
01	09	.	4480H+b	BDOS
01	10	17	4500H+b	BDOS
01	11	.	4580H+b	BDOS
01	12	18	4600H+b	BDOS
01	13	.	4680H+b	BDOS
01	14	19	4700H+b	BDOS
01	15	.	4780H+b	BDOS
01	16	20	4800H+b	BDOS
01	17	.	4880H+b	BDOS
01	18	21	4900H+b	BDOS
01	19	.	4980H+b	BDOS
01	20	22	4A00H+b	BIOS
01	21	.	4A80H+b	BIOS
01	22	23	4B00H+b	BIOS
01	23	.	4B80H+b	BIOS
01	24	24	4C00H+b	BIOS
01	25	.	4C80H+b	BIOS
01	26	25	4D00H+b	BIOS
02	01-08			Directory block 1
02	09-16			Directory block 2
02	17-26			Data
03-76	01-26			Data

## DISK PARAMETER TABLES

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Each disk drive has an associated 16-byte (8-word) DPH - Disk Parameter Header, containing:

Offset	Contents	
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00H	XLT	Addr of logical-to-physical sector translation vector

or 0000H of no translation (i.e. they are the same)  
 Disk drives with identical sector skew factors  
 share the same table

02H	0000H	\
04H	0000H	Scratchpad values for use within BDOS
06H	0000H	/ (initial value unimportant)
08H	DIRBUF	Addr of scratchpad 128-byte directory buffer. All DPH's share the same DIRBUF.
0AH	DPB	Addr of Disk Parameter Block for this drive
0CH	CSV	Addr of scratchpad area used for software check for changed disks. Each DPH has its own CSV.
0EH	ALV	Addr of scratchpad area used for disk storage allocation information. Each DPH has its own ALV.

If the system has n disk drives, the n DPH's are arranged one after another, from drive 0 to drive n-1, starting at DPBASE:

DPBASE:

00	XLT 00	0000	0000	0000	DIRBUF	DPB 00	CSV 00	ALV 00
01	XLT 01	0000	0000	0000	DIRBUF	DPB 01	CSV 01	ALV 01
.....								
n-1	XLTn-1	0000	0000	0000	DIRBUF	DPBn-1	CSVn-1	ALVn-1

The SELDSK subroutine is responsible for returning the base address of the DPH for the selected drive, or 0000H if there is no such drive:

```
NDISK$ EQU 4 ; Number of disk drives
.....
SELDSK: ; Select disk given by BC
  LXI H,0000H ; Error return
  MOV A,C ; Drive OK?
  CPI NDISK ; Carry if so
  RNC ; Return if error
; No error, continue
  MOV L,C ; Low (disk)
  MOV H,B ; Hi (disk)
  DAD H ; *2
  DAD H ; *4
  DAD H ; *8
  DAD H ; *16
  LXI D,DPBASE ; First DPH
  DAD D ; DPH(disk)
  RET
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The translation vectors (XLT 00 thru XLTn-1) are located elsewhere in the BIOS and simply correspond one-for-one with the logical sector number zero through the sector count.

The Disk Parameter Block (DPB) for each drive type contains:

Offset	Contents
00H	SPT 16b Total number of sectors per track
02H	BSH 8b Data allocation block shift factor, determined by the data block allocation size
03H	BLM 8b Data allocation block mask (2[BSH-1])
04H	EXM 8b Extent mask, determined by data block allocation size and number of disk blocks
05H	DSM 16b Total storage capacity of disk drive

07H	DRM 16b	Total number of directory entries minus one
09H	AL0 8b	Determines reserved directory blocks
0AH	AL1 8b	Determines reserved directory blocks
0BH	CKS 16b	Size of directory check vector
0DH	OFF 16b	No of reserved tracks at beginning of logical disk
0FH	(end of table)	

BSH and BLM are determined by BLS, the block size or data allocation size

BLS	BSH	BLM	EXM	
----	---	---	DSM<256	DSM>=256
1024	3	7	0	n/a
2048	4	15	1	0
4096	5	31	3	1
8192	6	63	7	3
16384	7	127	15	7

i.e.  $BLS = 2^{**n}$  where  $n = 10$  to  $14$

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BSH = n-7
BLM = 2**BSH - 1
EXM = 2***(BHS-2) - 1    if DSM<256
EXM = 2***(BHS-3) - 1    if DSM>=256

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DSM = maximum data block number supported by this particular drive, measured in BLS (BLock Size) units, or simply "number of allocation blocks on drive". Blocks are counted from 0 to DSM, and thus  $BLS*(DSM+1)$  = the number of bytes on the drive (excluding the system tracks). If  $DSM<256$ , the disk map in the directory entry of the file will be 1 byte/block. If  $DSM>=256$  it will be 2 bytes/block.

DRM = total number of directory entries minus one.

AL0/AL1 = the directory allocation vector. Consider it a bit map of bits 16 bits, bit 0-15, where 0=hi bit of AL0, 7=lo bit of AL0, 8=hi bit of AL1, 15=lo bit of AL1. Bits are assigned starting at bit 0 up until bit 15. Suppose nbits is the number of bits set to 1:

BLS	Directory entries
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1024	32 * nb bits
2048	64 * nb bits
4096	128 * nb bits
8192	256 * nb bits
16384	512 * nb bits

Example: if  $DRM=127$  (128 directory entries) and  $BLS=1024$  bytes, there are 32 directory entries per block, requiring 4 reserved blocks. Thus the 4 hi bits if AL0 are set, and  $AL0=0FH$ ,  $AL1=00H$

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CKS = size of directory check vector
If drive media is removable, then CKS = (DRM+1)/4
If drive media is fixed, then CKS=0 (no dir records checked)

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OFF = number of reserved tracks. This value is automatically added whenever SETTRK is called. It can be used to skip reserved system tracks, or for partitioning a large disk into smaller segmented sections.

Several DPH's can address the same DPB if the drive characteristics are identical. The DPB can be dynamically changed when a new drive is addressed by simply changing the pointer in the DPH since the BDOS copies the DPB values to a local area whenever the SELDKS function is invoked.

The size of the CSV (scratchpad area to check changed disks) is CKS

bytes. If CKS=(DRM+1)/4, this area must be reserved. If CKS=0, no storage is reserved.

The size of the ALV (scratchpad area for disk storage allocation info) is (DSM/8)+1 bytes where DSM is the disk size in allocation blocks.

#### DISK PARAMETER TABLES FOR SPECIFIC DISKS

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Standard CP/M 8" SSSD disk

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128 bytes/sector
26 sectors/track
77 tracks - 2 system tracks
75 used tracks ==> 243.75 user KBytes/disk
1024 bytes/block ==> 243 blocks/disk ==> DSM=242
Directory in 2 first blocks ==> 64 directory entries ==> 241.75 KBytes data
```

Sector skew table (1 byte/sector):

```
1, 7, 13, 19, 25, 5, 11, 17, 23, 3, 9, 15, 21,
2, 8, 14, 20, 26, 6, 12, 18, 24, 4, 10, 16, 22
```

DPB

SPT 16b	26	Sectors per track
BSH 8b	3	Block shift factor
BLM 8b	7	Block shift mask
EXM 8b	0	Extent mask - null
DSM 16b	242	Disk size - 1 (in blocks)
DRM 16b	63	directory mask = dir entries - 1
AL0 8b	0C0H	Dir Alloc 0
AL1 8b	0	Dir Alloc 1
CKS 16b	16	Directory check vector size
OFF 16b	2	Track offset: 2 system tracks

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Dirbuf 128 bytes
ALV     31 bytes
CSV     16 bytes
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Block size 1024 bytes ==> BSH=3, BLM=7

DSM = 242 blocks

Disk size: 243.75 KBytes excluding system tracks  
250.25 KBytes including system tracks

#### Apple CP/M 5.25" disks

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Physical format:      A                  B                  C

---- Standard -----		---- Special -----
	13-sect	16-sect

Bytes/sector	256	256	256
Sectors/track	13	16	16
Tracks	35	35	80
Heads	1	1	2

Sector skew table (1 byte/sector): no sector skew in CP/M BIOS  
13-sector disks: hard sector skew

## 16-sector disks: soft sector skew in 6502 code (CP/M RWTS)

DPB	A	B	C	
SPT 16b	26	32	32	Sectors per track
BSH 8b	3	3	4	Block shift factor
BLM 8b	7	7	15	Block shift mask
EXM 8b	0	0	0	Extent mask
DSM 16b	103	127	313	Disk size - 1 (in blocks)
DRM 16b	47	63	255	Directory mask = dir entries - 1
AL0 8b	0C0H	0C0H	0F0H	Dir Alloc 0
AL1 8b	0	0	0	Dir Alloc 1
CKS 16b	12	16	64	Directory check vector size
OFF 16b	3	3	3	Track offset: 3 system tracks
Block size	1024	1024	2048	
Dir entries	48	64	256	
Dir blocks	2	2	4	
DSM+1	104	128	314 blocks	
Disk size	104	128	628 KBytes (excluding system tracks)	
	113.75	140	640 KBytes (including system tracks)	
Dirbuf	128	128	128 bytes	
ALV	14	17	40 bytes	
CSV	12	16	64 bytes	