WYLE SCIENTIFIC SYSTEM
Model WSS-10

INTRODUCTION

The Model WSS-10 extends the capability of the basic Wyle Scientific Calculator through the addition of supplemental data storage registers and of program storage. These features reduce the amount of operator participation in program execution, simplify programming, and increase the speed of program operation. The additional capability allows the WSS-10 to handle a broader range of problems and to deal with more complex applications requiring computer techniques such as branching, looping, conditional transfer, et cetera.

The Model WSS-10 is truly modular, since the customer's existing Calculator and PC-01 Punched Card Programmer can be incorporated directly into the system. Any of the major system components can be directly replaced by another unit of the same type.

SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

A block diagram of the WSS-10 system is shown in Figure 1. The basic element of the system is the Wyle Scientific Calculator, Model WS-02. This unit performs all arithmetic functions and provides the basic memory of the system, with three working registers and three storage registers. Basic manual controls and a CRT display of the registers' contents are also part of the WS-02.

Programming capability is provided by the Model PC-01 Punched Card Programmer and by the Model PB-02 Patch Board Programmer. The Model PC-01 provides a means of rapidly programming special applications and of building a large library of programs. The Model PB-02 provides program storage of up to 512 program steps for rapid access and execution of frequently used programs. The PB-02 also allows the operator to program instructions which control and/or modify the program itself, a feature usually found only in large-scale computers. Programs can be quickly and easily changed by substituting new program modules or by reprogramming of the available modules.
The Patch Board Programmer is entirely modular in construction. Both the program storage and control logic are implemented with plug-in circuit modules.

The Supplemental Memory unit, Model SM-01, provides eight additional data storage registers, each with a capacity of 24 decimal digits. Data may be freely transferred between these registers and the six basic registers of the WS-02. This transfer of information can be controlled by either the Punched Card Programmer, Patch Board Programmer or by the operator via the KB-01 Peripheral Input Keyboard. Two additional Supplemental Memory Units, Model SM-02, can be added, to provide a total of 24 supplemental registers.

The Peripheral Input Keyboard Model KB-01 provides a channel for the flow of data and instructions between the various units and also provides additional control keys for manually addressing the supplemental registers and for manual control of the PB-02.

Plug-in programs are also available which automatically permit the manipulation of negative numbers. Signed algebraic multiplication and division may be carried out without operator intervention or decision.

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**FIGURE 1: MODEL WSS-10 BLOCK DIAGRAM**

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The Supplemental Memory and the Patch Board Programmer are mounted in the pedestal section of the desk console. The WS-02, the PC-01, and the KB-01 are free-standing units which stand on the desk, as shown in the photograph. The intercoupler portion of the KB-01 is a separate unit located in the desk console.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

1. CALCULATOR Model WS-02

   MEMORY
   Six basic registers. Three (MQ, Entry, and Accumulator) working registers and three (R1, R2, and R3) data storage registers. Each register has a capacity of 24 decimal digits.

   DECIMAL POINT
   Decimal locations selectable from 21 digits, 3 decimal places to 3 digits, 21 decimal places, in increments of 3 digits.

   OPERATIONS
   In the operations list which follows, register designations are read as if preceded by "Contents of" or "results appear in", as the case may be. For example (ACC) + (Entry) → ACC is read as, "Contents of Entry are added to contents of Accumulator and results appear in Accumulator".

   ARITHMETIC OPERATIONS

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   \begin{align*}
   \text{Add} & : (\text{ACC}) + (\text{Entry}) \rightarrow \text{ACC} \\
   \text{Sub} & : (\text{ACC}) - (\text{Entry}) \rightarrow \text{ACC} \\
   \text{Clear} & : \text{MQ} \times (\text{Entry}) \rightarrow \text{ACC} \\
   \text{Mult}+ & : (\text{ACC}) + [(\text{MQ}) \times (\text{Entry})] \rightarrow \text{ACC} \\
   \text{Mult} - & : (\text{ACC}) - [(\text{MQ}) \times (\text{Entry})] \rightarrow \text{ACC} \\
   \text{Divide} & : [\text{ACC}] / (\text{Entry}) \rightarrow \text{MQ} \\
   \sqrt{ } & : \sqrt{(\text{ACC})} \rightarrow \text{MQ}
   \end{align*}
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   REGISTER ADDRESSING

   Six instructions allow TO and FROM addressing of each of the six basic registers. The TO addressing designates the register receiving data, whether the source is the keyboard, or the programmers, or another register. The FROM addressing designates the source of data for register transfer operations.

   "HOUSEKEEPING"

   Shift Right, Shift Left The contents of the register addressed TO are shifted one decimal place in the indicated direction.
Forward Space, Back Space
The position where the next data digit is to be entered is shifted one place right or left. This allows correction of any single digit in a 24-digit word.

Transfer
Contents of the register addressed FROM are copied into the register addressed TO.

Clear MQ, Clear Entry, Clear ACC
The contents of the indicated register are erased and that register is automatically addressed TO.

**DATA ENTRY**

Eleven instructions (or keys), representing digits 0-9 and decimal point, allow entry of numeric data. Numbers are entered in the register addressed TO, starting with the most significant digit. When the decimal point instruction is received, the digits previously entered align on the proper decimal point location.

Negative results of computation are represented in 10's complement form. As an example: \(-2 = 999-98\).

**MODE SELECT SWITCHES**

Three slide switches on the WS-02 keyboard allow manual selection of various operating modes.

1. **ADD ANY REGISTER.** In the OFF position, Entry is added to the ACC when the ADD key is depressed. In the ON position, the contents of the register addressed FROM are added to ACC when ADD key is depressed. Subtraction operates in a similar fashion.

2. **OVERFLOW LOCK OFF.** With overflow lock on, the machine "hangs up" when results of a computation exceed the capacity of a register. With lock off, the machine loses the most significant digits but does not hang up.

3. **KEEP REMAINDERS.** Remainders are retained after division and square root operations. See the WS-02 Operation Manual for detailed discussion.

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KEYBOARD/DISPLAY

The basic keyboard and display are part of the WS-02. The keyboard allows manual control of all operations previously described. The CRT display gives a continuous visual indication of the contents of the six basic registers and, in conjunction with the Peripheral Input Keyboard, an "on demand" display of the contents of supplemental registers.

II. PERIPHERAL INPUT KEYBOARD Model KB-01

KEYBOARD

The KB-01 provides an auxiliary manual keyboard for addressing supplemental storage registers and for controlling peripherals.

A decimal keyboard is provided for keying-in numerics.

SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTER ADDRESSING

Six keys at the upper left of the KB-01 keyboard (one pair for each Supplemental Memory unit) are used, in conjunction with the numeral keys at the right, to address supplemental registers. For example, depressing TO SM A and numeral 1 addresses TO the first register of the first set of 8. Depressing FROM SM B and numeral 2 addresses FROM the second register of the second group of 8.

The DISPLAY key provides an "on command" display of the supplemental registers. The register of interest is addressed FROM and the DISPLAY key is depressed. The contents of the addressed register are displayed in the Calculator's R3 register as long as the key is held down. When the key is released, the display of R3 is resumed. The contents of both registers are unchanged.
PROGRAM CONTROL

Two keys allow the operator to manually initiate programs stored in the PB-02. The keys are labelled, "START PB 00-07" and "START PB 08-15." To start program Number Three, the operator depresses START PB 00-07 and numeral 3. To start Program Number 12, the operator depresses START PB 08-15 and numeral 4.

The key labelled PB HALT causes the PB-02 to stop execution and wait for further instructions.

After the PB HALT key or after a programmed MANUAL ENTRY instruction from the PB-02, the PB RESUME key is used to restart the PB-02. If the Punched Card Programmer causes the halt (by a programmed STOP), it is restarted by the PC RESUME key.

HALT INDICATOR

An indicator on the KB-01 is illuminated by a STOP instruction from the PC-01 or by a MANUAL ENTRY instruction from the PB-02.

III. PUNCHED CARD PROGRAMMER Model PC-01

PUNCHED CARDS

The Model PC-01 reads a standard size, 40-column punched card. Prescored cards can be prepared with a simple stylus. Unscored cards can be prepared on conventional keypunch equipment.

CARD FORMAT

Cards are read a row at a time. Usually only one column is punched on each row. Thirty-eight of the columns correspond to the 38 manual keys on the WS-02 keyboard. One column is punched in all rows, and this column is used as a "read enable" strobe. The 40th column is a STOP instruction, which causes the programmer to halt until a resume command is received, thus allowing operator intervention in a program. There are 12 rows per card. Any number of cards may be taped together for long programs.
MULTIPLE INSTRUCTIONS

Some instructions use more than one column punched in a row, as in the following examples.

A complete transfer operation can be punched in one row:

FROM R1 - TO ACC - TRANSFER

A complete add (or subtract) operation, in the ADD ANY REGISTER mode, can be punched in one row:

FROM R2 - ADD

Three basic registers, one of which may be a storage register, can be addressed in one row:

TO MQ - TO ENTRY - TO R1

SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTER ADDRESSING

This is a multiple instruction technique. A simultaneous FORWARD SPACE and a numeral (1 - 8) addresses TO one of the registers in the SM-01's group of 8. BACK SPACE and a numeral (1 - 8) addresses FROM one register in the first group of 8. Only the first 8 registers (SM A) can be addressed from the card.

PATCH BOARD PROGRAMMER CONTROL

Subroutines stored in the PB-02 Patch Board Programmer can be initiated from the PC-01 through the use of a multiple instruction. Only PB-02 Programs 0-7 can be started by the card programmer. A simultaneous STOP and a numeral causes the card programmer to halt and starts the indicated PB-02 program.
SPEED

The PC-01 reads a row at a time and will not read a new instruction until the previous instruction has been executed. Maximum read rate is 8 rows per second.

IV. PATCH BOARD PROGRAMMER Model PB-02

PROGRAM STORAGE

Program steps are stored as patchcord connections on the plug-in patch boards. Up to 16 patch board modules can be used, each of which allows programming of up to 32 steps, a possible total of 512 program steps. Each module has 32 inputs which are energized in sequence by a program counter. Each input can be patched to one or more of 64 possible output lines, representing the 64 instructions in the system repertoire.

Each of 16 program modules can be used as a separate program or several 32-step sequences can be linked to provide longer programs.

INSTRUCTIONS

WS-02 OPERATION

Thirty-eight instructions directly control the WS-02 Calculator. These instructions correspond to the manual instruction keys on the WS-02 keyboard or to the basic instructions on the punched card.

SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORY ADDRESSING

Six instruction lines are provided to address TO and FROM supplemental registers. Lines TSA, TSB and TSC address TO a block of 8 registers, FSA, FSB and FSC address FROM the blocks. Numeral lines are used to select a specific register. As an example, if input line 3 is connected to both FSB and numeral 6, then step 3 addresses FROM the sixth register of group B.
PROGRAM CONTROL

Six instructions are provided to control the PB-02 itself. These instructions allow programming flexibility comparable to large-scale computers. These instructions are:

SKIP (SKP)

A SKIP on Step n causes the contents of the FROM register to be subtracted from (ACC) and, if the result is negative, the program skips Step n + 1, and executes Step n + 2. If the results are positive, Step n + 1 is executed. Step n + 1 can be a branch instruction which starts another program.

STORE (STR)

A STORE instruction is accompanied by a simultaneous TO instruction (TO MQ, TO ENTRY, TO ACC, TO R1, TO R2, or TO R3). A STORE instruction on step n causes the step n + 1 to be executed and the number n + 1 to be stored in a normally unused portion of the designated register. Step n + 1 can be used to branch to a subroutine. Six addresses can be thus stored, one in each of the registers, without affecting the contents of the designated register.

RECALL (RCL)

Accompanied by a FROM instruction (FROM MQ, FROM ENTRY, FROM ACC, FROM R1, FROM R2, or FROM R3). The address (n + 1) placed in the designated register by a STORE instruction is transferred to the program counter, and execution resumes at n + 2.

As an example, Program P1 has STORE and TO MQ instructions at Step 16. Step 17 transfers to Program P2 and P1-17 is stored. Program 2 has RECALL and FROM MQ instructions at Step 20. P2 is terminated and P1 is resumed at Step 18. This feature allows a master program to address subroutines.
PB-02 START I (PSI), PB-02 START II (PSII)

Allows unconditional branching to another program. A step wired to PS I and numeral 0 - 7 will automatically start execution of the designated program (0 - 7). A step wired to PS II and numeral 0 - 7 will automatically start the designated PB-02 program (8 - 15).

MANUAL ENTRY (ME)

The PB-02 program halts and the indicator on the KB-01 is lit. This allows manual intervention or data entry. An ME instruction on Step n causes the PB-02 to halt on Step n. Depressing the PB RESUME key causes the program to resume at Step n + 1.

STOP (STP)

Indicates the end of a program and causes a halt. If there is no STOP in Program One the PB-02 will proceed automatically to execute Program Two, and so on. This allows continuous programs up to 512 steps long.

SPARES

Twenty spare instruction lines, designated DA, DB, DC and SP 1 - SP 17 are available to control various system functions. In the WSS-10 only SP 1 is assigned a function. Simultaneous STOP and SP 1 will cause the PB-02 to stop and the PC-01 to start. This allows the PC-01 to use PB-02 programs as subroutines and to resume operation when the subroutine is completed.

MULTIPLE INSTRUCTIONS

Diode expanders are provided on the program modules to expand the inputs. Non-diode expanders allow several inputs to be tied to a single output line.

In addition to the multiple instruction functions already mentioned, all those multiple instruction functions which can be performed with punched cards (such as FROM R1 - TO MQ - TRANSFER) can also be programmed on the PB-02.
OPERATING MODES

A MODE SELECT switch located on the back of the KB-01 allows selection of either the RUN mode or the SINGLE STEP mode. In the RUN mode, programs are executed automatically at the maximum rate. In the SINGLE STEP mode, one instruction is executed each time the PB RESUME key on the KB-01 is depressed. This mode is useful in program checkout and in maintenance procedures.

V. SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORY Model SM-01

CAPACITY

The Model SM-01 provides 8 data storage registers, each with a capacity of 24 decimal digits.

DECIMAL POINT

Identical to basic registers. Set by the same switch.

TRANSFER

Data may be transferred between SM registers and the six basic registers. Data cannot be transferred between SM registers directly, only via the six basic registers. Data cannot be entered directly into SM registers. It must first be entered in one of the six basic registers and transferred to an SM register.

ADD, SUB, OPERATIONS

In the ADD ANY REGISTER mode, the data stored in SM registers can be directly added to or subtracted from (ACC). The SM register is addressed FROM and an ADD or SUB instruction executed. The contents of the SM register are unchanged.
## VI. OPTIONAL FEATURES

### SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORY

**Model SM-02**

Each SM-02 provides 8 additional data storage registers identical to those in the SM-01. One or two SM-02's can be added for a total of 16 or 24 additional data storage registers.

The SM-02's can be addressed by the PB-02 or by the KB-01 keyboard but not by the PC-01.

### ZONE TRANSFER

Allows selective transfer of the contents of any register. Addressing of registers is as previously explained. However, a numeric command is used with the TRANSFER instruction. Each register is assumed to be composed of 4 zones.

- **Zone 1:** Right hand 6 digits. Digits 0 - 5
- **Zone 2:** Digits 6 - 11
- **Zone 3:** Digits 12 - 17
- **Zone 4:** Left hand 6 digits. Digits 18 - 23

The following simultaneous instructions will transfer the block of data shown.

| TRANSFER only | All 24 digits |
| TRANSFER and numeral 1 | Zone 1 |
| TRANSFER and numeral 2 | Zone 2 |
| TRANSFER and numeral 3 | Zone 3 |
| TRANSFER and numeral 4 | Zone 4 |

Data thus transferred will probably not be properly located with respect to the decimal point. To speed this alignment operation a special shifting operation is part of the Zone Transfer option.
VI. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

PACKAGE CONFIGURATION

WS-02       Table top, free-standing
PC-01       Table top, free-standing
KB-01       Table top, free-standing
SM-01       Rack-mounted in desk pedestal
PB-02       Rack-mounted in desk pedestal

OPTIONS      The options require no additional physical space. 
              Space is available in the desk to accommodate both 
              packages.

POWER        115 ± 10 volts, 60 cps. Approximately 215 watts.

FLOOR SPACE  28 inches wide by 50 inches long. Desk is 30 inches 
              high. WS-02 adds 10-1/4 inches.

The operator may program the following multiple instructions:

SHIFT RIGHT and numeral      (0 - 9)
SHIFT LEFT and numeral       (0 - 9)

The instruction shifts the contents of the TO register 
n decimal places in the indicated direction where n 
is the numeral which accompanies the SHIFT instruction. 
This eliminates the need for several successive SHIFT 
instructions to align data. Numeral 0 causes a shift 
of 10 decimal places in the indicated direction.

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