



SCAN-IT!

THE ULTIMATE
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AND
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INTRODUCTION

REQUIREMENTS

To use SCAN-IT!, you must have either a disk drive with the SCAN-IT! CHIP installed, or a disk drive with a Happy modification. The CHIP program is automatically downloaded to the Happy to emulate the SCAN-IT! CHIP.

The SCAN-IT! CHIP program will greatly expand the operating capabilities of the disk drive. Special CHIP commands allow SCAN-IT! to get at a wealth of information that never before has been possible. Sophisticated CHIP read/write/format/map ping commands allow SCAN-IT! to duplicate almost any diskette, or create custom formats. In addition, SCAN-IT! allows the user easy access to the powerful capabilities designed into the CHIP program.

The SCAN-IT! CHIP is a permanent replacement for the ROM currently in your disk drive. The installation is straight forward and not very difficult, however, it does require three circuit board trace cuts and three jumpers. Therefore, if you have had little or no experience with a soldering iron, we **STRONGLY** urge that you either have a service center install it or get help from someone with the required experience.

PURPOSE

It is NOT our intention to promote software piracy, in fact, we are strongly against this, and disregarding copyrights is **STRICTLY AGAINST FEDERAL COPYRIGHT LAWS!** Pirating tends to raise prices and discourage software companies, so **PLEASE** respect the software companies rights.

The reason for the production and sale of this product to the end user is for his/her own protection. The backing up of original software is necessary because diskettes do fail whether due to physical damage, constant use, or magnetic fields nearby (I.e. your TV or monitor). Therefore, with the proper use of this product, you can be spared the grief of having your only copy of a program suddenly crash.

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USER RIGHTS

The copying and distribution of the SCAN-IT! program or the CHIP is forbidden under Federal copyright laws. Due to pirating of earlier versions of this program, we now copy protect the Happy versions of SCAN-it!. It will not backup itself. However, for your protection, we have provided you with a backup copy. Please put it aside for safe keeping. If your master disk should become damaged, you may obtain another copy by sending the disk along with \$10.00 to B&C ComputerVisions.

WARRANTY

If upon purchase the buyer finds that the CHIP or SCAN-IT! program prove defective, B & C will exchange is at no charge.

If, at anytime after 30 days from date of purchase, The SCAN-IT! program becomes defective, B&C will EXCHANGE it for a charge of \$10. If the CHIP becomes defective, B & C will EXCHANGE it for a charge of \$30.

There are no other warranties either expressed or implied.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

IF the CHIP or the Happy upgrade is not yet installed in the disk drive, please go to the appropriate installation manual and follow the step-by-step procedure.

In this section you will find a step-by-step procedure instructing you on how to boot up the SCAN- IT! program and how to make a backup of other programs. Also found in this section are a few conventions used in this manual as well as in the SCAN-IT! program itself.

BOOTING SCAN-IT!

The following boot up procedure is only for using the SCAN-IT! program. This procedure differs from the normal suggested booting procedures, so please make note of any differences. Now follow the brief instructions on how to use SCAN-IT! to make a backup of atypical program.

1. Take all cartridges out of the computer.
2. Turn off all computer equipment.
3. If you have the Happy version of SCAN-IT!: Turn on the disk drive, then insert the SCAN-IT! program .

If you have the CHIP version of SCAN-IT! insert the SCAN-IT! program in the disk drive, then turn the drive on. This is done to allow the CHIP to "boot" in sector \$2D0 which contains a small program that will "open" your disk drive's CHIP so that it will accept all the new disk commands that give the disk drive its extended capabilities. NOTE: Do NOT boot any other disk in this manner!

4. Turn on the computer and TV (or monitor). If you plan on using the printer when using the EDITOR, you may turn the printer and interface on at any time.
5. When the title page appears, remove the SCAN- IT! diskette and put it away.

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NORMAL BACKUP PROCEDURE

1. Follow the boot procedure given above.
2. When the ARCHIVER page is displayed (screen changes to a brownish- yellow) then press C (for Copy).
3. The ARCHIVER will respond by asking you to insert source diskette. Now insert the program you wish to backup and then press the **START** button.
4. After a short time, you will be requested to insert destination diskette. At this time, you should insert the diskette you wish to put the copy on. When you have done this, press the **START** button.

Note: The destination diskette does not have to be previously formatted. The program formats each track as it is written if the F+ parameter is selected.

5. If the ARCHIVER asks you to, insert the source diskette again and repeat steps 3 and 4.
6. Depending on the length of the program, from 1 to 3 passes may be required on a 48K computer. The larger the computer memory is, the fewer the number of passes required. The ARCHIVER will indicate on the screen when the copy is done.
7. When the copy process is completed, put the original diskette away in a safe place and use only the backup copy.

If you get a Read Format Error, most likely you did not follow steps 3 of the boot procedure carefully. Otherwise the command option parameters may require some changes to enable you to custom modify the diskette copying technique (refer to THE ARCHIVER section in this manual).

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1. All numbers used in SCAN-IT! are Hexadecimal al (HEX) which is a base 16 numbering system. If you do not understand hexadecimal numbering, then refer to the table in the

Appendix. In this manual all HEX numbers are preceded by a \$ symbol.

2. Pressing the ESC key will bring you back to the command mode of the program you are currently in. The only exception is during actual disk I/ O, (R/ W) in which case holding down the **OPTION** button will stop the disk 1/0 at the end of the track read/write operation which then allows you to abort the operation by pressing the ESC key or to press **START** to continue the 1/0 operation.

3. Whenever disk 1/0 needs to be performed or continued you must press the **START** **BUTTON TO PROCEED**.

4. At anytime during the use of the **EDITOR** program (except during disk I/O) a CTRL-P will create a printout of what is currently on the screen on your printer.

5. The **CTRL** and **SHIFT** keys need never be used except for printing as described in 4. However you may press **CTRL** or **SHIFT** if you like, but these key functions are disregarded and unnecessary.

6. Whenever any writing is to be performed, the border color will change to red. Whenever any reading is to be performed, the border color will change to white.

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This section deals with the various command lines and prompts used by the SCAN-IT! program. You should read this and each of the remaining sections to become aware of all the many capabilities provided by this program.

ON THE SURFACE

Figure 1 below shows the screen for the ARCHIVER. however, the EDITOR, the FORMATTER, MAPPER, and the DISASSEMBLER screens all have similar Option, Status, and Command lines. The Option and Status lines provide 16 unique parameters for disk sector/track format changing. The following paragraphs explain how to use each parameter:

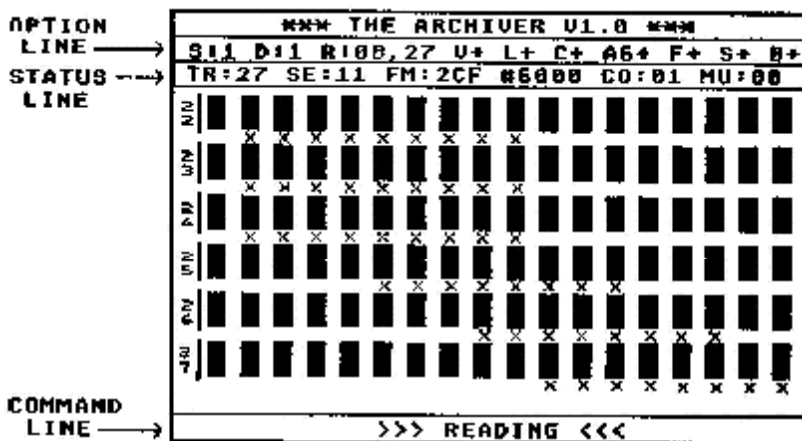


FIGURE 1 - SCREEN PROGRAM LINES

THE OPTION LINE

The Option line contains parameters used by both the ARCHIVER and the EDITOR. All of these parameters can be changed at any time when you are in the command mode. To modify these parameters, type P . You will see a cursor on the Option line. To move the cursor right and left, press the <- or -> key. Pressing RETURN selects that parameter to be changed. After the parameter has been changed, the cursor will

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be on the Option line ready to select another parameter to change. Pressing the **ESC** key returns control back to the command level. A description of each parameter follows:

Source Drive- S:x

This is the drive number from which all reading is done.

Pressing **RETURN** when on this parameter will increment the drive number and wrap around at four (4) to one (1). **NOTE:** This drive must be opened prior to reading from it, otherwise an error will occur. This drive must also be compatible with the version of **SCAN-IT!** you are using.

Destination Drive- D:x

This is the drive number to which all writing is done. Selecting this drive is done in the same manner as selecting the source drive.

Track Range- R:xx.yy

This is the range of tracks that will be copied using the **ARCHIVER** (or tracks read/written/formatted when using the **EDITOR**). The **xx** is the start track and the **yy** is the end track. When pressing **RETURN** with the cursor positioned on this parameter a prompt will appear on the command line requesting a new range of tracks. There are three allowable syntaxes:

RETURN : same as typing 0 0,2 7 (tracks 00 to 27 HEX).

x, y : set start to x and end track to y.

x : set both start and end tracks to x.

ESC will exit this option without modifying the range of tracks. **RETURN** enters the range you entered and updates the option line accordingly. If you make an illegal entry a track range error occurs.

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Verify - V+

This is the write with verify flag. Pressing a RETURN simply toggles this parameter:

- + : verify on
- : verify off

If the verify is on, a verification will be done on the track after it is written. Because the verify pass is separate from the write pass, it is faster than the standard DOS write with verify.

Logic Seeking Read/Write - L+

This is the read/write logic seeking flag. Pressing RETURN simply toggles this parameter:

- + : Logic seeking on
- : Logic seeking off

When reading or writing multiple sectors with the same number (i.e. two sectors \$09) you must be able to read or write the correct sector, therefore, there are logic seeking read/write commands in the CHIP that automatically synchronize to the format on the track and read/write the correct sector. Since synchronizing to a sack takes a little more than one revolution, these commands are slower than the standard read/write commands. The only time a you would want to change this to a - is when the format cannot be synchronized. For more information on this, refer to the paragraph entitled CYCLIC FORMATS in the USEFUL HINTS section of this manual. If the logic seeking is off, it is suggested that you turn compaction off. The ARCHIVER and EDITOR programs only use the logic seeking commands (if enabled) when a non-unique numbered sector is to be read or written.

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Compaction - C+

This is the compaction flag. Simply pressing RETURN toggles this parameter:

- + : compaction on
- : compaction off

If you have compaction on when using the ARCHIVER, the sector will neither be read nor written if it is filled by a single value (Le. \$ 00 etc.). If you are in the L- mode you should have compaction off. Sectors filled with the values \$01- \$08 will not be compacted as these are format control bytes. These "fill" bytes are placed in the sector automatically when the track is formatted. The C +/- parameter has the same function in the EDITOR as it does in the ARCHIVER, however, in the EDITOR the results are more readily apparent. Compaction only works on sectors which are not bad and that have a single byte filling the entire sector. Also, sectors filled with the values of \$01- \$08 will not be compacted. If the sector was compacted, the EDITOR will NOT display the data in the sector. The EDITOR will only display sectors it actually read. The CHIP program actually reads the data and reports back to the EDITOR that the sector is to be compacted, thus saving the time it would take to read the data into the computer.

Format Read Type - A6+

This is the type of track reading that SCAN-IT! will use to determine the format on the tracks. Either 4 or 6 bytes of information about the sector can be selected (A4 or A6). The + or - is the toggle to turn on (+) or off (-) the format verification logic. Normally the A6+ will be desired. To change this parameter, simply press RETURN with the control cursor positioned on the A6. The meaning of each of the codes is as follows:

- 6 : Six bytes are returned to the program for each sector, thus SCAN-IT! will be able to rotate the sequence so that the end-of-track gaps will be identical (A6 + only). This is mainly cosmetic but does have significance on fast

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formats. Because 6 bytes are returned, a maximum of 21 sectors per track can be fetched. If there are more than 21 sectors, then a 4 mode should be used.

- 4 : Four bytes are returned to the program for each sector, thus some information about each sector is missing. This is intended for 22 to 24 sector formats.
- + : The track is cycled through twice comparing the first sector sequence to what the CHIP finds the second time. This is an internal function of the CHIP program.
- : This mode is slightly faster than the + mode, however, no verify is done on reading the format. This is generally used for speed and also if the track is badly garbled. Unformatted tracks can return strange sector headers on some diskettes.

Format Flag F+

This is the format before write flag. Normally you will want a F+ mode. Simply pressing RETURN will toggle this flag when the cursor is positioned on the F+.

- + : Format track before doing the write pass.
- : Do not format. This option is selected only if you already have an identical format on the track or if you are simply trying to put sectors on the destination track. If there are multiple sectors with the same number and the track formats are not identical, the logic seeking read/write commands will not work correctly.

Also, the verify may not work correctly if it tries to verify wrong sectors. This flag also allows you to convert slow formats by first formatting the destination track with a fast format and then write out the sectors that were read from a slow formatted diskette.

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Screen Code Conversion - S+

This is used in the EDITOR only. It refers to the conversion of characters displayed on the normal EDITOR page to the right of the sector display. A RETURN toggles this parameter.

- + : Convert data to ATASCII characters.
- : No conversion. Display data as Atari screen codes.

Bad Sector (CRC) B+

This flag refers to the method of writing CRC bad sectors. Pressing RETURN toggles flag on (+) or off (-). This flag should always be set to + when in the ARCHIVER.

Write a full bad CRC sector.

Only write a partial sector (CRC bad). The number of bytes written depends on the last byte of the sector data. That byte refers to the number of bytes that will be written. This allows for the capability of increasing the number of sectors on a track to above 20 (i.e. two half sectors take about the same amount of room as a full sector).

THE STATUS LINE

The status line is the third line on the screen. It will display the current track, sector, composite sector number, the amount of free buffer memory, current copy number and the number of copies to make (in the ARCHIVER or the sector data address in the EDITOR). The only directly adjustable parameters are the CO:xx which refers to the number of copies to make and the LOC:xxxx which is the sector start address. The status line parameters are as follows:

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THE STATUS LINE (cont'd)

- TR:xx This is the current track number the program is processing. (Tracks range from \$00 - \$27).
- SE:xx This is the current sector number the program is processing. (Sectors range from \$01 - \$12, a -- means that the sector number is invalid).
- FM:xxxx This is the composite sector number used by Atari DOS. These numbers are arrived at by the formula $FM = TR * \$12 + SE$. Where TR is the track number and SE is the sector number. The FM ranges from \$001 to \$2D0. A -- indicates that the sector number is invalid.
- #xxxx This is the current free memory for storage of the sector data and track information. When data is being read into the buffers, the memory counter will decrement \$80 for each sector read and also for each track read. NOTE: If compaction is on, compacted sectors do not take up memory space, however, there is a \$80 byte overhead to store sector layouts and various other information on each track. On a 48K machine this field will read \$9900 (about 38K).
- NU:xx This is the number of the copy being made. A \$00 indicates it is on a read pass. A \$01 to \$FF is the number of the current copy being written.
- CO:xx This is the number of copies to be made per each read pass. This is defaulted to one (\$01) whenever the ARCHIVER program mode is entered. This value can range from \$01 to \$FF.
- LOC:xxxx This parameter is used with the EDITOR and is the address location in which all disassembly or displays of sector data will start. This is for purely cosmetic reasons and does not affect the data.

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THE COMMAND LINE

The command line is at the bottom of the display. This line will contain all necessary screen prompts, input commands and error messages. When using one key command entries no RETURN is necessary to enable that command. Simply press the desired key for the desired command input. However, on numeric input pressing RETURN is necessary to enter the numeric information.

Pressing the space bar will erase an error message or copy done/abort message immediately. Otherwise the message will disappear after approximately 4 seconds.

SECTOR DISPLAY FORMAT

The sector layout displayed on the screen is somewhat unique. Field (a) shown in figure 2 is the track number (HEX) from where the sector sequence came. The numbers in field (b) represent the actual sector numbers on the track and are in the sequence as found on that track. The numbers are read vertically (i. e. track = \$01, sectors = \$12, \$01, ...). Generally there will be \$12 sectors (18 decimal) on a track. However, this can vary from one software protection scheme to another. Field (c) represents the status of the sector. If there is a symbol under the sector number, the sector is considered 'bad' and will return a bad sector status if read (a protection technique). Refer to figure 4 in THE EDITOR section of this manual for a table of the symbols. The sector numbers can be in any order and need not be unique. Two (or more) reads of the same sector number need not return the same data.

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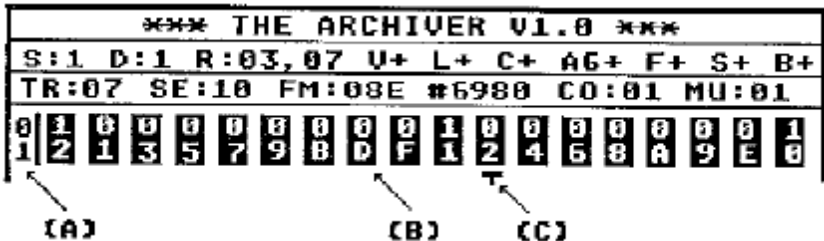


Figure 2 - Track/Sector Display For

These track and sector numbers are not used internally by the Atari computer. Instead, the operating system refers to each sector as a number from \$001 - \$2D0 (1 - 720 decimal). The computer's disk operating system (or DOS) will access the disk drive using this composite sector number. Then, within the disk drive, the composite sector number is broken down into a track and sector number using the relationship:

$$\text{Composite} = (\text{track}) * (\$12) + (\text{sector})$$

Thus, the first sector in figure 2 (\$12) would be called \$24 (36 in decimal) within the computer. Notice in the figure that there are two sectors with the number \$09. If the computer were to read sector \$2B (composite). It would get one of the two possible sectors. This is called a 'double sector'.

NOTES

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AN OVERVIEW

The ARCHIVER is an automatic copier designed to copy your protected (or unprotected) software for backup purposes. The ARCHIVER is easy to use and will backup most protected software.

In general, diskettes can be copied by simply typing a **C** . For some special disk formats it may be desirable to change several of the ARCHIVER operating parameters. The program will allow the making of multiple copies per each read pass. On a 48K system a disk will take up to 3 passes to copy. However, most diskettes can be copied in one or two passes depending on the amount of data on the diskette.

As a safety feature, both the ARCHIVER and EDITOR require that you press the **START** button before any disk reading or writing will take place. If you wish to abort the reading or writing during disk I/O, press the **OPTION** button and hold it down until the track is completely read or written. To continue, press the **START** button and to exit the operation press the **ESC** key. The **ESC** key will always return control to the previous command mode while disk I/O is non-active.

NUMBER OF COPIES

This command will allow you to select the number of copies that will be made on each read pass. To enter the number of copies you wish to make, type an **N** . You will be prompted to enter the number of copies to make. Type the number in HEX followed by a **RETURN** . The number selected will be reflected after the **CO** . When making copies on a single drive, screen prompts will signal when to insert the source diskette and when to insert the destination diskette. On a two drive system (both with a CHIP), the first copy will be made automatically and subsequent copies will be prompted. The number after the **NU** indicates which copy is currently being processed. A \$00 means you are on the read pass.

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AUTOMATIC COPY

The command to start making copies is initiated by pressing the C key. When activated, screen prompts will be displayed for inserting the source (original) and destination (backup copy) diskettes throughout the process. Remember to press **START** to acknowledge to the prompt that you are ready. The copy command **C** makes the number of copies specified by the CO:xx field and does its functions according to the parameters on the Option line (if applicable). The memory buffer containing the previously read data will be cleared prior to each read pass.

If you have problems copying, check the following:

1. Change to a different destination diskette.
2. A6+ to A6-.
3. A6, L, and C to -.
4. If the diskette has 20 or more sectors on a track, read each sector/track using the EDITOR and write it onto the destination diskette.
5. Be sure you have current version hardware and that the disk drive is running at the right speed.

ENTER EDITOR

To enter the EDITOR, type E . All data currently in the memory buffers will transfer.

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The EDITOR will allow you to actually edit the sector data and do many manipulations with it. Custom formatting can also be done, thus enabling you to make protection schemes or modify protection schemes as desired. Because formats can now have over 19 sectors, the EDITOR is necessary in order to duplicate these sophisticated formats. Formats greater than 19 sectors have never been used to protect diskettes designed for use on the Atari computers before the introduction of the CHIP.

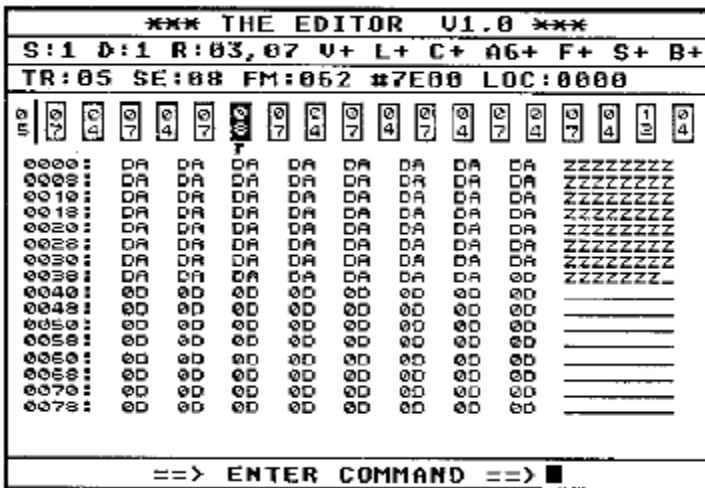


Figure 3 - The Editor Screen **AN**

OVERVIEW

The EDITOR is designed to be easy to use yet it doesn't lack in sophistication. One key commands allow you to browse through the many parts of the EDITOR. Unlike the ARCHIVER, only one track's sector list will be displayed at a time. The EDITOR allows you to move between sectors by simply pressing the left and right arrow keys on the keyboard. You will notice the dual purpose of the track format lines as both a sector selection aid and as a sector layout display. This will be discussed in more detail later. The normal EDITOR display will be of the actual sector data of the sector that the cursor is on (on the sector

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layout lines). If there is no track in memory, the sector layout lines will be blank. The main sector data display will contain data only if there is at least one track in the memory buffer and the sector that the cursor is on contains data.

READING TRACKS

To read a range of tracks first be sure that the R:xx,yy parameter is correct, then type an R followed by pressing the START button to start the read process. As a safety feature, if a track is currently in memory that was specified in a read operation, the reading of that particular track will not occur. That track will be skipped and the read process will continue with the next track.

WRITING TRACKS

To write a range of tracks first set the track range (as is the read). Press **W** along with START to initiate the writing process. Only the tracks and sectors actually in memory within the range selected will be written. If formatting is to occur before the write, the fill bytes will be written during the format on the compacted sectors. If a sector was deleted that sector will not be written. If formatting is on, then zeros will fill that sector.

ENTER EDITOR MODE

Prior to entering the Edit Mode, the sector data must first be displayed. If so, press **E** to enter the Edit Mode. Otherwise, read in the track you want to edit, then press **E**. The cursor appears within the sector data and you may start editing the code. The commands available for use while in the edit more are as follows:

ENTER EDIT MODE (CONT'D)

Move cursor one byte toward the beginning of the buffer (left).

Move cursor one byte toward the end of the buffer (right).

Move the cursor eight bytes toward the beginning of the buffer (one line up).

Move cursor eight bytes toward the end of the buffer (down one line).

RETURN : Move the cursor to the beginning of the next data line.

DELETE : Delete the byte the cursor is on. All data beyond the cursor moves up one byte and a zero is placed in the last byte of the sector.

INSERT Insert a byte at the cursor position. All data moves down one byte from the data that the cursor was on. The last byte of the buffer is lost.

CLEAR Fill the entire buffer with the character currently under the cursor.

Move the cursor to the first byte in the buffer.

xx : Typing HEX numbers changes the data to exactly what you see. The cursor will automatically move to the next byte when a byte has been entered. All spaces are automatically skipped between each byte.

ESC Exit the edit mode. All changes will be saved to a memory buffer (not the disk) and are permanent unless changed later. This will also update the characters on the right to their new value (This is not done automatically during the Edit Mode).

The address at the left is arbitrary and is used strictly for reference. The address can be changed by the **L** command.

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DISASSEMBLER

The EDITOR has a built in disassembler. First enter the Edit mode and then move the edit cursor to the byte at which you wish to begin the disassembly. Exit the Edit mode (press **ESC**) and then press **D** to begin the disassembly. The disassembled listing will instantly be displayed on the screen. To scroll up or down the listing, use the up or down arrows on the keyboard. The disassembly will not scroll above the byte that the edit cursor was on and will not proceed beyond the end of the sector. Scrolling will occur in increments of eight lines. **CTRL P** will dump the screen to a printer if desired.

MOVEMENT BETWEEN SECTORS

When in the command mode the cursor movement keys allow you to move from one sector to the next. The right and left arrow keys will move the sector cursor right and left. This allows you to display any sector in that track. The up and down arrow keys moves the Edit display screen between tracks. If the track is in memory that track will be displayed, otherwise, that track will be skipped and the next track present will be displayed. If the cursor happens to rest upon a sector which is not in memory, the sector data window will be blank. Sectors which have an x under them cannot be viewed. This is because these sectors are inaccessible to a normal disk drive. As you move from sector to sector, the track, sector, and composite numbers are automatically updated.

CLEAR TRACK FROM BUFFER

The **CLEAR** key will delete an entire track from memory. The next track will then be displayed. The memory indicator will automatically be incremented reflecting the deletion. If you wish to delete all tracks from memory, simply holding down the **CLEAR** key will do the job. Pressing **RESET** also clears tracks from memory, but it sets all parameters to their default values.

CLEAR SECTOR FROM BUFFER

The DELETE key will delete the sector currently displayed. If no sector is being displayed, a beep will sound to indicate that there is nothing to delete. If a write occurs, that sector's data will not be written, however, the sector header will be put on the diskette (if formatting is on). Deleting a sector simply erases the data and does not modify the track layout.

TRANSFERRING SECTORS

Typing an H will copy the sector being displayed into a hold buffer. Pressing the INSERT key will copy the buffer to the sector the cursor is currently on. If a sector is being displayed, the new data will replace the old. If the sector was originally empty, the new data will be inserted. NOTE: All disk I/O use the same buffer so the data held will be lost.

CREATING BAD SECTORS

When a sector is being displayed you can cause that sector to be bad by pressing the B . When you do this, only a flag is changed so you must write the entire track in order for the sectors to be written as bad. If there is no data in the sector, the sector will not be written. Thus that sector will not be bad on the track. ONLY SECTORS ACTUALLY WRITTEN WILL BE BAD (if they were selected to be bad). There are seven types of bad sectors possible using this method (see Figure 4). There are three flags that can flag a bad sector. Any combination of these three flags can be set by pressing **B** The symbol under the sector number will cycle through all combinations of bad sectors plus one good sector. The reason for having several types of bad sectors is that the three flags can each be read and examined on an unmodified disk drive.

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SYMBOL	BIT 6	BIT 5	BIT 3	
┌	CLR	SET	CLR	BIT 3: CRC error bit.
┐	SET	CLR	CLR	
└	SET	SET	CLR	BIT 5: Data type flag #1.
┘	CLR	CLR	SET	
┌	CLR	SET	SET	BIT 6: Data type flag #2.
┐	SET	CLR	SET	
└	SET	SET	SET	
blank	CLR	CLR	CLR	

FIGURE 4 - Types of Bad Sector symbols

When you press the **B** key, the symbols cycle through in the order as shown above. Only the last entry is a good sector.

NOTE: These bit numbers refer to the status byte returned when executing a STATUS COMMAND, not the I/O status returned after the read.

CUSTOM FORMATTER

The Custom Formatter allows you to create your own sector layouts and format a range of tracks using your own layout. You can create any sequence of sector numbers you desire. The only restriction is that only sectors with numbers between 1 and 18 can be read.

To enter the Formatter type **F**. The Formatter has its own screen layout which allows you to set the formatting

parameters (except for the range) in which you would like to format. Thus, before entering the formatter, you should select the range of tracks to format from the EDITOR.

THE EDITOR

*** THE EDITOR V1.0 ***												
S:1 D:1 R:03,07 V- L- C- A6+ F+ S+ B+												
TR:03 SE:01 FM:037 #0C35 LOC:0000												
SE	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	01	02	03
LN	80	80	40	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	80	80
FL	00	00	00	00	1A	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
SE	04	05	06	07	08	09						
LN	80	80	80	80	80	80						
FL	00	00	00	00	00	00						
POST INDEX.... 0B						POST DATA CRC.. 09						
PRE ID FIELD.. 06						POST ID CRC.... 11						

FIGURE 5 - FORMATTER TRACK LAYOUT





The SE row contains the sector numbers which will be placed in the headers of the track. The LN row contains the number of bytes that will be in the sector data and the FL row contains the data fill byte that will go into that particular sector. Fill bytes of 1 to 8 must not be used as these bytes have special significance to the disk drive FDC circuit during formatting. Sector \$03, for example, will only contain \$40 bytes (64 decimal) and if read, will return a bad status. Sector \$05 will contain the normal number of bytes, \$80 (128 decimal) but will be filled with all \$1A. There are two tables of twelve sectors each in the formatter screen layout page. They should be considered sequential (there wasn't enough room to fit 24 sectors on one row). The table below the sector tables contains the gap length bytes.

Because a track is only so long, a limited number of bytes can be placed on a track. After the # is the current number of bytes the formatter has calculated your format will use on the track. This number must remain between \$BC0 and \$CBO for your format to be reliable.

THE EDITOR

All editing changes in the formatter will remain intact until you reboot the SCAN-1T! diskette. No defaults are stored back in this table. Therefore, you can go back and forth between the edit page and the format page without loss of the new format.

The commands used in the Formatter are:

-  : Move cursor left one sector (or gap size value).
-  : Move cursor right one sector (or gap size value).
-  : Move cursor up one parameter field (i.e. **FL- LN- SE-** gap values - **FL ...**).
-  : Move cursor down one parameter field.

DELETE : Delete sector cursor is on or if the cursor is past the last sector, delete the last sector.

INSERT : Insert a sector before the sector that the cursor is on.

CLEAR : Clear entire format (start from scratch).

xy : Hex entry overwrites what is currently displayed.

ESC : Exit; go back to the Edit screen.

W : Format the range of tracks (**R:x,y**) using the format created.

ADDRESS CHANGING

The address at which the sector begins may be changed by pressing the **L** key. Answer the prompt by entering the new address in hexadecimal. This address is used only as a reference and does not physically relocate the buffer contents.

INSERTING CUSTOM FORMAT

Pressing the **I** key allows the insertion of custom formats from the Formatter page into a range of tracks (Rxx,yy). The old tracks (if any) will be replaced. NO SECTOR DATA WILL TRANSFER. To insert data in the new sectors, you must use the **H** and **INSERT** keys.

MOVING TRACKS

Tracks can be moved (but not duplicated) by pressing the **N** key. The track currently displayed will be renumbered to a new track number that you enter. The track currently at the destination spot will be deleted and the track you are on will be deleted from its current place and be moved to the new location.

TRACK MAPPER

Pressing an **M** is used for entering the Mapper page. This function will allow you to examine the format of individual tracks. The most significant function of this command is to allow you to determine the gap size between successive sectors.

The **SE** is the sector number that originates from the sector header (refer to Figure 6). the **TR** is the track number as found in the sector header, and the **LN** is the sector length byte. For more information on these values, read the chapter on Disk Formatting Theory. The **TI** is the amount of time between that sector and the succeeding sector in units of 2048 (decimal) microseconds. There are about 100 (decimal) units of time on a track, so the sum of these numbers should be about 100.

The **ST** is the status of the sector header read. Anything other than a zero means that the sector cannot ever be accessed. Also, any **A4** read format mode will not return the **TI** and **ST** values. This is because the **A4** mode goes for quantity as far as sectors go, while the **A6** mode goes for quality of information per sector.

The last sector's **TI** (time) value will only be correct on an **A6+** read format mode.

THE EDITOR

*** THE EDITOR V1.0 ***												
S:1 D:1 R:03,07 V+ L+ C+ A6+ F+ S+ B+												
TR:05 SE:12 FM:048 #7E00 LOC:0000												
SE	04	07	04	07	04	07	08	07	04	07	04	07
TR	05	05	05	05	05	05	05	05	05	05	05	05
LN	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
TI	0A	06	05	05	06	05	06	05	05	06	05	06
ST	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
SE	04	07	04	07	04	12						
TR	05	05	05	05	05	05						
LN	00	00	00	00	00	00						
TI	05	05	06	05	06	05						
ST	00	00	00	00	00	00						
==> ENTER TRACK NUMBER ==> █												

Figure 6 - Track Map Layout

ENTER THE ARCHIVER

To enter the ARCHIVER from the EDITOR you must type an **A** .
CAUTION: all data currently in the data buffers will be lost as soon as the ARCHIVER command C is used. However, the data will not be lost if you immediately return to the EDITOR.

OPENING/CLOSING THE CHIP

Normally the CHIP program will already be open if the disk drive was booted correctly. However, there may be some cases when you will want to open a drive. This is possible only if you are using the SCAN-IT! CHIP. To open the CHIP program, type '0' when in the command mode. You will be prompted to enter the open code and optional drive number (the default is 1). The code for the CHIP program is 9999. If you enter a wrong code or just press RETURN, the program will close. Pressing ESC aborts this option.

TWO DRIVE COPYING

If you want to do a 2 drive copy using SCAN-IT! and 2 Happy drives, you must first boot drive #1 with SCAN-IT!, then physically switch it to drive #2. Next, boot your other drive as drive #1 with SCAN-IT!

To do a 2 drive copy with a happy drive and a CHIP drive, you should use the Happy as #1 and the CHIP as #2, then just open the CHIP drive as #2.

LOCKING THE CHIP

A special boot sector can be created which will lock the CHIP program either open or closed. This is a safeguard to prevent programs from looking for the CHIP program. TO create this sector, first copy track \$27 from the ARCHIVER program disk to your special boot disk. Then use the editor and disassembler on sector \$12 of track \$27 (sector 720) and notice the LDA and STA codes. Location \$019D is the LOCK FLAG. Storing \$80 in this location locks the CHIP program open. Storing an \$FF locks it closed. Change the code and write it to disk. You will now have a special boot disk which will force the drive closed or open and the drive will stay that way until it is turned of

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The following paragraphs deal with several features of the CHIP program which are NOT fully supported in the ARCHIVER and EDITOR programs.

THE BOOT SECTOR

When the 810 disk drive is turned on with the CHIP modification installed, the head will first align itself on track 0, then will immediately return to track \$27 and read sector \$2D0 (if present).

The CHIP program checks the last two bytes of the sector and compares them to \$4A, \$25 (or J % in ASCII). If the last two bytes are a \$ 4A and \$ 25, then the program control will be transferred to the sector data for execution. On the SCAN-IT! diskette, the boot sector will store a \$80 in \$195 which will open the drive. It also stores a \$02 in \$191 which will make the drive shut off one second after it was last accessed. A return is then executed which brings the CHIP program back to its warm entry.

MOTOR OFF DELAY

There are two ways to change the motor turn off delay. The first is to boot a boot sector when you turn on the drive. The other method is to use a built in command which does this automatically. In the

Appendix there is a BASIC program which first opens the chip and then adjusts its motor shutdown delay time.

LOCKING FORMAT/WRITE/OPEN

The CHIP program contains a variable within its memory which allows the opening of the chip and of various write type commands. This feature will probably NEVER NEED TO BE USED! However, just in case, location \$19 D contains the needed information that will TOTALLY lock the chip from outside mischief. The modifying of \$19D would normally be done in the boot sector, which you would need to write.

MACHINE LANGUAGE INTERFACE

The CHIP program can allow user programs to be transferred to and executed within the data buffer inside of the disk drive. This allows for even more flexibility to deal with unforeseen situations, thus the program is truly expandable.

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AN OVERVIEW

The Atari disk drive is a n intelligent drive which means it is just another computer capable of reading and writing diskettes and relaying the information to and from the main computer. The SCAN-IT! chip program is just a program much like the Atari OS that adds a wide variety of functions to the disk drive. A description of the commands understood by ROM C and the operation of the SIO is given in the Atari OS manual so it will not be repeated here.

A powerful feature of the SCAN-IT! chip over the standard disk drive ROM C is its ability to create custom formats and successfully write (and read) sectors of these formats. To use the ARCHIVER and EDITOR programs to their fullest, some basics should be understood. In this chapter the very basics will be presented, and gradually, the specifics of the track layout and protection schemes will be dealt with.

For the remainder of this chapter, only the workings of the disk drive and the chip program will be considered. It is assumed that the user is already familiar with the theory of communication between the computer and the disk drive.

DISKETTE STRUCTURE

A diskette is composed of a thin magnetic disk covered by an outer rigid cover (usually black). The outer cover (or jacket) has an oval open area on both sides exposing the disk surface to the drive read/write head. As the diskette spins about its central hub while inside the drive, the read/write head hovers over the jacket oval opening and reads the disk surface much like a cassette recorder would.

The diskette is electronically divided into 40 tracks. A track is a ring about the center of the diskette. The disk drive's head can be positioned precisely over any one of the 40 tracks, thus data can be sequentially read in as the disk surface spins underneath the head.

The track data magnetic fields are converted into electric pulses which are fed to the FDC (floppy disk controller). The FDC is the interface between the read/write head and the drive's microprocessor. The FDC is responsible for Interpreting and processing commands from the microprocessor. The FDC performs all sector searches and

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is an intermediary o n all sector data transfers between the microprocessor and the physical disk surface.

A track is normally divided into 18 sequential sectors of \$ 80 (128) bytes of data each. The 1050 enhanced density has 27 sequential sectors of 128 bytes. Protection schemes deal with the sector in one form or another so the rest of this chapter will deal explicitly with the sector.

THE BASICS OF A SECTOR

A sector has two parts to it; the header and the data.

Because the track is circular, there is no way to distinguish the beginning of a track fro m the middle, thus, a sector needs to b e able to identify itself to the controller. This is the purpose of the sector header. These sector headers are written during formatting so the sector can be identified upon subsequent reading and writing to and from the sector.

Figure 7 shows the typical Atari disk drive sector/track layout format and the following paragraphs describe the various contents that make up the sectors.

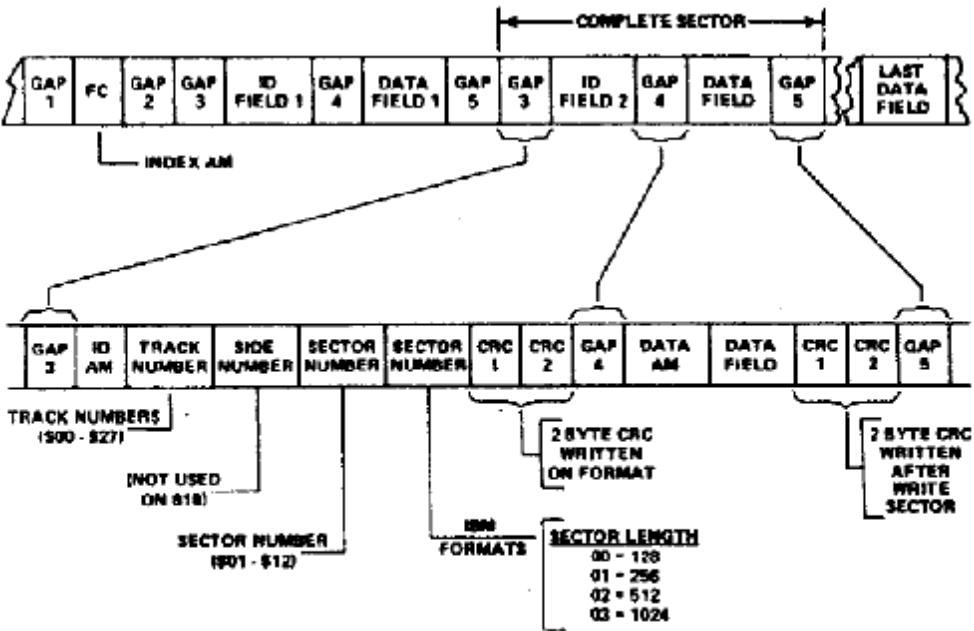


FIGURE 7 - SECTOR/TRACK FORMAT

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TRACK LAYOUT/FORMAT

Disk formatting is accomplished by the track write command.

Each byte for the entire track must be provided for proper formatting including the gaps as well.

The FDC requests each byte in turn and places it directly onto the surface of the diskette. However, there are exceptions to the rule. IF data bytes \$F6 through \$FE are fed to the FDC, it recognizes these as special control bytes and takes appropriate action. The byte sequence in Figure 7.

Gap size restrictions:

GAP 1 : This is always 255 (\$ff) bytes and may be over written by the last sector on the track. This is to ensure that no garbage remains between the last sector and the first.

GAP 2 : (Post Index A M gap) This gap should be at least one (1) byte.

GAP 3 : (Pre ID A M gap) This gap should be at least one (1) byte.

GAP 4 : (Post ID CRC gap) This gap must be \$11 (17) bytes in length.

GAP 5 : (Post DATA CRC gap) This gap should be at least one, however, in practice, it should be over 9 bytes long. This is to protect the next sector header form being overwritten.

THE READ COMMAND

When the processor issues the read command to the FDC, a search for the sector header begins. The FDC reads the headers of the sectors it finds and compare; the sector number and the track number to those given by the processor. If the test fails, the search continues. Next, the CRC is checked for validity; if not correct, the search continues. If all is correct, the FDC begins searching for the data AM. If found within 28 bytes, the sector is read byte by byte and is transferred to the processor. Finally, the CRC is checked for validity at the end. The CRC status error bit is

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set accordingly. Also, the type of data AM byte will determine the status' of bits 5 and 6 of the status register. If the sector is never found, i.e. ID fields don't match, bit 4 of the status is set, and the processor (chip) will reposition the head in hope that somehow the head had gotten over the wrong track and try again.

THE WRITE COMMAND

This works identically to the read command except that once the sector has been located ,a write occurs. NOTE: The write requires that \$11 (17) gap bytes be between the sector header and the data. Also, the data A M bytes' value depends upon the last two bits of the write command byte. On three of the four possibilities, the processor will interpret the sector as 'bad.

LOGIC SEEKING READ/WRITE COMMANDS

These are the read and write commands that are used for double sectors. The CHIP program will first compare the sector sequence it contains to what it finds on the diskette. When it synchronizes itself to the sequence, the write or read function described in the two sections above will take place. The CHIP program is able to get the sector headers through a read address command (of the FDC) which returns the six bytes contained in the sector header (track, ..., CRC bytes).

READ FORMAT COMMANDS

Using the method described above, the sector sequence can be fetched. On the A+ modes, the headers are continuously read for slightly more than one revolution. After this, the sector numbers are compared o n the next revolution and the first sequence is cropped to agree with what it finds the second time through. The A modes read for about one revolution but no double check is made.

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SIO SPEED RESTRICTIONS

The disk drives' processor (and therefore the F D C) receives a full sector of data every $1/18$ of a disk revolution. This is about .0115 seconds, however, the serial transfer between the computer and the disk drive is considerably slower, (about .09 second). Since the diskette is turning at 288 RPM (or 4.8 rpms), if you do a little math, you will find that only two sectors can be read in one disk revolution. This is the concept behind fast formats.



Figure 8

Figure 8 shows the standard format used in the CHIP program as well as the Atari ROM C. Notice that consecutive numbered sectors are nine apart within the sequence and ten apart when crossing the end of the track gap (which is about half a sector in length). If you are thinking ahead, you may realize that even this format can be improved upon.



Figure 9

In Figure 9, the sequential sectors are nine apart except for the end of the track gap, in which case they are eight apart. Here, that gap is large enough such that the eight can be read before the head passes it by (or rather it passes the head by). This format is the fastest format possible on the disk drive.

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DOUBLE SECTORS

Suppose that two sectors had the same number. If you just randomly went and read that numbered sector, you could get two different sets of data. This process can be precisely controlled by first reading the sector nine (9) places before the one you really wish to read, and then read the one you want.

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	4	6	5	7	6	8	7	9	8	2	9	2	1	3	2	4	3
a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	I	m	n	o	p	q	r

The above sector sequence contains 18 unique sectors but 8 numbers are duplicated. This is a format used in the protection of some software houses. suppose you read sectors in the following order:

12, 4, 9, 5, 3, 9

The actual physical sectors would be as follows:

k, b, I, d, o, i

You will notice that the two reads of sector 9 did not yield the same result, thus this becomes a valid protection scheme. This type of protection can ONLY be created with a drive modification (N CHIP or Happy enhancement).

This idea can easily be expanded upon to include triple or quadruple sectors. HOWEVER, the ability to consistently and reliably get the same results gets harder with the more duplicate numbered sectors you have. Another application to create more than 18 sectors and number two with the same number. Previously, this was difficult to grasp and realize the feasibility of such a scheme, however, now with the EDITOR, you may create as many as 24 sectors on a track, but because there is only so much room, many sectors must be cut short (and thus bad sectors). A word of warning: the data in short sectors is not always reliable and timing between sectors is not the same. timing becomes critical in importance and slight variations in speed may have adverse effects on protections.

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BAD SECTORS

The ability to write bad sectors has been around for quite a while. It was the first type of true protection. It is possible to create two types of bad sectors with a standard disk drive. The first is a CRC error and the second is a missing sector. The CRC error bad sectors were created by one of two methods; the first being slowing down the drive, and the second being the tape method. The missing sector was created by writing to the proceeding sector at a high RPM, thus causing the end of the first sector to overwrite the header of the next.

Creating bad sectors is an easy and valuable function of the CHIP program. To create a missing sector, form at the track without that sector number. To create CRC bad sectors, special operations must be performed by the CHIP program while writing the sector. These functions are all automatic and easy using SCAN-IT!, however, a brief description of each type will be given in the next paragraphs.

CRC ERROR SECTORS

The CRC bytes are a sophisticated checksum of the proceeding data in a sector. If these bytes do not agree with the data read from the sector, a CRC error will occur. This type of bad sector is simply created by stopping the write process in midstream, thereby keeping the old CRC yet allowing new data. The status CRC error bit (bit 3 of the status) will reflect the error after the read. The CHIP program also carries this process a step further. You can specify the number of bytes actually written when creating a bad sector by putting the number of bytes to be written in the last byte of the sector data. After the last byte is written, the process stops, and on subsequent reads of that sector, the status will reflect a CRC error (on the B- mode only).

DATA TYPE FLAGS

Another way to create perfectly good sectors with a bad status is by setting data type lags in the write (FDC write) t command. When this is done, the data AM marks bits 0 and 1 are changed to reflect the type of data. Although these sectors are perfectly good, the CHIP program and the ROM C

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will take these sectors as being bad and return an error. Bits 5 and 6 of the status will reflect the results of the read of these types of sectors. With two bits, four combinations can be made; only one of which is a perfectly good sector.

In all there are nine types of sectors: Only one of which is good. The missing sector is another type and the remaining seven are created by combinations of the data type flags and the CRC error bit.

STATUS

The bits referred to as being status bits 3-6 are not automatically had after reading a sector. The meaning of the SIO status is as follows:

\$90 : A bad sector of ANY type was encountered upon the read.

\$8A : Timeout. The sector drive did not respond in time.

\$81 : Device NAK. related to above. If the drive doesn't respond in time, the SIO tries again.

\$01 : A good read/write.

The \$90 should usually be returned on bad sectors, however, the timeout value of the disk interface routine is borderline thus causing the errors \$8A - \$8C. A \$90 can be insured by setting the timeout value higher and using the SIO instead.

The status bits of the FDC are received by executing an S (status) command after reading the sector in question. The S command will return 4 bytes of which only two are really meaningful and only the second is described here. For reference to the others, see chapter 5 (Diskette Handler Commands) of the Atari OS manual. After a read, the hardware status bits are reflected as in figure 10.

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BIT	READ	WRITE	NOTES
7	Not ready	Not ready	always CLR
6	Data type	Write protect	
5	Data type (a)	Write fault	
4	Record not found	Record not found	(sector missing
3	CRC error	CRC error	
2	Lost data	Lost data	shouldn't happen
1	DRQ	DRQ	always CLR
0	BUSY	BUSY	always CLR
(a) : can be reliably used			

NOTE: All bits are returned in low-true form (i.e., a good sector returns a \$ FF status).

FIGURE 10

NOTES

USEFUL HINTS

This chapter will deal with tracks and useful things you may do using SCAN-IT! . This chapter is specifically designed to help the user back up a program that wouldn't work when the defaults were used.

CYCLIC FORMATS

Consider the following formula:

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	

If you write out data using this format you may find that you get a verify error, why? Since all the sectors are doubles, the logic seeking commands will be used, but now how does the logic seeking command locate the sector? It can't because it has no way of distinguishing the first half from the second. The solution to this problem is to turn the logic seeking commands OFF (L-) and the compaction OFF (C-). Also, you should turn the verify off (V-). this will cause each sector to be read in correctly because two sectors will b e fetched per revolution and the sectors will automatically be written correctly.

20 OR MORE SECTORS

The ARCHIVER can only handle reading and writing a maximum of 19 sectors, however, the EDITOR can handle 24. If a diskette does contain more than 20 sectors, the custom formatter must be used and some sectors must be shortened. Notice that 20 full sectors can be written if you set all gaps (except the POST ID CRC) to one (1). However, if more than 20 sectors are being used, you must do some intelligent guessing on which sectors are shortened and go from there. Once you made the format, writing the sectors is easy. The sector sequences must match and the formatting flag must be turned to a B- and CRC error bad sector symbols must be created under the sector number (the B command in the EDITOR). Next the sector data must be modified so that the last byte in the bad sectors is the actual number of bytes to be written to the sector. Finally, you write the track and hope it works. otherwise, try again.

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GARBAGE TRACKS

Occasionally, you may run into tracks that return a read format error, this is because the tracks are badly garbled and the second pass does not return the same results as the first pass. This will only happen on unformatted tracks in which case random numbers appear as the sector numbers. To solve this problem, switch to a **A6-** read format mode.

Many software companies insist on checking missing sectors, thus the loud noises as the program boots. Because most software companies do not check the status after such a read, you may replace their format with a new one that contains the required sectors and the ones that made the noise. When the new format has been created, you must insert bad sectors. The easiest way to do this is to position over the new sector and press the **B** (first you must get data into that sector). When you have selected all sectors that need to be bad, then write the sectors out, and usually the program will work.

DRIVE SPEED

The CHIP, and heavily protected programs in general, require an accurate drive speed. Make sure your speed does not exceed 288; slightly slower is acceptable, but no faster than 288!

NOTE: Turning a n 810 disk drive off with the disk in place usually writes bad sectors on track \$27 (or wherever the head was located when the drive was turned off) and will eventually destroy the program on the disk..

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HEX NUMBR CONVERSIONS

DECIMAL HEX		DECIMAL HEX		DECIMAL HEX		DECIMAL HEX		DECIMAL HEX	
0	0	61	3D	122	7A	183	B7	244	F4
1	1	62	3E	123	7B	184	B8	245	F5
2	2	63	3F	124	7C	185	B9	246	F6
3	3	64	40	125	7D	186	BA	247	F7
4	4	65	41	126	7E	187	BB	248	F8
5	5	66	42	127	7F	188	BC	249	F9
6	6	67	43	128	80	189	BD	250	FA
7	7	68	44	129	81	190	BE	251	FB
8	8	69	45	130	82	191	BF	252	FC
9	9	70	46	131	83	192	CO	253	FD
10	A	71	47	132	84	193	CI	254	FE
11	B	72	48	133	85	194	C2	255	FF
12	C	73	49	134	86	195	C3		
13	D	74	4A	135	87	196	C4		
14	E	75	4B	136	88	197	C5		
15	F	76	4C	137	89	198	C6		
16	10	77	4D	138	8A	199	C7		
17	11	78	4E	139	8B	200	C8		
18	12	79	4F	140	8C	201	C9		
19	13	80	50	141	8D	202	CA		
20	14	81	51	142	8E	203	CB		
21	15	82	52	143	8F	203	CC		
22	16	83	53	144	90	205	CD		
23	17	84	54	145	91	206	CE		
24	18	85	55	146	92	207	CF		
25	19	86	56	147	93	208	DO		
26	1A	87	57	148	94	209	D1		
27	1B	88	58	149	95	210	D2		
28	10	89	59	150	96	211	D3		
29	1D	90	5A	151	97	212	D4		
30	1E	91	58	152	98	213	D5		
31	1F	92	50	153	99	214	06		
32	20	93	5D	154	9A	215	D7		
33	21	94	5E	155	98	216	D8		
34	22	95	5F	156	9C	217	D9		
35	23	96	60	157	9D	218	DA		
36	24	97	61	158	9E	219	DB		
37	25	98	62	159	OF	220	DC		
38	26	99	63	160	AO	221	DD		
39	27	100	64	161	AI	222	DE		
40	28	101	65	162	A2	223	DF		
41	29	102	66	163	A3	224	E0		
42	2A	103	67	164	A4	225	E1		
43	2B	104	68	165	A5	226	E2		
44	2C	105	69	166	AS	227	E3		
45	2D	106	6A	167	A7	228	E4		
46	2E	107	6B	168	A8	229	E5		
47	2F	108	6C	169	A9	230	E6		
48	30	109	6D	170	AA	231	E7		
49	31	110	6E	171	AB	232	E8		
50	32	111	6F	172	AC	233	E9		
51	33	112	70	173	AD	234	EA		
52	34	113	71	174	AE	235	EB		
53	35	114	72	175	AF	236	EC		
54	36	115	73	176	BO	237	ED		
55	37	116	74	177	B1	238	EE		
56	38	117	75	178	B2	239	EF		
57	39	118	76	179	B3	240	FO		
58	3A	119	77	180	B4	241	FI		
59	3B	120	78	181	B5	242	F2		
60	3C	121	79	182	B6	243	F3		

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ARCHI VER COMMAND SUMMARY

C	Copy
	START : start reading/writing
	OPTION : halt
E	Enter EDITOR
N	- Number of copies
	xy : enter (HEX)
m	Open the CHIP wxyz,d: wxyz is the code, d is the drive
P	- Parameters
	← : cursor left
	→ : cursor right
	RET : select parameter
	ESC : anytime will abort

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B	-	Bad sector select
D		D i s a s s e m b l e
E	-	Enter edit mode
	↑	: cursor up one line
	↓	: cursor down one line
	←	: cursor left
	→	: cursor right
	DEL	: delete byte cursor is on
	INS	: insert at cursor
	CLR	: fill
	H	: home cursor
	RET	: beginning of line
F		Formatter
		: cursor up
	+	: cursor down
		: cursor left
		: cursor right
	DEL	: delete sector
	INS	: insert sector
	CLR	: delete all sectors
	W	: write format
H		Hold sector
1		Insert format
L		Address change
M		Enter mapper
	xy	: track number
N	-	Renumber current track
	xy	: new number
.		Open CHIP
	wxyz,d	: Chip code + wxyz, drive = d

APPENDIX

EDITOR COMMAND SUMMARY (cont'd)

P - Parameter
 : cursor left
 : cursor right
RET : select parameter

R Read tracks
OPTION : halt
START : begin/continue

W Write tracks
OPTION : halt
START : begin/continue

CLR - Delete track

DEL - Delete sector

INS - Insert sector
ESC : return to command mode

APPENDIX

CHANGING DRIVE MOTOR SHUTDOWN DELAY

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10 DIM A$(4)
20?"W HAT DRIVE DO YOU WANT TO OPEN";
30 INPUT DRIVE :IF DRIVE <1 OR DRIVE>4 THEN 20
40?"W HAT IS THAT DRIVE'S CHIP ID CODE";
50 INPUT A$:IFLEN(A$)<4THEN ?"PLEASE USE 4
DIGITS." :GOTO 40
60 C=0 :FOR A=1 TO 4 :B=ASC(A$(A,A))-48 :B= B-((B>9)'7)
:C=C*16+B :NEXT A
70 POKE 768,49
80 POKE 769,DRIVE
90 POKE 770,79
100 POKE 771,0
110 POKE 774,15
120 C HI=INT(C/265):C LO= C-C HI*256
130 POKE 778,C LO :POKE 779,C HI
140 RESTORE :FOR A=1 TO 4 :READ B :A$(A,A)=CHR$(B)
:NEXT A
150 X=USR(ADR(A$))
160 IF PEEK(771)<>1 THEN?"ERROR, TRY AGAIN." :GOTO
20
170?"THE CHIP WAS OPENED SUCCESSFULLY."
230 POKE 770,78
240 POKE 771,0
260?:?"HOW MANY UNITS OF 1/2 SECONDS DO YOU
WANT TO SET THE DRIVE SHUTDOWN TO";
270 INPUT TIME :IF TIME<1 OR TIME >255 THEN 260
280 POKE 778,TIME
290 POKE 779,0
300 X=USR(ADR(A$))
310 IF PEEK(771)<>1 THEN?"THE CHIP IS NOT OPEN FOR
CHANGE. PLEASE OPEN IT AND TRY AGAIN.":RUN
320?:?"THE DRIVE WAS SUCCESSFULLY MODIFIED."
330 DATA 104,76,89,228
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ERROR MESSAGES

FORMAT ERROR:

After formatting a track, the verify found the track to be bad. Try again, and if it persists, the diskette is likely bad.

READ FORMAT ERROR:

The CHIP was unsuccessful at getting the sector sequence from the diskette. If you suspect more than 21 sectors, use a **A4** mode, otherwise use a **Ax**-mode.

READ/WRITE ERROR (STD):

Sector could not be read or written. This is a standard read/write command and should never happen unless you have an unreliable drive.

READ WRITE ERROR (POS):

A logic seeking read/write command (sector) failed. Could be a format mismatch problem or an error as in above.

TOO MANY SECTORS:

More than 25 sectors was encountered on the read format. Try piecing the track together by using **A6**-read mode repeatedly.

INPUT ERROR:

Invalid entry, try again, or consult appropriate sections regarding the particular function you tried.

ERROR MESSAGES (cont'd)

VERIFY ERROR:

The verify pass failed to yield the same results as the data written. Retry the write process.

OPENING ERROR:

You entered the wrong code or drive of your CHIP when using the **0** command. Retry the open.

MEMORY FULL:

No more room to store the data on reads, inserts, etc. Write some of what you have back out to the disk and delete what is not needed.