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# SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> on Amstrad CP/M Plus computers

This version of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> has been specifically installed to work with the Amstrad CPC6128 and PCW8256 computers. To use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> successfully you must prepare a working copy by following the instructions below which replace those found on pages 2-1 and 2-2 of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> manual.

Note that on the PCW8256, the control key [CTRL] is marked **ALT**.

## Preparation

Load CP/M Plus.

Format both sides of a new blank disk using the DISCKIT (3) utility program supplied with your master CP/M Plus disc. Write:

‘Side 1 SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> programs and spreadsheets’

on one side of the disc and:

‘Side 2 SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> installation’

on the other. All on screen messages during the working copy procedure refer to these ‘side’ numbers.

## Making a working copy

NOTE: Your newly formatted disc will be referred to as the destination disc, and the original copy purchased with the program will be referred to as the source disc.

Make sure the source disc is not write protected and insert it in drive A:

Type `SUBMIT MAKE8256 [RETURN]` if you have a PCW8256, or `SUBMIT MAKE6128 [RETURN]` if you have the CPC6128.

Follow the instructions on the screen, swapping discs when requested by the on-screen prompts.

If for any reason the copying procedure fails, your newly formatted disc will have to be cleared before repeating the copying procedure.

When you have finished the above process, you will have a working copy of the program. Side 1 will contain the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> programs and demonstration spreadsheets. Side 2 will contain the installation, SDI data transfer and maintenance programs which are described fully in the manual. Store the source disc in a safe place away from the computer and only use the working copy you have just made. Insurance always pays, your time and effort are worth more than the cost of a new SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disc!!!

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## **Installing SC2 On The PCW9512**

- 1) Load CP/M
- 2) Type the A> type DISCKIT and press RETURN
- 3) Remove the disk from drive A: and press any key
- 4) Press the key marked 

f4
f3
- 5) Put a blank disc into drive A: with the tabs up, then press Y
- 6) When format is completed remove the disc from drive A: and press any key
- 7) Press EXIT key twice, then insert CP/M disc into drive A:
- 8) At the A> type in 8000COPY then press RETURN
- 9) Press Y then press N
- 10) Insert side 1 of the original SC2 original disc into drive A: then press any key
- 11) Press N
- 12) When copying is completed remove disc from drive A: and insert your newly formatted disc then press any key
- 13) When copying is completed press Y
- 14) Remove disc from drive A: and label it SC2 (WORKING COPY) then put it to one side.
- 15) Now insert side 2 of the original SC2 disc into drive A: and press any key
- 16) Press N
- 17) When copying is completed remove disc from drive A: and insert your SC2 (WORKING COPY) disc then press any key
- 18) When copying is completed press N
- 19) Put CP/M disc into drive A: and reboot the PCW9512
- 20) At the A> type SC8256 and press RETURN, this will then run the program



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## User's Guide & Reference Manual

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# Preface

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is part of a family of products from Sorcim Corporation, including SuperWriter and SuperCalc, the original spreadsheet developed by Sorcim Corporation.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is an enhanced version of SuperCalc that contains many advanced features to make your spreadsheet more powerful.

Files produced by SuperCalc and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> can be used interchangeably with a few exceptions. Please see Appendix F for a discussion of compatibility between files produced by each program.

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> distribution diskette you received cannot be used to start (boot) your computer. You must copy the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program files and your computer's start up files to a new disk or you must start your computer with the system disk, then use your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk. In either case, refer to Appendices B and C for information on how to start your system and use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> and how to make backup copies of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for your protection.



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**SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>**

**Welcome to SuperCalc2**

**1**



# 1. Welcome to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

## What is SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program turns your micro computer into a powerful electronic spreadsheet. With SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> you can:

- Lay out your spreadsheet in a convenient manner.
- Perform any type of spreadsheet calculation that you once did with paper and pencil.
- Perform a large number of calculations quickly.
- Supply headings and text material without affecting the calculations.
- Consolidate spreadsheets.
- Print professional-looking reports.
- Include the report information in other documents.

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet consists of a two-dimensional grid containing cells at the intersection of each row and column. With SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> you can enter information into these cells and interrelate them using powerful but easy-to-use logical commands and built-in mathematical functions.

Because many computations are performed swiftly, you can easily set up *what-if* modeling spreadsheets.



## WELCOME TO SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is easy to use

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### SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Applications

The uses for SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> are limited only by your imagination. Some of the more common uses are:

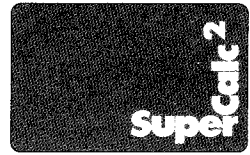
- Balance sheets
- Cash flow analysis/forecasting
- General ledger
- Inventory records
- Job cost estimates
- Market share analysis and planning
- Patient records
- Profit projections
- Profit statements
- Project budgeting and control
- Salary records
- Sales projections and records
- Tax estimation

### SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is easy to use

With SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> you manipulate data on your electronic spreadsheet instead of using paper and pencil. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> edits, formats, stores, calculates and prints at your command. You don't have to be a computer programmer to use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

You don't need to remember a long list of commands. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts you with the options for each command.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> contains built-in AnswerScreens that provide immediate help on screen. Just press the AnswerKey (F2) and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> explains your available options. You are always returned to the same place you left on your spreadsheet.



This book is your complete reference to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. It describes every aspect of the program and is organized to make that information readily available.

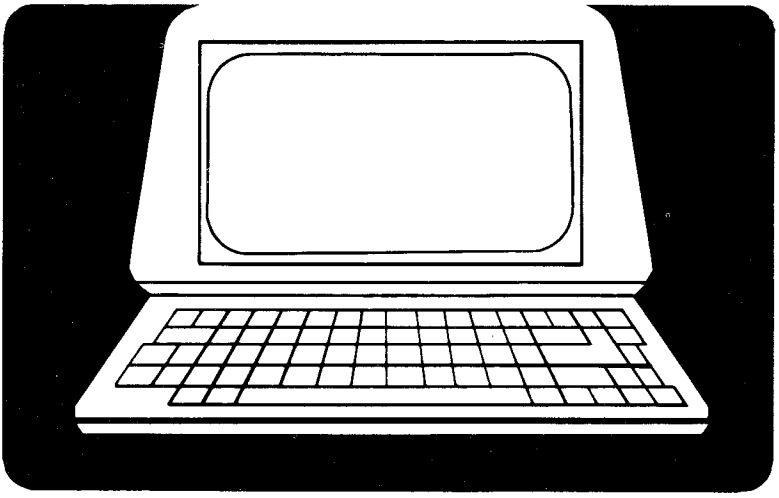
## How to Use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is a powerful tool for solving all types of financial, business or mathematical problems. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> acts as a simple means to tap the power of your computer to do time-consuming, repetitive calculations.

Solving any problem, from the simplest to the most complex, requires that you organize it in a logical manner. The designers of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> recognized the importance of logical, practical commands to make the spreadsheet easy to use.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>'s simple, common-sense approach to commands helps you organize your problems. For example, if you want to change your spreadsheet, you can insert, delete or move a column/row and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> adjusts your formulas automatically.

Once your problem has been clearly defined, data can be changed easily and numbers recalculated quickly. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> displays data in the format you select, thus aiding you in developing professional-looking reports. Once generated, spreadsheets can be stored on disk for access, edit and print later.



## **Getting Started**

**2**



## 2. Getting Started

The first step in getting started is to prepare a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk for daily use. To prepare a program disk, and to learn how to use the program, follow the numbered outline on the next few pages.

### Experienced Computer Users:

Here is a condensed version of the detailed outline that follows.

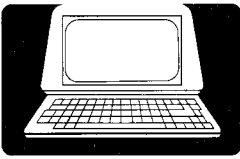
- Copy the files from the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk(s) onto a program disk (or disks) containing your operating system *boot* tracks.
- Install SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for your terminal if you see “[Must Be Installed]” printed on the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk label. See Appendix D if installation is required.
- Learn the basics of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> by using the booklet “10 Minutes to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.” You can also use the practice lessons in Chapter 3 of this manual, and the AnswerCard shipped with your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> package.

To begin SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>:

At the system prompt, enter **SC2** 

NOTE: Some computers, such as the IBM PC, can use the AUTOEXEC.BAT file provided by Sorcim to begin SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> automatically when you turn on the machine.





## GETTING STARTED

### New Users

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## New Users:

1. Prepare a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk for daily use:
  - A. Make a copy of the flexible disk(s) you received with your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> package — to avoid damaging or altering the original(s). In Appendix C we show you how to prepare a blank disk for use as a program disk. Note that flexible disks are also called “floppies” or “diskettes.”

Details: Appendix C

NOTE: For a primer on files, filenames, and the five most-used operating system commands, see Appendix B.
  - B. IF REQUIRED: Install SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for your terminal.

(SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is already installed for some terminals.)

Use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Install program if “[Must Be Installed]” is printed on the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk label.

Details: Appendix D
  - C. OPTIONAL: Change screen or printer settings.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is shipped ready to work with most monitor screens and printers, but you can change some screen and printer default settings if you wish. (For example, printer page width can be changed from the 132 characters per line default to 80 characters per line.)

NOTE: You can make temporary changes to some printer default settings at any SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> session.

Details: Appendix D

**At this point you have a program disk that works properly with your computer system.**

# GETTING STARTED

## New Users



2. Learn the basics of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Get productive in a hurry.  
Details: "10 minutes to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>" booklet
3. Now go beyond the basics. Practice the main features of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> at your own pace.  
Details: Chapter 3 (Lessons for first-time users)

**At this point you have seen how fast and easy it is to learn the main commands and functions. You are ready to apply the power of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to your own requirements.**

4. To begin, save, print or end your work, enter the easy-to-remember commands shown below. Then respond to program prompts:

To begin, type **SC2**, then press  (RETURN or ENTER key)

To save your work, type **/S** ("S" for Save).



To print your work, type **/O** ("O" for Output).

To end your work, type **/Q** ("Q" for Quit).

NOTE: Some computers, such as the IBM PC, can use the AUTOEXEC.BAT file provided by Sorcim to begin SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> automatically when you turn on the machine.

5. When you begin developing spreadsheet and financial modeling applications, Sorcim provides you with a lot of help.

Use the many additional reference aids included in your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> package:

- AnswerScreen help at the touch of the AnswerKey  (and  on some keyboards) built into the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.
- Quick reference AnswerCard, includes Data Entry Guidelines and a Slash Command Map (an identical Map is included in Chapter 7 of this manual).
- Detailed reference sections in this manual:  
Descriptions and examples of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> functions, commands, formulas, and other features: Chapters 4 through 8.



## GETTING STARTED

### Using This Manual

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Glossary, Error Messages, and other helpful information, Appendix A through I.





Comprehensive Index.

- SuperData Interchange User's Guide, describes the capabilities of the SuperData Interchange program. Two SuperData Interchange program files are included on the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk.
- SuperData Interchange gives you the capability to convert certain data files from one file format to another.

## Using This Manual

Here are some conventions used in the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> manual and other training and reference materials:

### Keytop graphics:

Many special-purpose keys are shown within simulated keytops, such as , , and . The  symbol refers to the key labeled RETURN or ENTER on some keyboards.

### Boldface characters:

Keys to be typed are printed in boldface. For example, "Enter **/QY**" or "Enter **/Window,Horizontal**". Variables, such as row number, or column range, are not printed in boldface.

### Interpretive Prompting:

You are frequently asked to type a series of single-letter entries preceded by a "slash" (the "/" character on your keyboard). In a command sequence such as **/QY**, the first entry, **/Q**, is interpreted by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> as /Quit. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> shows the full "/Quit" command on your monitor screen, and asks you for a confirmation. You type the second entry, **Y**, which SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> interprets as Yes. Typing a single letter, which SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> interprets as an entire word, is a time-saving feature called interpretive prompting.

1 2 3 4  
5 6 7 8  
9 10 11 12

# LESSONS

**Learning To Use Super Calc2**

**3**



### 3. Learning To Use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

The following twelve lessons are provided to teach you the basic skills needed to use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Each lesson walks you through key features of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> building your knowledge of the program. The individual lessons are designed to augment the reference section.

Sit down at your terminal, place your disk in the system and let's learn about this powerful tool: SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

#### LESSON 1

### Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

Imagine that you are examining a map through a magnifying glass. When you use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, think of the video screen or *display window* as your magnifying glass; through it, you can view any area of your map or SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet. You will make the display window move or *scroll* to show you different parts of your spreadsheet.

In the same way that you use latitude and longitude measurements to designate a unique location on a map, you will learn to locate and enter data on the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet in positions specified with reference to alphabetically designated columns and numerically designated rows. A unique letter and number combination names every location on your spreadsheet. In this lesson, you will also learn how to point to, or specify, a unique address on the display area of your worksheet by using a pointer or cursor. This chapter assumes that you know how to load the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program from your diskette. If you do not, please read Chapter 2.

When the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program begins running you should see the title page on the screen:

```
SuperCalc2 (Reg)
Version 1.2
CP/M
S/N 000000 CP/M
```

```
Copyright 1983
SORCIM CORP.
San Jose, CA
```

# 1 LESSON


## LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

A message appears at the bottom of the screen similar to the following two lines. The message is somewhat different for different computers.

Enter ? for HELP or "return" to start.

Function Keys: F1 = HELP; F2 - ERASE LINE/RETURN TO SPREADSHEET

Press the **Return** key. From this point on the **Return** key will be referred to as  for carriage return.

```
  | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H |
1:
2:
3:
4:
5:
6:
7:
8:
9:
10:
11:
12:
13:
14:
15:
16:
17:
18:
19:
20:
) A1
Width: 9 Memory:451 Last Col/Row:A1      ? for HELP
1)
```

Screen 3-2: Empty Spreadsheet

Let's examine the screen. You will note that columns A through H and rows 1 through 20 are represented. If your screen displays only 40 characters per line you will see only columns A through D. You can see that the coordinate A1 is highlighted. On some terminals, you will see a bright underscore at that position. Some terminals may have *inverse video*, which means that you will see a bright bar or perhaps your terminal uses < > as an indicator. This is the *spreadsheet cursor* and designates the Active Cell. The Active Cell is the location where data are entered.

## Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

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Any coordinate—for instance, A1, B3, B6, or G1—is called a *cell* because it represents a unique position on our *spreadsheet*. The spreadsheet cursor can be positioned to any cell on the screen. This is accomplished by pressing any of the arrow keys at the right side of your keyboard.

Let's press the **(right arrow)**. The spreadsheet cursor should have moved one cell to the right, to B1. Again press the same key, to move to C1. Try the down direction. Experiment, using these four keys to move the Active Cell indicator around to different locations on the spreadsheet display.

**Note:** If you do not have arrow keys you can use the .23D, S, E, X keys along with the Control key **(CTRL)** to move right **(CTRL | D)**, left **(CTRL | S)**, up **(CTRL | E)**, and down **(CTRL | X)**. When one of these keys is pressed in conjunction with the **(CTRL)** key, it moves the cursor in the same direction as the corresponding arrow key. For convenience we will refer only to the arrow keys in this manual.

### Scrolling

What happens if you try to go above Row 1 or to the left of Column A? Nothing. You have reached the spreadsheet margin in these directions. But what about moving to the right or down? Try it, if you haven't already. You will quickly discover that when you move as if to go off the screen to the right or downwards, the columns or rows appear to renumber themselves. Actually those cells that were *off-screen*, beyond the range of your display window, are brought into view, a column or row at a time.

Move one column to the right beyond the edge of the screen. You see that the columns change from A through H, to B through I. At any given moment you will be looking at only a portion of the potentially usable spreadsheet. This is what we mean by the *display window*. As we move this window either horizontally or vertically, we are *scrolling* the display.

# 1

## LESSON

### LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

#### Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

```
  | W | X | Y | Z | AA | AB | AC | AD |
1 |
2 |
3 |
4 |
5 |
6 |
7 |
8 |
9 |
10 |
11 |
12 |
13 |
14 |
15 |
16 |
17 |
18 |
19 |
20 |
) AD1
Width: 9 Memory:451 Last Col/Row:A1 ? for HELP
1 |
```

Screen 3-3: Right-Scrolled Spreadsheet

Try moving off the screen to the right, but this time continue to hold the key down instead of just striking it once. If your keyboard is so equipped, you will see the screen continue to scroll until you stop pressing the key.

If your keys do not *repeat* when you hold them down, your terminal may have a special **Repeat** Key. Use it with the arrow key for the same result.

Continue to *scroll* the screen until you come to column Z. Note that the remaining columns are represented by two letters, AA, AB, and so on.

### **The Status, Prompt, and Entry Line**

Notice the three lines at the bottom of your screen. The top line is the Active Cell and spreadsheet cursor *status* line. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program uses this line to report to you the cursor status.

The first character, an arrow ( ^ v < > ), indicates the direction in which the spreadsheet cursor will move when you use the (↵). To change the direction of the cursor movement, press an arrow key that points in another direction from which the cursor is presently moving.



## Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

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The next entry on the status line is the *address* of the current Active Cell. The status line allows you to read from your spreadsheet the location of the Active Cell more conveniently than you could by visually triangulating the cursor position with respect to the spreadsheet borders.


If the current Active Cell is empty, there will be nothing else displayed on the *status* line; however, if the Active Cell contains text, number, or formulas, the contents of the cell will appear as you entered it.


Now move the spreadsheet cursor around, and watch the status line as the Active Cell and direction indicators change.

The second line is the *prompt* and secondary status line. This line will display the current cell width, available memory, and indicate spreadsheet size by giving the right-most column and lowest line number used for your current application. When you are in command-entry mode the message displayed here will change depending on what command you are currently using. The prompt message lists your options at any given moment.

The bottom line is the *entry* line. It displays a 1> at the left margin. This line allows us to communicate with the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. It displays the information we type in at the keyboard—data, a command, or a response to a prompt message. The entry line is your scratch pad. It allows you to check and edit the data or text you wish to enter before you commit it to the spreadsheet. As we input characters, the entry line cursor will move to indicate where the next character will appear. At the left-hand margin, the number 1 will change to 2, 3, etc. as the cursor moves.

### **The GoTo Command**

It is natural to wonder if there isn't some way to move the spreadsheet cursor quickly to a desired position without using a stepwise combination of arrow keys. There is. Typing  initiates the *GoTo* command.

What if you mistyped ? What can you do about it? You can use the left arrow key to backspace and then try again. We'll explain this feature more fully later on, but for now you know how to correct a mistake.

The prompt line now reads:

Enter cell to jump to.

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## LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet

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This is typical of the helpful conversational efforts you can expect from the prompt line. Now type **M31** or **m31**. Either will work. (The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program accepts either lower case or upper case letters for any entries, but you cannot use a lower case letter / for the numeral one, 1. But for any action to occur, you must press the return key, ↵). It's a good habit to check your work first, by reading the entry line.

Now press ↵, if you haven't done so already. If you did everything right, we have very quickly moved to the part of the spreadsheet where M31 is located. Cell M31 now appears at the top left-most corner of your display window. See if you can use the ⏪ to find out how large the spreadsheet is. When you are finished, GoTo A1 again.

Here is an additional feature of the GoTo command. Move the Active Cell to anywhere near the middle of the screen, say to E8. Enter ⏪] but specify no cell, just press ↵. Notice how the Active Cell remains E8, yet the display window is repositioned so that the Active Cell appears at the top left corner.

We have now used the arrow keys and the ⏪ key. Remember that for most situations, any entry must be followed by pressing the ↵ key. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will then accept and display our entry.

Press the ↵ key a few times, and notice that the position of the Active Cell advances to the next cell. The direction taken—left, right, up, or down depends on which arrow key was last used.

Press the ⏩, and then ↵ a few times. Now the ⏪, and ↵ several times. The arrow keys set the direction, and then the ⏪ advances the spreadsheet cursor cell by cell. Remember you can always check the status line to find the current direction.

### **The Quit Command**

What about some of the other operations? Let's try ⏪. Press the ⏪ key. The prompt line changes and now says:

Enter: A,B,C,D,E,F,G,I,L,M,O,P,Q,R,S,T,U,W,X,Z,?

The prompt line is telling you that these letters represent the only meaningful actions you can take now that you have entered the ⏪.

**Moving the Active Cell Around the Spreadsheet**

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Each letter designates an option of the  $\boxed{Z}$  commands. Whenever you wish to examine this command option list in its expanded form, press  $\boxed{?}$  and the list will be displayed on your screen. To return to your spreadsheet display, press  $\boxed{\leftarrow}$ . We will explore many of these commands soon, but for now you should know about one in particular.

Press the **Q** key. What happened? First the **/Q** was automatically interpreted by the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program so that your **/Q** appears on the entry line as **/Q**uit. Second, the prompt line changes. It now reads:

EXIT SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>? Y(es), N(o) or T(o)?

If you want to stop here and continue the lesson later, press the **Y** key; otherwise, press **N**.

What you have learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have seen the display window scroll and learned what *current direction* means. You have also learned how to:

- Identify the spreadsheet cursor and locate the Active Cell.
- Move the spreadsheet cursor anywhere on the spreadsheet.
- Move the cursor with the four arrow keys, the alternate diamond keys, and the  $\boxed{\leftarrow}$ .
- Use the  $\boxed{=}$  (or *GoTo*) command, either as a shortcut to a new location, or to reposition the spreadsheet with respect to the active cell.
- Read the Active Cell location, current direction, and column display width on the status line.

# 2 LESSON

## LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Data Entry — Numbers, Text and Simple Formulas

## LESSON 2

### Data Entry — Numbers, Text and Simple Formulas

From Lesson 1 you have gained a general understanding of the control and display characteristics of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. In this lesson, you will learn how to enter data. You will also learn the *zap* command **/Z** to clear the spreadsheet, using the *in-line editing* features, and using the edit command **/E**.

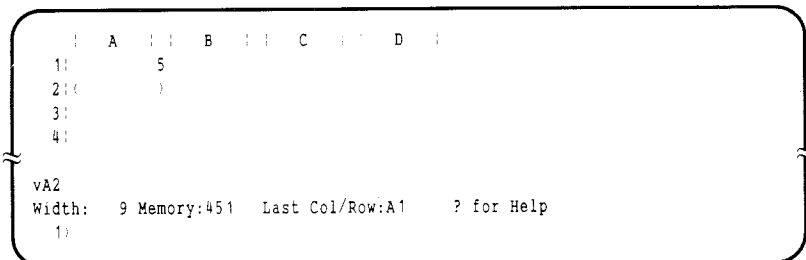
If the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is not already loaded, load it now. See Chapter 2 if you are not sure how to do this.

Now let's actually make some entries on our spreadsheet.

In this exercise, we will be entering numbers down the column, so we want to set the spreadsheet cursor to move *down*. Do so by pressing the **(down arrow)**. Now use the *Go To* command to place the Active Cell marker at A1.


Enter the number **5** on the entry line. Do not press **(↵)** yet. You may cancel an operation at any time by pressing the **(CTRL)** key and the **(Z)** key simultaneously. If you start to do something but then change your mind, pressing **(CTRL Z)** or **(CTRL C)** or **(F2)** will allow you to start over without affecting the spreadsheet.


You have 5 on the entry line. Now press **(↵)**.





Screen 3-4: Active Cell Cursor Movement (Down)

## Data Entry — Numbers, Text and Simple Formulas

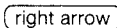

Pressing  will enter whatever is currently shown on the entry line; that is, the characters you have typed will be sent to the active cell, and the entry line will be cleared. In our example, the data item 5 should now appear on the screen in cell A1.

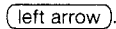

Notice that the spreadsheet cursor moved to A2. Enter **6**, but do not press  yet. Did you notice that before you typed 6, there was a **1>** at the left edge of the entry line? Now there is a **2>**. You will see this number increase each time you type a character on the entry line. The number you see is always one more than the number of characters you have typed. For now, this information helps you fit your data into the column width you have — remember the 9 on the status line. In a later lesson, you will learn how to change the column width, and this character count will be even more helpful.

Now press , and cell A2 will contain the value 6. Cell A3 has become the active cell.

Let's try another entry, **12** and .

The same thing should have happened. The spreadsheet cursor is progressing down the column, automatically anticipating the location of your next entry.

Now press the . Enter **56**, press . What happened?

56 appears in B4, and the spreadsheet cursor has moved to cell C4. After each entry, the spreadsheet cursor will continue to move automatically to the next cell. The direction it will move has been set by whichever of the arrow keys was last used. For instance, suppose we wish to change the contents of cell B4. Press the . Enter **8** and press .

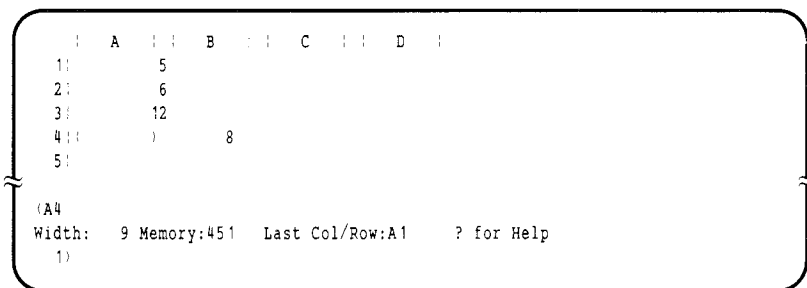
This will replace the previous entry of 56. But, in addition, the spreadsheet cursor continues now in a leftward direction to A4.

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## LESSON

### LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

#### Data Entry — Numbers, Text and Simple Formulas



Screen 3-5: Active Cell Cursor Movement (Left-Right)

Try entering different letters and numbers as data, using the arrow keys to change direction. You can erase the entire line using (CTRL|Z). Take a few minutes.

Generally speaking, there are two kinds of entries, text and numbers. When your entry is preceded by a double quote ("), it is regarded as *text*. When it is preceded by a single quote ('), it is regarded as *repeating text*. Otherwise it is regarded as a number or formula.

Headings, labels, and explanatory notes are examples of text entries. Mathematically they are regarded as having a *value of zero*. If you forget to lead text with quotation marks, the computer will respond with an error message. The quotation marks should not be closed. Otherwise, the closing quotation marks will be included in the displayed text.

For example: "Sample Text  
"Sample Text"  
Sample Text

Right  
Wrong  
Formula Error (Use inline editor or  
(CTRL|Z) or (CTRL|C) or (F2)  
to erase the entry line and start  
again).

### The Zap Command

Let's try some examples, but first let's start with a fresh screen.

Remember we used the *quit* command to exit from the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program altogether in Lesson 1. Now we will use another command, *zap*.

Enter (Z), and note that the prompt line again displays for us all possible (Z) commands.

Enter **Z**. The prompt now asks for confirmation:

Zap-ENTIRE-worksheet?

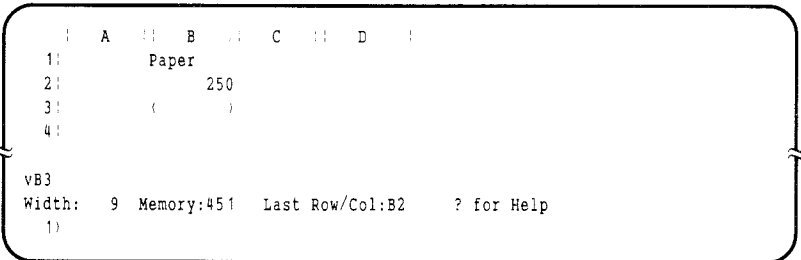
The effect of the *zap* command is to clear the entire spreadsheet and return everything to its original state, just as it was when you first loaded the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. Because the effect is so drastic, the program uses the prompt line to remind us that the entire spreadsheet will be emptied and to verify that we really want to do this. The prompt asks:

Y(es) to clear everything, else N(o) or C(ontents)?

We do want to clear everything, so enter **Y**, and the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will do just that. Whatever we had put on the spreadsheet is now gone, permanently.

### ***Textual and Numerical Entries***

Now enter “**Paper**” in cell B1 and **250** in B2. Remember to lead off Paper with quotation marks ("). Notice that text is left-justified and numeric values are right-justified within the column.



```

| A | B | C | D |
1: | | Paper | |
2: | | 250 | |
3: | | ( ) | |
4: | | | |
VB3
Width: 9 Memory:451 Last Row/Col:B2 ? for Help
1)

```

Screen 3-6: Entry Left-Right Justification

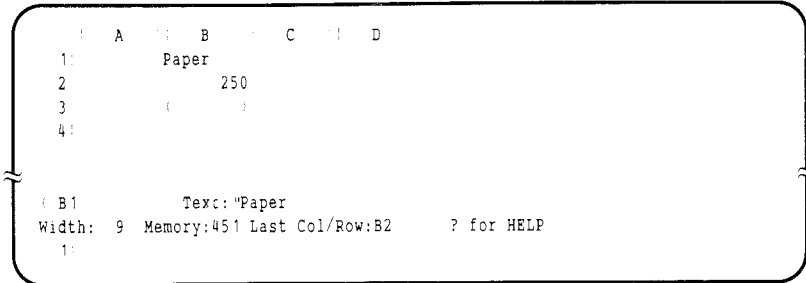
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## LESSON

### LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

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Move the Active Cell back to B2 and watch the middle of the Status Line. It will say Form=250. Move the cursor to B1; the same line will say Text="Paper.



Screen 3-7: Status Line Update

You will soon learn how to change the normal justification of both text and numbers.

How wide are the columns? How large a number can we enter? How much text? Remember we mentioned *display width* earlier when looking at the status line. Note again the 9 on the status line.

The 9 tells us that the column currently accessed (the column with the Active Cell) is set to display nine characters. Nine is the standard, or *default*, value for the display width of all columns unless you specify otherwise. You will soon learn how to specify display widths. Text may contain 115 characters; formulas may contain as many as 116 characters. The maximum column width is 127.

Move the spreadsheet cursor to B3, and type **“Letterhead stationery** This piece of *text* is certainly longer than nine characters, but the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program allows display of your text to extend over neighboring cells if they are unused. Now go to A1 and try the same thing.

Your entry did not display in full because B1 is occupied. But the entire entry was accepted in cell A1 even if only a portion of it (the first nine characters) is displayed. Notice that the status line indicates the contents of A1 as Text="Letterhead stationery.



Move to B4. Enter, without commas, **2500000000**. The number is too large to display. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program converts it to scientific notation, a more compact format, and displays it as 2.5e9, which is the display form of the expression  $2.5 \times 10^9$ , or the conventional abbreviation of 2,500,000,000. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program provides many different display and format options. These will be described in more detail later.

```

  | A | B | C | D
1 | Letterhead Paper
2 |           250
3 |           Letterhead stationery
4 |           2.5e9
5 |           ( )
6 |
v B5
Width: 9 Memory:451 Last Col/Row:C4 ? for HELP
1)

```

Screen 3-8: Entry Length/Active Cell Size

If exponential numbers are new to you, here is a quick look at what they are and how the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program displays them. Exponential numbers are displayed as *powers of 10*. You will soon see what this means.

Go to Cell C1 and set column C to exponential display. Use the format command to do this. Enter **/F** for the command, and **C** for Column. When the prompt asks you what column to format, you can press the **(C)** or the **(↔)** key to tell the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program to use the current column (C). Press **E** for Exponential format, then **(↔)**.

Press the **(down arrow)** to set the current direction as down. Now enter **1776**. Cell C2 shows **1.776e3**. What does this mean? e3 means *exponential 3* or *10 to the power of 3*. 10 to the power of 3 is 1000; 1.766 times 1000 is 1776. That's all that 1.776e3 means.

Try entering **1000**. Is 1e3 what you expected? What will 100 be? Try it. Now enter **2000**, and then enter **.002**. Notice that 2000 is 2e3 and that .002 is 2e-3. e3 is thousands; e-3 is thousandths. What is -2000? Try it and see.

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## LESSON

### LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>


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What happens if you enter a number in exponential notation? Let's try it. Enter **567e13**. Are you surprised to see it display as 5.67e15? The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program prefers to put the decimal point just after the first digit and will adjust the exponent value to do so.

Explore on your own — entering numbers as you ordinarily would, and entering them in exponential form. Try to guess beforehand what the display will be.

When you feel comfortable with exponential notation, let's give the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program a little job to do.

Press the down arrow, (**v**) to set the cursor direction and then press = **C6** .

In cell C6 enter **93000000**. That is 93 million, which is the number of miles between the earth and the sun. 9.3e7 is 9.3 times 10 million, which seems right. Now in cell C7, enter **5280\*C6**. The value displayed, 4.910e11, is the number of feet in 93 million miles. Let's try inches. Enter **12\*C7** in cell C8. The display shows that the sun is 5.892e12 inches from the earth.

So 5.892e12 is the number of inches between the earth and the surface of the sun? Well, not really. It is the number of inches in 93 million miles, but 93 million is the number of miles between here and the sun expressed *to the nearest million*.

What 5.892e12 really tells us is that there are about 5.9 times 1,000,000,000,000 inches between here and the sun. Only the first two digits of 5.892 are significant, because only the 93 was significant in 93 million miles.

Why bring this up? Because that is the point of scientific notation. Scientific notation allows us to quickly grasp the essential points of a number and discard the unessential.

The first part of the number gives us the essentials (and probably some others that we can discard). The exponent value, the number after *e*, tells us whether we are talking about 10s, 100s, 1000s, or millions, billions, trillions (or billionths and trillionths).

In short, exponential or scientific numbers give us the essentials, the significant digits and the general magnitude of the value.

Three types of exponential expressions may occur:

1. 1.776e3; 1.776x1000 or  $10^3$
2. 1.776e-3; 1.776x1/1000 or  $10^{-3}$
3. -1.776e3; -1.766x1000 or  $10^3$  (a negative number).

### In-Line Editing

Right now, let's investigate the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program's *in-line* editing feature. If you have used the exponential notation section of the lesson, zap your spreadsheet and re-enter your original data as show on page 3-10, and above.

Move the Active Cell to B5. Type this incorrect spelling, "**Envlopes**, but *do not* press (↵). As you know, you could use a *left* arrow to backspace and re-type from the point of the error. The *right* arrow key just moves in the opposite direction.

Using the left and right arrows, move back and forth across your text, but take care not to backspace beyond the left-most character. Notice that nothing is changed and the position of the cursor is on the *a*. Notice, too, that the number 5 appears at the left of your entry line. This indicates that the cursor is located at the fifth character position on your entry line.

Press the (↑) key, and see what happens.

```

  | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H |
1 | LetterheaPaper
2 |           250
3 | Letterhead stationery
4 |           2.5e9
5 | (         )
6 |
)
B5
Width: 9 Memory:451 Last Col/Row:B4 ? for HELP
5) "Env lopes

```

Screen 3-9: Entry Line Editing

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

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A space has been created for us just ahead of the *a* so that we may insert the correction without having to re-type good text. Enter **e**. Your entry line now says “**Envelopes**”. What if you had needed to insert several characters, or to delete some?

Press the up arrow key continuously, or press the key several times, to generate a large gap in the text. Press the down arrow key and notice that the gap is reduced by one character. Hold the down arrow key down, or press the key several times, and watch the blank spaces be deleted. Go ahead and enter “**Envelopes**”, and then make up other examples. Practice with these keys until you are comfortable with this *in-line editing* feature. Try it with numeric entries, too.

Regardless of where the cursor is positioned on the entry line, all of the visible text or numeric values will go into the Active Cell when you press (↵).

You have discovered that the arrow keys have two different uses. They move the active cell around the spreadsheet *until* you type a character on the entry line. Then the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program recognizes that you have begun to enter data.

Once you begin to enter data instead of positioning the spreadsheet cursor the arrow keys have an editing function until you press (CTRL Z) or successfully complete the cell entry.

### **The Edit Command**

We have seen how to edit data *before* we actually enter it into the Active Cell. How can we edit data that we have already sent to a cell? Of course, we could enter the data again in its entirety. The new entry would replace the old one. But there is a better way. We can use a new command, the *edit* command **/E**.

Make B4 the Active Cell (use *GoTo* or move the spreadsheet cursor). Enter **/E**, for *edit*. You see the prompt line now says:

From? Enter cell.

It is asking where to find the material to be edited.

Because in this case we want to edit the contents of the Active Cell, we don't have to give a cell address. Simply press (↵), and the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will bring the Active Cell's contents to the entry line.

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Make your changes, using the arrow keys. For instance, delete two zeros from 2500000000. When your change is complete, press **↵**, and your modified entry replaces the old one in B4. If you haven't done this, try it now.

You may sometimes wish to edit the contents of a cell and enter them into *another* cell. For example, position the Active Cell to B5 (our destination cell). Enter **/E**. In response to the prompt:

From?

enter **B4** (our source cell), and press **↵**. The contents of B4 will be copied to the entry line. After you have made your change, press **↵** and the edited version of B4 will be copied back to B5.

Note that no matter where it comes from, the *new* or *edited* data on the entry line is always entered into the *Active Cell*. In our first example, the original contents of B4, the Active Cell, were modified and replaced by our edited version. In the second example, the contents of B4 were *not* changed. The edited material went into B5, the Active Cell, and the source material remained unchanged in B4.

If you want to stop here, use the *quit* command. Or if you wish, continue on to Lesson 3.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have learned how to:

- Make number and text data entries
- Cancel an operation by using **CTRL Z** or **CTRL C** or **F2**
- Replace one data entry with another
- Set the direction in which the spreadsheet cursor moves
- Recognize and use exponential notation
- Do *in-line* editing
- Use **/E**, the *edit* command

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Blanking, Protecting, Unprotecting, and Saving

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### LESSON 3

## Blanking, Protecting, Unprotecting, and Saving Your Work

In Lesson 2, we expanded our knowledge to include the fundamentals of data entry for the purposes of creating text or for entering numeric data to be used in actual calculations. In this lesson, you will gain more experience entering data. You will learn to blank, protect, unprotect, and save your data. You will also learn to use the **/G** command to make some general or *global* changes in your spreadsheet display and to use the **/F** command to make certain formatting changes.

If you are continuing directly on from lesson 2, do a **/Z** command so that we may start with an empty screen. Otherwise, load the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program in accordance with the instructions in *Getting Started*.

Use the (down arrow) to set the current direction. Use the *GoTo* command to go to A1. Enter "**Pens**". At A2 enter 5. Continue in this way with A3 through A9, entering values of **8, 3, 11, 4, 9, 6,** and **12** respectively.

In Lesson 2, we learned how to modify a cell's contents, to *edit*. But what if we want to *blank* a cell, to clear out its contents?

We can do that with a new command, the *blank* command. It can be used to blank out, or erase, data that you have already entered on any portion of your spreadsheet. You can blank an individual entry or cell, partial or complete rows or columns, or entire blocks (rows *and* columns) of cells. We will try an example of each in this lesson.


Enter (F) and note the prompt line. Now enter **B**. The interpretive prompting feature of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> fills this out, **/B**lank. And the prompt line changes to say:

Enter range.

You must now specify the portion, or range, of the spreadsheet that you wish to blank.


Type **A4** and press (↵). The contents of A4 have been *blanked*, that is erased. Or you can place the spreadsheet cursor on the cell you wish to blank, enter **/B**, and with no cell reference, press (↵). Try doing this with cell

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A5. When working regularly within the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, use whichever method is more convenient for you. Remember that since the cursor can only point to an individual cell, the **/B**  method of the **/B** command will only affect an individual entry.

Enter **/B** again. Now in response to the prompt:


Enter range

specify A6 through A8 by typing **A6:A8**. Press . This is how we can specify a range of cells for either a row or a column. The range that you designate will always include the end points.

	A	B	C	D
1	Pens			
2		5		
3		6		
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9		12		
10				

Screen 3-10: Blanking Cell Contents

### ***The Protect Command***

Now let's use **/P** to *protect* a cell. Enter **/P**. We use the protect command in the same way as the *blank* command. That is, enter a cell or a range. For example, enter **A5**. Press . Move the cursor to A5 and note that a *P* appears now next to the *Form* display on the status line. This indicator tells you that the Active Cell is *protected*.

	A	B	C	D
1	Pens	Paper		
2		5	1	
3		8	2	
4		3	3	
5		11	4	
6		4	5	
7		9	6	
8		6	7	
9		12	8	
10				

Screen 3-11: Protecting Cell Contents

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Re-enter the numbers we just blanked out. Create a new column of numbers in column B. Label it “**Paper**”. Enter those numbers in column B as shown in the diagram.

If your terminal provides half-intensity display, you will also see the protected cells at half intensity. On machines equipped for color, protected cells are shown in a distinctive color.

Let’s continue by protecting a range of cells.

Type **/P** and enter **A8:B8**. Press **(↵)**. This will protect that portion of row 8.

What is the significance of what we have done?

Remember we said that **/B** could blank out an entire block of cells. Let’s attempt to blank out that block of cells from row 2 through row 8 for both columns A and B. How do we specify this?

Enter **/B**. Now enter **A2:B8**. (We define the range for a *block* of cells as a diagonal, top left-most cell followed by the lower right-most cell in the block).

Now press **(↵)**, and let’s consider the results of our actions.

Row 1, with our titles, should remain because it lies outside the range of the block-definition we used with the *blank* command. A5 and row 8 remain because they were protected. Row 9 remains, not because it was protected but because it, too, was beyond the range we blanked out.

Try to change the contents of A9. Now try the same thing with A5 or B8. Because these cells have been protected, they cannot be changed or blanked out. This feature can provide you with a large measure of safety when you are working around information that has taken you time to develop, and which you cannot afford to accidentally lose. However, blank cells within a protected range are not protected.

### ***The Unprotect Command***

The *unprotect* command **/U** can be used to unprotect cells, partial rows, partial columns, or blocks of calls. We could use the command twice to unprotect cell A5 and row 8, but can we do it with just one **/U** command?



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Yes. **U**nprotect the *block*, row 5 through 8 of columns A and B. What is the proper range specification? Did you say **A5:B8**? Correct.

**Formula and Numeric Display Options**

Move the Active Cell to A2. Enter **3 + 5**. What happened? The value of the expression, 8, was placed in A2. If the spreadsheet cursor is not at A2, move it there and examine the status line. The right-most display will read *Form = 3 + 5*, our original expression.

What has the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program actually stored,  $3 + 5$  or the  $8$ ?

However complicated the expression is, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will calculate the result and display it. This allows us to use the entry line like a scratch pad. For instance, we may be adding two columns of numbers but only be interested in their total value.

Again at A3 enter **1 + A2**. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will recognize this as a formula referring to cell A2 and will quickly calculate and display the value based upon the value in A2. Further, if we change the contents of A2 — for instance, to  $5$  — we should observe that the new value of A3 will be recalculated as well. Try it!

Now move the Active Cell to A3. The screen displays  $6$  there, the current value, while the status line displays *Form = 1 + A2*. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is keeping track of both. In A4, let's enter **A3\*.65**. The  $*$  means multiply and is equivalent to the  $x$  sign in conventional notation. Division is represented by  $/$ .

Locate the active cell at A10. Enter **SUM(A2:A9)**.

SUM is a built-in function. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program provides many special built-in functions, including SQRT (square root), AVERAGE (arithmetic mean), NPV (net present value), IF conditionals, trigonometric functions, and many more. For SUM we can specify ranges (as we have done in this example) and cells, for example, *SUM(A8,B9:B12)*. Now change the value of A9 to  $5$ . Watch the sum be recalculated.

**The Global Command — Formatting Options**

Earlier we determined that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is keeping track of our formulas although it only displays their current values on the spreadsheet. How can we review all the original formulas more clearly? Enter **/G**.

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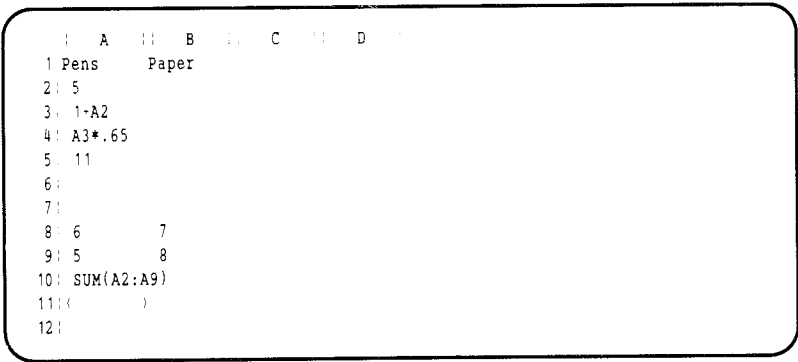
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Note that SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>'s interpretive prompting fills this out to read **/G**lobal. What could this conceivably mean? The prompt line now reads:

F(orm.), N(ext), B(order), T(ab), R(ow), C(ol.), M(an.), A(uto)?

We could think of the **/G** command as a way to make overall or *global* changes to the spreadsheet, rather than specific or local changes. It is as if we had a map of California before us and we could, at will, transform it into a topographical map, a population density map, a tourist attraction map, etc.

Our concern here is with formulas, so enter **F** and see your formulas displayed.



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  | A | B | C | D |
1 | Pens | Paper |
2 | 5 |
3 | 1+A2 |
4 | A3*.65 |
5 | 11 |
6 |
7 |
8 | 6 | 7 |
9 | 5 | 8 |
10 | SUM(A2:A9) |
11 | ( ) |
12 |
```

Screen 3-12: Global Command/Formula Display

To return to the other style of display (cell values), simply repeat the sequence **/G,F**. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will alternate or flip-flop between the two display modes.

### Determining Column Width

Enter **9** in cell B10.

In formulas mode (**/G,F**), you will notice one problem. The SUM formula in A10 has two characters more than our column width, which is only 9. Let's widen the column to accommodate our entry.

Enter **/F** for *format*. The prompt responds with:

Enter Level: G(lobal), C(olumn), R(ow), E(ntry) or D(efine).

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The **G** in this case is not the same as the **/G** command. Here it simply qualifies the **/F** command. But its meaning is similar; that is, *for all or every*.

Now enter **G**. The prompt line now displays:

Define Formats: (I, G, E, \$, R, L, TR, TL, \*, U(1-8), H, D, column width).

As you can see, the **/F** command has many possible parameters; however, for now, let's enter a new column width by typing **12** and **(←)**. Now move the cursor to column B and note the status line displays **12**. Notice that we changed *all* columns to a width of 12 characters. We could have specified the new width for just a single column by **C** for column level, rather than **G** for global.

Now that we are using commands with several levels of prompts, it may be useful to point out another use for the left arrow key — one that you may have discovered for yourself already. Backspacing with the left arrow will always take us back to the prior *step* in a command, to a less completely specified statement.

For instance, enter **/Format,Global,12** again. Now backspace once with the **(left arrow)** (or **(CTRL S)**). Backspace again and see that the prompt changes to its earlier message:

Enter level: G(lobal), C(olumn), R(ow), E(ntry) or D(efine).

If we wished, we could then enter a level other than G(lobal), and continue on with the command sequence. Instead, let's backspace once more.

You will see the list of **(Z)** command options on the prompt line. Backspace again. And now we have finally backed all the way to the original prompt.

Of course, no matter how far we have gone in specifying some command, range, or option, we can always use **(CTRL Z)** or **(CTRL C)** or **(F2)** to abort; simultaneously pressing the **(CTRL)** key and **(Z)** will return us to the original prompt. Now, if you are still in formulas mode, return to the display mode that displays cell values rather than formulas, **/Global,Formula**.

**The Save Command**

We will want to save the work we have done in this lesson so that we may use it later. We can do this with the *save* command, **/S**. This command makes a copy of our entire spreadsheet and stores it on a diskette located on either drive A or drive B, depending on which we specify.

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Enter **/S**. The prompt requests:

Enter File name.

You can respond to this in one of several ways, depending on where you want to store your file. If you wish to save it on the disk on the system drive (the same disk that has the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program), enter **WORK1** and **(↵)**. Or you can specify the drive to use by entering either **A:WORK1**, **(↵)** or **B:WORK1**, **(↵)**. Do not leave any blank spaces in your file name. The computer will not accept *TOM 1*, but only *TOM1*. If you have more than two disk drives, you can specify C:WORK1 or D:WORK1, and so on. If you are unsure what is meant by *system drive*, review that material in *Getting Started*.

After you have entered the file name, the prompt line inquires further:

A(II), V(alues), or P(art)?

Since we wish to save both our formulas and our values, enter **A**, for all. Your disk drive unit will whirl and click contentedly for a few moments.

We will use this file to *load* our work back into the system when we resume with Lesson 4, so keep the disk handy. Now enter **/Q** and exit from the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. All our work *disappears*. It is gone irretrievably *unless* you specifically save it with the *save* command before exiting.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have learned:

- How to blank the contents of a cell or group of cells by using the **/B** command.
- How to protect and unprotect cells, using the **/P** and **/U** commands, and what protection does for a cell.
- That in an arithmetic expression, **\*** means multiply and **/** divide.
- That you can enter numerical expressions and formulas, that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will calculate and display the results, and that it will continue to recalculate as necessary.
- How to use the *global* command, **/G**, to display formulas or their calculated values on the spreadsheet display.

- How to use the *format* command, **/F**, to change column display width.
- How to use the backspace (left arrow) key to return to an earlier step in a command sequence.
- How to create a file and save your work by using the **/S** command.

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## LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Load, Copy and Replicate

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## LESSON 4

### Load, Copy and Replicate

In Lesson 3, we began to see the power of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program — in particular, its ability to recalculate automatically all values that depend upon the values in other cells. In this lesson we will gain even more insight into its versatility. You will learn to use the *load* command **/L**, *copy* command **/C**, *replicate* command **/R**, and the *current—cell key* (**ESC**). *The /C, /R and (ESC) commands are basically time-saving commands.*

#### ***The Load Command***

We are going to continue using the spreadsheet we began to develop in Lesson 3. Let's retrieve the file we created at the end of that lesson. We will use the *load* command, **/L**, do this. If the file is not on the disk that has the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, be sure to insert the disk with the file into your other disk drive.

Enter **/L**load. How you respond to the prompt message:

Enter File Name, (or <RETURN> for Directory)

depends on where you have stored the file. To see the directory of your disk, press **(↵)** and the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will give you three options:

C(hoose) alternate disk drive: to change your current disk (given at the top of the screen).

D(isk) Directory: to see the directory of your current disk.

S(uperCalc) format files only: to see the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> files of your current disk.

E(nter) filename: to return to the Command line and enter a file name.

Pressing **E** takes you out of this menu and back to where you left off. If your file is on the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk, enter the file name without specifying the drive. So you enter **WORK1** and press **(↵)**. If the file is not on the system drive, you should designate the appropriate drive by entering **A:WORK1** or **B:WORK1** (depending on which disk your file is on), before pressing **(↵)**.

The disk drive will respond with some clicking, and the prompt line will change to read:

A(II) or P(art)?

Enter **A**, for *all*, and the material we saved from our last effort will be copied from the disk and appear on the screen.

### ***The Copy Command***

Now that we have restored our work from the previous lesson, let's investigate another command, **/C**. The *copy* command is easy to use. You can copy a single cell, a partial row or partial column, or a block of cells.



In this first example, we will copy the data in column A into column C. Enter **/C**. The prompt line responds:

From? (Enter Range).

In response, enter **A1:A10**, . This time the prompt asks:

To? (Enter Range)

then:

 or  for Options.

We just want a *standard* copy this time — we will look at *options* later. So enter **C1** and press .

Now use the *copy* command to copy the contents of cell A10 to B10.

Change the display to show formulas by entering **/Global,Formula** and look at the contents of B10 and column C. The formulas have been adjusted automatically relative to the columns to which they were copied. All cell references have changed to reflect the new location of the formulas. If we had moved to a new row, as well as a new column, relative row designations also would have been adjusted.

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Load, Copy and Replicate

	A	B	C
1:	Pens	Paper	Pens
2:	5		5
3:	1+A2		1+C2
4:	A3*.65		C3*.65
5:	11		11
6:			
7:			
8:	6	7	6
9:	5	8	5
10:	SUM(A2:A9)	SUM(B2:B9)	SUM(C2:C9)
11:			
12:			

Screen 3-13: Copy Command/General



Generally, this automatic adjustment is exactly what we want. But there are other options open to us. For instance, we can specify that there be no adjustment or we can tell the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program to ask whether each occurrence of a cell reference should be adjusted or left alone. We will try this soon.

The *copy* command makes a one-to-one copy of its source material into a destination of the same type of size; cell to cell, row to row, or column to column. But suppose you want to repeat a series of values and formulas many times, perhaps to compare alternative cases.

### **The Replicate Command**

You can use another very powerful command, *replicate* **/R**, to do that. It will make a *one-to-many* copy of a cell, a partial row, or a partial column and will distribute these copies over a destination range that is larger than the source range. Make sure the display shows formulas.

Let's *replicate* a single cell, A10.

Enter **/R**. For *From*, enter **A10**, . For *To*?, enter the range D10 through F10, by typing **D10:F10** and . Note how the command performs.



	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:	Pens	Paper	Pens			
2:	5		5			
3:	1+A2		1+C2	1+D2	1+E2	1+F2
4:	A3*.65		C3*.65	D3*.65	E3*.65	F3*.65
5:	11		11			
6:						
7:						
8:	6	7	6			
9:	5	8	5			
10:	SUM(A2:A9)	SUM(B2:B9)	SUM(C2:C9)	SUM(D2:D9)	SUM(E2:E9)	SUM(F2:F9)
11:						
12:	A2+A2	A2+B2	A2+C2	A2+D2	A2+E2	A2+F2

Screen 3-14: Replicate Command

Try replicating the partial column A3 through A4 into D3 through F3. These columns, D through F, now have data in rows 3, 4, and 10.

The *replicate* command has the same formula adjustment options as the *copy* command. Let's try one of them now.

Enter into cell A12, the formula **A2 + A2**.

Now enter **/Replicate, A12** (↔), **B12:F12**. After you enter F12 enter a comma (,) instead of (↔) to get the options. They will be displayed on the prompt line:

N(o Adjust.), A(sk for Adjust.), V(alues), +, -, \*, /

Enter **A**. This option allows you to specify adjustment or non-adjustment to specific cells. Entering **N** for No adjustment will allow you to replicate a formula with no adjustment for the destination; and **V** for Values will only replicate the values of the formulas, not the formulas themselves.

The prompt changes to say:

Source cell A12, Adjust A2 (Y or N)?

and the first A2 is highlighted on the entry line.

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# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>



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Respond with **N**, for no adjustment. Now the second reference to A2 is highlighted on the entry line. Let's respond with **Y**. You see that the first part of our formula remained unchanged while the second was adjusted, according to our responses. In this way, we can specify one component of a cell to be held constant, while other components are adjusted relative to their new location.

	A	B	C
1:	Pens	Paper	Pens-1
2:	5	1	8
3:	1+A2	2	1-C2
4:	A3*.65	3	C3*.65
5:	11	4	11
6:	4	5	4
7:	9	6	9
8:	6	7	6
9:	7	8	7
10:	SUM(A2:A9)	SUM(B2:B9)	SUM(C2:C9)
11:			
12:	A2+A2	A2*B2	A2+C2
13:			

Screen 3-15: Replicate Command (Cont'd)

Replicate cell A1 into the range D1 through F1, then use **/E**dit to edit the contents of C1 through F1 so they will be *Pens-1*, *Pens-2* and so forth. Change C2 and then enter data as needed to make your spreadsheet look like the one above. You are going to save this spreadsheet and do more work with it later.

It's very important to save the work we have completed up to this point. We will use it again in Lesson 5. If you want to save it on the same disk as the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, enter **/S** then **WORK1** , otherwise, specify the drive that has your destination disk. (If you want to jog your memory about the save command, try *help* , or look back at Lesson 3.

To help protect your work, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program checks to see if you already have a file with the same name on your destination disk. If you do, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program prompts you with:

File already exists:

and offers three alternatives:

C(hange name), B(ackup), O(verwrite)?

If you no longer need the original version of the file then you would press the **O**. Otherwise press **C** to rename your file or use the Backup option which will change the existing file to:

filename.BAK

and automatically write your spreadsheet to disk under the specified filename. If there is a previous backup it will now be lost when you use the backup option. In this case, you can overwrite because you won't need the old *WORK1* file created in Lesson 3. The spreadsheet developed in this lesson is the one we will use later.

Try replicating a row, or rows, or a block. If a practical application of your own comes to mind, try to begin an example on the screen. If you want to save this first effort of your own, be sure to use a different name — for example, TRIAL or MYTRY. Safety tip: It is a good idea to choose a name substantially different from *WORK1*, so that there is less chance of inadvertently overwriting the material you will need on this tutorial. *WORK2*, for example, is so close that it might cause you some confusion.

By now you have probably realized that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program offers you a great many command options. This makes it a tremendously powerful and versatile tool. We will not discuss all the options in this tutorial section. Instead, we encourage you to investigate them on your own. You should find it easy to make the best possible use of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program by combining what you learn here with information available in the reference section of this guide and through the *help* function, (?), built into the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program itself.

### ***The Current-Cell Key: ESCAPE Key***

This is a good time to become acquainted with the *current-cell* key. It can be used to boost the efficiency of certain kinds of data manipulation, which use the *copy* and *replicate* commands. The (ESC) key serves as the current-cell key.

Whenever a cell or range is required by the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, the Active Cell coordinate will be placed on the entry line if we simply press the (ESC) key.

Let's set up an example and learn how to use this feature. Start with a fresh screen. After you have saved any work you want for later, use the *zap* command.

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Enter **468** into A1. Use the *replicate* command to fill every cell on the visible screen with *468*. Can you do this? Try it before reading on.

Here is how your entries should have looked. First, enter, **/R**eplicate,**A1,B1:H1**. Then, **/R**eplicate,**A1:H1,A2:A20**. Or, **/R**,**A1,A2:A20**. Then, **/R**,**A1:A20,B1:H1**. Now you should have *468* everywhere for the purposes of our example.

Enter **/B**, for *blank*. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program now wants you to specify a cell or a range to be blanked. Let's start with a single cell.

Press the **(ESC)** key. The address of the Active Cell will appear on the entry line. Use the **arrow** keys to move the spreadsheet cursor to another location — for example, C11. Notice the Active Cell address on the entry line change as we go.

Now press **(↵)**. Observe. Notice that the latest Active Cell was blanked, and that the Active Cell location has returned to its original place. Again, enter **/B**lank, and press **(ESC)**.

Use the **arrow** keys to make cell C16 be the Active Cell. The entry line now reads **/B**lank,**C16**.

We can use this to begin a range specification. Just enter **(:)**. The line now reads **/B**lank,**C16:C16**. Now move the spreadsheet cursor to cell H16. Notice that the second address of our range is incremented as we go. Now press **(↵)**. The cells in the range C16 through H16 have been blanked.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
2:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
3:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
4:	468	468	468	468				
5:	468	468	468	468				
6:	468	468	468	468				
7:	468	468	468	468				
8:	468	468	468	468				
9:	468	468	468	468				
10:	468	468	468	468				
11:	468	468	468	468				
12:	468	468	468	468				
13:	468	468	468	468				
14:	468	468	468	468				
15:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
16:	468	468						
17:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
18:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
19:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468
20:	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468

Screen 3-16: [ESC] Function — Current Cell Key

In brief, this is what happens. Once we have set the [ESC] function, the arrow keys will temporarily move the spreadsheet cursor. As the location of the Active Cell changes, the cell location shown on the entry line will also change. Pressing the [F4] locks in the Active Cell as the corner cell of a range or block. You can then use the arrow keys to move the spreadsheet cursor to specify the limit of the range. The [ESC] movement of the Active Cell is only temporary; when you terminate the [ESC] function, the Active Cell returns to its starting position.

Here is another sample. Enter /Blank. Press [ESC]. Move the spreadsheet cursor to D4, press [F4] and move again to H14, press [ESC]. We have blanked cells in the block from D4 to H14.

By using the [ESC] key and placing the Active Cell at the appropriate points, we can let the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program define our statements. At first, this may seem a little difficult, but with some practice, you will begin to find it increasingly useful. This feature allows us to modify our screen simply by pointing with the Active Cell to the boundary of the range of cells we wish to blank without our having to blank each cell individually.

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## Load, Copy and Replicate

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Here are some examples you can try using *replicate* and (ESC). Enter in E5, “aac. Enter /Rreplicate. Press (ESC), place the Active Cell at E5, then press (↑) or (→). Now press (ESC) again for the *To?* portion of our entry. Move the Active Cell to E6, enter (:), and move the Active Cell to E13, then press (→).

One more example. /Rreplicate. (ESC), move the Active Cell to E5, enter (:), move to E13, press (→). Press (ESC), move to G7, enter (:), move to J7, press (→). This replicates cells E5 through E13 in the block of cells outlined by G7, J7, G15, and J15. The entries in columns H, I, and J are the same.

The (ESC) function can be used any time you can specify a cell or range on the entry line. Pressing any other keys besides (→) and (ESC) will allow you to resume formula entry, but remain in (ESC) mode. When another arrow key is pressed the current cell is again placed on the entry line. Only (→) and (ESC) will take you out of (ESC) and allow the use of your arrow keys for editing. You can use (ESC) in commands or with data. For example, you can use it to provide cell locations in formulas.

There is no need to save any of this work. At this point you may quit or continue on to Lesson 5.

What have you learned in this lesson?

- How to use the *load* command /L, to bring a spreadsheet in the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program from a disk file and to view the directory of any disk.
- How to use the *copy* command, /C.
- That the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will adjust formulas automatically when data are moved to new locations — or that the program will let you specify whether to leave part or all of a formula unchanged.
- How to use the *replicate* command, /R, to make a *one-to-many* copy of a cell, a partial row, or a partial column and to distribute the copies over a range.
- That you can use the (ESC) key to bring the Active Cell location to the entry line and can then change the location by using the arrow keys to move the spreadsheet cursor. You have also learned the special use of (:) with the (ESC) function.

## LESSON 5

### Move, Insert, Delete

You have learned to use the *GoTo* command, the (ESC) key, and many important (Z) commands. You can *save* and *load* your spreadsheet. Now we will introduce some new commands and techniques that can greatly simplify the development of a complex display.

If you are continuing directly on from Lesson 4, use the *zap* command so that you will begin with an empty spreadsheet. Otherwise, start up the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.

We will continue to develop the spreadsheet that we saved in Lesson 4.

Use **/L** to *load* the file WORK1. You can use ? for help or check back to Lesson 4 if you want a refresher on how to use *load*.

#### ***The Move Command***

Suppose Column B, labeled *Paper*, really belongs to the right of *Pens-4*, at Column F. With what you know already, you could use *copy* to *move* it there and then use **B**lank to erase Column B. But there is a better way.

Enter **/M** for *move*, and read the prompt:

R(ow) or C(olumn)?

Enter **C**, and the prompt changes to:

From? Enter column range.

We want to move Column B, so enter **B**, (←). The new prompt, *To?*, asks where we want the material to go. Enter F, for Column F.

But isn't Column F already occupied?

Press (→) and note what happens

Our column has been moved and the formulas adjusted. The *gap*, which we might have expected Column B to leave behind, had been filled. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program moved our entries for former Columns C through F

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one column to the left, in effect, vacating Column F and making it available to us. The program has neatly moved all the columns and adjusted all the formulas to reflect the new locations.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1:	Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	Paper	
2:	5	8	3	4	5	1	
3:	1+A2	1+B2	1+C2	1+D2	1+E2	2	
4:	A3*.65	B3*.65	C3*.65	D3*.65	E3*.65	3	
5:	11	11	6	7	8	4	
6:	4	4	10	11	12	5	
7:	9	9	13	14	15	6	
8:	6	6	1	2	3	7	
9:	7	7	4	5	6	8	
10:	SUM(A2:A9)	SUM(B2:B9)	SUM(C2:C9)	SUM(D2:D9)	SUM(E2:E9)	SUM(F2:F9)	
11:							
12:	A2+A2	A2+B2	A2+C2	A2+D2	A2+E2	A2+F2	
13:							

Screen 3-17: Move Command

### The Insert and Delete Commands

Here are two other complementary commands that can create or delete intermediate columns and rows. They are *insert* and *delete*.

Let's insert a new row between rows 9 and 10.

Enter **/I**, followed by **R** for row. Respond to the next prompt by entering **10** (↩), and a *new* row appears.

Look at the formulas in row 11, and you will see they are unchanged. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program has no way of knowing if you want to include the new row in the SUM equations—you would have to change them yourself.

Nevertheless, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program does know the range we have specified in our SUM formulas.

Now let's insert another row at 7. **/Insert,Row,7**.

Look at the SUM formulas in row 12. They have been adjusted, extended automatically from A2:A9 to A2:A10, because the row we just inserted fell within the range we had described. Your screen display should look like the one below.



Now enter **/D** and **R** (for row). For row number, enter **14** and **(↵)**. Row 14 is deleted. If we delete row 7, will the SUM formulas be adjusted back to A2:A9? Try it and see.

Let's delete a column, and try an experiment as well. Let's find out what happens to a value that depends on one that we delete. Enter into cell E9 the equation, **F2**. E9 will contain whatever value F2 contains. Change the display to show cell value (**/G,F**).

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:	Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	Paper
2:	5	8	3	4	5	1
3:	1*A2	1*B2	1*C2	1*D2	1*B2	2
4:	A3*.65	B3*.65	C3*.65	D3*.65	E3*.65	3
5:	11	11	6	7	8	4
6:	4	4	10	11	12	5
7:						
8:	9	9	13	14	15	6
9:	6	6	1	2	3	7
10:	7	7	4	5	6	8
11:						
12:	SUM(A2:A10)	SUM(B2:B10)	SUM(C2:C10)	SUM(D2:D10)	SUM(E2:E10)	SUM(F2:F10)
13:						
14:	A2+A2	A2*B2	A2+C2	A2+D2	A2+E2	A2*F2
15:						

Screen 3-18: Delete/Insert Command

Now enter **/Delete,Column,F**, **(↵)**. The column entitled *Paper* has been deleted. E9 displays *ERROR*. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program has no value to use in calculating the value of E9, and warns us of that with this message. Once a cell is in error, any reference to it will display a similar error message. As you see, the SUM value also indicates *ERROR*.

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	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:Pens		Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	
2:	5	8	3	4	5	
3:	6	9	4	5	6	
4:	3.9	5.85	2.6	3.25	3.9	
5:	11	11	6	7	8	
6:	4	4	10	11	12	
7:	9	9	13	14	15	
8:	6	6	1	2	3	
9:	7	7	4	5	ERROR	
10:						
11:	51.9	59.85	43.6	51.25	ERROR	
12						

Screen 3-19: Delete Command—ERROR Display

If cell E9 should, in fact, have *F2* in it, we could simply enter that formula again, and everything would be set right. Now put a number or *F2* into E9, whichever you wish. Notice that the error display in the SUM value also goes away. It is replaced by the recalculated value.

If we delete row 10, will this affect our range specification for the SUM formulas in row 10? No, because row 10 is beyond the range. Delete row 10.

What will happen if we delete row 9? Try it.

It produced an ERROR in the SUM formula.

The general rule is to not delete either of the boundaries specified in a range like the one in our example. Our example was *SUM(A2:A9)*. Deleting either A2 or A9 will cause an ERROR condition because the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program cannot guess your exact intentions. These warnings help us avoid inadvertently leaving references to nonexistent cells after a *delete* command.

Use the *blank* command to blank out the block from A7 to E9. Now reenter **SUM(A2:A6)** in A7, and then use replicate to place it in cells B7 through E7.

Use the **/I**, the *insert* command, to create a new column at A for labels.

Now enter “**Variable A** in Cell A2, “**Formula 1** and “**Formula 2** in A3 and A4, respectively. Enter “**Variable B** and “**Variable C** in A5 and A6, and “**Total** in A7.

When you show formulas, your screen should look like this.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:		Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4
2:	Variable A	5	8	3	4	5
3:	Formula 1	1*B2	1+C2	1+D2	1+E2	1+F2
4:	Formula 2	B3*.65	C3*.65	D3*.65	E3*.65	F3*.65
5:	Variable B	11	11	6	7	8
6:	Variable C	4	4	10	11	12
7:	Total	SUM(B2:B6)	SUM(C2:C6)	SUM(D2:D6)	SUM(E2:E6)	SUM(F2:F6)
8:						
9:						

Screen 3-20: Correcting an ERROR Condition

At this point, use **/S** to save your work. This time, let's call it *Lesson 5*. It will be used later.

Now that you have saved your work, let's try something new. We should start with a fresh spreadsheet, so use the *zap* command.

As we have seen, doing insertions and deletions at the boundaries of specified ranges creates problems. But because you will often want to add or delete from lists—including, naturally, the beginning or end of the list—here is a useful suggestion.

### Avoiding Errors

At B1 enter “**Title**. In cells B2 through B4, enter some numbers. At B5 enter “**—**. At B6 enter **SUM(B1:B5)**. Notice that our range specification includes our text line and the ledger line (—). This is harmless because, mathematically, *text* is regarded as having the value of zero and, therefore, has no effect on the calculation.

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```
  | A | B | C |
1 |   | Title |
2 |   | 3 |
3 |   | 4 |
4 |   | 5 |
5 |   | ----- |
6 |   | SUM(B1:B5) |
7 |   |
8 |   |
9 |   |
```

Screen 3-21: Column Error Correction

Now you may insert or delete as you wish. Enter **/Insert, Row, 5** (↵), and add the number **9**. Now delete row 2, **/Delete, Row, 2** (↵). As you can see, you can add entries or remove entries without concerning yourself with the top and bottom of the column.

### Repeating Text

By the way, here is an easy way to put in lines of repeating characters like the — you entered in cell B5. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program has a function to repeat text. Go back to cell B5 and enter **'-** and press (↵).

As you see, the single quote (') causes the display of - to be repeated to fill the cell display, and in fact to continue displaying to the right until it meets a non-blank cell. Not bad for three keystrokes. Take a look at the contents of cell B5. As you see, they are what you typed in.

Experiment with this one a bit. Find some open space and try:

```
'268 and press (↵).  
'abcd and press (↵).  
'* and press (↵).  
' * and press (↵).
```

And so on. Try your name. . .

You can prevent repeating text from extending all the way to the right boundary of the spreadsheet. Enter a null text entry into a cell on the row containing repeating text where you want the repeating text to stop. Enter only the double quote character ("). This cell becomes a text cell that has no actual text in it. Its purpose is to block the repeating text.

## Unavailable Data

Sometimes you may be working on a complex spreadsheet with many values which are functions of other values. Because your data may be incomplete, you may mistakenly view some totals or values as significant when in fact they are not yet complete.

Here is what you can do in such cases. Using the example we started above, now enter **NA** (↵) into cell B3, for instance. This tells the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program that you intend to have a value here at some future time so the value of the cell should be considered as *Not Available* rather than zero. You will see that as soon as we enter **NA** (↵), cell B6 is also flagged and N/A when values are shown, or NA as formulas.

	A	B	C
1:	Title		
2:		4	
3:	N/A		
4:		9	
5:	-----		
6:	N/A		
7:			
8:			
9:			

Screen 3-22: Unavailable Data Place Holding

NA and ERROR behave identically; the difference is the display: *N/A* or *ERROR*. By using NA, you inform yourself of the ramifications of any incompleteness or oversights.

You may either *quit* here or continue on to Lesson 6.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have learned:

- How to use the *move*, *insert*, *delete* commands. (**/M**, **/I**, **/D**).
- That those commands automatically adjust your formulas to fit the new spreadsheet.

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- That when you delete cells which are referred to by formulas elsewhere, you get error messages. You learned how to fix that error.
- How to use **↵** to repeat the display of one or more characters.
- How to use **NA** to make sure that you do not forget to enter important information.

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## LESSON 6

### Format

By now you have learned many of the basics that you need in order to use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. You may remember that when we introduced the *format* command, **/F**, in Lesson 3, we used it to change the display width of all the columns on the spreadsheet. But the prompt line indicated that there were a number of other options available to us with this command. In this lesson, we will examine these options more closely.

We will use the spreadsheet that we have been developing in previous lessons. It is the one you saved under the name *Lesson 5* in the last lesson.

If you are continuing directly on from Lesson 5, use **/Z** now, so that you will have a fresh start. Otherwise, bring up the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.

Now *load* the file, Lesson 5.

### ***Integer Format***

Look at your spreadsheet. Is it displaying formulas? We will want to look at cell *values*, not formulas, in this example. Use the *global options* command, **/G**, if you need to change the display.

Change cell B5 to 11.4.

Enter **/F**, and note the prompt line:

G(lobal), C(olumn), R(ow), E(ntry) or D(efine).

This means we can specify whether our format change will affect all cells, a column only, a row only, a cell, or a range of cells.

Let's enter **C** for column. The prompt line now asks what column we want to affect. Enter the column letter, in this case, **B**. Press **(←)**.

Now the prompt gives us a variety of options:

Define Formats: (I,G,E,\$,R,L,TR,TL,\*,U(1-8),H,D, column width).

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Enter **I** for *integer* format. Press  $\left(\leftarrow\right)$ . Look at the entries on the display, and see what happened to the value in B4, B5 and B7.

Only the integer portion of the values is displayed. The *integer* format will display the numbers in the range given, rounded to the nearest whole number.

**Note:** The *integer* format is not to be confused with the INT function. The values in cells with the *integer* display format set are not changed in any way. Errors are likely to occur in subsequent real equations because the actual values will not reflect the displayed values. The formulas will take into consideration any fractional values not shown. This is also true when using the *money* display format.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1:		Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	
2:	Variable A	5	8	3	4	5	
3:	Formula 1	6	9	4	5	6	
4:	Formula 2	3.9	5.85	2.6	3.25	3.9	
5:	Variable B	11.4	11	6	7	8	
6:	Variable C	4	4	10	11	12	
7:	Total	30.3	37.85	25.6	30.25	34.9	
8:							
9:							

Screen 3-23: \$ Display Format

Until now we have always used the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program's standard or *default* display format to display numbers. That is the *G* or *general* format. We have seen that with *general* format, numbers too large to display in ordinary notation will be converted to scientific or exponential notation automatically. In *integer* format, numbers too large to display will appear as a series of >>>>s at the cell location. In fact, whatever the format, >>>>s will be displayed whenever a number cannot be shown. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will round off as necessary, even if it can only display one significant digit, the E, and the exponent.

Enter **123456789** at cell B5.

Now reduce the display width to 8. Do you remember how? **/F,G,8**.

Notice the >>>>>. Now change the column widths back to 12.



Again enter, **/Format,Column,B** (↩). This time specify **G**, for general format, and (↩). Notice that the fractional portion of our data values has been restored.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:	Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	
2:Variable	5	8	3	4	5	
3:Formula	6	9	4	5	6	
4:Formula	3.9	5.85	2.6	3.25	3.9	
5:Variable))))))		11	6	7	8	
6:Variable	4	4	10	11	12	
7:Total )))))))		37.85	25.6	30.25	34.9	
8:						
9:						

Screen 3-24: Oversized Integer Display

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:	Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	
2:Variable A		5e0	8	3	4	5
3:Formula 1		6e0	9	4	5	6
4:Formula 2		3.9e0	5.85	2.6	3.25	3.9
5:Variable B		1.2345679e8	11	6	7	8
6:Variable C		4e0	4	10	11	12
7:Total		1.2345681e8	37.85	25.6	30.25	34.9
8:						
9:						

Screen 3-25: General Display Format (return from integer format)

**Exponential Notation**

For scientific or exponential notation, enter **/Format,Column,B,Exponent**, (↩). This format displays numbers as a power of 10. For example, 1776 is 1.776e3, or 1.776 x 10<sup>3</sup>; 1,000,000 is 1.0e6, or 1.0 x 10<sup>6</sup>.

Look at your spreadsheet. As you can see, the SuperCalc<sub>2</sub> program converted all our data to this format. If the data does not look familiar to you, you may wish to experiment a bit. Enter some ordinary numbers in this column in row 9 or 10, and watch how the program displays them. See Lesson 2 if you need more explanation on exponential notation.

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### \$ Format

The next format option may be more familiar to you. Enter **/Format,Global,\$**, (↵). The money format comes into view. Numbers will be rounded to the nearest cent. (Note that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program adds the .00 to whole numbers, but does not insert a \$).

	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1:		Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4	
2:	Variable A	5e0	8.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	
3:	Formula 1	6e0	9.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	
4:	Formula 2	3.9e0	5.85	2.60	3.25	3.90	
5:	Variable B	1.2345679e8	11.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	
6:	Variable C	4e0	4.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	
7:	Total	1.2345681e8	37.85	25.60	30.25	34.90	
8:							
9:							

Screen 3-26: \$ Format

### Individual and Global Format Changes

Let's change the format for a single cell. Move the spreadsheet cursor to C6, making that the Active Cell.

Enter **/Format,Entry**. Notice that the prompt line reads:

Enter range.

We could specify a range of cells—that is, a partial row or a partial column—at this point. Or we could specify a single cell. Let's change the format of C6, the Active Cell. Of course, you could type C6 on the entry line. Instead, press (↵) or (↵) and see what happens.

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program automatically added C6, the Active Cell, to the entry line. Now enter **E** for Exponent and press (↵). Note the change on your spreadsheet from 4.00 to 4e0.

Now suppose we wished to convert all the display back to the *general* format. Could we make a *global* change? Let's try it. Enter **/Format,Global,General** (↵).

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:		Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4
2:	Variable A	5e0	8.00	3.00	4.00	5.00
3:	Formula 1	6e0	9.00	4.00	5.00	6.00
4:	Formula 2	3.9e0	5.85	2.60	3.25	3.90
5:	Variable B	1.2345679e8	11.00	6.00	7.00	8.00
6:	Variable C	4e0	4e0	10.00	11.00	12.00
7:	Total	1.2345681e8	37.85	25.60	30.25	34.90
8:						
9:						

Screen 3-27: General Format/Global Change Attempt

Well, everything has changed, *except* those cells where we have been changing formats. Why? The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program will change all the formats when **Global** is indicated—except those that you have specified by the **C**olumn, **R**ow, or **E**ntry options. It leaves these untouched, because you set them individually.

What can we do so that *global* changes will include any column, row, or cell that was formatted individually? Column B, for example? If you said we must *undo* the individual format, you were right.

Position the Active Cell to column B. Enter **/Format,Column**,  $\left(\leftarrow\right)$ . Now enter **D**, for default, and press  $\left(\leftarrow\right)$ . Notice that column B has changed to *general* format.

When a *format* setting that refers to a column or row is defaulted, it changes back to whatever format operates on the next level. An entry level format, entered as a cell or a range of cells, is the *highest level*. The next levels, in order, are *row*, *column*, and finally the *global* formats. In this case, the column defaulted to the existing global format because there was no intervening row format.

See if you can *default* the format on C6.

### Display Format: Justification

Enter **/Format,Row,1**,  $\left(\leftarrow\right)$ . You will see these options (. . . *R,L,TR,TL* . . . "\$.26) on the prompt line. They allow us to change the setting of right or left justification. The *standard* or *default* values are left-justified text and right-justified numbers. Let's shift the text on row 1 so that all text entries are right justified. Can you do it? Of course you can. **TR** stands for *Text Right*.

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Format

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:		Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4
2:	Variable A	5e0	8	3	4	5
3:	Formula 1	6e0	9	4	5	6
4:	Formula 2	3.9e0	5.85	2.6	3.25	3.9
5:	Variable B	1.2345679e8	11	6	7	8
6:	Variable C	4e0	4	10	11	12
7:	Total	1.2345681e8	37.85	25.6	30.25	34.9
8:						
9:						




Screen 3-28: Text Right Justification

Now that you have done that, let's try another one.

Enter **/Format,Global,L**, . All numbers will now be justified to the left.

Format entries may be entered in combination; for example, **/F,G,R,\$**. Try this one, and you will see the numbers right-justified in dollars and cents format.

### Graphic Display

We have one more *format* option to try: *graphic* display. Place the Active Cell at C2. Enter   to put C2 at the upper left of our screen. Enter **/Format,Global**. Enter the **\*** to specify *graphic* format. We will also need some display space, so enter **75** as our column width. Press . If your values in column C are less than 75, you will see them represented by bar graphs composed of asterisks. Values greater than 75 will fill the column and the screen width; you cannot tell if they are 75 or larger.

	C
2:	*****
3:	*****
4:	****
5:	*****
6:	****
7:	*****
8:	
9:	

Screen 3-29: Graphic Display

It is possible, however, to make the column display wider than the screen. The display area for your spreadsheet is 75 characters wide. You can specify a column width of up to 127 characters. You won't be able to see the whole line, however, on your screen. You can see only the first 75 characters, unless you output your spreadsheet to the printer. **I**Output will be discussed later in Lesson 9.

This was a very brief look at the *graphic* format option. In practice, you will want to make the graphic display fit within a column width of convenient size and still give a comparison of values. In Lesson 8, we will find out how to do this by *scaling* the values in order to fit them within the column.

There is no need to save our work from this lesson. But remember we will use the file Lesson 5 again, so do not overwrite it.

Now you may either *quit* or continue on to Lesson 7, as you wish.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have learned:

- That formats can be entered globally, by column, row or cell (including a range of cells).
- The Integer, General, Exponential, and \$ formats of display.
- How to change individual column widths.
- How to *default* formats.
- How to alter justification for text or numbers.
- How to transform numerical values into graphic display.



### LESSON 7

#### Title Lock and Window (Split Screen)

You now know enough about the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program and its many commands to put it to practical use. You have used the different *format* options. This lesson adds two more commands to your store of tools.

One of them, *title lock*, is useful if you want to keep a portion of the spreadsheet locked in place while you scroll the rest of the screen. Although it is called *title lock* because locking titles can be especially useful, any part of the screen can be locked. The other command, *window*, lets you *split* your screen and look at different parts of your spreadsheet at the same time. Let's try them now.

#### **Title Lock**

First, of course, start the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, if it is not already running. Or, if you are continuing directly on from Lesson 6, *zap* the screen so that you will have a fresh spreadsheet.

Now *load* the file that we saved under the name Lesson 5. What can *title lock* do for us? Place the Active Cell at A 1. Enter **/T**. The prompt line asks:

H(oriz), V(ert), B(oth), or C(lear)?

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program wants to know which titles you want locked in place.

Press **V**, for vertical titles.

Now scroll the screen so as to move off the screen to the right. You will see that the titles at the left of our screen are *locked* in place, while the rest of the screen scrolls as usual. The position of the Active Cell when you enter the **T** command determines how much of the screen will be locked in place.

Go back to A 1 by using the **(=)** command. Use the **H** option to lock the top row of titles in place.

Move the spreadsheet cursor down the screen, and watch the information scroll up while the row 1 titles stay in place. Now, go back to A 1 by using the **(=)** command.



Now let's clear the locked row. Enter **/T**. Then enter **C**, for *Clear*. We are telling the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program that we do not want anything locked. Use the **/I** command to insert a new row 1 for an additional title.

1:	A	B	C	D	E	F
2:			Sample Spreadsheet			
3:	Variable A	Pens	Pens-1	Pens-2	Pens-3	Pens-4
4:	Formula 1	5	8	3	4	5
5:	Formula 2	1+B3	1+C3	1+D3	1+E3	1+F3
6:	Variable B	B4*.65	C4*.65	D4*.65	E4*.65	F4*.65
7:	Variable C	11	11	6	7	8
8:	Total	4	4	10	11	12
9:		SUM(B3:B7)	SUM(C3:C7)	SUM(D3:D7)	SUM(E3:E7)	SUM(F3:F7)

Screen 3-30: Title Lock Example

At C1, enter **Sample Spreadsheet**.

This time let's lock both the horizontal and vertical titles with one command. Position the Active Cell at A2. Enter **/T**. Enter **B**, for *Both*. This locks column A and rows 1 and 2.

Move the spreadsheet cursor down and to the right to make the display scroll both up and to the left. Note that rows 1 and 2 and column A stay in place.

### Window — Split Screen

What if you want to view two widely separated areas of your spreadsheet at the same time? The *window* command will allow you to do this. We will use one of the sample programs on your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk to demonstrate *window*. But we will need to have a new spreadsheet.

Use the *zap* command to clear everything.

Now let's load that sample program. Use **/L** and enter the file name, **SAMPLE**. SAMPLE is a complete sample SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet. We will study it more closely later. For now, just scroll to column N, and notice that we have columns representing months and total column for the year.



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## Title Lock and Window (Split Screen)

Go back to A1, and scroll down to row 20 to see *Net Income*. Go back to A1. Now move the Active Cell to column D. This will designate where we wish to *split* the screen.

Enter **/W**, for *window*. The prompt reads:

H(orz), V(ert), C(lear), S(ynch), or U(nsynch).

We are going to split the screen vertically into two separate display windows, so enter **V**.

Notice that now, starting at column D, there is a second set of row numbers. This is the left-hand border of our new display. You should realize that the spreadsheet itself has not been split. We have simply created two display windows through which to view it. Either window may now be scrolled independently.

	A	B	C	L	M	N
1:	THIS IS A SAMPLE SUPERCALC SPREADSHEET			1:		
2:				2:		
3:		JAN	FEB	3:	NOV	DEC
4:	NET SALES	1000	1100	4:	2594	2853
5:				5:		
6:	COST OF GOODS SOLD	300	330	6:	778	856
7:	-----					
8:	GROSS PROFIT	700	770	8:	1816	1997
9:				9:		
10:	RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	160	176	10:	415	456
11:	MARKETING	200	224	11:	621	696
12:	ADMINISTRATIVE	140	151	12:	302	326
13:	-----					
14:	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	500	551	14:	1338	1479
15:				15:		
16:	INCOME BEFORE TAXES	200	219	16:	477	519
17:				17:		
18:	INCOME TAXES	80	88	18:	191	207
19:	-----					
20:	NET INCOME	120	131	20:	286	311
21:				21:		
22:				22:		
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24:				24:		
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26:				26:		
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) N3            P Text="TOTAL  
 Width: 9    Memory:451 Last Col/Row:N20    ? for HELP  
 )1

Screen 3-31: Vertical Split-Screen

Scroll the display and notice that the left-hand window remains still.





Now press the  $\square$  key. This will transfer us to the *other* window. Regardless of which window we are working in at a given moment, the  $\square$  key will serve to move us over to the other.

Instead of splitting our screen vertically into a right and a left half, we could split it horizontally. However, before we can split the display horizontally, we must return to a single window display by pressing **/Window**, and **C**lear. Then set the Active Cell at the point at which you wish to split the screen horizontally. For our example, move the Active Cell to row 15 and then enter **/Window,Horizontal**. This leaves us on the lower screen.

	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1:								
2:								
3:	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
4:	12 10	133 1	146 4	16 11	177 2	194 9	2 14 4	2 35 8
5:								
6:	363	399	439	483	531	585	643	707
7:	-----							
8:	847	932	1025	1127	1240	1364	1501	1651
9:								
10:	194	213	234	258	283	312	343	377
11:	251	281	315	352	385	442	495	555
12:	163	176	190	206	222	240	259	280
13:	-----							
14:	608	670	739	816	900	994	1097	1212
		A		B	C	D	E	F
15:								
16:	INCOME BEFORE TAXES			200	219	239	261	285
17:								
18:	INCOME TAXES			80	88	96	105	114
19:	-----							
) K1	P Text="TOTAL							
Width:	9	Memory:451	Last Col/Row:N20	? for HELP				
) 1								

Screen 3-32: Horizontal Split-Screen

Scroll down so we can see Net Income. Press  $\square$  Move the cursor to B4 and change the value. Watch as recalculation takes place. Within seconds you will see the Net Income change in the lower window.

When you wish to remove the split screen, enter **/W** and then **C** for clear split.

The **S** option indicates to the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program that we wish to scroll both windows in a *synchronized* fashion. That is, we want them to scroll simultaneously. Let's try it.



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### Title Lock and Window (Split Screen)

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Split the screen vertically at D again, but now enter **/W,S**ynchronous. Now scroll the displays together by moving the spreadsheet cursor parallel to the split. To *unsynchronize* the displays so that only one window will scroll at a time, enter **/W**indow,**U**nsynchronous.

With split screen in effect, each window has its own *global* identity for both the *global* options and *format* commands. For instance, we could specify formula display in one window and cell value display in the other. Similarly, we could use *format* to specify General format in one window and Integer in the other. We could even look at the same data, if we wished, in two different formats at once.

Scroll both displays to show January through April. Now change to display formulas for one side of the screen. Enter **/W,S**. Now you can scroll through the data in one window and compare it to the formulas as you go.

The *window* and *title* lock affect the way our spreadsheet is displayed. The effect is temporary and may always be reversed. When you *save* your spreadsheet to a disk, the *title* lock and *split screen* information is included. When you load your work back to the screen, it will look exactly as it did before.

If you want to take a break now, use *quit* to exit from the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson you have learned:

- How to lock any number of rows or columns in place so that they will remain in place while the rest of the screen scrolls.
- How to split the screen, either horizontally or vertically, into two windows and how to move back and forth from one *window* to the other.
- How to *synchronize* the windows.
- That you can specify different global display options (cell values or formulas) and **G**lobal level format options for each window.

## LESSON 8

## Graphic Format Option &amp; Recalculation Options

In this lesson we will look more closely at some of the options available with two of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program's most powerful commands, *format* and *global* options. By now you have enough experience to appreciate what they can do for you. We will need to start with a fresh screen—so use *zap* if you are continuing directly from Lesson 7.




We touched briefly on graphic representation of data in Lesson 6 and promised that you would learn more about it. Now it's time to work a bit with it, so that you will feel confident to try it with your own data. Let's enter some numbers in column A, from row 1 to row 7; use numbers between 1 and 50.

	A	B	C
1:	45		
2:	3		
3:	12		
4:	50		
5:	23		
6:	13		
7:	8		

Screen 3-33: Graphic Format Option

Now enter **/Format,Column,A,\*50,** .

We have done two things—we have changed to graphic display, and we have increased the width of column A to 50, in order to accommodate our largest number.

Suppose we wish to have the number itself displayed as well. Try this: Enter **/Format,Column,A,Default,**  to bring column A back to the default format. Enter **/Global,Formulas** to show formulas. Enter at B1, the *formula*, **A1**. Enter **/Replicate,B1,**  **B2:B20** .

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## LESSON

LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Graphic Format Option &amp; Recalculation Options


	A	B	C
1:	45	A1	
2:	3	A2	
3:	12	A3	
4:	50	A4	
5:	23	A5	
6:	13	A6	
7:	8	A7	



Screen 3-34: One-to-One Graphic Display

Enter **/Format,Column,B,\*,50,** . Enter **/Global,Formulas** to switch back to value display.

Now we have a one-to-one graphic display. But what if the values we wish to display are as large as 600 or 1000? Let's put a *scaling* formula into column B, so our largest value will be equal to the column width. You may remember from Lesson 6 that we could make column B longer—up to 127 characters—but it would be difficult to view beyond the screen width, so we will leave it at 50 characters.

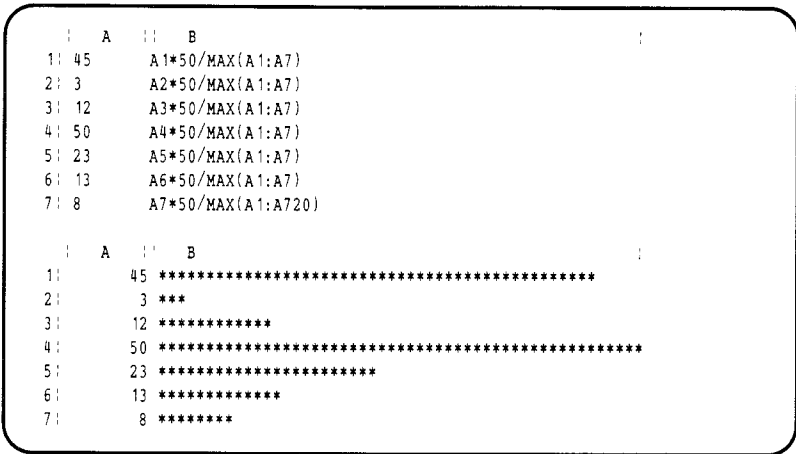
If we divide any value in Column A by the maximum value within our sample from A1 to A7, the result will express its *size* (relative to the maximum). And since our maximum, whatever it is, will be represented by 50 characters (\*) of display, we can multiply the size by 50 to determine our *scaled* value.

Now we have an opportunity to use another built-in function: *MAX*. The value of *MAX* will be the largest value within the specified range or list. We will use *MAX* to scale our graphic displays so that they are relative to the maximum value. Our formula will look like this:  $A1*50/MAX(A1:A7)$ . If you split the screen, you can view the numbers, graphic representation and formulas all at one time. Go to row 8. Enter **/Window,Horizontal**. Use  to jump back and forth between screens.

Enter **/G,F**. Enter  **$A1*50/MAX(A1:A7)$**  at B1. Now we will use one of the replicate options. Enter **/R,B1,**  **B2:B20** and the  for options. Enter **A**, for *A(sk for Adjust)*. Respond **Y** for *yes* for the first A1, then **N** for *no* for the other two values in the formula.

## Graphic Format Option & Recalculation Options

Your formulas should look like the example.



Screen 3-35: Scaled Graphic Display (MAX)

Our graphic portion looks the same but now change the value in any cell to, say, **75**. Notice that all the other lines are *scaled*, relative to 75. Enter **150**.

You may wish to *save* this example for your own use later. Use *save* and call the file GRAPH or something easy to remember.

Now let's change our formula to scale from the minimum to the maximum value in A1 through A7. Go to B1 and use *edit*. We will insert new information into the formulas:

$$(A1-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))$$

Move the cursor to the beginning of the line, not too far, and insert a space and a **(** before the *A1*. Move right to the *\** and insert 13 spaces before it. Then replace the blanks with **-MIN(A1:A7)**. Move to the next *M* and insert **(** before it. Then go to the end of the line and insert **-MIN(A1:A7)**. Then press **↵**.

**Replicate** it for B2 through B20, using the *adjust* option. Be careful to adjust only the first cell reference.

Enter **/Replicate,B1,B2:B20,A,Y,N,N,N,N,N,N**.

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Graphic Format Option & Recalculation Options

Notice how the results of the formula on the following page differ from those of our first formula. Try different values to test and verify your work.

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  | A | | B | | C | | D | | E | | F | | G | | H |
1: 45 (A1-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
2: 3 (A2-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
3: 12 (A3-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
4: 50 (A4-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
5: 23 (A5-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
6: 13 (A6-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))
7: 8 (A7-MIN(A1:A7))*50/(MAX(A1:A7)-MIN(A1:A7))

  | A | | B |
1: 45 *****
2: 3 ***
3: 12 *****
4: 50 *****
5: 23 *****
6: 13 *****
7: 8 *****
```

Screen 3-36: Scaled Graphic Display (MIN/MAX)

### Recalculation Options

We can suspend the automatic recalculation by specifying *manual* in the **G**lobal options. Enter **/G**lobal, then **M** for *manual*. Now try entering new numbers for the graph.

If you enter a new value in column A, notice that the program takes some time to go through all the necessary recalculation of formulas. It may take even longer with a larger spreadsheet, because the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program recalculates automatically every time we enter a new value.

As you can see, the time required for their entry is greatly reduced.

This is fine, but what does *manual* recalculation mean? Certainly, we don't do it ourselves with pencil and paper. How can we get the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program to do it? By now you have used almost every option offered. You may have wondered what the **(F1)** is for.

Besides its usual exclamatory function in text, **(F1)** has a very special meaning to the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program: Pressing **(F1)** forces a recalculation.

Try pressing **(F1)**.

Manual mode allows you to make periodic recalculations at your convenience. This is helpful in decreasing time and delays and increasing accuracy when you're doing complicated or cumulative operations. When you wish to reestablish automatic recalculation, enter **/G,A** for *automatic*.

### ***Order of Recalculation***

When the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program recalculates, it does so in a certain order. You can change that order. Usually, the order of calculation will not affect the results of your recalculations, and you can ignore it. But there are times when it can make a difference. Let's explore this problem.

First, use *zap* to get a fresh spreadsheet.

Enter **4** into cell A1, **6** into A2, and **SUM(A1:A2)** in A3. Now enter **A3** into B1.

Look at the values. Everything seems fine. A3 and B1 both display 10. Now change the value in A1 to **3**.

Observe that B1 does not yet contain the 9, which is the new result in A3. Why?

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program recalculates row by row. First row 1, then row 2, then 3, and so forth. Obviously, A3 was still 10 when B1 referenced its value during recalculation.

Now enter **/G**. The prompt line now says:

F(orm), N(ext), B(order), T(ab), R(ow), C(ol), M(an), A(uto)?

We have just determined that in our example recalculation should proceed column by column, so let's enter **C**. This will change the order of recalculation.

Enter **5** in A1. And now everything seems to work, because the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is proceeding down columns as it recalculates. Both A3 and B1 display 11.

It is possible to create a situation where neither order of calculation can give us current values in all cells.

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## LESSON

### LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

#### Graphic Format Option & Recalculation Options

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Here is an example. First, zap the spreadsheet.

Enter **5** in cell A1. In C1, enter **A1**. In A3, enter **A1**. Now *GoTo* B2 and enter **C1+A3**. You can see a problem coming up, can't you?

Of course, at the moment all looks fine—C1 and A3 display 5, B2 displays 10. Now go to A1, and enter **4**.

Cells C1 and A3 display 4, which is correct. But B2 has 9. When it was calculated, one of the cells was 4, the other was 5.

Change the order and try again. **/G.C.** Then enter **6** in A1. C1 and A3 show 6, but B2 shows 10. When it was calculated, one cell had 6 and the other had the leftover 4.

Press **(F10)**. Now B2 has 12, the correct value. You have forced a second recalculation and have the correct value.

This example is unrealistic and improbable. Still you should be aware that it is possible to create situations involving out-of-order references, which give misleading values.

In a case like this one, we can press **(F10)** and cause a second recalculation, which gives us the correct values. You see that you can use **(F10)** in automatic mode as well as in manual mode. Generally, of course, you don't need to use this command.

Cases of out-of-order references like this one are called *forward* references, because the reference is *forward* to a value not yet recalculated. They can occur in actual spreadsheets, perhaps because a spreadsheet is especially complex or because it has been amended or changed in ways very different from its original design.

A real-life example of forward reference might happen like this. You build a spreadsheet with a table of expenditures by category (columns) and locations (row). You SUM the rows and columns to get totals.

Everything works fine. Later, you add a table comparing various category and location totals. Everything still works fine, because you know where the second table should be. Then, someone else adds new material to the spreadsheet, and moves one of your tables to a new location. . . Now the comparison table shows incorrect values, but they might seem reasonable.



**Graphic Format Option & Recalculation Options**

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One way to check for such cases is to press **(F5)** and see if any value changes. If so, it is time to re-do the spreadsheet.

The *circular* reference is another case that you will certainly want to avoid. Here is an example:

First *zap* the spreadsheet. Now in cell A1, enter **1+B1**. It shows as 1, since there is nothing in B1. In cell B1, enter **1+A1**. Suddenly you have 3 and 4. Got the idea? Press **(F5)** a few times, and watch the values increase. They will never stop changing, because there is no logical place to stop calculating.

You might like to experiment by making up some forward or circular references and trying them out.

When you wish, you can *quit*—or you can *zap* these offending formulas into the oblivion they deserve, and go on to the next lesson.

What have you learned in this lesson?

In this lesson, you have learned:

- How to make practical use of the \* *format* option for the graphic display of data by scaling values to fit the display width.
- The difference between the *manual* calculation option and automatic recalculation.
- That the **(F5)** key causes a recalculation to occur when you press it.
- What order of calculation means, and how to change it by using the *global* options command.
- What a forward reference is, and how to use **(F5)** to get the correct value for such a case.
- What a circular reference is, and that there is no correct value for such a case.

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## LESSON

# LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

## Output

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## LESSON 9

### Output

We have worked with all but one of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> commands and have come to appreciate the power and flexibility of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program and its electronic spreadsheets.

But so far we can't photocopy those spreadsheets, put them in a binder, or have them reformatted later into some special report layout. In this lesson, we will discuss the *output* command. It makes those things possible.

The *output* command will make a copy of our spreadsheet and send that copy to any of three places, depending on our specification. We can send the *output*—that is, the copy of all or part of our spreadsheet—to our computer system's printer which will print it out immediately. Or we can send it to the *console*, our terminal, where it will temporarily replace the usual SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> display. Or we can send the output to a disk drive; in this case, the output will be *saved* or *stored* as a special sort of disk file, *different* from the ones we have created in the past with the *save* command.

Let's try this new command now. First, be sure that you have a fresh spreadsheet. Start up the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, or use *zap*, if necessary.

Now *load* the file that we created in Lesson 5. You may have made some practice files of your own. This is the one we stored as Lesson 5.

Enter **/O**. Now the prompt line reads:

D(isplay) or C(ontents)

**D**isplay means that the output will reproduce exactly what you see on the screen. Let's try that first.

Enter **D**.

You see that the prompt line requests the range of the material you wish to **Output**. Let's specify the range a little differently. Enter **ALL** for the range. This is the same as A1:Last Col/Row, which describes the entire spreadsheet. Press **↵**.

The prompt now says:

Enter Device: P(rinter), S(etup), C(onsole), or D(isk).

Enter **C**, and the report will be listed on your screen or **C**onsole. If your report is several pages the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program displays them one at a time. Pressing **↵** will display or print the next page; **CTRL Z** will return you to the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet. There may seem to be no reason to output your document to the console, but sometimes you may want to check your output before printing it.

Notice that you retain the borders on your display output. To exclude the borders from your output enter **/G**lobal, then **B** for **B**order before you enter **O**utput. To bring them back, enter **/G**lobal,**B**order again. Try it.

Now let's try sending output to the printer, printing only part of the spreadsheet. We will use a range specification that is a little different than the one we used earlier. *Be sure your printer is turned on.* If you don't have a printer hooked up to your system, just skip to the the next example.

Enter **/O**utput,**D**isplay,**A1:D8**, **↵**. Then enter **P** to output to the **P**rinter.

You're probably wondering how you can utilize some of your printer features, such as compressed type or bold print, or how to print on continuous forms. Or maybe you want to change the format of your printed page. Never fear, there is a way.

Enter **/O**utput,**D**isplay,**ALL**, **↵**. (Remember ALL is equivalent to A1:Last Col Row), then **S** for Setup. Your display changes to show you six options:

L(ength), W(idth), S(etup), A(uto FF), D(ouble Space) or P(rint)

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```
L = Change page length
  (Length = 0 for continuous form.)
  (Now 66 lines)
W = Change page width
  (now 132 chars)
A = Change Auto Form Feed Setting
  (now OFF)
D = Change Double Space Report Setting
  (now OFF)
S = Manual setup codes
P = Print report
CTRL Z to cancel /O command
```

### Screen 3-37: Output Format Options

and their default values. **L**ength changes the number of lines the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program outputs per page; **W**idth is the number of characters per line output; and **M**anual **S**etup codes are a sequence of characters, probably control characters, that need to be sent to your printer to initiate special functions.

For example, on an Epson MX-80 printer you can get compressed type, (which allows you to get more characters per inch) by sending a **(CTRL O)** to the printer before printing. To do this you would enter, for example:

```
/Output,Display,ALL, (←), Setup,Setup,(CTRL O), (←),
Width,233, (←), Print.
```

This command line sets the MX-80 printer to print compressed type, increases the number of characters per line (if you want to print more than 132 characters), and prints. These parameters are in use until you change them or quit the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. To return the printer to standard printing, send the appropriate code (or turn the printer off and then back on). When entering manual setup codes, enter the actual control sequences, *not the Hex values* for those sequences. *Make sure your printer is turned on and on-line.*

Let's try something else. Enter **/Output,Contents**, and specify **A1:F7** (←) for the range. Enter **P** for Printer. If you don't have a printer enter **C** for **C**onsole.

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If you do not have a printer connected to your computer, or if the printer is not switched on and on line, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will try to send the output anyway. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will not respond to the keyboard during this time. After a short time, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will resume its normal operation.

The content report gives us a list of the actual contents of the specified cells, and any special format for each cell. The contents will be quite different from what you see on the spreadsheet. The output will look the way the Active Cell contents do when displayed on the Status line.

The last option is **D** for **Disk**. In some ways it is like the value option of the **S**ave command, but not really. When you choose this option your display is output to a disk file, but the resulting disk file is different from the normal SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> file. The file is an exact copy of what would be output to a printer, in ASCII, or character, format, with a **.PRN** extension rather than **.CAL**. The disk file has the same parameters as created in **S**etup; and therefore can be printed later with whatever print utility you want to use and in the format that you want.

The **.PRN** files, or *print* files can be very useful. You can print or edit .PRN files using system programs. You can use SuperWriter™ or your text editor program to add information and notes, to reformat your reports, or to incorporate your reports within another document being edited by changing the extension and just loading the file in. These edited reports can then be printed.

What have you learned in this lesson?

You have learned:

- How to send *output* to a printer, the console, or a disk file.
- How to *setup* for special printers or report formats.
- The difference between display and content reports and how to specify them.
- The use of .PRN files in other programs and documents.
- How to turn off the border display.

# 10 LESSON

## I.EARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Advanced SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Features

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## LESSON 10

### Advanced SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Features

#### *SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Advanced Features*

This lesson introduces you to some advanced features of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. We will use a simple checkbook register to illustrate the following features:

- User-defined formats
- The Calendar functions
- The Lookup function
- Textual values
- The Arrange function
- The Hide format

Our example is a small checkbook register. After you have completed this example, you may want to enlarge the spreadsheet for your own use.

In this lesson we will be using the calendar functions of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. We must set the system date so that SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> can access it. This example was prepared with the system date set to 8/18/83. Use that date to match the examples you will see. See Chapter 2 for instructions on setting your system date.

Begin SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> in the usual way.

Let's *load* the checkbook register into the spreadsheet. The filename is *CHECKS.CAL*.

```
/Load,CHECKS,All
```

The screen looks like this:

5: Number	Date	Description	Check Amount	Deposit Amount	Balance
7:		Beginning Balance			\$ 1,150.00
8:	2000	Phone Company	930.00		\$ 220.00
9:	2001	Cleaners	140.00		\$ 80.00
10:	2002	Department Store	100.00		( \$ 20.00)
11:				250.00	\$ 230.00
12:	2003	Pharmacy	65.00		\$ 165.00
13:	2004	Electric Company	250.00		( \$ 85.00)
14:				900.00	\$ 815.00
15:					
16:					
17:					
18:					
19:	-----				
20: Totals			1,485.00	1,150.00	( \$ 335.00)

Screen 3-38: Check book Spreadsheet

Let's first look at how the check book formulas work.

Move the spreadsheet cursor to F8 and examine the cell contents as shown on the Active Cell Status line. It is:

IF(OR(D8,E8),F7-D8 + E8,0)

This formula means: If either cell D8 or cell E8 does not equal zero (blank), then subtract the amount of the check (cell D8) and add the value of the deposit (cell E8) to the previous balance (cell F7). If both cells are blank, then enter 0.

Notice that the check numbers are automatically entered based on the number in cell A8. Move the cursor to cell A13 and examine the formula:

IF(D13<>0,MAX(A8:A12)+1,0)

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This formula increments the check number each time a check is entered. When a deposit is entered, the cell remains zero (and displays blank).

### ***User-defined formats***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to specify User-defined formats. Let's look at the format for Column F. To access the User-defined format table enter the command:

**/Format,Define**

and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> displays the format table. Each column gives you an opportunity to change seven characteristics for any range of cells you later specify. The seven characteristics are those named at the left of the format table.

	User-defined formats							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Floating \$	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Embedded Commas	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Minus in ( )	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
Zero as Blank	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N
%	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Decimal Places	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Scaling Factor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CTRL Z to return to spreadsheet.

Screen 3-39: User-defined Format Table

The format table provides eight columns so you can set up to eight different special formats. You can change the characteristics in any column of the format table by moving the cursor to the appropriate location and changing the settings to Y (yes) or N (no) in the first five rows, or to 0 to 7 in the last two rows.



On our checks spreadsheet, column F was assigned User-defined format 3 by the designer. First, he entered **/Format, Define** to set the format at the format table (column 3), then later he entered a **/Format, Column, F, User-defined 3** command sequence. Look at the settings selected under format 3 on the format table. The display for User-defined format 3 specifies Floating \$, Embedded Commas, Minus in ( ), Zero as Blank, and two decimal places.

The *Zero as Blank* option causes the balance of rows not containing a check amount or deposit to be displayed blank, rather than zero.

In our checkbook example, User-defined format 1 was assigned to cells A8:A20, User-defined format 2 to D8:E20 and User-defined format 3 to F8:F20.

Experiment with changing the options for User-defined Format 3 to observe their effect on column F. For example, change the *Zero as Blank* format for User-defined format 3 to N(o). Enter **(CTRL + Z)** and observe the effect on column F. Then go back to the User-defined table and return the value to its original Y(es) setting.

### **Calendar Function:**

Recall that you set the system date before starting SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Now position the cursor at F1 and enter **TODAY**. The system date displays in F1.

Now, let's put dates in for our checks. GoTo B8 and enter a date using the formula:

**DATE(MM,DD,YY)**

Note: You must use commas to separate the month, day, year at the data entry line, but the date displays with slashes on the spreadsheet.

Proceed to enter dates through column B using the Date function.

You could enter the TODAY function for any of these cells. However, when you set the system date to another value, the new system date will appear in those cells. This is probably not what you want.

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The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Calendar contains other date functions as well as those you have seen here. They are:

TODAY	Returns the System Date.
DATE(MM,DD,YY)	Enters the date specified.
MONTH(Date Value)	Month of the specified date value.
DAY(Date Value)	Day of the specified date value.
YEAR(Date Value)	Year of the specified date value.
WDAY(Date Value)	Number of the day of the week.
JDATE(Date Value)	Modified Julian date.
DVAL(Numeric Value)	Date value from a numerical value.


### **Text for Look Up Tables**

Notice that the day of the week appears in cell C2.

Three features of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program are used to create this. Move the cursor to C2 and look at the formula:

```
LOOKUP(WDAY(F1),G2:G8)
```

Let's first consider WDAY. WDAY returns the number of the day of the week. Sunday is 1, Saturday is 7.

The English name for the day of the week is contained in a *lookup table*. GoTo  G1 and look at the contents of cells G1:H7. They are as follows:

```
1  G  H
2  1  Sunday
3  2  Monday
4  3  Tuesday
5  4  Wednesday
6  5  Thursday
7  6  Friday
8  7  Saturday
```

Screen 3-40: Look Up Table

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> does the following: First it evaluates `WDAY(F1)` as 5. Then, it looks down column G until it finds the number 5. It returns the *lookup* value that is in the adjacent column H as Thursday.

Similarly, you can use the *MONTH* function and another lookup table to return the name of the month for a given date.

### **Text Function**

The contents of column H are not regular text. They were entered as *Textual Constants*. Textual constants are character strings enclosed in double quotes and parentheses. For example, H5 contains the entry:

("Thursday")

The difference between *Text* and a *Textual Value* is that a textual value may be propagated like any other value, and may be used in some expressions. This means that the value of a textual constant may be referenced or transferred to another cell.

Text entries, on the other hand, have a *value* of zero. The zero is propagated whenever a text entry is referenced in a formula.

Textual constants are especially useful in constructing lookup tables.

**Note:** Text Strings do not work in a lookup table. Another important use for a textual value is within an IF function. Consider the following example.

**IF(A1<0,("DEBIT"),A1)**

This formula displays the value of A1 if A1 is zero or positive, but displays the text DEBIT if A1 is negative.

### **Arrange**

The **Arrange** function sorts the spreadsheet by rearranging rows or columns according to a *key* column or row. For our example we will arrange our checks alphabetically by payee. The following command demonstrates some of the **Arrange** options. Enter the command:

**/Arrange,Column,C,8:18,Ascending,No**

and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> sorts the spreadsheet by payee.

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- We have selected to specify some options which may have been defaulted by entering **(↔)** after the **C**olumn, **C**, was specified. We have done this to show how to limit the sort to a range of row or columns.
- **No Adjust** was selected to preserve the original formulas of the check numbers in column A.

You can experiment by sorting on the Check amount or Balance columns.

Column I has numbers that correspond to the original row order. These were put in the spreadsheet deliberately to give us a means of easily returning the spreadsheet to its original order. Use the following command to return the spreadsheet to its original order.

**/Arrange, C**olumn, **I** (↔)

### **Hide**

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> has a display format option that hides the value and contents of cells. The Hide format also prevents the cells from being printed.

To hide the Lookup tables and column I before printing enter the following:

**/Format, C**olumn, **G:I**, **H**ide (↔)

This removes the values from display but not from the cells. To redisplay them just set any of the other legitimate display formats (I, G, E, \$, \*, U (1-8) or D) to replace Hide.

The hide format does not affect column width. The same amount of space is allocated for the column both on screen and when printed.

### **Print:**

We can now print the check register. Issue the following command to turn off the border before printing.

**/Global, B**order

Then print:

**/O**utput, **D**isplay, **A**ll, **P**rinter

Finally, Quit SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

**/Q**uit, **Y**es



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### A Sample Projection Spreadsheet

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## LESSON 11

### A Sample Projection Spreadsheet

By now you know enough about the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program to be able to use it without step-by-step instructions. With this lesson we will give you some general guidance and let you put what you have learned to work.

Experiment with the sample spreadsheet. Make changes and see their effects. You will find that some changes to values of formulas will have only minor effects on the rest of the spreadsheet, but others will have major consequences. It can be surprising to see how even a slight change in a percent figure in one formula can make a great difference to the final total.

This sort of experimentation is what helps make *intuition visible*, as we suggested in the first chapter. You will find it useful in developing your own work.

This example is called SAMPLE. It will look familiar, because we used it in Lesson 7.

Make sure you **/Z**ap your spreadsheet. Load SAMPLE now by entering:

**/Load,SAMPLE,ALL.**

Let's take a closer look at the spreadsheet. What can you find out about it? How far does the information extend? Is there a title lock present? How is it formatted?

Move your cursor to the right until you find the last column of data. The last column is N. The data ends at row 20. An easier way of determining the size of a spreadsheet is by looking at *Last Col/Row:* on the Status Line. This shows you the lower right corner of your spreadsheet.

Notice that while you were scrolling, the titles scrolled too. There is no title lock.

How about format? GoTo B3. The Status Line says: P Text = "Jan. What does this tell us? The *P* indicates that the cell is protected, and if you have a terminal so equipped you will have noticed that this cell, as well as the other labels in row 3 and column A are half intensity or in a different color.



As you scrolled around, you may have found that most of the figures for the months of February through December are formulas. Set the formula display to display the formulas, if you haven't already done so, and notice that all figures for the months of February through December are formulas that depend on prior months. This seems to be a yearly projection for a company. Now, set the formula display to display the values again.

The spreadsheet is a projection based on the January figures. Operating Expenses (research, marketing and administrative), taxes and net profits are projected. For example, in row 4 we see the assumption that sales will grow steadily at 10% per month. In row 18 we see that taxes are a constant 40%.

What happens if you change some of these assumptions? They can be changed easily.

You can change the constant figures in January, which the assumptions are based on. You can also change the February value for formulas, and then replicate across March through December (without options, so that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program adjusts automatically).

You will notice that slightly raising or lowering constant relationships, such as taxes (row 18), has a fairly predictable effect. But slightly changing the expected percentage increase in sales (row 4) can have a more marked effect. There are other places where a slight change in a value will have a significant effect, because it causes a change in trend. For example, rows 6, 10, 11 and 12.

What is the effect of a decline in sales (row 4)? An increased rise in marketing expenses (row 11)?

This spreadsheet is typical of a spreadsheet developed to give a quick impression of a possible project or of the prospects for an existing project. You could adapt the example for similar projections of your own. For many applications, it would be more realistic to assume seasonal changes than it is to assume constant changes (like the 10% sales growth). You might see what happens if you make sales and their associated values rise in summer and fall in winter, or some similar pattern.

In a more realistic forecast, other values might change at intervals. Certain costs might increase once in the middle of the year. Taxes might rise when sales increased beyond a certain amount.

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### A Sample Projection Spreadsheet

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You can use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> conditional function (IF) to test a given value and increase the tax rate when the total exceeds a certain amount. One way to do that is to test the taxable income figure for each column (row 18).

Try this experiment. Let's say that if the taxable income is greater than \$350, the tax rate rises from 40% to 42%. Insert a row at 18 and put the title **TAX RATE** at A18. Now put the following formula in B18: **IF(B16 = 350, .40, .42)**. Replicate the formula, without options, across the row from February through December.

The spreadsheet is in integer format. To show the percentage tax rate, type **/Format, Row, 18, \$**. Now the tax rate will be 40% when the taxable income is \$350 or less, and 42% when it is greater. In what month does the rate increase?

Next we must change taxes (row 19). Change B19 from **B16\*.40** to **B16\*B18**. Replicate this change, without options across row 19 from February through December.

As we mentioned above, the true and false portion of an IF statement can be a formula as well as a value. Using this, we could have done the above example without inserting a new row. This could have been done by modifying the formula in row 18. Instead of the formula that was there, we could have placed **IF(B16 = 350, B16 \* .40, B16 \* .42)** in B18. Then, Replicate this formula across row 18 from March through December.

The IF statement we used above has three components. These are: the expression (in this case  $B16 = 350$ ); the formula to use if the expression is true (in this case  $.40$  which is a value as a formula); the formula to use if the expression is false ( $.42$  in this case). Where we used the  $=$  you could have used  $=$  or  $\geq$  as well to suit your needs. With this information, you can modify the above formulas to suit most of your applications.

This is what you have learned in this lesson:

- How to determine the characteristics of a spreadsheet.
- How to use the IF statement.



## LESSON 12

### Break-Even Analysis

The idea behind a break-even analysis is a simple one. When you market a product, there are two kinds of costs. There are fixed costs, such as development and overhead; and there are variable costs associated with making the product, such as parts and labor. When you sell the product, you want to price it in such a way that you recover your fixed costs, your incremental, or variable costs, and make a profit. The break-even point is the point where you switch from loss to profit.

If you haven't already done so, **/Z**ap the spreadsheet from Lesson 11.

This example is called BRKEVN. Load it and see what it looks like.

Enter **/L**oad, **BRKEVN** (↩), **All**.

The setup is simple. Let's step through an example. You will probably want to set recalculation to **Manual** mode until you have entered all of the variables. Otherwise there is more of a delay between each entry for recalculation. Enter **/G**lobal, **Manual**.

Set the retail price in B3 and the discount rate in B19. Enter any numbers you wish. In B18 set the quantity increment, such as 50, 100, or 1000, or whatever is suitable for the sale of the particular product. Then, enter your fixed and variable costs. At this point, calculate the results with (F) and see the break-even point. How did we do?

Now let's tinker a bit and see what happens. You may want to return to automatic recalculation at this point by entering **/G**lobal, **Automatic**.

Try changing some of the fixed costs, then some of the variable ones.

You will notice, for example, that increasing fixed costs delays the point where you break-even, but does not have a great effect on your eventual profits. Changing variable costs has a continuing effect.

Try changing Retail Price and Discount. You can see how the profits can mount up if you chose right—or how miserable the prospects are if you chose wrong.

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## LEARNING TO USE SUPERCALC<sup>2</sup>

### Break-Even Analysis

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If you're making successive changes to a cell you might try entering **/Global**, then **N** for **Next**. This disables the use of return for moving the cursor in the current direction. Notice that the direction arrow at the very left of the status line is now gone. This way you can make successive changes to a single cell without moving the cursor back every time. If you wish to move the cursor simply press the arrow keys.

Now let's look at how the spreadsheet is built. Set formula display by entering **/Global,Formula**.

Take a look at column C, Units Sold. C2 starts with B18, which is quantity increment. C3 is C2 plus quantity increment, and so on down the column. The formula for each value consists of the value above plus the increment.

Is there an easy way of accomplishing this? Yes. Enter the initial quantity in C2 and C2 plus the increment in C3. Then **R**eplicate the formula in C3 down the column using the **A**sk for adjustment option. Enter **/Replicate,C3,C4:C254,A**. You will then be asked whether to adjust each of the cells referenced in the formula being replicated. For C2 answer **Y**, for B18 answer **N**.

Now look at column D, Profit and Loss. These formulas may look rather foreboding, but once we have figured them out, we will see that the calculation is straightforward.

Let's start with a look at D2. The formula is:

$$C2*B3*(.01*(100 - B19)) - (B9 + (B16*C2))$$

Scrolling down that column, we see that the other formulas are similar. In D3, the formula has C3 in place of C2, but all other values are the same. This pattern continues. For each entry in column D, column C refers to the adjoining Units Sold value.

So the formula in D2 starts out with Units Sold times Retail Price (that is,  $C2*B3$ ).

The  $.01*(100 - B19)$  simply subtracts the discount rate (B19) from 100 and makes it a percentage. If B19 contains 40, then  $.01*(100 - B19)$  is equal to 60. In other words, this expression is the percentage of our retail price that we get to keep. It is our wholesale price.

What about  $(B9 + (B16 * C2))$ ? B9 is the sum of our fixed costs. B16 is the total variable costs.  $B16 * C2$  is the total variable costs (B16) times the units sold for this particular row.

So the formula in D2 turns out to be quite straightforward: it is the Units Sold x Price - Cost.

Like the other examples in this chapter, this spreadsheet is realistic but simplified. You can use it *as is* in order to get a general idea of the effects of pricing policy on a product or to do short-term forecasting. But in actual marketing, costs and prices change.

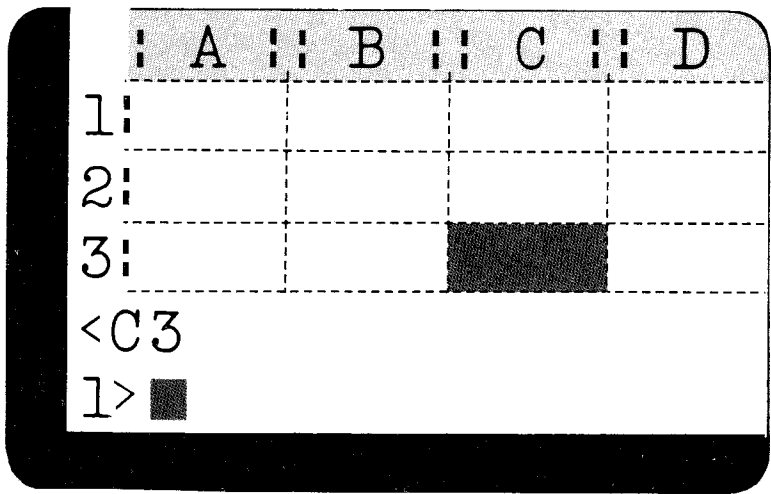
There are two ways that you might adapt this spreadsheet to show the effect of changes in prices and costs.

One way is to put changes at intervals in the spreadsheet. For example, have the numbers in the spreadsheet represent the cost for a 6 month interval of production. Change your costs, prices, and even your incremental values for production (you are producing more efficiently).

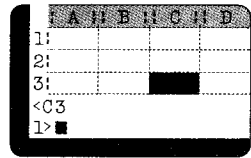
A second way is to use conditional expressions as described in the prior lesson on the Projected Balance Sheet. You could test the number of units produced. Based on that test, you could specify adjustment factors for prices and costs. Then you multiply your price and cost information by the adjustment factors, and refer to the adjusted figures in your other formulas.

This is what you have learned in this lesson:

- How to use the **G**lobal recalculation options Manual and Automatic.
- How to use the Next option of the **G**lobal command.



## The Spreadsheet and Cursors



## 4. The Spreadsheet and Cursors

### The Spreadsheet

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> uses your computer's memory as a large spreadsheet. The spreadsheet consists of cells organized into a rectangular grid containing 63 columns and 254 rows. Columns are designated by letters (A...Z, AA...AZ, BA...BK) and rows by numbers (1...254).

The location of a cell within the grid defines its *cell address*. You reference a cell by naming its coordinates, first the column letter, then the row number. For example, A1 is the upper left corner cell and BK254 is the lower right corner cell.

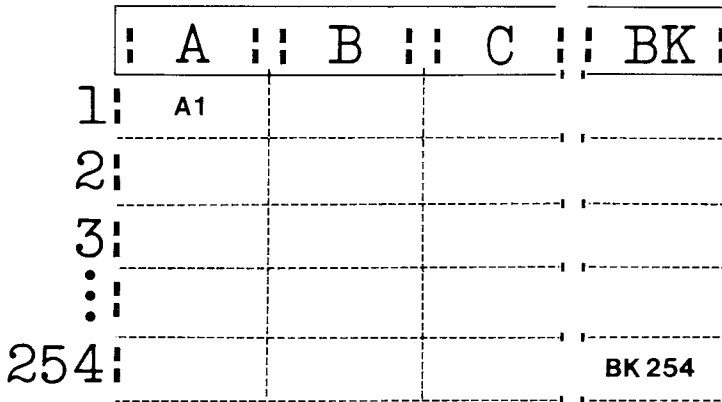
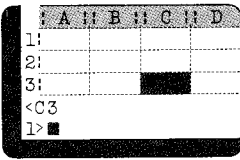


Illustration 4-1: The SuperCalc Spreadsheet



# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The Spreadsheet

### ***Display Window***

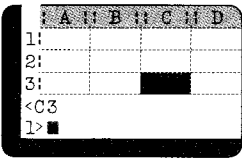
The spreadsheet is far too large to be displayed on your terminal screen at one time. Your screen acts as a *display window* that moves over the spreadsheet showing you a portion at a time.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1										
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3										
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21										

Illustration 4-2: The Display Window

# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The Spreadsheet



You may split the screen to display two portions of the spreadsheet at a time.

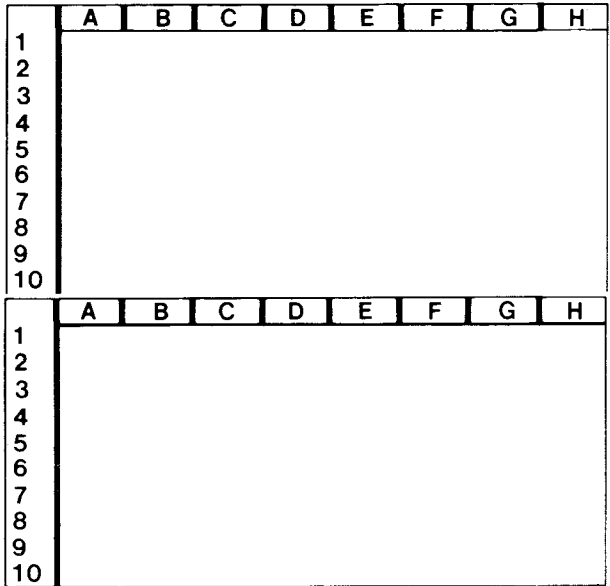
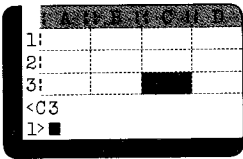


Illustration 4-3: Split Screen



# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The Spreadsheet

### **Border**

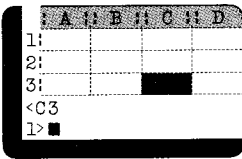
The screen border identifies the currently displayed columns and rows. The top border contains column letters and the left border contains row numbers. You may turn the border on or off as desired. When the border is on, it displays on screen and prints on the printer. When it is off, it does not display on screen nor print on the printer.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1								
2								
3								
4								
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Illustration 4-4: Border







# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The Spreadsheet

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### ***The Current Status Lines:***

The bottom three lines display the Current Status.

Active Cell Status  
Global Status/Prompt  
Data Entry/Command

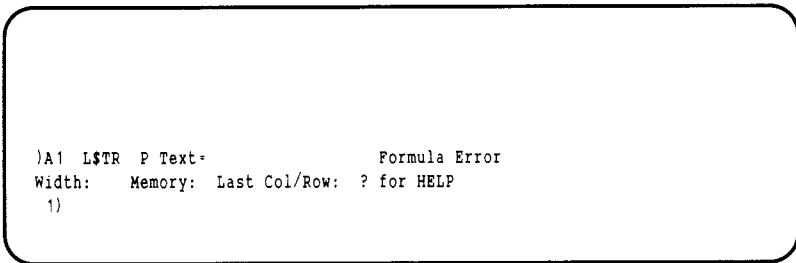


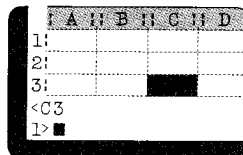
Illustration 4-6: The Current Status Lines

You enter all data and commands on the Data Entry/Command line. This line contains the Edit Cursor.

The Active Cell Status and Global Status/Prompt lines display information only. You cannot move either the edit or spreadsheet cursors into the Active Cell Status or Global Status/Prompt lines.

The Global Status/Prompt and Data Entry/Command lines work together as a pair.


- When the Data Entry/Command line is in Data Entry mode, the Global Status/Prompt line displays the Global Status.
- When the Data Entry/Command line is in Command mode, the Global Status/Prompt line displays the current prompt.



### The Active Cell Status Line

The Active Cell Status line displays information about the Active Cell. A sample Active Cell Status Line looks like this:


>A1 L\$TR P Text = "February Formula ERROR

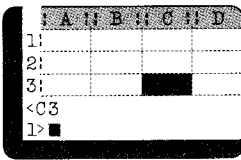
- > – Cursor direction. The first character indicates the current direction of motion of the spreadsheet cursor. When you press  to enter data into the Active Cell, the cursor moves to the adjacent cell in the direction indicated. This direction is always that of the previous cursor move. You may turn the *Next* option on and off. (See the **/Global** command.)
- A1 – Active Cell Address. The coordinates of the active cell display here. Commands that reference current columns or current rows use the column/row containing this cell.
- L\$TR – Cell Format **Entry** Options. Displays the options set with the **/Format** command at the **Entry** level. (See the **/Format** command.)
- P – Protected Entry. A *P* indicates the Active Cell is protected. This position is blank for an unprotected cell. (See the **/Protect** command.)
- Text = – Data Type. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> recognizes three types of data:

Text = String Text

Rtxt = Repeating Text

Form = Formula Entry

- "February – Cell Content. Displays the literal content of the cell.
- Formula ERROR – Error Message. If an error occurs, an error message displays on the far right of the line. Press any key except  to delete it and proceed.



# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The Spreadsheet

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### **Global Status/Prompt Line**

The Global Status/Prompt is the middle Status line.

When the Data Entry/Command line is in Data Entry mode, the Global Status/Prompt line displays the Global Status.

When the Data Entry/Command line is in Command mode, the Global Status/Prompt line displays the current prompt.

The Global Status line contains the following data:

- Width:

The column width of the Active cell. The default column width is 9.

- Memory:

The amount of unused computer memory available in *kilobytes*. A kilobyte is 1024 characters or *bytes*. The available memory decreases as you add to your spreadsheet.

- Last Col/Row:

The intersection of the last column and row that contains data. The cell named need not contain data. It is the composite of the last column and last row that have a non-blank cell.

- ? for Help

A reminder that typing (?) always gives an explanation of your current options.

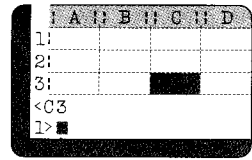
### **Data Entry/Command Line**

The Data Entry/Command line contains the Edit Cursor. The number at the left indicates the current Edit Cursor position.

The Data Entry/Command line serves two functions. The character you enter into position #1 on the Data Entry/Command line determines its mode. A (CTRL Z) or (CTRL C) or (F2) erases (or clears) the entire Data Entry/Command line.

# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

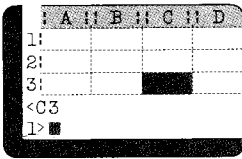
## The Spreadsheet



- The Data Entry mode enters data directly into the Active cell. The first character indicates the type of data. Any character except those that begin text and commands result in a Formula Entry.
  - ” Begins Text
  - ’ Begins Repeating Text
- The Command mode performs specific functions. Four keys access the command mode.
  - = The *GoTo* command moves the cursor directly to the designated cell.
  - ! The *Recalculate* command forces a recalculation of the entire spreadsheet.
  - ; The *Switch Window* command positions the spreadsheet cursor in the alternate window on a split screen.
  - & The *eXecute Resume* command returns control of the spreadsheet back to the current execute (.XQT) file.
  - / Selects the  $\boxed{Z}$  commands. See Chapter 7 for a complete description of the  $\boxed{Z}$  commands.
- You cannot go directly between the Command and Data Entry modes, rather, you must return to the Spreadsheet mode first.

## The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Cursors

Supercalc has two cursors, the spreadsheet cursor and the edit cursor. Both are always visible. The spreadsheet cursor occupies the current Active Cell and moves to any cell on the spreadsheet. The Edit cursor resides on the Data Entry/Command Status line and moves along this line only.



# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Cursors

### Spreadsheet vs Edit Cursors

Only one cursor is active at a time. The spreadsheet cursor is active provided nothing has been entered on the Data Entry/Command line. The Edit Cursor becomes active when you begin to use the Data Entry/Command line for either Data Entry or a Command and remains active until you do one of the following:

1. Enter data into the Active Cell.
2. Execute a command.
3. *Back out* of the Data Entry/Command line using a left cursor command.
4. Use the (ESC) for current cell function.
5. Clear the Data Entry/Command line with (CTRL Z) or (CTRL C) or (F2).

### Cursor Commands

You control both cursors using two groups of cursor control keys. The groups are equivalent and may be used interchangeably.

- The arrow keys move the cursor in the direction they point.
- The Cursor Diamond keys work with the Control key. Press the Control Key and one of these keys simultaneously.

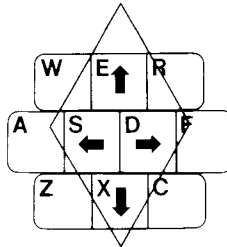
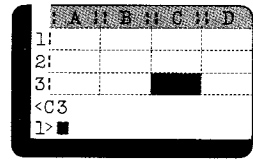


Illustration 4-7: Cursor Command Keys

**Note:** Some terminals do not have arrow keys. On some computers you may have to press the (NUM LOCK) key in order to activate the arrow keys.

# THE SPREADSHEET AND CURSORS

## The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Cursors



### ***Moving the Spreadsheet Cursor***

The spreadsheet cursor moves to any cell on the spreadsheet, but not past the spreadsheet limits. When you move the cursor to a cell outside the display window, the spreadsheet scrolls to display the new location and the border adjusts to the new display window.

The cursor movement keys move the cursor one cell at a time. Use either the arrow keys or the Cursor Diamond Control Keys, whichever are more convenient.

The *GoTo* (= {cell address} (↔)) command moves the cursor directly to the designated cell.

- If the designated cell is on the display, the cursor moves directly to it.
- If not on the display, the window adjusts to position the designated cell in the upper left corner.
- If you enter *GoTo* without a cell address (= (↔)), (or specify the current cell) the Active Cell is positioned in the upper left corner.

### ***Moving the Edit Cursor***

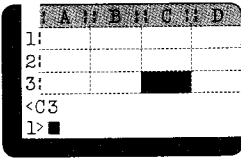
The Edit Cursor moves left and right along the Data Entry/Command line. When you enter a new character, it replaces the one directly beneath the cursor. The Interpretive Prompting of the Command mode supplies characters for some commands. You only need to type the first letter of the command and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> fills in the rest for you.

The edit cursor keys are the same arrow or Cursor Diamond keys as the spreadsheet cursor keys, but they behave differently.

The Left and Right Cursor keys move the cursor along the Data Entry/Command line without changing the line.

The Down Cursor key deletes the character at the cursor position and moves the remainder of the line one character to the left.

The Up Cursor key inserts a blank space at cursor position. You can enter a character into this space.



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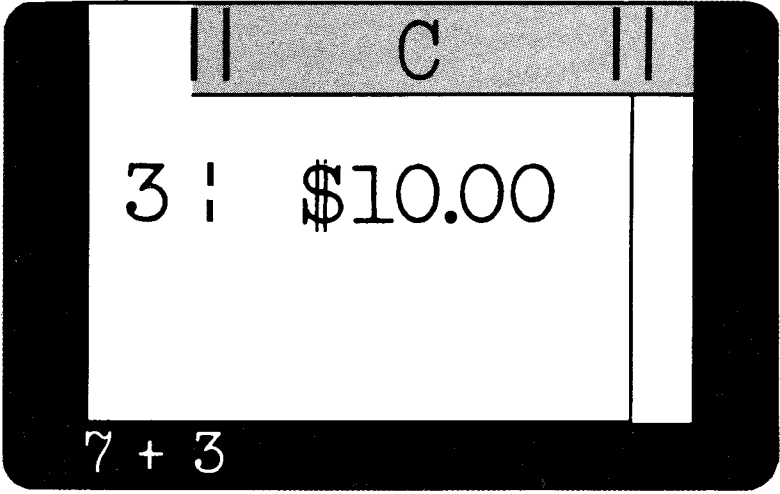
## The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Cursors

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- The **(TAB)** key moves the Edit cursor to either the beginning or the end of the entry line.
- The **(TAB)** key works in Data Entry mode and with the **/Edit** command.
- If the cursor is at the beginning of the edit line, the **(TAB)** key places the cursor at the end of the line.
- If the cursor is anywhere else in the line the **(TAB)** key places the cursor at the beginning of the line.

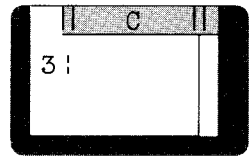
The entire Data Entry/Command line is entered when you press **(↵)** regardless of the position of the edit cursor.





**Cells**

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## 5. Cells

The cell is the basic unit of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet. A cell coordinate is the location of the cell specified by column and row. Each cell has a unique coordinate. A cell contains three types of information: (1) the Cell Content, (2) the Cell Value, and (3) the Display format. The spreadsheet area displays either the cell contents or the cell values. You may designate the display format for the cell values. The format options are displayed on the Global Status line for cells formatted at the **E**ntry level. The format options for cells formatted at the global, row or column level do not display.

### Cell Content

The Cell Content consists of the basic data that a cell contains. It is entered into the cell in one of two ways.

- Manually from the Data Entry line.
- Automatically from another cell using the **C**opy, **R**eplicate, **M**ove or **L**oad commands, possibly with formula adjustment.

A cell may be empty, contain text, repeating text or a formula.

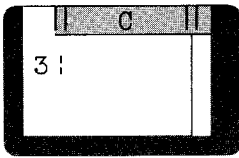
### ***Empty Cell***

All cells are initially empty. A cell remains empty until you enter something into it.

### ***Text String***

A leading double quotation mark (") designates a text string. A text string can contain a maximum of 115 characters.

The default format for text is left justification and can optionally be set to right justification. If the text is longer than the column width and is left justified, it will continue into adjoining cells. If these cells are occupied, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> displays as much as it can. Consider the following example. Cells A1, A2, and A3 each contain the same text string. Cells C2 and B3 each contain a numerical entry.



## CELLS

### Cell Content

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	A	B	C	D
1	SuperCalc <sup>2</sup> is a versatile electronic spreadsheet.			
2	SuperCalc <sup>2</sup> is a versatil		250	
3	SuperCalc <sup>2</sup>	4/15/83		
	<C3			
	1>			

Illustration 5-1: Text String With Occupied Cells

### **Repeating Text**

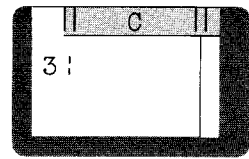
Repeating Text begins with a single quote ('). Repeating text displays from the active cell onwards to the right until it reaches a non-empty cell or Column BK.

Repeating text displays through column BK if not interrupted. However, it does not affect the *Last Col/Row*. When printed, the repeating text extends or prints only through the boundary imposed by the *Last Col*. It will only repeat when the row is set to TextLeft. It can be a repeat of more than one character (for example '-+-+'). You can stop the display by creating a blank cell (e.g. '') at the boundary you want to set.

### **Formula Entries**

A formula is a mathematical expression that calculates a numerical value. It consists of numerical constants, cell references and function references, connected by operators. A formula may contain a maximum of 116 characters.

When a formula is entered into a cell, the value may be calculated and displayed. Calculation is controlled by the **/Global,Manual/Auto** command. Cell contents (formula) or value display is controlled by the **/Global,Formula** command.



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## Cell Value

The Value of a cell is the result obtained by evaluating the contents of the cell. All cells have a value. There are five types of values:

- Numeric
- Date
- Textual
- Not available
- Error

Each of the four types of cells may take on certain types of values.

- An *Empty* cell has a numeric value of zero.
- A *Text String* cell has a numeric value of zero.
- A *Repeating Text* cell has a numeric value of zero.
- A *Formula* cell may have a numeric, date, textual, not available, or error value . Note that a textual value is different than a text string. See Chapter 8.

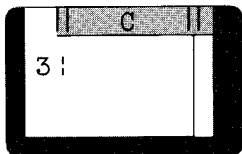
Cell values and types propagate. This means that the cell value may be referenced by a formula in another cell. Such a reference is to the value of the original cell, not to its content (formula).

**Note:** Although the cell content cannot be referenced by other cells, it may be replicated or copied.

Example: Suppose that cell A5 contained the formula  $2*3$  and the current cell contained the formula  $2*PI*A5$ . The value of 6 will be used in the formula to evaluate the current cell.

## Cell Format

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to specify a wide array of display formats for the cell values. Altering the display format in no way alters the contents or the value, only the way it is displayed on the console or printed on the printer.



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### Current-Cell Reference Key [ESC]

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When you format a cell you tell SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> how you want the cell value to look on your screen. You can specify a format for an individual cell, a group of cells, rows, columns, or the entire spreadsheet.

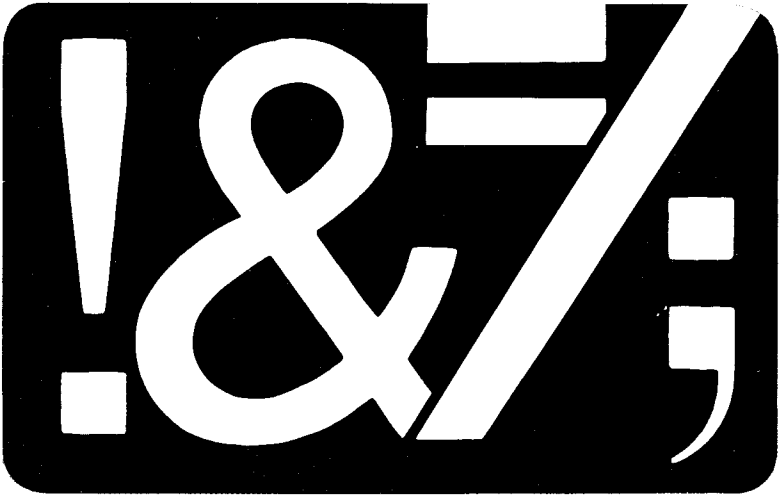
The display format options are described in detail under the **/Format** command (Chapter 7).

### Current-Cell Reference Key [ESC]

The current-cell key is the **[ESC]** key. The current-cell key is a great time saver and convenience. When you press it, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program puts the location of the active cell onto the entry line for you to use in a command or expression. After you press the current-cell key, the arrow and alternate diamond keys control the spreadsheet cursor. If you move the spreadsheet cursor, the Active Cell address on the entry line changes dynamically to reflect the new location. When you press **[ESC]** again, the address stops changing, and the arrow and diamond keys can again be used for editing.

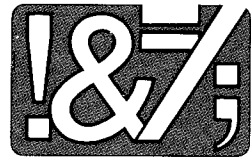
Pressing **[:]** after the Active Cell address is a special case. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program places another Active Cell address after the colon. The address before the **[:]** is fixed; the address after the **[:]** can still be dynamically changed. For an example of how to use this feature, see Lesson 4 in Chapter 3.

The new Active Cell location is temporary. When you press **[↵]** to enter the command or expression, the spreadsheet cursor will return to the prior active cell location. If you are entering data into a cell, it will go into that prior location.



## **The Operation Modes**

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## 6. The Operation Modes

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> operates in three distinct modes.

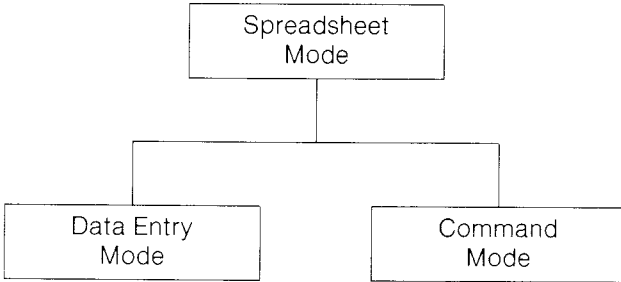


Illustration 6-1: SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Operation Modes

When you first enter SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, you are in Spreadsheet mode. You *can* move to Data Entry or Command mode. You *cannot* go directly between Data Entry and Command modes, rather you must return to Spreadsheet mode first.

### **Spreadsheet Mode**

In Spreadsheet mode the spreadsheet cursor is active and the edit cursor is inactive. You can move the spreadsheet cursor around the spreadsheet to view cell contents and values.

The Status lines display the following:

- Active Cell Status
- Global Status Mode
- Edit Cursor Position (The line is not used in this mode.)

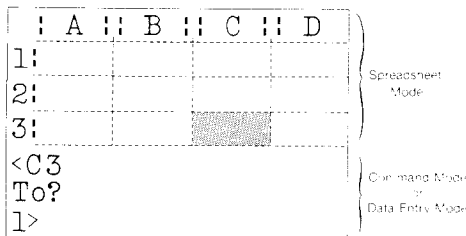


Illustration 6-2: Active Cursor




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






### Data Entry Mode


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## Data Entry Mode

Data Entry mode enters data directly into the Data Entry line. A  enters the data in the Data Entry line into the Active Cell. The Status lines display:






Active Cell Status  
Global Status  
Data Entry mode

You enter Data Entry mode by typing a Text or Formula entry. Begin the entry with any letter, number or one of the characters       . A  enters the content of the Data Entry line into the Active Cell and returns SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to the Spreadsheet mode.

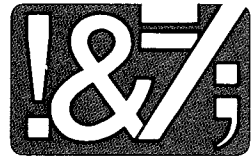
A Text entry begins with a double quote  character. Any printable character on the keyboard may be used in text. A text entry may be up to 115 characters.

Repeating text begins with a single quote . The text repeats toward the right until a non-blank cell or the right edge of the spreadsheet (column BK) is encountered. Repeating text may contain any keyboard character and be up to 115 characters. When the cell is formatted TL (Text Left) the text repeats. When formatted TR (Text Right) the text does not repeat.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> checks that your entry constitutes a legitimate formula when you press  and displays a Formula ERROR message if it is not. Formulas, then, may begin with any of the following:

- A numeric constant — The characters      begin numeric constants.
- A cell reference — Cell coordinate.
- A mathematical function.
- A calendar function.
- A special function.
- A textual constant.





A formula can contain up to 116 characters. Numeric constants can have 16 significant digits plus a decimal point. Scientific, or exponential numbers can have 16 significant digits and a decimal point, all raised to a power of ten. The limit is the 63rd power of 10. If a number is greater than 16 digits, the right-most digits after the 16th are converted to zeros.

### ***In-Line Editor***

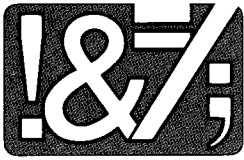
You edit data on the Data Entry line.

- The Left and Right arrows or (CTRL S) and (CTRL D) move the edit cursor non-destructively along the edit line.
- The Down arrow (CTRL X) deletes the character immediately under the edit cursor.
- The Up arrow (CTRL E) inserts a blank character between the previous character and the present cursor position.
- (ESC) enters the Active Cell coordinates at the edit cursor position.
- (↔) enters the entire data line into the Active Cell.
- (TAB) moves the cursor to the end of the edit line if the cursor is at the beginning, or to the beginning of the edit line if the cursor is anywhere else.
- (CTRL Z) or (CTRL C) deletes the entire Data Entry line and returns you to Spreadsheet Mode.

You can back out of the Data Entry line and into the spreadsheet mode by moving the cursor one character to the left of the beginning of the line.

### **Limits for Data Entry**

Numbers can have up to 16 significant digits plus a decimal point and an optional sign. Exponential numbers (scientific notation) can have up to 16 significant digits, a decimal point and sign, and a signed exponent between -63 and +63. Numbers are rounded and displayed to a maximum of the 62nd power of 10 or to a minimum of the -64th power of ten.



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### Limits for Data Entry

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#### Largest

number	9999999999999999
exponential number	9.999999999999999e62
negative number	-1.0e-64

#### Smallest

number	-9999999999999999
exponential number	-9.999999999999999e62
positive number	1.0e-64

## Command Mode

Command mode directs SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to perform an action. You enter command mode with one of five command keys from the spreadsheet mode.

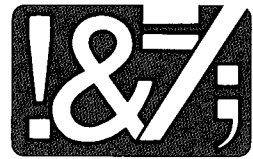
!	Recalculate
;	Switch Window
=	GoTo
&	Resume Execute
/	Slash Commands Access
? or (F1)	AnswerKey (Use from anywhere in SuperCalc <sup>2</sup> )

### **Recalculate** (F1)

The (F1) key forces recalculation of the entire spreadsheet. In **/Global,Manual** mode, this command is the only way to recalculate values. In **/Global,Automatic** mode, the command provides an additional recalculation. (See the **/Global** command.)

### **Window Cursor Jump** (F2)

The (F2) key switches the spreadsheet cursor between windows on a split screen. (See the **/Window** command.)



### **GoTo** (⇧)

The (⇧) key moves the spreadsheet cursor directly to the cell specified. When you press (⇧), the bottom status line prompts for a cell address. A (↵) executes the command. The spreadsheet cursor moves to the cell specified if it is currently displayed. If not in the display window the specified cell becomes the upper left cell of the display window. The command without a cell specified shifts the display window to put the Active Cell in the upper left.

### **Resume Execute** (&)

The (&) key returns control of the spreadsheet back to the current execute (.XQT) file.

### **The Slash Commands**

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Slash Commands perform all other functions. You never have to remember a long list of commands. When you enter the (/) key, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts with the first letter of each command. You enter the first letter and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> immediately fills in the rest of the word on the command line.

Chapter 7 describes the slash commands in detail. They are:

- /A**rrange**
- /B**lank**
- /C**opy**
- /D**elete**
- /E**dit**
- /F**ormat**
- /G**lobal**
- /I**nsert**
- /L**oad**
- /M**ove**
- /O**utput**
- /P**rotect**
- /Q**uit**
- /R**eplicate**
- /S**ave**
- /T**itle**
- /U**nprotect**
- /W**indow**
- /X**(e)Xecute**
- /Z**ap**



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When you press the **(Z)** key, three things immediately happen.

- The bottom status line enters Command mode. The position number of the edit cursor displays first, then the **(Z)** character.
- The middle status line changes from Global Display mode to Prompt mode. The slash command prompt displays:

Enter A,B,C,D,E,F,G,I,L,M,O,P,Q,R,S,T,U,W,X,Z,?

- The edit cursor becomes active and the spreadsheet cursor inactive.

Most commands have several entry levels. When you enter a command letter, the prompt line changes to the appropriate prompt. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> continues to prompt you through the sequence of options until you execute the command.

### **AnswerKey** **(?)** or **(F1)**

Whenever you need help press the AnswerKey **(?)**. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> explains on screen your current options, then with a touch of any key, returns you to where you were to continue your work.

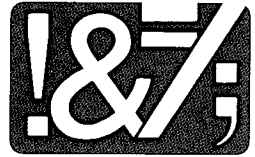
You edit commands, like data and formulas, with the in-line editor.

The Arrow keys or Cursor Diamond keys control the edit cursor.

- The Right Cursor key moves the cursor to the right without erasing characters. When the cursor is at the right-most character of a command, the Right Cursor key is inoperative.
- The Left Cursor key moves the cursor to the left within a command option and erases the option if you go *too far*. Within a command specification, such as a filename or cell range designation, the Left Cursor key does not erase characters.
- The Down Cursor key deletes the current cursor character.
- The Up Cursor key inserts a blank space at the cursor position.
- **(ESC)** enters the Active Cell into the current cursor position on the edit line.
- **(↵)** executes a command. Everything on the line executes, not just the information to the left of the cursor.

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- specifies that the current option is complete and proceeds to the next option of the command. If the option is the last option, the command executes.

You can *back out* of your current entry by using the Left Cursor key. In fact, you can back entirely out of a command without executing it by moving the cursor one position to the left of the slash  character.







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## 7. The Slash Commands

### Introduction to the Slash Commands

The slash commands are so named because they begin with the slash  key. When you type the first letter of a slash command, SuperCalc<sup>21</sup>'s interpretive prompting completes the rest of the word on the entry line. For example, when you enter B, the Command line reads /BBlank,. Notice that the interpretive prompting also includes the comma separating command options. When you enter the , the prompt line displays all the possible one letter entries. Whenever you wish further information about your option at any given moment, press the AnswerKey .

Most commands have several levels of entry. When you choose one of these, the prompt line changes to show the choices available for that particular command. You are prompted through the entire sequence of options.

Commands, like data, can be edited with the in-line editor. Remember that when you press , everything visible on the Command line is entered--not just the part of the command to the left of the cursor.

This chapter describes each of the slash commands. The commands are presented in alphabetical order, just as on the Prompt line. All of the options are presented in the box at the beginning of each command description. The options available at any particular point in defining a command are presented vertically. You select one of them and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> moves to the next set of options, listed in the column adjacent to the right.

### Slash Command Map

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Slash Commands Map on the next two pages shows the route to every command. This overview shows the big picture of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> command structure. Use it to assist you in moving through the program. Each command described in this chapter begins with its portion of the command map.



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### SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Slash (/) Commands

Key: might be labeled **RETURN**, **ENTER** or on your keyboard

**/ Arrange** — **Row** — row number for entire row; ascending sort; no adjust  
                    for current row col. range, **A**scending **Y**es adjust  
**Column** — col. letter for current col. row range, **D**escending **N**o adjust  
                    for entire column; ascending sort; no adjust

**/ Blank** — range   
 for active cell only

**/ Copy** — from range, — to upper/left cell adjust **N**o adjust  
 options **A**sk for adjust  
**V**alues only  
**+ - \* /**

**/ Delete** — **Row** — row range   
**Column** — column range   
**File** — filename   
                   **ESC** for current filename   
                    for directory   
**C**hoose drive  
**D**isk directory  
**S**uperCalc files  
**E**nter filename

**/ Edit** — any cell   
 for active cell

**/ Format** — **Global** — Integer for no decimals  
**Column** — column range, — **G**eneral for numbers with best fit  
**Row** — row range, — **E**xponential numbers only  
**Entry** — range, — **S** for two decimal places  
**Define format table** **R**ight numeric justification  
**L**eft numeric justification  
**TR** text right justification  
**TL** text left justification  
**\*** for bar graph  
**U**ser-defined format table — (1-8)  
**H**ide values  
**D**efault settings (G, R, TL, 9)  
**(0-127)** column width

**/ Global** — **F**ormula display (on/off)  
**N**ext move (on/off)  
**B**order display (on/off)  
**T**ab cursor lockout (on/off)  
**R**ow or **C**olumn calc. order  
**M**anual or **A**uto recalculate

**/ Insert** — **Row** — row range   
**Column** — column range

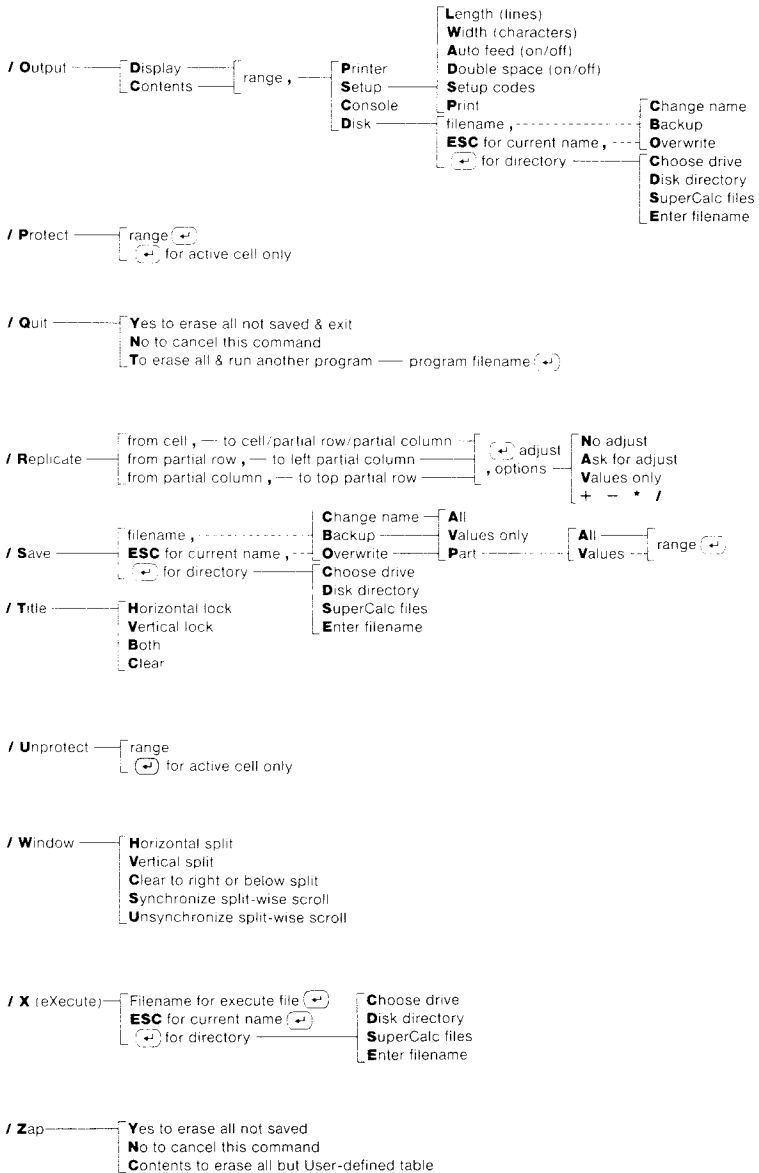
**/ Load** — filename, — **A**ll **P**art — from range, — to upper/left cell — adjust **N**o adjust  
**ESC** for current name, — **C**onsolidate **A**sk for adjust  
 for directory **C**hoose drive **V**alues only  
**D**isk directory **+ - \* /**  
**S**uperCalc files  
**E**nter filename

**/ Move** — **Row** — from row range, — to row number   
**Column** — from column range, — to column letter



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### The Cell Range

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### The Cell Range:

Many commands require you to specify a cell range. The term *Range* means that you can enter more than one cell at once. Some prompts specify a *Row Range* or *Range*. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> uses the following range designators.

<b>Cell</b>	A column followed by a row. Example: J10
<b>Column</b>	A letter (or pair of letters) from A through BK. Example: AF
<b>Partial Column</b>	Two cells in the same column, separated by a colon. Example: The range N2:N15 includes all cells in Column N from N2 through N15.
<b>Column Range</b>	Two columns separated by a colon. Example: The range A:BC includes all columns from A through BC.
<b>Row</b>	A number from 1 through 254.
<b>Partial Row</b>	Two cells in the same row, separated by a colon. Example: The range N2:T2 includes all cells in row 2 from N2 through T2.
<b>Row Range</b>	Two rows separated by a colon. Example: The range 6:88 includes all rows from 6 through 88.
<b>Block</b>	Two cells, separated by a colon. Example: The range D5:AP75 includes all cells in the block between D5 in the upper left and AP75 in the lower right.



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An empty range (entering just **↵**) means the current cell, row or column.

*A//* means the range A1: <Last Col/Row>

**ESC** allows the arrow keys or the **CTRL S**, **CTRL E**, **CTRL D**, **CTRL X** keys to be used to point to a cell.

**Note:** A cell range may be specified in ascending or descending order. For example, D10:A6 is equivalent to A6:D10.



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### The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory

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## The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory

The following commands have an option that allows you to view the disk directory prior to selecting a filename:

**/D**delete  
**/L**oad  
**/O**utput  
**/S**ave  
**/X**(eXecute)  
**/Q**uit, **T**o

When you select the *CR for file directory* option, your spreadsheet disappears and you see a menu that gives you four choices:

**C**(hoose) alternate disk drive  
**D**(isk) directory, All files  
**S**(uperCalc) format files only  
**E**(nter) filename

The information at the top of the menu tells you the name of the last file that you loaded, your current work disk, and your current work file, if any.

The **C**(hoose) option allows you to change the current work disk.

The **D**(isk) option shows you the files in the directory of your current work disk. To get back to the menu press any key.

The **S**(uperCalc) option displays SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> .CAL files only. This option also shows the textual contents of cell A1 and the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> version used to create the file.

The **E**(nter) option returns you to the command line to enter a filename.

Use a **CTRL Z** (or **CTRL C**) to quit the current command and return to the spreadsheet.



## Arrange

### Synopsis:

Sorts the spreadsheet by a column or row.

/ Arrange	Row	row number	for entire row, ascending sort: no adjust
		for current row	col range, Ascending Yes adjust
Column	col letter	row range, Descending No adjust	
		for current col	for entire column, ascending sort: no adjust


### Command Description:

The **A**rrange command sorts your spreadsheet based on the cell values of a column or row. The **A**rrange options are:

- Sort based on the values in either a row or column. When you sort by a row, the columns are arranged, when you sort by a column, the rows are arranged.
- Specify a partial column or row. You specify a partial column for a row sort or a partial row for a column sort.
- Specify the sort order, either ascending or descending.
- Specify whether to adjust or not adjust formulas.

### Column Sort

A sort by **C**olumn rearranges the spreadsheet rows so that the *key* column is in ascending or descending order.

When you select a column sort, you first specify the key column letter. A  enters the current column and begins the sort. The following defaults apply:

- All rows are sorted.
- Ascending sort order.
- No formula adjust.



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#### Row Sort

A sort by **R**ow rearranges the spreadsheet columns so that the *key* row is in ascending or descending order.

For a row sort, you specify the key row. A  enters the current row and begins the sort. The following defaults apply:

- All columns are sorted.
- Ascending sort order.
- No formula adjust.

To select non-default values, enter the row/column then a comma . SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts for all of the following options:

Enter the range of the row/column you want.

- If you are sorting by a column, specify the row range to be included in the sort.
- If you are sorting by a row, specify the column range to be included in the sort.
- You may enter *All* to specify the entire row/column range.
- While you may specify a partial sort using one row/column by a , such a sort results in no effective change in the order of your spreadsheet.

#### Select the sort order.

- You may select between **A**scending or **D**escending sort order. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> arranges data first according to the type of data a cell contains, then according to the cell value.
- Regardless of the sort order, cells are arranged in groups by contents and value types:

- Text Cells
- Textual Value Cells
- Date Value Cells
- Error Cells
- Not Available
- Numerical Value Cells
- Blank (Empty) Cells

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- Within those groups, cells are arranged in ascending or descending order, with numerical and date values in order, and Text cells and textual values in the following order:

Space

Other characters in ASCII order

Alpha characters, with lower case characters preceding their upper case counterparts (aAbBcC...zZ)

Numeric characters

**Note:** See Appendix C for the complete Sorcim sort order. This order is very similar to that used in a dictionary or phone book.

Adjust **Yes** or **No**?

You may select whether to adjust cell formulas.

- If you select **Yes**, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> sorts your spreadsheet, then adjusts the formulas and recalculates if **Global,Auto** is in effect.
- If you select **No**, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> does not alter the cell formulas or recalculate values. This is the default.

### Examples:

To arrange the current row (default options are ascending sort order and no formula adjust):

**/Arrange.Row** 

To arrange the current column (default options are ascending sort order and no formula adjust):

**/Arrange.Column** 

To arrange a different row (default options):

**/Arrange.Row,14** 

To arrange a different column (default options):

**/Arrange.Column,E** 



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To arrange a partial row in ascending sort order with no formula adjust.

**/Arrange,Row,7,C:G,Ascending,N**

To arrange a partial column using descending sort order and to adjust formulas:

**/Arrange,Column,D,7:19,Descending,Y**

#### Special Considerations:

1. If you think you may want to return your spreadsheet to its original sort order, use the **R**eplicate command to create a separate row or column containing sequential numbers prior to using **A**rrange.
2. When you **A**rrange a spreadsheet you are in fact declaring that the relationships among the cells are no longer needed (at least temporarily), and that you prefer a new arrangement determined by the current values of a row or column. Therefore, in most cases there is no meaningful formula adjustment possible. For example, the formula SUM(A1:A6) can't be adjusted properly if those five columns are no longer contiguous. For that reason, it is usually best not to adjust formulas during an **A**rrange, and accordingly, the default is **N**o. Re-sorting on the extra row or column (See Special Consideration 1) restores the original formula and cell relationships. In those cases where an adjust may be meaningful, you can override the default.
3. To protect yourself against changing your spreadsheet in ways that you do not anticipate, **S**ave the spreadsheet to a disk file prior to using **A**rrange.





## Blank

### Synopsis:

Erases the contents and resets the formatting of the cell range.



The **B**lank command deletes the contents of all unprotected cells in the specified range. The display format is reset to the default settings for cells formatted at the **E**ntry level. Column, Row, and Global display formats are unaffected.

Omit the Range to blank the Active Cell.

### Examples:

Blank single cell:	<b>/Blank, C7</b> ↵
Blank partial row:	<b>/Blank, C7:H7</b> ↵
Blank block of cells:	<b>/Blank, C7:H12</b> ↵
Blank entire column:	<b>/Blank, C</b> ↵
Blank all unprotected cells:	<b>/Blank, ALL</b> ↵

### Special Considerations:

1. **B**lank sets the default display format conditions for cells that are formatted at the **E**ntry Level only. **B**lank does not affect the cell format of cells formatted at the **R**ow, **C**olumn or **G**lobal levels.



### Copy

#### Synopsis:

Duplicates cells into a new spreadsheet location. Options allow a choice of formula adjustment or consolidation arithmetic.

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/ Copy ----- from range, to upper left cell -- adjust -- No adjust  
                    , options -- Ask for adjust  
                    + - * / Values only
```

#### Command Description:

The **C**opy command makes a one-to-one duplicate of the Source Range into the Destination Range. **C**opy duplicates the cell contents, cell values and display formats exactly. The Source Range remains intact.

The Destination Cell becomes the upper left corner of the Destination Range. The Destination Range takes on the same size and shape as the Source Range.

The options allow you to specify Formula Adjustment or Consolidation arithmetic for the Destination Range. A  provides the default option, formula adjustment. To select another option, enter a comma (,) and specify the remaining options.

Formula Adjust – The default selection copies and adjusts formulas to their new location.

**N** No Adjust – Copies cell contents literally with no formula adjustment.

**A** Ask for Adjust – Prompts for formula adjustment for each cell copied. The Command line displays the formula and the Prompt line displays the source cells. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts for each cell reference adjustment.


**V** Values – Copies cell values only as numeric constants. Formulas are evaluated and their values only (not the actual formulas) are copied. Dates change to their DVAL function value.



- + Adds each source cell value to the corresponding destination cell value and enters the sum into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- Subtracts each source cell value from the corresponding destination cell value and enters the difference into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- \* Multiplies each source cell value with the corresponding destination cell value and enters the product into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- / Divides each destination cell value by the corresponding source cell value and enters the quotient into the destination cell as a numeric constant.

## Examples:

Copy cell to cell:

**/Copy,B9,C12** 

Copy partial column to partial column:

**/Copy,B9:B12,H9** 


Copy partial row to partial row:

**/Copy,B9:G9,H12** 

Copy block to block:

**/Copy,B9:G15,K20** 

Copy without adjustments:

**/Copy,B9,C12,N** 

Copy, ask for individual choice of adjustments:

**/Copy,B9:B15,E9,A** 



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### Copy

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#### Special Considerations:

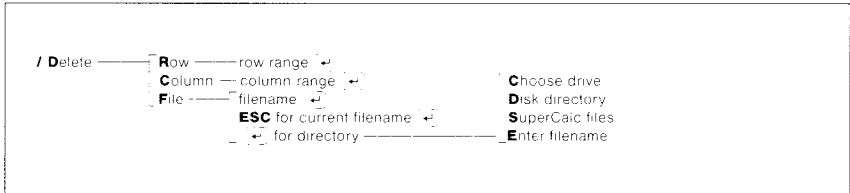
1. The +, -, \*, / options do not affect a cell that does not contain a *Form* (formula) entry with a numeric value.
2. The +, -, \*, / options perform the indicated calculation between cells, and replaces the destination cell contents with the calculated value as a numeric constant.
3. The Left Cursor key *Backs Out* of the option list to let you select the default (←). See Chapter 4.
4. See The **L**oad command for more details on Consolidation.
5. Cells can be copied into themselves. This can be used for such things as freezing values, or for saving memory. For example, you can generate a series such as 1...20 without using computer memory for a formula with the following sequence.
  1. Enter (1) in A1.
  2. **/Replicate,A1,A2:A20** (←)
  3. **/Copy,A1:A19,A2,+**Then, to generate a table of numeric squares.
  4. **/Copy,A1:A20,A1,\***



## Delete

### Synopsis:

Erases a row range, column range or disk file.



### Command Description:

The **Delete** command erases a row range or column range from your spreadsheet, or a file from your disk.

**Delete** erases the row range or column range, then moves the adjacent rows or columns to fill in the gap created. Formulas adjust to compensate.

The **Delete,File**

option erases a file name from the disk directory of a disk. If the **(ESC)** key is pressed in response to the filename prompt, the name of the last file Loaded is placed on the entry line. If a **(↔)** is entered, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to examine the directory of files on your disk.

### Examples:

To delete row 5:

**/Delete,Row,5 (↔)**

To delete column E:

**/Delete,Column,E, (↔)**

To delete file *WORK1.CAL* from drive B:

**/Delete,File,B:WORK1 (↔)**



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To delete multiple rows:

**/Delete, Row, 5:10** (↵)

To delete multiple columns:

**/Delete, Column, B:F** (↵)

### Special Considerations:

1. Formulas adjusted into cells that no longer exist are considered an ERROR. See Chapter 8 for more information on ERROR.
2. There is no provision to not adjust formulas.
3. If a deleted row range or column range is within the block range specified by a function reference (such as SUM(A1:D10)), the formulas adjust. If a deleted row/column range includes one of the extreme rows/columns of the block range specified by a function reference (such as SUM(A1:D10)), an error message results. You can then use the in-line editor to modify the command.
4. If a deleted row or column contains a protected cell, an error message results.
5. Rows or columns containing data cannot be reaccessed once they are deleted.
6. Files are deleted permanently; they cannot be restored even with a disk-fixing utility.




## Edit


### Synopsis:

Edits the contents of a cell and places it in the Active Cell.







### Command Description:

The **E**dit command is used to alter the contents of a source cell and place it into the Active Cell. **E**dit copies the source cell contents to the Edit line where it may be altered as any other data entry. A  places the data on the edit line into the active cell.

You may specify any cell as the source cell. If you do not specify a source cell, e.g., press the , the Active cell becomes the source cell.

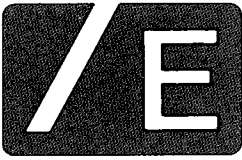
**E**dit uses the in-line editor. The editing commands are identical to Data Entry.

### Example:

The Active Cell contains "Janaurry. **/E**dit and  brings this to the entry line. Use the left arrow to move the cursor to the second *a* in Janaurry. Type *ua*. Move cursor to either *r* in January. Press the  to delete it, and press . (Remember, pressing  puts the entire entry into the cell no matter where the cursor is position.) The Active Cell now contains "January.

### Special Considerations:

1. See the section on Edit Cursor Control for a detailed description of the cursor commands available. (Chapter 4.)
2. You cannot edit into a protected Active Cell, but you may edit another protected source cell.



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3. The Current Cell (**ESC**) key may be used to specify a source cell. Press (**ESC**) to enter the current cell function, then move the spreadsheet cursor to the source cell and press (**ESC**) again to enter that cell. See the *ESC for Current Cell* section in Chapter 4.
4. The (**TAB**) key moves the cursor to the beginning of the edit line. If it is already at the beginning the cursor moves to the end of the line.





### Format

#### Synopsis:

- (1) Sets the cell display format on four levels, global, column, row and entry.
- (2) Defines the User-defined formats.

<b>/ Format</b>	<b>G</b> lobal	Integer for no decimals
	<b>C</b> olumn	General for numbers with best fit
	<b>R</b> ow	Exponential numbers only
	<b>E</b> ntry	<b>S</b> for two decimal places
	Define format table	<b>R</b> ight numeric justification
		<b>L</b> eft numeric justification
		<b>TR</b> text right justification
		<b>TL</b> text left justification
		* for bar graph
		<b>U</b> ser-defined format table - (1-8)
		<b>H</b> ide values
		<b>D</b> efault settings (G, R, TL, S)
		(0-127) column width

#### Command Description:

The **F**ormat command specifies display format characteristics. To select the display format options you first select the level of format.

**F**ormat only affects the display of the cell value. It does not affect the cell value itself or the cell content. The display format controls both the screen image and the printed output.

Successive formatting commands may result in a conflict of formats for a given cell. For example, you may format an entire spreadsheet using **G**lobal and then specify a different format for a **R**ow. Or you may format a **R**ow and a **C**olumn differently. Where formats differ, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> uses the following order of precedence.

1. **E**ntry
2. **R**ow
3. **C**olumn
4. **G**lobal



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Thus, if you specify options using the **G**lobal level, then later select different options for a **C**olumn, the **C**olumn options override the **G**lobal options for that column. Similarly, if you select options for a **R**ow, the cell that intersects the column takes on the row options. Finally, any cells specified using **E**ntry override all other specifications.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts with the format options.

(I,G,E,\$,R,L,TR,TL,\*,U(1-8),H,D,Column width)

- I** Integer -- Displays numbers as integers, rounding as necessary to produce whole numbers. No decimal point displays.
- G** General -- Displays numbers as an integer if the number is an integral value, or in decimal format if the column width allows. Numbers larger than the column width display in Exponential format.
- E** Exponential -- Displays numbers in exponential form using conventional scientific notation. Numbers are expressed as a power of ten containing one significant figure to the left of the decimal point. The letter *e* delineates the numeral from the order of magnitude. For example, 1776 is 1.776e3.
- \$** Money -- Displays numbers with two digits after the decimal point. The character ( $\$$ ) does not display. To display the \$, use the *Floating \$* User-defined format option.
- R** Right justifies formula values including dates and textual values.
- L** Left justifies formula values including dates and textual values.
- TR** Right justifies text entries.
- TL** Left justifies text entries.
- \*** Graphic Format -- Displays asterisks to represent numbers. Use this format to create a bar graph. For example the number 1 displays as 1 asterisk, the number 5 as five asterisks, etc. For an example, see Lesson 6, Chapter 3.



**U(1-8)** User-defined format – Displays the cell value according to the characteristics defined in the selected column of the User-defined format table.

**H** Hide causes the cell to display as blank. The value does not display on screen nor print on the printer. The Cell Content is not affected.

**D** Removes previously set format options at the level and for the range specified. At the Global level Default returns the display format to its initial settings:

- G** General
- TL** Text Left Justification
- R** Right numeric justification
- 9** column width

**(0-127)** Enter a number (0-127) to set the column width between 0-127. Column width can be set for **G**lobal and **C**olumn formats only, not for **R**ow and **E**ntry formats.

## User-Defined Formats

The **D**efine option specifies seven display properties for eight User-defined formats. Any of the eight User-defined formats may contain any combination of properties.

The User-Defined format has two aspects.

1. You specify the properties for each format using a built-in table of options.
2. You assign the formats to the cells that you want to contain those properties. To change the properties of a group of cells, all you need to do is redefine the format in the format table. The displays are changed automatically.



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The **D**efine option shows you the default User-defined format table. You can move the cursor to any location in the format table and your choices display in the prompt line.

	User-defined formats							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Floating \$	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Embedded Commas	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Minus in ( )	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Zero as Blank	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
%	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Decimal Places	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Scaling Factor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CTRLZ to return to spreadsheet

The prompt line shows the valid choices, either Y/N or 0-7. Each property is described below.

#### Floating \$

- Y** Precedes numeric values with a Dollar Sign (\$).
- N** A Dollar Sign is not used.

**Note:** This property is not the same as the \$ option from the **/Format** options list, which displays numbers using 2 decimal places, but without a dollar sign.

#### Embedded Commas

- Y** Enters a comma between every third place to the left of the decimal for a numeric value.
- N** No commas are entered into numeric data.



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## Minus in ( )

- Y** Encloses negative numeric values in parentheses. Positive numbers are shifted one place to the left to align the decimal point with negative numbers in the same column. Note that on some equipment negative numbers also display in red.
- N** Precedes negative numeric values with a minus sign (-).

## Zero as Blank

- Y** Displays a blank if the numeric value of the cell is zero.
- N** Displays a zero if the numeric value of the cell is zero.

## %

- Y** Multiplies a numeric value by 100 and expresses it as a percent with a (%) appended.
- N** The numeric value is unaffected.

## Decimal Places (Alignment)

- 0-7** Specifies the number of digits displayed after the decimal point. Internally, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> continues to work with 16 decimal places.

Note: Setting this value to 2 has the same effect as the **Format,\$** option.

## Scaling Factor

- 0-7** Specifies the power of ten by which the number displayed is scaled down. The cell value is divided by the power of 10 indicated. For example, a scaling factor of 3 displays the actual cell value divided by 1000 (in *thousands*).



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### Format Types

There are four types of display format characteristics. Each cell has one and only one format characteristic from each category in effect at any given time. When you assign a new display format option, it replaces the current one for that category.

1. Numeric representation (in value display mode)

<b>I</b>	Integer
<b>G</b>	General
<b>E</b>	Exponential
<b>\$</b>	Money format
<b>*</b>	Graphic display
<b>U(1-8)</b>	User-defined format
<b>H</b>	Hide (Note: Also hides <i>Text</i> and <i>Rtxt</i> entries).

2. Formula justification, including numeric, date and textual value (in value or formula display mode).

<b>R</b>	Right numeric justification
<b>L</b>	Left numeric justification

3. Text justification

<b>TR</b>	Right text justification
<b>TL</b>	Left text justification

4. Column width

<b>(0-127)</b>	Set the column width to the designated number.
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5. The **D**efault option sets the following options, one from each category.

<b>G</b>	General
<b>R</b>	Right numeric justification
<b>TL</b>	Left text justification
<b>9</b>	column width



### Examples:

Format column E to be 12 characters wide:

```
/Format,Column,E,12 (↵)
```

Format rows 7 to 12 to be TextRight:

```
/Format,Row,7:12,TextRight, (↵)
```

Globally format spreadsheet for money format and 11 character column width:

```
/Format,Global,$,11, (↵)
```

Format block for exponential format:

```
/Format,Entry,A7:H8,Exponential, (↵)
```

### Special Considerations:

1. A cell takes on the format of the highest format option used to define it. The precedence order is:

**E**ntry  
**R**ow  
**C**olumn  
**G**lobal

- When you select the **Format,Default** option, the cell takes on the properties of the level under it.
2. You may specify as many options as you wish on the **Format** command line. However, only the last option you specify from each format type category will be in effect.
  3. When SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> first loads, without any resident spreadsheet, all cells display as if the **Format,Global,Default**, command has been issued from the keyboard. This default sets the following:

**G** General  
**R** Right numeric justify  
**TL** Left text justify  
**9** Column width



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4. To cope with *narrow* columns when displaying numeric values, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> has several tactics:
  - a. Round off and drop the right most mantissa digits (the digits to the right of the decimal point).
  - b. Omit the decimal point, i.e. display in Integer format.
  - c. Display >>>> characters when the integer will not fit in the column.
5. The number of decimal places displayed is affected by the display option and the column width selected. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> always uses a full 16 digits when calculating. This may result in displayed numbers not *adding up*, when, for example, the **F**ormat,**\$** is used. The ROUND function (Chapter 8) may be used to force SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to calculate to a certain limited precision (for example pennies).
6. The User-defined format table is **S**aved with the spreadsheet on disk, and is reset to the default state (all Floating Dollar, Embedded Commas and two decimal places) by **Z**ap,**Y**es. **Z**ap,**C**ontents preserves the state of the table.

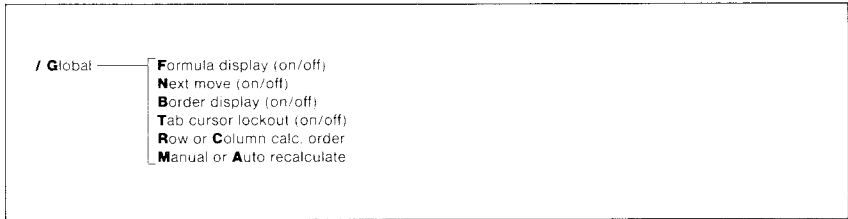




## Global


### Synopsis:

Set the spreadsheet global options.



### Command Description:

The **G**lobal command specifies the global display and calculation options. These options specify settings for the entire spreadsheet.

- F** The **F**orm. option alternates the spreadsheet between displaying the cell contents and the cell values. The cell contents is the literal data entered into the cell, such as a formula or a number. The cell value is the result of evaluating the cell content, such as the number produced by evaluating the formula.
- When F is off, Formula cells display the cell values.
  - When F is on, Formula cells display the cell contents.
- N** The **N**ext option turns off/on the spreadsheet cursor *auto-advance*. The default is *on*.
- When Next is on, the spreadsheet cursor advances in the current direction after an entry of data with a . The current direction displays in column one of the Active Cell Status line. It is determined by the direction of the prior cursor move.
  - When Next is off, the spreadsheet cursor does not advance. The cursor direction indicator is absent from the Active Cell Status line.



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**B** The **B**order option turns on/off the display of the column/row borders. The border is the number column along the left side and the letter row along the top of the spreadsheet. The default is *on*.

- When the border is on, it is displayed on the console and printed with the report.
- When the border is off, it does not display on the console, nor print with the report.

**T** The **T**ab option turns on/off the cursor lockout option. In the **T**ab mode, the cursor automatically jumps to only non-blank, non-protected cells. The **T**ab option is useful to speed data entry by skipping designated cells. The default is off.

- When the tab option is off, the spreadsheet cursor may be positioned in any cell.
- When the tab option is on, the spreadsheet cursor keys can position the cursor in non-blank, non-protected cells only.

See the **X**(eXecute) section for details on how to construct a *black box* or *canned* application using **G**lobal, **T**ab and **X**(eXecute).

**Note:** The *GoTo* (≡) command can position the cursor at any cell, even when the **T**ab option is on.

**R,C** Specifying **R**ow or **C**olumn determines the order that SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> calculates your spreadsheet. All calculations begin with cell A1. The default is Row-wise calculation.

**R** **R**ow calculates cells across a row from left to right before moving down to the next row.

**C** **C**olumn calculates cells down a column from top to bottom before moving right to the next column.

**M,A** Specifying **M**anual or **A**uto determines when SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> recalculates your spreadsheet. The default is Auto.



- A** **A**uto automatically recalculates the entire spreadsheet each time new data are entered or after an **A**rrange, **B**lank, **C**opy, **D**elete, **L**oad, **M**ove or **R**eplicate command is executed.
- M** **M**anual requires you to use the **(F)** command to force recalculation.

Note that since the **M**anual/**A**uto status is saved with the spreadsheet on disk, the calculation after a **L**oad,**A**ll depends on the state in which the spreadsheet was saved.

## Special Considerations:

1. The **M**anual option is especially helpful when you have a large spreadsheet and are entering a significant amount of data as you do not have to wait for recalculation each time. On the other hand, **A**uto recalculation always keeps your spreadsheet up-to-date.
2. When both the **T**ab option and **N**ext option are on, the cursor moves automatically to the next unprotected, non-blank cell after data entry.
3. See the **X**(eXecute) command.



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### Insert

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## Insert

### Synopsis:

Inserts an empty row range or column range and adjusts formulas.

```
/Insert [ Row row range ↵  
        Column column range ↵ ]
```

### Command Description:

The **Insert** command adds a row range or column range and adjusts the formulas for the remainder of the spreadsheet. Columns move to the right of the inserted columns and rows move down from the inserted rows. If there are cells in any row that would be pushed past 254 or column past BK, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> won't allow the insert. You must first delete an appropriate number of rows/columns, then retry the insert.

### Examples:

Insert a row between rows 4 & 5:

```
/Insert,Row,5 ↵
```

Insert 3 columns between columns D & E:

```
/Insert,Column,E:G ↵
```

### Special Considerations:

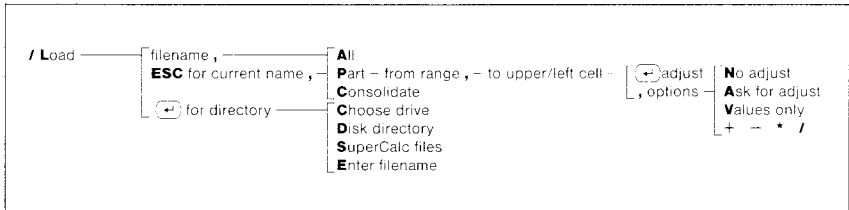
1. There is no provision to not adjust formulas.



## Load

### Synopsis:

Load the spreadsheet contents, values and format settings from a disk file. You may load all or part of the spreadsheet at a location you specify. Options give a choice of formula adjustment or values only or consolidation arithmetic.



### Command Description:

The **L**oad command reads the cell contents, cell values and format settings from a disk file into the current spreadsheet. You may load **A**ll or **P**art of a spreadsheet.

Enter the name of the file you wish to load preceded by the disk drive, if necessary. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> looks for a file with the .CAL extension unless you specify otherwise.

If the **(ESC)** key is pressed in response to the filename prompt, the name of the last file **L**oaded is placed on the entry line. If a **(dir icon)** is entered, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to examine the directory of files on your disk.

When you load **A**ll of the spreadsheet it loads exactly in the form in which it was saved.

### Consolidation of Spreadsheets

The **C**onsolidate option sums the contents of corresponding cells of a disk file with the contents of the spreadsheet file. When you select the consolidate option, corresponding cells of the disk file are added to the value of the spreadsheet file and the sum replaces the contents of the spreadsheet cell.



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To load a partial spreadsheet, first specify **P**art, then specify the source cell range. The destination cell becomes the upper left corner of the region to be loaded. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> assumes that the range of the destination will be the same size as the source range. **C**olumn, **R**ow, **G**lobal, **U**ser-defined formats and settings such as **G**lobal, **M**anual, Active Cell position, Current cursor direction and **W**indow and **T**itle information are not loaded with a partial load. Cell **E**ntry formats are loaded.

The options allow you to specify Formula Adjustment or Consolidation arithmetic for the Destination Range. A  provides the default option, formula adjustment. To select another option, enter a comma  followed by the option.

#### Formula Adjustment Options

- Formula Adjust – The default selection copies and adjusts formulas to their new location.
- N** **No** Adjust – Copies cell contents literally with no formula adjustment.
- A** **Ask** for Adjust – Prompts for formula adjustment for each cell copied. The Command line displays the formula and the Prompt line displays the source cells. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts for each cell reference adjustment.
- V** **Values** – Copies cell values only as numeric constants. Formulas do not copy. Dates change to their DVAL function value.

#### Consolidation Arithmetic Options

- +** Adds each source cell value to the corresponding destination cell value and enters the sum into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- Subtracts each source cell value from the corresponding destination cell value and enters the difference into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- \*** Multiplies each source cell value with the corresponding destination cell value and enters the product into the destination cell as a numeric constant.

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- / Divides each destination cell value by the corresponding source cell value and enters the quotient into the destination cell as a numeric constant.

The effect of a consolidation arithmetic operation depends upon the contents of the corresponding spreadsheet and disk file cells. There are four cases to consider.

- A blank spreadsheet cell and a blank disk file cell result in a consolidated blank cell.
- A blank spreadsheet cell and a non-blank disk file cell result in a consolidated blank cell.
- A non-blank spreadsheet cell and a blank disk file cell result in a consolidated cell that is unchanged from the formula spreadsheet cell.
- A numeric spreadsheet cell and a numeric disk file cell result in a consolidated cell that is the result of performing the selected operation.

The following table summarizes the above.

		DISK	
		Blank	Formula*
SPREADSHEET	Blank	Blank	Blank
	Formula*	Spreadsheet Content	Spreadsheet + Disk File Value

**Note:** The following types of cells are not affected:

- |                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Text String cells       | Textual Value cells |
| Protected Formula cells | N/A cells           |
| Date cells              | ERROR cells         |



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You can *Load* a disk file on top of a spreadsheet file. Corresponding cells of the disk file replace those of the current spreadsheet file. There are four cases to consider.

- A blank spreadsheet cell and a blank disk file cell result in a blank cell.
- A blank spreadsheet cell and a non-blank disk file cell result in the contents of the disk file cell.
- A non-blank spreadsheet cell and a blank disk file cell result in the contents of the non-blank spreadsheet cell.
- A non-blank spreadsheet cell and a non-blank disk file cell result in the contents of the non-blank disk file cell.

The following diagram illustrates each case:

		DISK FILE	
		Blank	Non-Blank
SPREADSHEET	Blank	Blank	Disk File Content
	Non-Blank	Spreadsheet Content	Disk File Content

### Examples:

To load an entire file from the system drive:

**/Load,QUARTER,All**

To load part of a file on drive B:

**/Load,B:INCOME,Part,F4:F25,A4,Values**





To replace a section of the current contents of the spreadsheet with that of a disk file:

**/Load, filename, Part, C3:F20, C3** (↔)

To sum the values of the current spreadsheet with those of a disk file:

**/Load, filename, Consolidate**

To sum the values of a section of the current spreadsheet with those of a disk file:

**/Load, filename, Part, C3:F20, C3, +**

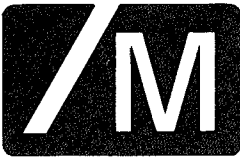
**Note:** This method is a good way to link spreadsheets together if one large spreadsheet is too large to fit in memory. For example, load the first spreadsheet, then delete everything but its *bottom line*. Then load the next spreadsheet which references the first bottom line for its calculations.

## Special Considerations:

1. If there are protected cells in the destination area, they will remain unchanged.
2. See the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory section at the beginning of this chapter.
3. The following two commands options produce identical results:

**/Load, filename, Consolidate**

**/Load, filename, Part, A1:BK254, A1, +**



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### Move

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## Move

### Synopsis:

Moves a row range or column range to a new location and adjusts the formulas.

`/Move` --- `Row` --- from row range, --- to row number   
`Column` --- from column range, --- to column letter 

### Command Description:

The **M**ove command transfers the column range or row range to a new location. The formulas adjust without destroying any data or formatting. You move a column range left or right. The columns between the old and new locations move in the opposite direction to fill in the space. You move a row range up or down. The rows between the new and old location move in the opposite direction to fill in the space.

Formulas on the spreadsheet adjust as necessary to preserve references to cell contents at the new locations.

### Examples:

Move row 5 between rows 11 and 12:

`/Move,Row,5,12` 

Move columns C to E between columns I and J:

`/Move,Column,C:E,J` 

### Special Considerations:

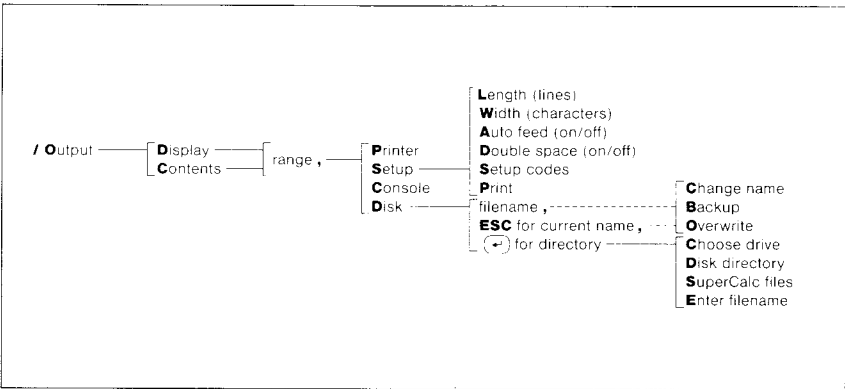
1. There is no provision to move without formula adjustment.
2. See the **D**efine and **I**nsert commands.



### Output

#### Synopsis:

Writes all or part of the spreadsheet to the printer, the terminal or a disk file. Options allow writing the displayed information or the cell contents listing.



#### Command Description:

The **O**utput command writes all or part of the spreadsheet to the printer, the terminal, or a text file on disk. If you write your report to a disk file, you can use the SuperWriter™ program (or other word processing programs) to edit or reformat your report before printing. You can include SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> reports in other documents as you wish.

Your first option selects the mode of the output.

- D** The **D**isplay option outputs the spreadsheet as it displays on the terminal. You may display the cell values in any display format or display the cell content.
- C** The **C**ontent option lists the cell contents one per line. The information includes the display format (entry level only), the protection status, and the cell content.

Your next option selects the range to output. Specify a cell, partial row, partial column, block or *All* for the entire spreadsheet.



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Your third option selects the output device.

- P** **Printer** sends your report to the printer. The default line length is 132 and the page length is 66. If your spreadsheet exceeds the line length, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prints as many columns as it can on one page and prints the excess columns on another page. Use **Setup** to alter the defaults before printing.
- S** **Setup** allows you to change the default printing specifications. You may change any or all of these specifications. Use this option before printing to change such things as print 80 columns and compressed format.
- L** **Length** specifies the number of lines per page. The default is 66. You may select from 0-255 lines. If you specify zero, the report prints continuously with no top or bottom margins.
- W** **Width** specifies the number of characters per line. The default is 132. You may select from 0-255 characters. Width does not affect the terminal display width. You can alter the display width on a file written to disk. See Special Consideration 4.
- A** **Auto Form Feed**. When Auto Form Feed is off, you must press the space bar after each page to continue printing. When auto form feed is on, the printer does not stop after printing each page. The default is off.
- D** **Double Space Report Setting**. When Double Space is off, you get a single spaced report. When Double Space is on, you get a double spaced report. The default is off.
- S** **Setup** specifies any initialization string to send to your printer to initiate special functions, such as compressed type or bold face type. These specifications remain in effect until you either change them or quit SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, in which case the defaults are reset. They are not stored on disk with the file. When entering manual setup codes, enter the actual control sequences, not the Hex values for



those sequences. The proper sequences are in your printer operator manual. Make sure your printer is turned on and on line before setting these options. For example, to put an Epson MX80 printer into compressed print mode, enter a **(CTRL | O)**. The screen does not display anything, but the **(CTRL | O)** is sent to the printer. You may send a string of any length, terminated with a **(↵)**.

- P** **Print** sends your report to the printer using the specifications you have set.
- C** The **Console** option displays the output on your terminal or *console*. This option is useful for checking your report before printing.
- D** **Disk** sends your report to a disk file. The report is saved on the disk in the same form as it appears on your console or prints on the printer. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> gives the filename the .PRN extension unless you specify otherwise in the filename. If the file already exists, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> gives you the following options.

If the **(ESC)** key is pressed in response to the filename prompt, the name of the last file **L**oaded is placed on the entry line. If a **(↵)** is entered, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to examine the directory of files on your disk.

If you specify the name of an existing file, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> gives you the following options.

- C** **Change Name.** You may edit or change the name of the file here.
- B** **Backup** changes the extension of the existing file to .BAK and then writes your spreadsheet onto the disk using the .CAL extension. Your old file remains unchanged and is available as a backup. If a .BAK file already exists, it is deleted permanently from the disk prior to the renaming.
- O** **Overwrite** erases the old file from the disk and creates a new file of the same name containing your current spreadsheet.



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A .PRN text file may be used in conjunction with other programs such as SuperWriter. You can enhance the report, include it in your documents and/or otherwise use the full range of editing capability of your text editor.

**Note:** The .PRN file produced is not the same as the .CAL file produced by the **S**ave command. The .PRN file is an ASCII file that can be edited using SuperWriter or other text editor. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> cannot *load* a .PRN file. A .CAL file is a binary file and cannot be edited with SuperWriter.

#### Examples:

Output display report to the printer:

```
/Output,Display,ALL,Printer
```

Output content report of row B to printer, changing to print on continuous forms:

```
/Output,Contents,B,Setup,Length,O,↵,Print
```

Remove borders and output to a disk file:

```
/Global,Borders  
/Output,Display,A1:J23,Disk,B:WORK1 ↵
```

To send an initialization string to your printer to perform special functions: (In this case **CTRL O**)

```
/Output,Display,ALL,Setup,Setup,CTRL O  
↵,Width,233,Print
```

This command line sets some printers to print compressed type, increases the number of characters per line (if you want to print more than 132 characters), and prints. These parameters are in use until you change them or quit the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. When entering manual setup codes, enter the actual control sequences, not the Hex values for those sequences. You will find these in the manual for your particular printer. Make sure your printer is turned on and on-line.



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## Special Considerations:

1. See **X**(eXecute) for .XQT files that can be created on a spreadsheet, then saved using the **/O**Output command.
2. See **L**oad and **S**ave for .CAL files
3. See the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory section at the beginning of this chapter.
4. You can alter the width on a file written to disk. Select the Setup Option, and specify the width. There is no disk file option here, so use **(CTRL | Z)** to go back to the spreadsheet. The width setting still is in effect, so now use **/O**Output again and select the Disk write option.
5. The Automatic Carriage Return/Line Feed may be configured using the INSTALL program. This sets the default setting of the Auto Form Feet Setup Option.
6. Text cell entries that extend past the last column specified (or the last column that contains an entry if **A**ll is specified) are *clipped* to the end of the last column.



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## Protect

### Synopsis:

Protects the cell contents and formatting of a cell range from change.

`/Protect` [range] for active cell only

### Command Description:

The **Protect** command prevents the cell contents and display formats of non-blank cells in a cell range from change. Data may not be entered, edited or the format changed for cells that are protected.

Omit the range to protect the Active Cell singularly.

### Examples:

Protect a specified cell:

`/Protect,C3`

Protect a partial column:

`/Protect,C3:C9`

Protect a partial row:

`/Protect,C3:G3`

Protect a block:

`/Protect,C3:G9`

Protect the Active Cell:

`/Protect`

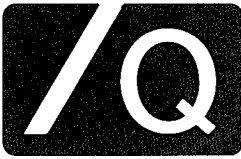




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## Special Considerations:

1. **B**lank, **C**opy, **R**eplicate and **L**oad all bypass protected cells. The commands operate normally on surrounding cells but leave the protected cells unchanged.
2. **D**elete does not work on rows or columns containing a protected cell.
3. **Z**ap overrides protected cells to delete the entire spreadsheet. **P**rotect has no effect on **Z**ap.
4. There is no error if you attempt to **P**rotect cells that are already protected.
5. See the **U**nprotect command which is used to reverse the protect.
6. Protected cells display with a different attribute (intensity, color) from non-protected cells on some computers.



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### Quit

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## Quit

### Synopsis:

Exits from SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to the operating system.

/ Quit	Yes to erase all not saved & exit No to cancel this command To erase all & run another program — program filename (↵)
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### Command Description:

The **Quit** command exits SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, returning you to the operating system.

**Yes** returns you to the operating system. The spreadsheet is erased from the computer's memory. **Save** it before **Quit** if you want to keep it.

**No** cancels the **Quit** command and returns you to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

**To** allows you to go directly from SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to any other program. Specify the name of the file you want to run (precede the name with a disk drive if necessary). SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> exits and the program you name begins.

If the (ESC) key is pressed in response to the filename prompt, the name of the last file **Loaded** is placed on the entry line. If a (↵) is entered, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to examine the directory of files on your disk.

### Special Considerations:

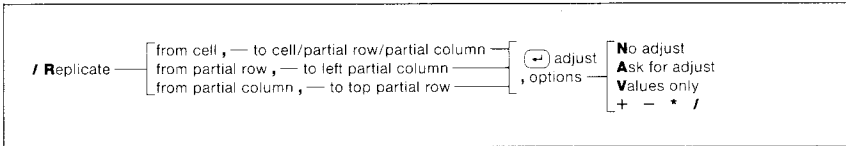
1. You can also cancel the **Quit** command using (CTRL | C) or (F2) or (CTRL | Z). Both have the same result as a **No** reply.



## Replicate

### Synopsis:



Makes a one-to-many copy of a cell to a group of cells, a partial column to a group of partial columns, or a partial row to a group of partial rows. Options give a choice of formula adjustment, values only, or consolidation arithmetic.




### Command Description:

The **Replicate** command duplicates a one-to-many copy of the source into a destination that is equal to or larger than the source. The source may be a cell, partial row or partial column but not a block. **Replicate** can make the following duplications:

- A single cell into a partial column or partial row.
- A partial column into a group of partial columns. Specify the destination range by the left and right cells on the top row of the destination group.
- A partial row into a group of partial rows. Specify the destination range by the upper and lower cells for the left column of the destination group.

The options allow you to specify Formula Adjustment or Consolidation arithmetic for the Destination Range. A  provides the default option, formula adjustment. To select another option, enter a comma  and the desired option.

-  Formula Adjust – The default selection copies and adjusts formulas to their new location.
- N** **No Adjust** – Copies cell contents literally with no formula adjustment.



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- A** **Ask for Adjust** – Prompts for formula adjustment for each cell copied. The Command line displays the formula and the Prompt line displays the source cells. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> prompts for each cell reference adjustment.
- V** **Values** – Copies cell values only as numeric constants. Formulas are evaluated and their values only (not the actual formulas) are copied. Dates change to their DVAL function value.
- +** Adds each source cell value to the corresponding destination cell value and enters the sum into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- Subtracts each source cell value from the corresponding destination cell value and enters the difference into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- \*** Multiplies each source cell value with the corresponding destination cell value and enters the product into the destination cell as a numeric constant.
- /** Divides each destination cell value by the corresponding source cell value and enters the quotient into the destination cell as a numeric constant.

### Examples:

Replicate a cell into a partial column:

**/Replicate,B12,E3:E8** (↔)

Replicate a cell into a partial row:

**/Replicate,B12,E3:J3** (↔)

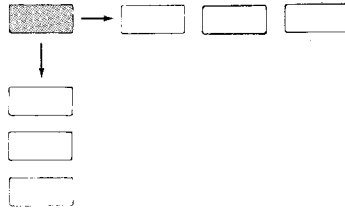


Illustration 7-1: Replicate a single cell

Replicate a partial column into a group of partial columns:

**/Replicate, B3:B7, D3:J3** ↻

In this example, the partial column is five cells deep. The result will be a block of cells repeating that partial column seven times. The top of that block is on row 3.

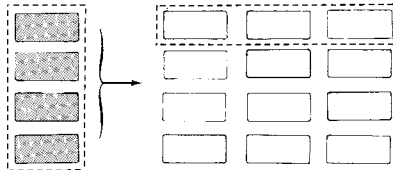


Illustration 7-2: Replicate a partial column.

Replicate a partial row into a group of partial rows:

**/Replicate, B3:F3, G3:G5** ↻

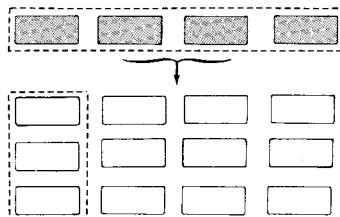


Illustration 7-3: Replicate a partial row.



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The partial row here is five cells across. The result will be a block of cells repeating the partial row three times. The left side of that block is column G.

Replicate without adjustment:

**/Replicate,B12,E3:E8,N**

Replicate, ask for individual choice of adjustment:

**/Replicate,B12,E3:J3,A**

#### Special Considerations:

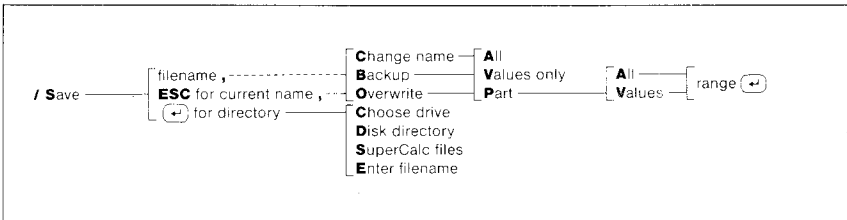
1. Using **Replicate** to make a one-to-one copy provides results identical to the **Copy** command.
2. **Replicate** can make multiple copies of a cell, row or column. **Copy** makes only single copies of a cell, row, column or block. **Copy** can do one thing **Replicate** cannot do. **Copy** can duplicate a block.



## Save

### Synopsis:

Writes the spreadsheet on a disk file. Options give a choice of saving the entire spreadsheet or values only.



### Command Description:

The **S**ave command writes the spreadsheet onto a disk file while retaining it in computer memory. You may write the entire spreadsheet or only a portion of it. You may save the cell contents or only the values.

Enter the name for your file. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> appends the file extension .CAL to the file unless you specify another.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> saves the file on the disk on which SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> resides unless you specify another. If the (ESC) key is pressed in response to the filename prompt, the name of the last file Loaded is placed on the entry line. If a (F3) is entered, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to examine the directory of files on your disk.

If you specify the name of an existing file, the program gives you the following options.

- C**      **C**hange Name. You may edit or change the name of the file here.
- B**      **B**ackup changes the extension of the existing file to .BAK and then writes your spreadsheet onto the disk using the .CAL extension. Your old file remains unchanged and is available as a backup. If a .BAK file already exists, it is deleted permanently from the disk prior to the renaming.



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**Note:** To load a .BAK file, you must specify the .BAK extension.

- O**      **O**verwrite erases the old file from the disk and creates a new file of the same name containing your current spreadsheet. Use with caution!

You then specify the part of the file to save

- A**      **A**ll saves the entire file on disk. The cell contents, cell values and display formats are saved. Also, the global options, title locking, window splitting and Active Cell location are saved.
- V**      **V**alues -- The Cell Values are saved as numeric constants. Display formats are also saved. The Cell Contents are not saved.
- P**      **P**art saves the portion of the spreadsheet you specify.
  - A**      **A**ll saves all the cell data for the partial spreadsheet.
  - V**      **V**alues saves only the values for the partial spreadsheet. Dates are stored as their DVAL value.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> then prompts for the Cell Range.

### Examples:

Save the entire file:

**/Save,WORK5,All**

Save the values of the spreadsheet on drive B:

**/Save,B:WORK5,Values**





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## Special Considerations:

1. See the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory section at the beginning of this chapter.
2. For the **B**ackup and **O**verwrite options, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> deletes an existing file permanently from the disk, not just from the disk directory. Recovery is not possible, even with a disk utility program.
3. **S**ave writes the file in binary format on the disk. That is, the file is readable by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> but not by the SuperWriter program (or by other word processing programs).
4. Use the Sorcim program *Super Data Interchange* to convert a .CAL file to a .CSV file. The .CSV file can be edited with SuperWriter. it can also be used for any other applications program that uses comma separated values, such as a BASIC program.
5. See the **O**utput and **X**(eXecute) commands.



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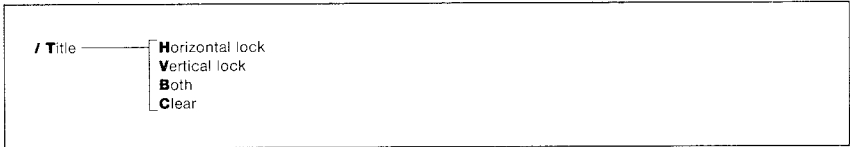
### Title

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## Title

### Synopsis:

Locks columns, rows, or both into place on the display window.



### Command Description:

The **T**itle command locks columns/rows on the display window.

- A locked column scrolls vertically but not horizontally.
- A locked row scrolls horizontally but not vertically.
- A combination column/row lock does not scroll.

The **T**itle options are:

- H**      **H**orizontal locks the current row and all rows above it.
- V**      **V**ertical locks the current column and all columns to the left of it.
- B**      **B**oth locks the current row and column, and all rows above and columns to the left.
- C**      **C**lears the title lock.

Specifying a new title lock replaces a prior one.

The cursor commands cannot move the spreadsheet cursor into a title lock area. Use the *GoTo* (⇧) command to do this.



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## Special Considerations:

1. Any subsequent command that makes a title impossible to display, such as a **/Format** or **/Window** command causes SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to clear the title lock. A message displays on the Active Cell Status line.
2. The title lock display is stored on a disk file. It does not transfer to the output such as to the printer or to a .PRN file. To print titles on other than the first page, you must move (or copy) the title column/rows to the desired location prior to printing. You will most likely need to print a rough draft to determine the proper column/row.
3. An alternate method to print titles for other than the adjacent column to the title lock is to format *intervening* columns to a column width of zero, then print the spreadsheet.



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### Unprotect

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## Unprotect

### Synopsis:

Removes protection from a cell range.

```
/Unprotect [range]
            [↔] for active cell only
```

### Command Description:

The **U**nprotect command removes protection from a range. There is no error if you attempt to unprotect cells that are not protected.

### Examples:

To remove protection from a cell:

```
/Unprotect,C3 ↔
```

To remove protection from a partial column:

```
/Unprotect,C3:C9 ↔
```

To remove protection from a partial row:

```
/Unprotect,C3:G3 ↔
```

To remove protection from a block of cells:

```
/Unprotect,C3:G9 ↔
```

### Special Considerations:

1. See the **P**rotect command.



## Window

### Synopsis:

Split the display window into two portions, horizontally or vertically.

/ Window	<b>H</b> orizontal split <b>V</b> ertical split <b>C</b> lear to right or below split <b>S</b> ynchronize split-wise scroll <b>U</b> nsynchronize split-wise scroll
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### Command Description:

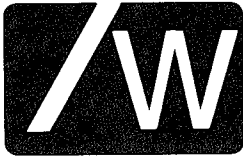
The **W**indow command splits the display window into two separate parts. Each portion can have separate **F**ormat and **G**lobal options. **W**indow uses the current row or column to determine where to split the display.

You move the cursor between windows with the **(;)** command from the spreadsheet mode.

The **W**indow options are:

- H**      Horizontally splits the screen. The current row moves down and the new border replaces it. The Active Cell moves down into the newly created screen.
- V**      Vertically splits the screen. The current column moves right and the new border replaces it. The Active Cell moves right into the newly created screen.
- C**      Clears the split screen. The window that is above or on the left displays in full. The global display options for that window remain in effect.
- S**      **S**ynchronizes scrolling in display windows when the cursor moves parallel to the split.
- U**      **U**nsynchronizes scrolling. The display windows scroll independently.

Some global options can be set independently in each display window.



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#### Special Considerations:

1. Each portion has separate **T**itle lock and global display options, i.e. (**F**ormulas, **N**ext, **B**order, and **T**ab).
2. Your spreadsheet can be **S**aved with the windows set, but cannot be **O**utput showing both windows.

**Note:** You can print any or all of the spreadsheet regardless of which window contains the Active Cell. However, the window containing the spreadsheet cursor controls the print display format.

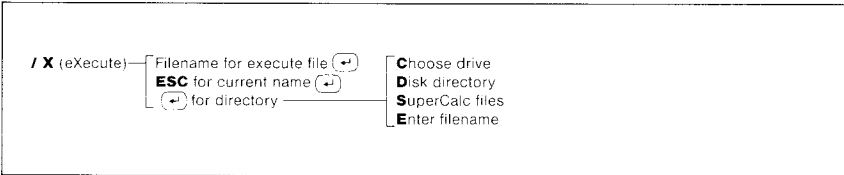
3. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> can display the same cell in each window using different display **F**ormats or **G**lobal display options, thus the same region of the spreadsheet may be viewed as formulas and values simultaneously.
4. Each **W**indow of a split-screen display has its own **T**itle lock specification. Any lock that is meaningful is retained in both windows after a screen is split.



## eXecute

### Synopsis:

Reads and executes commands from a disk file.



### Command Description:

The **X**(eXecute) command enables you to create a disk file with commands and data that perform SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> operations automatically, without any keyboard entry. It has a suspend and resume feature that lets you pass control back and forth between the execute file and the keyboard (for example, to *black box* applications). By using **X**(eXecute) with suspend and resume, you can automate parts of the spreadsheet process such as loading and printing a pre-built file, while retaining the ability to accept keyboard entry, perhaps for data to be entered by an untrained user.

An execute file contains the exact characters you would type at your keyboard. Each line of the file contains exactly the characters you would press to execute a specific command. Characters that SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> supplies through its interpretive prompting must NOT be in the file. For example, for the **Z**ap command, enter **/Z** into the execute file, not **/Zap** or **/Z(ap)**. Every SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> operation is available, including cursor movement (represented by the keys **^**, **v**, **<**, **>** for up, down, left, and right) and data entry.

To start an **X**(eXecute) file, enter **/X**(eXecute) on the command line and then at the prompt specify the filename that you are using for your **X**(eXecute) file. The commands in the file will be carried out. You need only specify the name of the file since SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will automatically seek that name in combination with the filename extension **.XQT**.

You can also specify an execute filename directly when you load SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> from your operating system. For example, to execute the file **SAMPLE.XQT** from the command line enter the following at your system prompt:

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SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> loads and executes the instructions located in the .XQT file. To stop execution, press **CTRL C**.

### Execute Suspend/Resume

To suspend automatic operation of an execute file and *unlock* the keyboard for data entry, include an ampersand (&) in the execute file. When the message *Awaiting keyboard entry* appears, the keyboard unlocks, and you can type in data or any SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> command.

There are two ways to resume automatic operation at the next character of the execute file:

1. Type an ampersand (**&**) command. The ampersand is recognized when the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is in Spreadsheet mode (i.e. such as when a **Z** command would be recognized).
2. When the last unprotected cell of the spreadsheet is entered, with **Global Tabs** and **Next** on (See the **Global** command), the execute file automatically resumes.

### Creating An Execute File

Execute files may be created directly from SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, or you may use SuperWriter or another word processing program. You may create *libraries* of execute files, and *call* them with the eExecute command.

To create an execute file from SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, enter the command key strokes as text in column A, one command per cell. **Output** the file to disk giving it the .XQT extension. If you don't specify an extension, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> automatically gives it the .PRN extension.

When you write an **X**(eExecute) command file to a disk, remember the following:

- The Border must be off. Use the **/Global, B** command.
- The column width of Column A must be greater than the largest command string or commands will be truncated.
- **Save** the file as a .CAL file before outputting it in case you want to edit it later. Use the **/S** command.



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- Output the file to disk giving it the .XQT extension. Use the **/O** output command.

## Examples:

This example shows a command file that consolidates twelve monthly statements into a yearly summary. First enter **/Global, B**order and **/Format, G**lobal, **20** (←). Then enter the following data into column A as text. Remember that you begin a text entry with double quotes (").

```
/zy
/FG$TR
/FR51,TL
/FCI,12
=A1
"JANUARY
"FEBRUARY
"MARCH
"APRIL
"MAY
"JUNE
"JULY
"AUGUST
"SEPTEMBER
"OCTOBER
"NOVEMBER
"DECEMBER
"TOTALS
=A1
/LJAN,PK2:K50,A2,V
/LFEB,PK2:K50,B2,V
/LMAR,PK2:K50,C2,V
/LAPR,PK2:K50,D2,V
/LMAY,PK2:K50,E2,V
/LJUN,PK2:K50,F2,V
/LJUL,PK2:K50,G2,V
/LAUG,PK2:K50,H2,V
/LSEP,PK2:K50,I2,V
```



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```
/LOCT,PK2:K50,J2,V
/LNOV,PK2:K50,K2,V
/LDEC,PK2:K50,L2,V
=M2
SUM(A2:L2)
/RM2,M3:M50
=A51
'_
/FCL,12
=L52
"GRAND TOTAL
SUM(M2:M50)
/SYEAR1,A
```

Notice that at the end of our command file, we have saved the summary with the filename of YEAR1.XQT.

The second example is a spreadsheet application that uses an execute file to load the model, await keyboard entry for sales and cost of sales figures, then print the calculated results and exit from SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

```
/LAUTOFILE,A
/GB&
/ODALL,P
/QY
```

Spreadsheet before executing, with formulas displayed (**/G,F**):

	A	B	C	D	E
1:					
2:			Sample	'black	boxed'
3:			to be	used	with .xqt
4:					file
5:		jan	feb	mar	qtr
6:		---	---	---	---
7: sales		0	0	0	SUM(B7:D7)
8: cost percent		0	0	0	N/A
9: cost of sales		B7*B8	C7*C8	D7*D8	SUM(B9:D9)

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Spreadsheet after executing:

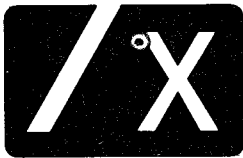
1:	A	B	C	D	E
2:			Sample	'black	boxed'
3:			to be	used	with .xqt
4:					file
5:		jan	feb	mar	qtr
6:		---	---	---	---
7:	sales	\$5,555	\$6,666	\$7,777	\$19,998
8:	cost percent	45%	45%	45%	N/A
9:	cost of sales	\$2,500	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$8,999

Notice that:

1. **Global Next** is set on, as is **Global,Tab**.
2. The entire spreadsheet is **Protected** except for the cells for which data are to be entered (cells B7, C7, D7 and B8). These cells require an initial value of zero for the **Global Tabs** to make the cursor stop in them.
3. User-defined formats are used to translate the initial zeros to blank, and the subsequent numbers to their proper format. In this example, the following User-defined settings were in effect:
  - U1 – floating dollars, commas, zeros as blanks, and 0 decimal places is used for Rows 7 and 9.
  - U2 – zeros as blank, 0 decimals is used for Row 8.

## Special Considerations:

1. See the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> File Directory section at the beginning of this chapter.
2. See **Output** and **Save**.
3. An execute file must be an ASCII file. A binary file such as the .CAL files produced by the **Save** command cannot be executed.



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4. (CTRL | D) in an execute file results in a 1/2 second delay in processing. You can use consecutive (CTRL | D)s to produce the delay time you want.

Note: SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> cannot enter a (CTRL | D) into an .XQT file. You can enter the (CTRL | D) using SuperWriter (or your text editor).

5. When the execute file operation is suspended, any SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> command can be typed from the keyboard; however, many will make no sense, or may even be destructive (for example, you could **Z**ap the current spreadsheet, or **Q**uit the program).
6. The ampersand can never be placed into a cell from the execute file. It is always interpreted as suspending operation and can never be used as a literal.
7. The ampersand can appear:
- As many times as you want in the execute file.
  - At any place on any line in the execute file (in fact, if you put it on a separate line in the execute file, it will be interpreted as & ↵).
8. An ampersand entered into a cell as text does not pass control back to the execute file.
9. When **G**lobal Tabs are on, you can use combinations of &s and GoTos to set up interactive prompting for data values by insuring that each GoTo expands the size of the spreadsheet. For example, the command file might look like this:

```
=A2&  
=B3&
```

If cells A1 and B2 contained prompts (such as enter sales -- or cost of sales -- now), after each prompt, the user would be allowed to type data, which would be in the last current open cell, and which would resume operation of the execute file at the next line, thus moving the cursor to the next prompt and data entry cell, and so forth.

10. To terminate the execution of an .XQT file, and return control to the keyboard, enter a (CTRL | C) from the keyboard.



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## Zap

### Synopsis:

Sets the entire spreadsheet to empty cells and resets all format settings. Equivalent to a fresh start.

<code>/Zap</code>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Y</b>es to erase all not saved</li><li><b>N</b>o to cancel this command</li><li><b>C</b>ontents to erase all but User-defined table</li></ul>
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### Command Description:

The **Zap** command erases the cell contents and resets the display format for the entire spreadsheet. The User-defined format table is reset to the default settings. **Zap** overrides protected cells.

**Zap** is equivalent to a fresh start. All cells become empty and all format settings and modes of operation revert to their standard settings.

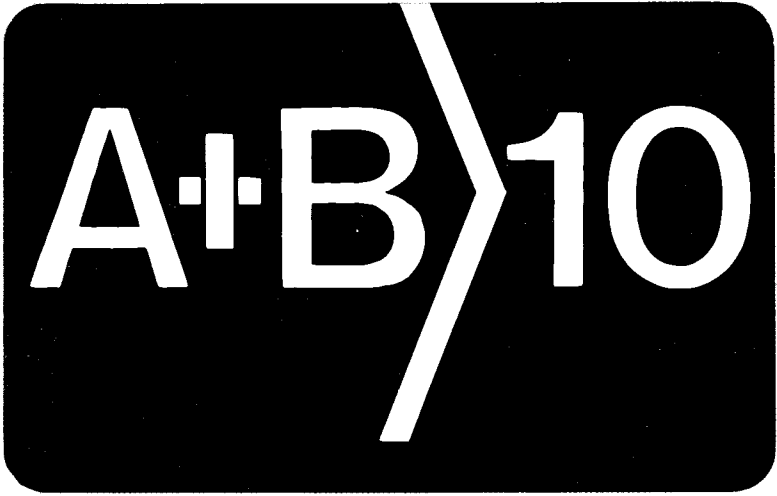
The **C**ontents option erases the spreadsheet and resets the display format settings. The User-defined format table retains its current settings.

### Examples:

```
/Zap,Y  
/Zap,N
```

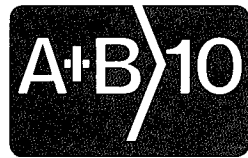
### Special Considerations:

1. **Zap** is the only command that overrides protection of cells.
2. Remember, when you zap the spreadsheet, nothing remains.
3. It is a good practice to use the **Zap** command when changing spreadsheets rather than just loading a new one on top of the old one.



**SuperCalc2 Formulas**

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## 8. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Formulas

### SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Formulas

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> formulas specify mathematical calculations and relationships. They consist of operands and operators combined in such a way as to produce a value. When entered into a cell, a formula becomes the cell content.

A maximum of 116 characters can be entered into any one cell. You can construct a longer formula by entering parts of it into separate cells, then referencing those cells.

### Formula Values

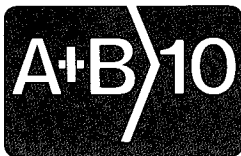
The value of a cell containing a formula is the result obtained by evaluating the content in the cell. A formula may take on five types of values.

- Numeric
- Date
- Textual
- Not Available
- Error

The type of value that a formula may compute is not fixed when the formula is entered. This is in contrast to the cell type that is fixed to the formula when the cell content is non-empty and does not begin with a `"` or `'` character.

To illuminate this difference, consider the following example. This formula defines a formula cell (Form=), but the dynamic value type is determined by the value of cell A1 and may be any of the five possible types of values.

```
IF(A1=1,NA,IF(A1=2,ERROR,IF(A1=3,PI,IF(A1=4,("Textual"),TODAY))))
```



This expression evaluates:

- If A1 = 1, the value is the Not Available value.
- If A1 = 2, the value is the Error value.
- If A1 = 3, the value is the numeric value 3.14159265358979
- If A1 = 4, the value is Textual.
- If A1 = 5, the value is the Date value representing today.

## Operators

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> uses three types of mathematical operators.

### **Arithmetic Operator**

An arithmetic operator defines the arithmetic operation performed between two numeric operands. The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> operators are described below.

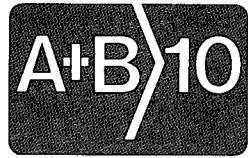
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division
%	PerCent
^ or **	Exponent

The arithmetic operators are evaluated according to algebraic precedence. The exponent operator is evaluated first. The multiplication, division and percent operators are evaluated next. The addition and subtraction operators are evaluated last.

Examples:

- 1)  $4 + 5 * 2 \wedge 2$  is the same as  
 $4 + (5 * (2 \wedge 2))$  or  
24
- 2)  $-2 \wedge 2$  is the same as  
 $-(2 \wedge 2)$  or  
-4





## ***Parentheses***

Parentheses operators define the precedence order of calculation within a mathematical formula. Operations enclosed within parentheses are calculated first. The use of parentheses overrides the algebraic precedence order of arithmetic operators. Parentheses can be nested.

## **Operands**

An operand is a numerical value. It may be obtained as the result of a constant, a cell reference, the evaluation of a formula, or function.

## ***Constants***

There are two types of constants: numeric and textual.

### **Numeric Constant (Value)**

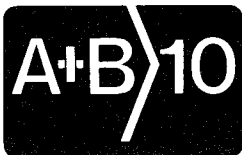
A numeric constant is any number such as an integer or decimal number or an exponential number. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> accepts a maximum 16 decimal places for a numeric constant.

### **Textual Constant (Value)**

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> allows you to enter text (non-numeric characters) into a cell and subsequently reference the cell content in a formula expression. Enter the text as a textual value by enclosing it in double quotes and parentheses. For example, to enter the word Debit as a textual value, enter (**"Debit"**).

This is quite different from text entered as a Text Cell. Such text has a value of zero when referenced in a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> formula.

Text entered as a textual value may be referenced by other cells either singly or used to construct certain expressions. Such references may be used in the construction of lookup tables and conditional expressions.



## SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Formulas

### Operands

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A textual value has the following characteristics.

- A maximum of nine characters are accepted. If you attempt to exceed this limit, a Formula ERROR results.
- A textual value may contain any character including punctuation characters and numbers. Numbers in a textual value do not have any mathematical significance.
- Use the double quote character twice to enter it once into a Text Function. For example:

**(""SELL"")** produces "SELL"

- A textual value is similar to a standard text entry except that a textual value can be propagated. That is, the value may be referenced by other cells. Because of this, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> considers them to be FORMulas.

### **Cell References**

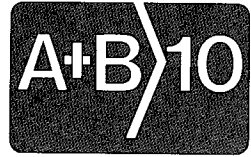
The value of a cell may be used as an operand by naming the coordinates of that cell in a formula.

### **SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Functions**

A SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> function returns the value of a calculation. There are four types of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> functions:

- Arithmetic
- Logical
- Calendar
- Special

To use one of these functions, you enter its name, possibly followed by arguments. The arguments specify the values that you want to apply to the function.



### ***Arithmetic Functions:***

The following functions are the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> arithmetic functions. An argument may consist of a value, a range or a list.

- Value – An expression evaluating to a numeric value.
- Range – A group of cells specified by naming the top left-most cell and the bottom right-most cell, separated by a colon.
- List – One or more ranges and values separated by commas.

#### **ABS(Value)**

Returns the absolute value of the Value given.

- Equivalent to the value itself if positive.
- Equivalent to the value without its negative sign if negative. This is the additive inverse.
- Equivalent to Zero if the expression is zero.

Example: **ABS(-237)** = 237

#### **ACOS(Value)**

Returns the radian angle of the cosine value given.

Example: **ACOS(1)** = 0

#### **ASIN(Value)**

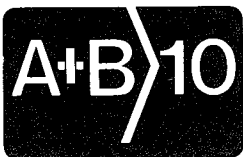
Returns the radian angle of the sine value given.

Example: **ASIN(.2)** = .2013579207903336

#### **ATAN(Value)**

Returns the radian angle of the tangent value given.

Example: **ATAN(2)** = 1.107148717794091



#### **AVERAGE(List)**

Returns the average (mean) of the range given. This function is equivalent to the SUM of the list divided by the COUNT of the list.

Example: **AVERAGE(H2:H20)**

#### **COS(Value)**

Returns the cosine of the radian angle value given.

Example: **COS(PI)** = -1

#### **COUNT(List)**

Returns the number of non-blank non-text cells described by the range.

Example: **COUNT(H2:H20)** = 18 if the list is full.

#### **EXP(Value)**

This function raises the number e exponentially to the *value*. The value of e is 2.718281828459045.

Example: **EXP(2)** = e<sup>2</sup> or 7.38905609893064

#### **INT(Value)**

Returns the integer of the value given, the value is not rounded.

Example: **INT(2.5832)** = 2

#### **LN(Value)**

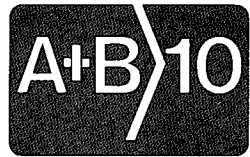
Returns the natural log, log base e, of the value given.

Example: **LN(5)** = 1.609437912434

#### **LOG10(Value)**

Returns the common log, log base 10 of the value given.

Example: **LOG10(12)** = 1.079181246047594

**MAX(List)**

Returns the maximum value of the range. Non-numeric cells are ignored.

Example: **MAX(A1:A20)**

**MIN(List)**

Returns the minimum value of the range. Non-numeric cells are ignored.

**MOD(Value1,Value2)**

The MOD function produces the remainder that results from the division of 'value1' by 'value2'.

**MOD(10,7)** produces 3

The remainder when dividing 10 by 7 is 3.

**PI**

Returns the value of Pi to 16 significant digits.

Example: **PI** = 3.141592653589793

**ROUND(Value,Places-Value)**

Use ROUND to round a value to a specified number of places. First specify the value to be rounded, then the place holder where the rounding is to occur. Use - to designate positions to the left of the decimal and + to designate positions to the right of the decimal. The + sign is optional; if it is omitted, a positive number is assumed. For example:

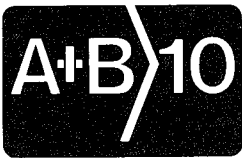
**ROUND(1234.5678,2)** = 1234.57

**ROUND(1234.5678,-2)** = 1200.00

**SIN(Value)**

Returns the sine of the radian angle value given.

Example: **SIN(PI/2)** = 1



### **SQRT(Value)**

Returns the square root of the value.

Example: **SQRT(4)** = 2

### **SUM(List)**

Returns the sum of the values in the range. Non-numeric cells are ignored.

Example: **SUM(A4,B15,C15:C20)**

### **TAN(Value)**

Returns the tangent of the radian angle value given.

Example: **TAN(.75\*PI)** = -1

### **Special Considerations:**

- A formula may be used to produce a value. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> evaluates the formula and uses the value for the argument to the function.
- Specify a range of cells for Range.

### ***Relational Operators***

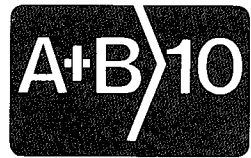
A relational operator compares two operands and returns a value of true or false. A true comparison has a numerical value of 1, false a numerical value of 0.

The following sample compares terms *a* and *b* using the relational operators:

**a = b** Equal: The relation is true (1) if, and only if, *a* is equal to *b*. All other cases are false (0).

**a <> b** Not Equal: The relation is true (1) if *a* does not equal *b*. All other cases are false (0).

**a < b** Less Than: The relation is true (1) if the value of *a* is less than the value of *b*. It is false (0) if the value of *a* is greater than or equal to *b*.



- a > b** Greater Than: The relation is true (1) if the value of *a* is greater than the value of *b*. It is false (0) if the value of *a* is less than or equal to *b*.
- a <= b** Less Than or Equal To: The relation is true (1) if the value of *a* is less than or equal to the value of *b*. It is false (0) if the value of *a* is greater than the value of *b*.
- a >= b** Greater Than or Equal To: The relation is true (1) if the value of *a* is greater than or equal to the value of *b*. It is false (0) if the value of *a* is less than the value of *b*.

The relational operators = and <> can be used to compare any of the 5 types of values. The other relational operators <, >, <=, >= can be used to compare numeric and date values only.

### ***Logical Functions:***

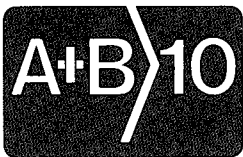
A logical function consists of a relational comparison connected by a logical operator. Complex logical expressions may be formed by using parentheses.

#### **IF(expression1,value2,value3)**

If expression 1 is true, enter value 2 into the cell. If expression 1 is false, enter value 3.

If an expression is entered into an IF function, the expression must evaluate properly to a value in order for the IF function to be valid. That is, the expression must not result in a Formula ERROR.

Value 3 may be omitted. In that case, the value of the expression is zero if value 1 is false.



#### **AND(value1,value2)**

A logical *AND* function has a value of true (numerical value of 1) if both value 1 and value 2 are true. If either value is false, the *AND* function is false (numerical value of 0).

AND (True, True)	True
AND (True, False)	False
AND (False, True)	False
AND (False, False)	False

Example: **AND(H6=5,B3<>8)**

Returns the value of 1 if both conditions are true. Returns the value of 0 if either condition is false.

#### **OR(value 1,value 2)**

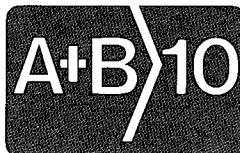
A logical *OR* function has a value of true (numerical value of 1) if either value 1 or value 2 is true. If both values are false, the *OR* function is false (numerical value of 0).

OR (True, True)	True
OR (True, False)	True
OR (False, True)	True
OR (False, False)	False

Example: **OR(B1>=74.2,C3=3)**

Returns the value of 1 if one or both values are true. Returns the value of 0 if both values are false.





## NOT(value)

The NOT function returns the opposite truth value as the stated value.

NOT (True)                      False

NOT (False)                     True

Example: **NOT(B5 > = 5.9)**

Returns the value of 1 if the value is false. Returns the value of 0 if the value is true.

Additional Examples:

IF functions are easy to work with when you remember these few simple pointers.

1. IF Functions look like this:

**IF(Expression A,Expression B,Expression C)**

2. They read as follows:

If Expression A is true, then use Expression B.

If Expression A is false, then use Expression C.

3. In other words:

If Expression A, then Expression B, otherwise, Expression C.

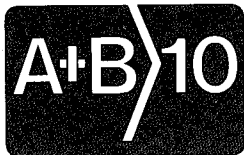
Consider the IF function:

**IF(A1 > = 5000,10,5)**

If the cell A1 contained the value 455, the cell this formula resided in would show the value 5.

Now, suppose that you need to evaluate two IF functions at the same time. Consider this example:

**IF(A1 = 5000,5,IF(A1 = 4000,25,0))**



Notice that the IF function still reads *If Expression A, then Expression B, otherwise Expression C*. It just happens that Expression C is another IF function.

Expression B or Expression C can be a formula or another IF function. You can continue to build your formula up to 116 characters.

**Note:** There must always be as many closed parentheses as there are open. This is important.

Let's look at two more analogies that may also be useful.

### IF-AND Combinations

1. IF-AND combinations look like this:

**IF(AND(Exp Aa, Exp Ab), Exp B, Exp C)**

2. They read as follows:

If Aa and Ab are both true, then use Expression B. If either Aa or Ab is false, then use Expression C.

3. In other words:

If Expression Aa and Ab are both true, then Expression B, otherwise Expression C.

Example:

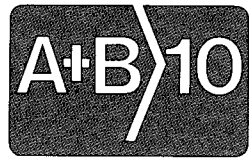
**IF(NAD(A1>500,A1<1000),5,0)**

Both functions in Expression Aa and Ab must be true in order to evaluate Expression B.

### IF-OR Combinations

1. IF-OR combinations look like this:

**IF(OR(Exp Aa, Exp Ab), Exp B, Exp C)**



2. They read as follows:

If either Aa or Ab are true, then use Expression B. If Aa and Ab are both false, then use Expression C.

Example:

**IF(OR(A1>5000,B1<100),5,0)**

Only one of the functions, Expression Aa or Ab has to be true in order to use Expression B.

### ***The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Calendar Functions:***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> features a calendar that allows you to enter a date into your spreadsheet, then reference that date in calculations for other cells.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> uses a Modified Julian Calendar that ranges from March 1, 1900 to February 28, 2100. Days in this 200 year range are numbered sequentially from 1 through 73049.

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> calendar functions fall into two categories: (1) Date Entry functions and (2) Date Reference functions.

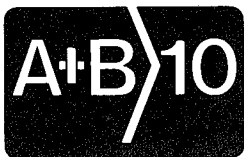
SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> displays a date according to the conventional format MM/DD/YY. Although expressed using numbers, it does not constitute a numeric entry. A date value is a special value and can only be referenced by the Date Reference functions. The other functions of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> treat the Date as a text entry; i.e., it has a numerical value of 0.

Date values can be used with some arithmetic operations.

1. You can add a number to a date with the result being a date value.

Example: If Cell A1 has the date value 3/13/83. The formula **A1 + 45** produces the date value 4/27/83.

2. You can subtract a number from a date with the result being a date value.



### ***Date Entry Functions***

You enter a Date into your spreadsheet using one of the following three Date Entry Functions.

#### **DATE(MM,DD,YY)**

#### **DATE(MM,DD,YYYY)**

Enter the month, day and year in that order separated by commas. The year may be entered either as a two digit or four digit number.

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> assumes two digit years are 20th Century and adds 1900 to the entry. You must enter a 21st Century date using 4 digits.

You may enter single digit values without a leading 0. For example, the date for February 8, 1905 could be entered as:

#### **DATE(2,8,5)**

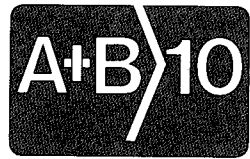
For the default column width (9), SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will display the date showing only the last 2 digits of the year, even if you enter a 4 digit value. There is no distinction on screen between centuries, even though SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> keeps track of them internally. The column width must be at least 11 to see all four digits. Then, you will see a 4 digit year, even if you enter it as a 2 digit number.

Only those dates within the 200 year range of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> calendar are accepted. If you attempt to enter a date that is not valid, a Formula ERROR will result.

### **TODAY**

The TODAY function reads the system date into the Active Cell. The date must be previously entered into your system. If not, the message N/A displays in the cell.

A disk file containing a TODAY cell looks for the current system date when loaded into your spreadsheet. Of course, any other cells that reference a TODAY cell will be evaluated based on the current date. If you don't want the date to be dependent on the system date, use the DATE function.



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**DVAL(Value)**

The DVAL function returns the date of the value specified. The value must be an integer between 1-73049. DVAL is the inverse of JDATE.

***Date Reference Functions***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> contains six Date Cell Reference functions. You specify the function first followed by the address of the reference cell. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> places the formula in the active cell and returns the value. The referenced cell must contain a valid DATE or an ERROR will be indicated. This value can be used as any other value in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

**Note:** The Date reference functions return normal numeric values as distinguished from the Date Entry functions which return special date values.

**MONTH(Date Value)**

The MONTH function returns the number of the month of the date value (1 for January, 12 for December).

**DAY(Date Value)**

The DAY function returns the number of the day of the month of the date value.

**YEAR(Date Value)**

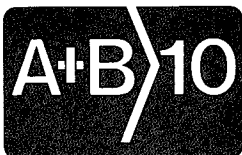
The YEAR function returns the number of the year of the date value.

**WDAY(Date Value)**

The WDAY function returns the Julian number of the day of the week of the date value (1 for Sunday, 7 for Saturday).

**JDATE(Date Value)**

The JDATE function returns the Modified Julian Date of the date value. This number ranges from 1 (March 1, 1900) through 73049 (February 28, 2100).



## SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Formulas

### Operands

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#### Special Considerations

1. Lookup tables may be used to *convert* the numeric value of the Date Cell Reference functions to their corresponding names. Be sure to specify the names using the Text Function format. For example, to convert WDAY functions to the day of the week, set up a lookup table as follows:

1	("Sunday")
2	("Monday")
...	
7	("Saturday")

2. You can perform 2 types of calculations using Date values.
  - A. You may add (or subtract) a numeric value to a date. The number is assumed to represent days and the result produces a new date. For example:

$12/25/82 + 7$  produces 1/ 1/83

$2/25/86 - 365$  produces 2/25/85

- B. You may subtract one date from another. The result is expressed as a numeral representing the number of days separating the two dates.

$10/31/83 - 7/4/83$  produces 119

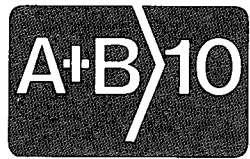
Note: A number minus a date produces an ERROR.

3. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> accepts numbers outside the legitimate range of dates. Such dates are converted to their legal counterparts if possible. If this is not possible, a Formula ERROR results.

Ex: DATE(6,60,83) is converted to 7/30/83

Ex: DATE(15,01,82) is converted to 3/1/83

This feature allows you to conveniently create dates that span logical new months or years using the **R**eplicate command.



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## Special Functions

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program has four Special Functions.

### ERROR

Displays *ERROR* in a cell that returns a value that cannot be calculated. You can enter the term ERROR into a cell by typing it on the data entry line.

### LOOKUP(Value, Col/Row Range)

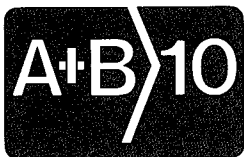
Searches for the last value in the range of numbers that is less than or equal to the search value given and returns the adjacent value to the right of the search column or below the search row. This function assumes that the search range is in ascending order of values.

A lookup table consists of two adjacent rows or columns containing data. A lookup table can be either horizontal or vertical. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> searches the left column of a vertical lookup table and returns the adjacent value in the right column. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> searches the top row of a horizontal lookup table and returns the adjacent value in the bottom row.

**Note:** Text strings cannot be *hooked up* in a lookup table. Only values can be looked up. To look up text, enter it as a textual value, for example, (“**Debit**”).

### N/A

Displays N/A in a cell for which data are not available. You can enter the value N/A into a cell using **NA**. Note: You enter **NA** (without a slash) and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> displays N/A (with a slash).



### NPV (Discount, Col/Row Range)

Returns the present value of a group of cash returns at the given rate of discount (for example, a discount rate of 10% would be entered as .10). The cash amounts are assumed to be projected for equal time periods, such as yearly, and the discount rate is for that interval. The first cash entry is discounted once, the second twice and so forth and added to the total value. Net present value is the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the appropriate cost of capital, minus the cost of the investment.

For example, with an initial investment of \$10,000 (Cell A1) and returns of 200, 2400, 2800, 3450 and 2800 in cells B1 through F1 and a discount rate of 8%, calculate net present value in cell A2 as  $A2=NPV(.08,B1:F1)+A1$ , which would yield  $NPV = 573.68$ .

$$NPV = \sum_{j=1}^k A_j (1 + r)^{-j}$$

- j = Period number (from 1 to k)
- A<sub>j</sub> = Cash flow at period
- r = Rate of interest (discount rate)

### ISERROR(Value)

Returns true (1) if the value of an expression is ERROR and returns false (0) if the expression has any value other than ERROR.

Ex: **IF(ISERROR(A14),expression2,expression3)**

If the contents of A14 are ERROR, then use expression 2, otherwise use expression 3.

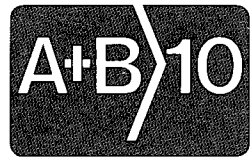
### ISNA(Value)

Returns true (1) if the value of an expression is N/A and returns false (0) if the expression has any value other than N/A.

Ex: **IF(ISNA(C33),expression2,expression3)**

If the contents of C33 are N/A, use expression 2, otherwise use expression 3.





## Special Considerations

### 1. Textual Values in Formulas and Functions

A textual value is used like other operands in the construction of expressions for lookup tables (the LOOKUP function) and logical functions. Due to the nature of a textual value however, it may not be used in some situations where a numeric expression would be appropriate. The rules for operators with textual values are as follows.

Arithmetic operators (+, -, \*, /, ^ or \*\*)

Textual values may not be used with arithmetic operators.

Relation operators (=, <>, <, >, <=, >=)

Textual values may be used to create expressions using the relation operators equal and not equal (=, <>).

Textual values may not be used with the remaining relation operators (<, >, <=, >=).

Valid relational expressions involving textual operands may appear in more complex expressions, such as logical function references.

The IF function may contain expressions with textual values as the second (*true case*) or third (*false case*) parameters.

Lookup tables may be constructed using expressions containing textual values.

### 2. IF Functions:

- Calendar functions -- The value of a calendar function may be used in the comparison expression.

IF(B20=DATE(02,25,47),expression2,expression3)

If the value of B20 is the date 2/25/47, use expression 2, otherwise use expression 3.

- **("Text")** -- A textual value may be used in a comparison expression.

**IF(A1=("Debit"),expression2,expression3)**

If the value of A1 is the textual value Debit, use expression 2, otherwise, use expression 3.

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## **APPENDICES**

### **Glossary**

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## A. Glossary

- Active Cell Status Line:** The first of three lines in the Status Area. Displays the status of the active cell.
- Active Cell:** The cell in which the cursor is currently positioned.
- Argument:** Instructions that a function needs to be evaluated.
- Arithmetic operator:** A symbol that represents one of the calculations possible with SuperCalc2: +, -, \*, /, %, ^ or \*\*.
- Arrow keys:** The four arrow keys. One of two sets of cursor movement keys for SuperCalc2. See the Cursor Diamond Keys.
- Backup:** The process of duplicating a file to protect against possible loss. It is a good practice to backup all work onto a separate disk. Always backup a program distribution disk before using the program. Store the original in a safe place and use the copy.
- Blank cell:** A cell without contents, but formatted at the Entry level. A blank cell requires a small amount of computer memory for the format data. See Empty Cell.
- Block:** A rectangle of cells specified by naming the upper left and lower right corner cells, separated by a colon.
- Byte:** Storage space for one character.
- Cell:** The unit on the spreadsheet into which you can enter a text string, repeating text or a formula. A cell is identified by its coordinates on the spreadsheet.
- Cell Address:** The coordinates that identify a cell. For example: A1 and AS187.
- Cell Contents:** The data that a cell contains. A cell may contain a text string, repeating text or a formula.
- Cell Display Format:** The format that determines how the cell value displays on screen and prints on reports.
- Cell Location:** The cell coordinates.

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**Cell Range:** A rectangular group of cells consisting of a partial row, partial column or a block. A range is specified by naming the upper-left most and lower-right most cells, separated by a colon [:].

**Cell Reference:** The instruction to substitute the cell value of another cell for the cell reference. A cell reference is made by naming the cell coordinate.

**Cell Value:** The value of the cell contents. A text string and a repeating text cell have a numerical value of zero. A formula cell has a numerical value obtained by evaluating the formula in the cell. A formula may have a numerical value, date value or textual value.

**Column:** All cells in a vertical line, including empty cells. Columns are designated with the letters A–BK for a total of 63 columns. See row.

**Command Mode:** The mode in which you enter commands to SuperCalc2.

**Command:** An instruction to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Commands begin with [!], [;], [9], [&], or [/].

**Consolidate:** The process of combining data from different spreadsheets or from different parts of the same spreadsheet.

**Contents:** See Cell Contents.

**Coordinate:** The intersection of a column and a row on the spreadsheet, identified by the column letter and row number.

**Copy:** A command to copy the contents of one cell range into another. See replicate.

**Current Cell Key:** The ESC key places the current cell address on the Data Entry line. At the same time the ESC key activates the cursor movement keys for moving the spreadsheet cursor. The current cell address on the Data Entry line changes as the spreadsheet cursor is moved. Press the ESC key again to leave this mode.

**Current Cell:** The cell in which the cursor is currently positioned.

**Current Column:** The column containing the current or Active Cell.

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lu-ous • su'per-het'er-o-dyne' •  
man • su'per-im-pose • su'p-  
i-cial • su'per-in-duce • su'per-  
in-tend-ent • su-pe-ri-or • su-p-  
e-ri-or-i-ty • su-per-la-tive • su-  
per-man • su-per-mar'ket • su-  
per-nu-mer-ar-y • su-per-scrib  
per-scrip • su-per-scrip-tion

**Current Direction:** The direction in which the spreadsheet cursor is set to move. The direction is set by the last movement of the cursor movement keys and can be turned on/off with /Global,Next.

**Current Row:** The row containing the current or Active Cell.

**Cursor Diamond Keys:** The Set of cursor movement Keys (CTRL S,CTRL E,CTRL X,CTRL D). The cursor diamond keys are equivalent to the arrow keys.

**Data Entry Mode:** The mode in which you enter data directly into the Data Entry line.

**Data Entry/Command Line:** The third of three lines in the Status Area.

**Data:** A string consisting of numbers, characters of information.

**Date value:** A value obtained by evaluating one of the date functions. A date value displays in the form MM/DD/YY.

**Default:** The setting that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program assumes unless you change it. The default settings are in effect when SuperCalc2 is first started. For example, the default display format settings are: General, Text Left, Right, column width 9.

**Destination Range:** The range of cells in which to put data.

**Directory:** The list of filenames kept on a disk by the operating system.

**Disk:** A magnetically-coated storage medium for data and programs. Disks are either flexible (also called diskettes or floppies) or rigid (also called fixed or hard).

**Diskette:** See Disk.

**Display Format:** The Cell Display Format that controls how the value is displayed on screen and how it will be printed on paper.

**Display Window:** That portion of the spreadsheet that is currently displayed on the screen. The window may be split to display two portions of the spreadsheet at the same time.

**Drive (or disk drive):** The device used to write data to and read data from a disk.

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**Drive name (or drive specifier):** Usually a single letter and colon, such as A: or B:, or a user area number followed by a letter and colon, such as 0A: or 3F: (see File ID).

**Edit Cursor:** The cursor on the Edit line. Indicates where the next character will be entered.

**Edit Line:** The bottom line of the Status Area.

**Edit:** To modify or alter the contents of a cell or command.

**Empty Cell:** A cell that has nothing in it, either contents or formatting at the Entry level. All cells are empty when SuperCalc2 is first started. No computer memory is used for empty cells. See Blank Cell.

**Entry:** Format settings of highest priority that cannot be overridden by lower level global, row or column formatting.

**Error Value:** A value obtained when a formula cannot be calculated. An error value may be entered directly into a cell as ERROR and be used to construct logical functions.

**Exponential Display:** Displays a numerical value in scientific notation. Numbers are displayed with one digit to the left of the decimal point raised to a power of 10. The letter e separates the significant figures from the power of 10. Example: 3.15e3 is the exponential display format for 3,150.

**File (or disk file):** Data or program stored on a disk under a unique filename.

**Filename:** The one to eight character name defining a disk file. The characters can be capital or lower-case letters, numbers, or valid keyboard symbols, such as -, or &. Valid symbols vary from one operating system to another. Valid filenames include: SC2 or BUDGET or MEMO-8 (see File ID).

**Filename extension (or filetype):** An optional period (.) and one to three character extension to a filename. Use any valid filename character. SuperCalc2 assigns a .CAL extension to any filename specified at the time a spreadsheet is saved. Abbreviations typically used to describe extensions are '.ext' or '.typ' (see File ID).

**File ID (or filespec):** The three parts to a complete file identification: Drive name, filename, and filename extension. Examples include B:BUDGET.CAL OR A:SC2.COM. Type the file ID when entering an operating system command, or type the filename and extension only if reading from or writing to the current logged drive.

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 man · su'per-im-pose · su'p-  
 i-cial · su'per-in-duce · su'per-  
 in-tend-ent · su'per-i-or · su-  
 per-i-or-i-ty · su'per-la-tive · su-  
 per-man · su'per-mar-ket · su-  
 per-nu-mer-ar-y · su'per-scrib-  
 per-scrip-t · su'per-scrip-tion

**Format Precedence:** The order of precedence that controls how a cell is formatted. The order of precedence is: **G**lobal, **C**olumn Row, **E**ntry.

**Format a disk:** A procedure used to prepare a blank disk to receive data. Used disks can be re-formatted, but all programs or data on the disk will be erased in the process.

**Format:** See Display Format.

**Formula:** A mathematical statement that calculates a number. It can consist of numbers, arithmetic operators, coordinates, or functions.

**Function:** A built-in mathematical calculation. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> has three types of functions: Arithmetic, Date and Special functions.

**Global filename character (or wildcard):** The asterisk (\*) or question mark (?) used in place of filename or extension characters to define more than one file. Used in operating system commands.

**Global Status/Prompt Line:** The second of three screen lines in the Status Area. This line displays the global status and prompts.

**Hard disk:** See disk.

**Help:** Press the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> AnswerKey [?] at any time for onscreen information about your current options. Press any key to return to the spreadsheet.

**Interpretive prompting:** You only need to type enough of most commands to uniquely identify it and SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> immediately fills in the rest of the command.

**Kilobyte:** Storage space for 1024 characters.

**Load:** To read a program or data into the computer memory.

**Logged drive (or default drive):** The current drive identified by the operating system prompt displayed on the monitor screen. For example, A> means drive A is the current logged drive. Some systems also include the user area in the operating system prompt such as 0A>.

**Model:** The application of arranging a problem onto a spreadsheet to manipulate data. See Template.

**Nesting:** One function used as an argument to another function.



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man · su'per-im·pose' · su'p  
i'cial · su'per-in·duce' · su'per  
in·tend·ent · su'pe'ri·or · su'p  
e'ri·or·ity · su·per·la·tive · su  
per·man · su·per·mar'ket · su  
per·nu·mer'ar·y · su'per·scrib  
per·script · su'per·scrip·tion

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**Numerical Constant:** A formula entry consisting of a decimal number only.

**Not Available Value:** A value obtained when data are not available. This value may be entered directly into a cell and be used to construct logical functions. Enter the not available value as NA. It is displayed as N/A.

**Numerical value:** A value that can be expressed as a decimal number. A numerical value can be a numeric constant or the result of evaluating a formula.

**Operating System:** A collection of commands and programs used to start ('boot') the system and display the system prompt (such as A>): manage disk files; perform additional internal and external functions, including resource management.

**Partial Column:** An adjacent group of cells within a column.

**Partial Row:** An adjacent group of cells within a row.

**Range:** See Cell Range.

**Replicate:** To copy an entry or range of entries to another part of the spreadsheet. See Copy.

**Row:** All cells in horizontal line, including empty cells. Rows are designated with the numbers 1-254. See Column.

**Scroll:** The apparent movement of the display window over the spreadsheet to display a different part of the spreadsheet. See display window.

**Source Range:** The range of cells from which to get data.

**Spreadsheet Cursor:** The active cell contains the spreadsheet cursor. Data entered into the Data Entry line will go into this cell when [CR] is pressed.

**Spreadsheet:** A grid containing cells arranged in columns and rows on which data are entered.

**Status Area:** The bottom three lines of the screen containing the Active Cell Status, Global Status/Prompt, and Data Entry/Command lines.

**Target Range:** The range of cells in which to put data. See Destination Range.

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man · su'pe'im-pose' · su'p  
ri·cial · su'per-in·duce' · su'per  
in·tend·ent · su'pe'rior · su'p  
e'rior'ity · su·per·la·tive · su  
per·man' · su'per·mar'ket · su  
per·nu'mer·ar'y · su'per·scrib  
per·scrip't' · su'per·scrip·tion

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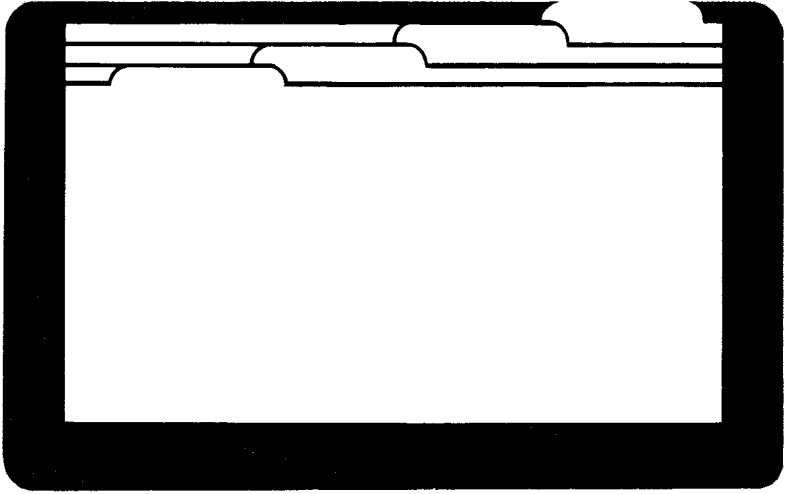
**Template:** A structured spreadsheet containing formulas and formatting instruction used for entering and/or displaying data. See Model.

**Textual value:** The value obtained by enclosing text in double quotes and parentheses. A text value displays as text.

**Value:** See Cell Value.

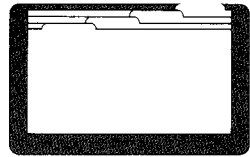
**Wildcard:** See Global filename character.

**Window:** See Display Window.



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## B. Managing Your Disk Files

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### Purpose:

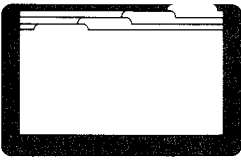
To show you how to manage your disk files with these five operating system commands:

<u>MS-DOS Commands*</u>	<u>CP/M Commands**</u>	<u>Description (primary functions)</u>
DIR	DIR	Displays disk file directory.
CHKDSK	STAT	Displays disk space available.
COPY	PIP	Copies disk files.
ERASE	ERA	Erases disk files.
RENAME	REN	Renames a disk file.

Everything covered in this Appendix is described in more detail in your operating system manual. Specific features of each operating system are subject to change as newer versions are released.

\* The MS-DOS commands listed above are the same as DOS commands for the IBM Personal Computer.

\*\* The CP/M commands listed above are the same for CP/M-86, Concurrent CP/M-86, MP/M and MP/M-86.



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## What is a disk file?

A disk file, for our purposes, is any information you can store on a disk and define with a filename. When we use the word “file” we mean “disk file.”

Examples of the “information” in a file include the data in a spreadsheet, or the text in a business letter, or the code in a program file.

## Naming a file

A filename consists of one to eight valid characters, but no blank spaces.

Valid characters are letters (A-Z or a-z), numbers (0-9), and some special keyboard symbols (such as - or &).

Valid filename examples:

15	FB-23	MYP&L
JM-RPT	BALSHEET	SALESJUN

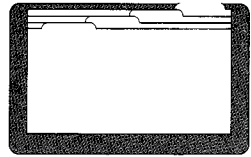
Note that valid special symbols differ from one operating system to another. Check your operating system manual if you need additional special symbols for your filenames.

At times you need to identify a file with more than a filename. You may need to add a drive name or a filename extension, or both, as described in the examples below.

### Example:

You see the A> prompt on your display screen, meaning you are logged onto drive A. You want to erase a file named MYP&L.CAL in drive B. (“.CAL” is the filename extension.)

At the system A>, type: **ERASE B:MYP&L.CAL** 



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### NOTES:

- “B:” is the drive name for drive B. If MYP&L.CAL were in the logged drive (drive A in our example), you would not need to type the drive name. Your operating system searches the disk in your current logged (or “default”) drive unless you specify a different drive name.
- When you type a filename with an operating system command, you need to include the extension, if any.
- ERASE is an MS-DOS command. The erase command for CP/M systems is ERA.

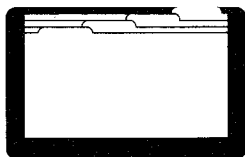
### Another example:

You are logged onto drive A, and you have started SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Now you want to load a spreadsheet file named MYP&L.CAL from a disk in drive B (using the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> /Load command).

When /Load asks for a filename, type: **B:MYP&L**

### NOTES:

- SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> looks in the logged drive by default. You do not need to type a logged drive name, but in our example the file you want to load is not in the current logged drive. MYP&L.CAL is in drive B (“B:”).
- SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> automatically looks for the filename you specify, with a .CAL extension. You do not need to type the .CAL extension with SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> commands. (SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> assigns a .CAL extension to any filename specified at the time a spreadsheet is saved.)



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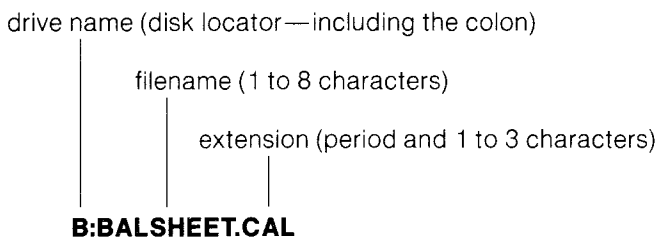
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#### Summing it up

A complete file ID (or “filespec”) has up to three parts. The “filename” is the second part. You can type all three parts when you are asked to enter a filename, or you can type just one or two of the parts, as appropriate.

Here are the three parts to a file ID:



Note: An extension is also called a “filetype” or “typ.”

#### Reserved filename extensions:

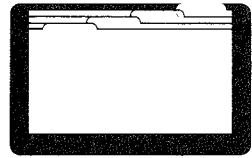
The following extensions are associated with programs or program-related files. Do not use these extensions with files you create:

<b>.COM</b>	<b>.CMD</b>	<b>.OVL</b>	<b>.O86</b>
<b>.HLP</b>	<b>.DAT</b>	<b>.PFK</b>	<b>.SYS</b>

The following extensions should be reserved for the purposes described:

**.CAL** For standard SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> (or SuperCalc) spreadsheet files. Assigned automatically by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> if no other extension is specified when a file is saved.

**.PRN** Assigned automatically by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> if you Output a spreadsheet file to Disk — if no other extension is specified. A .PRN file can be edited by SuperWriter (and many other word processing programs), or viewed with the operating system TYPE command. See /Output in this manual for more information about .PRN files.



**.BAK** Assigned to an existing file by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> if you Output or Save a spreadsheet file to Disk with the Backup option. Selecting Backup assigns a .CAL extension to your new file, and a .BAK extension to the old file. See /Output in this manual for more information.

CAUTION: A .BAK file will overwrite any other .BAK file with the same filename on the same disk. Note that a .BAK file cannot be loaded by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, but you can rename a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> .BAK file as a .CAL file.

**.XQT** Used in conjunction with the /X (execute) command in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. An .XQT extension must be used when you Output an execute file to Disk. See /X (execute) in this manual for more information.

### ***File management guidelines***

- To log onto a different drive, type the other drive name at the system prompt. Example: At the A> prompt, type **B:** (↔) to change the current logged drive from A to B.
- It is usually a good idea to keep your program files on a disk in the system startup drive (often drive A), and your data files (such as spreadsheets) on a disk in another drive. Otherwise you might run out of space on your program disk.

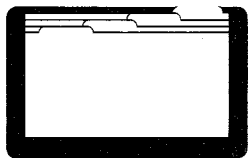
If you have a hard disk, keep your data in your own user area.

- Write-protecting a disk: Write-protecting means your computer can not “write” data onto the disk or erase any of the disk files. Write-protecting is optional, and methods vary from one computer to another. Check your computer manual for specific instructions.
- Error messages: Here is a sampling of operating system error messages you might see on your monitor:

#### **FILE NOT FOUND, or NO FILE**

Means you probably forgot to type the drive name in front of the filename, or you typed the filename incorrectly, or put the wrong disk in the drive you specified.





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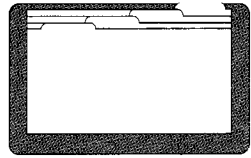
#### **SYNTAX ERROR, or INVALID FORMAT, or BAD COMMAND**

Means you typed a command incorrectly. Are the elements of the command line in the right order? Did you forget to enter a blank space, or did you enter a space in the wrong location?

#### **BDOS ERR ON B:** (or any other drive specified)

Usually means you forgot to put a disk in the drive, or forgot to close the drive door, or put a disk in upside-down. It can also mean the disk is improperly formatted.


If the message identifies certain bad “tracks” or “sectors” you may have some bad spots on the disk surface, or the read/write head may be dirty or out of alignment. Check the error message section of your operating system manual. It may tell you to copy all files you want to save onto another disk, then use an unimportant practice disk in the error drive to see if the head is reading and writing correctly.



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## Five basic file management commands

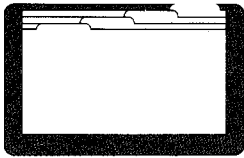
We make the following assumptions in our examples:

- Commands are typed at the system prompt, such as A> for drive A, or B> for drive B.
- You will press your  key (labeled RETURN or ENTER on some keyboards) following any command.
- All commands are directed at files in the current logged drive, unless a different drive name (such as A: or B:) is specified.
- You have a two drive system, with drives named A: and B: (substitute your own drive names if they are different).

### NOTES:

CP/M calls the asterisk (\*), used in some command lines below, a wildcard. MS-DOS calls it a global filename character. In our examples, the \* means "any filename," or "any extension" (depending on where the \* is positioned). You can read more about the \* symbol in your operating system manual. The question mark (?), not used in our examples, serves a related function.

Use the  key to erase typing errors.



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#### ***Disk Directory***

DIR

MS-DOS

```
A>DIR
COMMAND COM 17664 4-15-83 11:15a
CHKDSK COM 6400 4-22-83 13:20P
```

CP/M

```
A>DIR
A:PIP COM :STAT COM :FORMAT COM :SYSGEN COM
A:SC2 COM :SC2 OVL :SC2 HLP :SAMPLE CAL
```

#### Illustration B-1: Display Disk Directory

- A. Display a directory of disk files:

MS-DOS: **DIR** CP/M: **DIR**

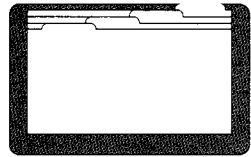
- B. Display a directory of files in drive B.

MS-DOS: **DIR B:** CP/M: **DIR B:**

- C. Display a directory of files with .CAL extensions only.

MS-DOS: **DIR \*.CAL** CP/M: **DIR \*.CAL**

NOTES: To stop a directory from scrolling, press **CTRL S**.  
To restart the scrolling, press **CTRL S** or **CTRL Q**.  
To cancel the command, press **CTRL C**.



### Disk and File Space

CHKDSK

MS-DOS

```
A:\CHKDSK
179712 bytes total disk space
22016 bytes in 2 hidden disk files
138752 bytes in 24 user files
18944 bytes available on disk
```

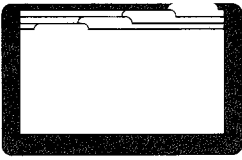
STAT

CP/M

```
A:\STAT
A:R/W, Space: 154k
B:R/W, Space: 446k
```

Illustration B-2: Display Disk Status

- A. Display space available on disk:  
MS-DOS: **CHKDSK**      CP/M: **STAT**
- B. Display space available on disk in drive B:  
MS-DOS: **CHKDSK B:**    CP/M: **STAT B:**
- C. Display size of each disk file:  
MS-DOS: **DIR**            CP/M: **STAT \*.\***
- D. Display size of each .CAL file:  
MS-DOS: **DIR \*.CAL**     CP/M: **STAT \*.CAL**



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#### **Copy Files**

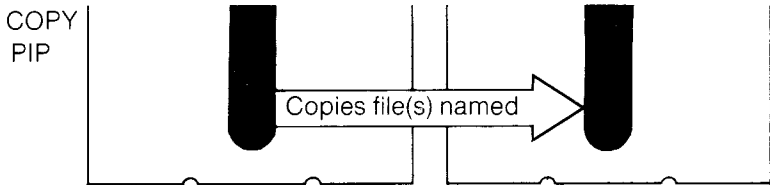


Illustration B-3: Copy a File

- A. Copy all files from drive A to drive B and verify:

MS-DOS: **COPY A:\*. \* B:/V**

CP/M: **PIP B:=A:\*. \*[V]**

- B. Copy .CAL files from drive A to drive B:

MS-DOS: **COPY A:\*.CAL B:**

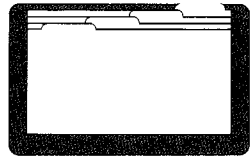
CP/M: **PIP B:=A:\*.CAL**

- C. Copy a file from drive A to drive B:

MS-DOS: **COPY A:filename.ext B:**

CP/M: **PIP B:=A:filename.ext**

NOTE: The verify option used in example A is not required, but is recommended -- especially when copying program files. The verify option will notify you if the copy is incomplete.



## Erase Files

ERASE  
ERA

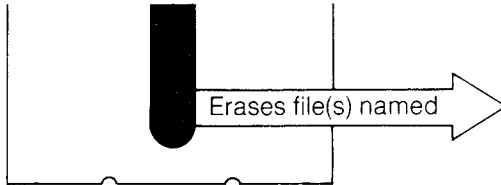


Illustration B-4: Erase a File

- A. Erase all disk files:

MS-DOS: **ERASE \*.\***

CP/M: **ERA \*.\***

- B. Erase all .CAL files:

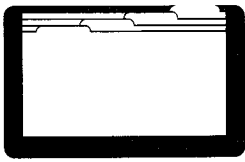
MS-DOS: **ERASE \*.CAL**

CP/M: **ERA \*.CAL**

- C. Erase a file:

MS-DOS: **ERASE filename.ext**

CP/M: **ERA filename.ext**



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#### ***Rename Files***

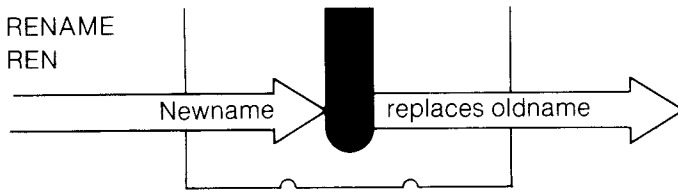


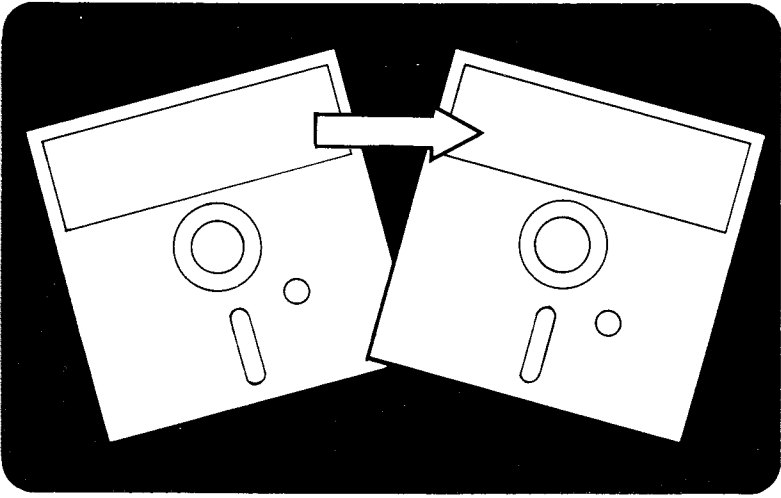
Illustration B-5: Rename a File

Rename a disk file:

MS-DOS: **RENAME oldname.ext newname.ext**

CP/M: **REN newname.ext=oldname.ext**

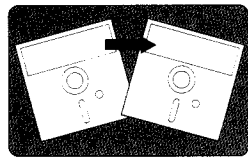
For instructions on how to prepare a blank disk for your computer, and how to prepare a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk for daily use, see Appendix C.



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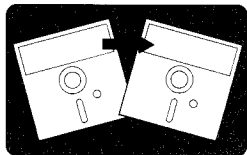
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#### PART 1

## Preparing a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk for daily use

### ***Purpose:***

To prepare a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk containing your operating system startup and file management utilities:



- To avoid altering or damaging the original disk(s) shipped with your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> package.
- To be able to start your operating system, use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, and manage your disk files with a single program disk.

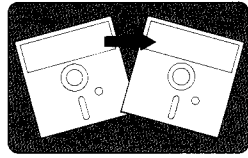
### **A note to experienced computer users:**

You already know much of the information presented in this Appendix, but before you skip to Appendix D, please read this:

- If you use CP/M-86, Concurrent CP/M-86, or MP/M-86:  
Copy TOD.COM from your operating system disk to your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk. TOD.COM allows you to enter a system date, used by the TODAY calendar function in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. (Before you begin a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> session, enter a date and time at the system prompt. Example: TOD 09/22/83 13:30)
- If you use an IBM Personal Computer, read PART 2 of this Appendix.

### **A note about the key:**

Keyboards differ from one computer to another. We use the  symbol to represent the key that is variously labeled RETURN, ENTER, EXECUTE, or with a symbol similar to .



### “CP/M systems” vs. “MS-DOS systems”

In this Appendix, “CP/M systems” means the operating systems named CP/M, CP/M-86, Concurrent CP/M-86, MP/M and MP/M-86. “MS-DOS systems” means the operating systems named MS-DOS and the Disk Operating System (DOS) used with the IBM Personal Computer.

### Before you begin:

If you are new to microcomputers, you need to read the instructions that came with your computer to learn how to:

- Set up your equipment.
- Put your disks into your disk drives properly, remove disks properly, and identify the system startup drive.
- Handle your disks with care. For example, do not touch the surface of the disk inside the slotted opening; do not write on an attached disk label with anything but a soft felt-tip pen (see other disk handling tips printed on the disk envelope).

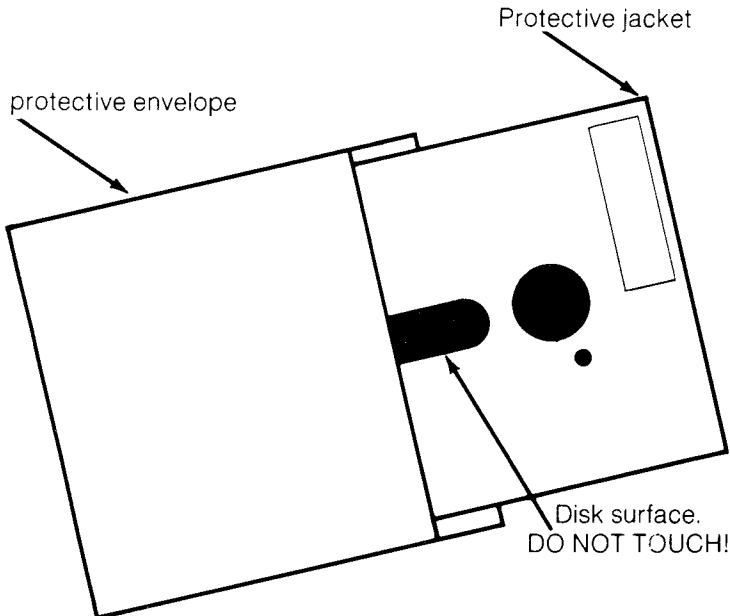
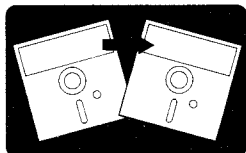


Illustration C-1: Disk and Envelope



## APPENDIX C

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#### Overview:

In general, here is what you do to prepare a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk for daily use:

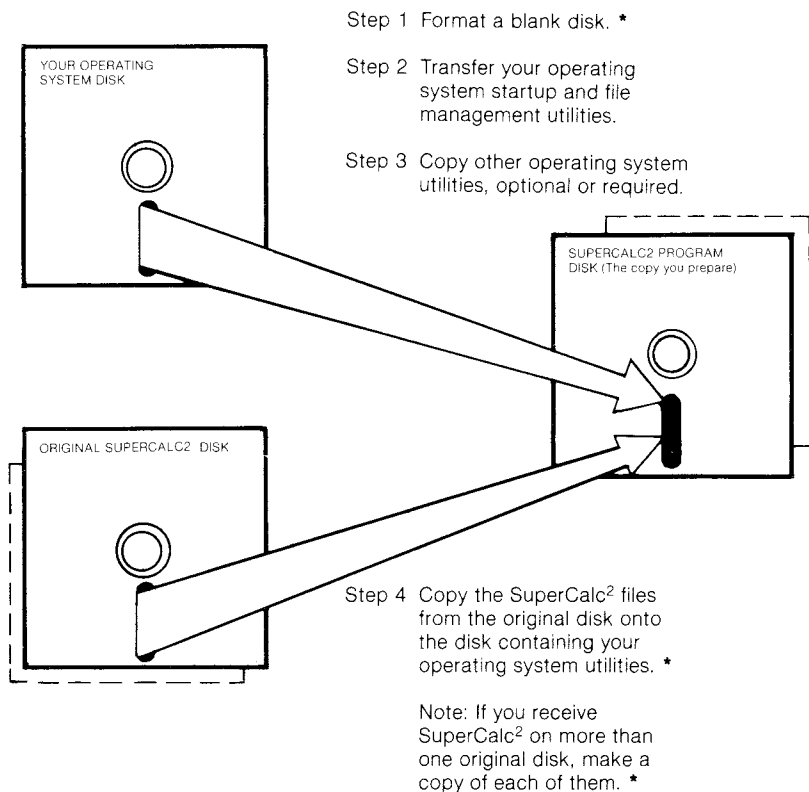
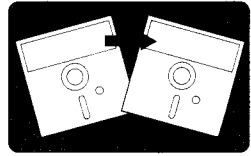


Illustration C-2: Prepare Program Disk

- \* Copy the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk files onto a fixed (or "hard") disk if you have one. Do not re-format a fixed disk.

NOTE: You might also need to use the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> installation program to tailor SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for your terminal. Appendix D tells you how to determine whether installation is required.



### **Procedure:**

#### **1. Formatting a blank disk:**

- Put a copy of your operating system disk into disk drive A. Put a blank disk into drive B.

If you have one or more “floppy” or “hard” disk drives with different names, substitute your own drive names for those in the examples.

In our examples, the source drive is A and the destination (or target) drive is B. Make sure the disk in drive B, or whichever destination drive you specify, does not contain any files you want to keep:

FORMATTING WIPES OUT ALL DISK FILES as it prepares the surface of the disk for data storage.

You can type system entries using capital or lower case letters. To erase typing errors, use the (BACKSPACE) key.

- For most MS-DOS systems:

You can combine steps 1 and 2 by using /S to transfer your operating system, as in our example. At the A> prompt type:

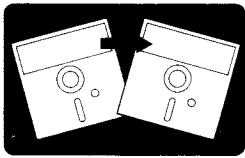
**FORMAT B:/S** (↵)

then respond to prompts.

- For CP/M systems:

Formatting commands and procedures vary from one brand of computer to another.

The procedure is often as simple as entering the filename of your formatting program, then responding to two or three program prompts. See the manual that came with your computer.



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#### **2. Transferring the operating system**

Note that transferring does not remove any files from the source disk, it just copies the system files to the destination disk. At the A> prompt:

- For most MS-DOS systems:  
You already transferred your operating system (step 1 above) with the `FORMAT B:/S` command.
- For most CP/M systems type:

**SYSGEN** (then respond to prompts)

Your computer might require a different command or procedure.

#### **A note about operating system commands:**

In Appendix B we provide instructions for using the five basic "file management" commands.

You transferred these "built-in" file management commands with your operating system:

MS-DOS commands: DIR, COPY, ERASE, RENAME.

CP/M commands: DIR, ERA, REN.

The other file management commands must be copied with the COPY or PIP command, as described in step 3 below:

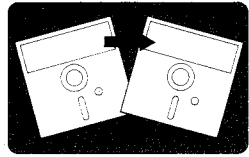
MS-DOS command: CHKDSK.

CP/M commands: STAT, PIP.

The other utilities you will copy at step 3 have special functions described elsewhere in this manual or in your operating system manual.

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### 3. Copying additional system utilities

Here is an example of how to copy a file from a disk in drive A to a disk in drive B:

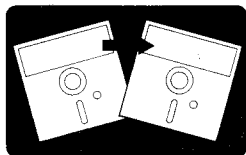
For MS-DOS systems, type: **COPY A:filename.ext B:/V** 

For CP/M systems, type: **PIP B:=A:filename.ext[V]** 

- Copy the appropriate utilities on the list below from your operating system disk to the disk you are preparing:

Operating System	Utilities to copy	Description
MS-DOS	CHKDSK.COM	Displays disk space status.
	MODE.COM	Used by SuperCalc AUTOEXEC.
CP/M & MP/M	STAT.COM	Displays disk space status.
	PIP.COM	Copies disk files.
CP/M-86,	STAT.CMD	Displays disk space status.
Conc. CP/M-86, & MP/M-86	PIP.CMD TOD.CMD	Copies disk files. Required to enter system date
CP/M-86 only	CPM.SYS	Required to start system.
MP/M-86 only	MPM.SYS	Required to start system.
Concurrent CP/M-86 only	FUNCTION.CMD	Assigns keyboard functions.*
	DATA.PFK	Restores keyboard functions.*

\* CONCURRENT CP/M-86 USERS ONLY: See "IBM Personal Computer special considerations," PART 2, for details about using FUNCTION.CMD and DATA.PFK.



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#### 4. Copying the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> files

The final step in preparing your program disk is to copy the files from the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk to the disk you are preparing. Note that you might also need to install SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> so it works properly with your video terminal (see Appendix D for details).

- Remove your operating system disk from drive A and insert your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk (that is, the disk you are preparing).
- Put the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk into drive B.

Substitute your own drive names if different than A and B.

If you have more than one original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk, repeat the disk preparation and copy procedures for each disk.

- CP/M system users only: Press **CTRL C** (press the keys labeled CTRL and C at the same time) to tell your system you changed disks.
- Copy the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk files to your program disk in drive A. At the A> prompt:

For MS-DOS systems, type: **COPY B:.\* A:/V** ↵

For CP/M systems, type: **PIP A:=B:.\*[V]** ↵

#### NOTES:

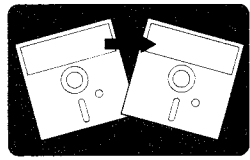
- The \* (asterisk) character allows you to copy an entire disk without naming every file.
- If you see "DISK FULL" or a similar message displayed during the copy procedure, you need to copy some files onto another disk.

The information on the following list will help you decide which files to put on which disk. The only files you need to run SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> are the "SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Program Files." The other files serve useful support functions, as described below.



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### Original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Disk Files

Listed by category and operating system

#### SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Program Files

These are the files you must have on your program disk to run the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.

CP/M & MP/M	CP/M-86 & Conc. CP/M-86	MS-DOS
SC2.COM	SC2.COMD	SC2.COM
SC2.OVL	SC2.O86	SC2.OVL
SC2.HLP	SC2.HLP	SC2.HLP

#### Sample Spreadsheet Files

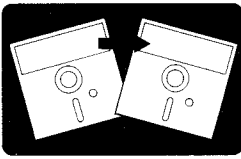
These are the files you need to be able to use the lessons provided in the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> package. These files can be in any disk drive.

CP/M & MP/M	CP/M-86 & Conc. CP/M-86	MS-DOS
BRKEVN.CAL	BRKEVN.CAL	BRKEVN.CAL
BUDGET.CAL	BUDGET.CAL	BUDGET.CAL
CHECKS.CAL	CHECKS.CAL	CHECKS.CAL
SAMPLE.CAL	SAMPLE.CAL	SAMPLE.CAL
TENMIN.CAL	TENMIN.CAL	TENMIN.CAL

#### Installation Files

If you need to use the installation program (described in Appendix D), you will need these files in one of your drives: The installation files do not need to be on the disk with the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program files.

CP/M & MP/M	CP/M-86 & Conc. CP/M-86	MS-DOS
INSTALLS.COM	INSTALLS.COMD	INSTALLS.COM
or	or	or
INSTALL.COM	INSTALL.COMD	INSTALL.COM
INSTALL.OVL	INSTAL86.OVL	INSTALL.OVL
INSTALL.DAT	INSTAL86.DAT	INSTALL.DAT



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#### SuperData Interchange Files

These files are not required to use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. SDI is used for file conversions only. See the SuperData Interchange manual for program capabilities.

CP/M & MP/M	CP/M-86 & Conc. CP/M-86	MS-DOS
SDI.COM	SDI.CMD	SDI.COM
SDI.OVL	SDI.OVL	SDI.OVL

#### Special-Purpose Files

DATTIM allows CP/M-MP/M users to enter a system date.

The other files perform special console functions for the IBM PC. See "IBM Personal Computer special considerations" below.

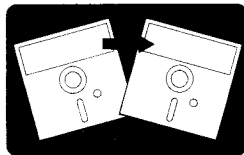
CP/M & MP/M	Concurrent CP/M-86 only	IBM PC And Compatibles
DATTIM.COM	SC2.PFK	COLOR.COM MONO.COM AUTOEXEC.BAT AUTOBW.BAT AUTO40.BAT AUTO40BW.BAT

#### Maintenance File

This file is not required to use SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. MAINTAIN is a program that can check another program for certain kinds of damage, and make minor "repairs." The Maintain program is described in Appendix G.

CP/M & MP/M	CP/M-86 & Conc. CP/M-86	MS-DOS
MAINTAIN.COM	MAINTAIN.CMD	MAINTAIN.COM

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**PART 2**

**IBM Personal Computer special considerations**

This section covers the following topics:

- Special-purpose files with IBM's DOS
- Special-purpose files with Concurrent CP/M-86
- Special keyboard functions

***Special-purpose files with IBM's DOS***

**The AUTOEXEC.BAT file**

Your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk contains an AUTOEXEC.BAT file that starts SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> when you switch on your computer (after the normal startup delay).

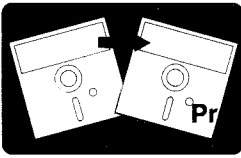
The AUTOEXEC.BAT file assumes you have the following:

An 80-column color monitor, and a color/graphics adapter board in your computer.

Or, an 80-column monochrome monitor, and a monochrome adapter board in your computer.

Most IBM PC owners have one of the above combinations. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> works properly with either combination if you use the AUTOEXEC.BAT file as is (that is, without changing its contents), or if you start SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> at the system prompt (by typing SC2).

If you have a different monitor-adapter board combination, you can change the contents of AUTOEXEC.BAT to match it (see instructions below).



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#### Color or monochrome adapter board?

If you are not sure which kind of adapter board you have, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> will show you: Your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet will be framed within a border if you have a color adapter in your computer.

Wide border

	A	B	C	L	M	N
1	THIS IS A SAMPLE SUPERCALC SPREADSHEET					
2						
3	NET SALES	JAN	FEB	MAR	QRT	TOTAL
4		1000	700	4	2500	2104
5	COST OF GOODS SOLD	300	210	5	770	856
6	GROSS PROFIT	700	490	8	1630	1248
7						
8	RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	100	150	4	415	456
9	MARKETING	200	220	1	527	627
10	ADMINISTRATIVE	100	100	2	202	207
11	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	400	470	7	1144	1290
12	NET INCOME BEFORE TAXES	300	220	1	486	558
13						
14	INCOME TAXES	80	88	7	167	162
15	NET INCOME	220	132	4	319	396
16						
17	Q TRGT-TOTAL				248	217
18	WIDTH: 9	HEIGHT: 45	LAST Col/Row WID			F For HELP

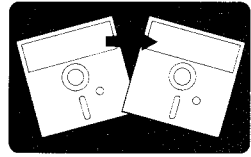
You have a color adapter board.

No border

	A	B	C	L	M	N
1	THIS IS A SAMPLE SUPERCALC SPREADSHEET					
2						
3	NET SALES	JAN	FEB	MAR	QRT	TOTAL
4		1000	700	4	2500	2104
5	COST OF GOODS SOLD	300	210	5	770	856
6	GROSS PROFIT	700	490	8	1630	1248
7						
8	RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	100	150	4	415	456
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17	Q TRGT-TOTAL				248	217
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You have a monochrome adapter board.

Illustration C-3: Terminal Types



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### You might need to change the AUTOEXEC.BAT file

If you have one of the monitor-adapter board combinations described below:

- Put your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk (your copy, not the original) in your system startup drive (usually drive A).
- Enter the command that matches your configuration from the following three options:

- a. An 80-column monochrome monitor and a color/graphics adapter board.

At the A>, type:

**COPY AUTOBW.BAT AUTOEXEC.BAT** (↵)

- b. A 40-column color monitor and a color/graphics adapter board.

At the A>, type:

**COPY AUTO40.BAT AUTOEXEC.BAT** (↵)

- c. A 40-column monochrome monitor and a color/graphics adapter board.

At the A>, type:

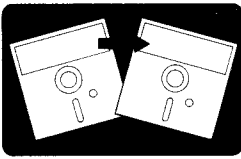
**COPY AUTO40BW.BAT AUTOEXEC.BAT** (↵)

### If you do not want SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to start automatically:

Erase AUTOEXEC.BAT and the other .BAT files from your program disk: Use your operating system erase command.

To begin a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> session without the AUTOEXEC.BAT file on your program disk, type **SC2** at the system prompt.

Exception: If you have a monochrome monitor and a color adapter board, type **SC2 /BW** at the system prompt to begin a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> session.



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#### **If you have two monitors (color & monochrome) connected to your IBM PC:**

Use the files COLOR.COM and MONO.COM on your program disk to direct data to either monitor. When you start using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, data will be sent to your monochrome monitor automatically (by default).

To direct data to the color monitor, type **COLOR** at the system prompt (before you start SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>). To change back to monochrome without restarting your computer, type **MONO** at the system prompt.

#### ***Special-purpose files with Concurrent CP/M-86***

If you are using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> with Concurrent CP/M-86, you must use the FUNCTION command to assign special keyboard functions (see section 3 below). The FUNCTION command will also disable the unassigned function keys (F3-F10) so they will not cause problems if you press them by mistake.

#### **Concurrent CP/M-86 users only:**

At each SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> session, type the following command at the system prompt:

**FUNCTION SC2.PFK**

To restore the original keyboard functions when you finish using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, type the following command at the system prompt:

**FUNCTION DATA.PFK**

#### ***Special keyboard functions***

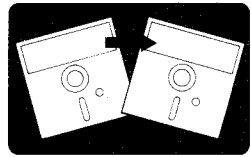
With all versions of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for the IBM PC (IBM's DOS, CP/M-86, and Concurrent CP/M-86 versions) you can use the following special keys--in addition to the standard set of keys used by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>:

(F1) AnswerKey. Displays current AnswerScreen (same as (? key).

(F2) Clears data entry/command line (same as (CTRL Z)

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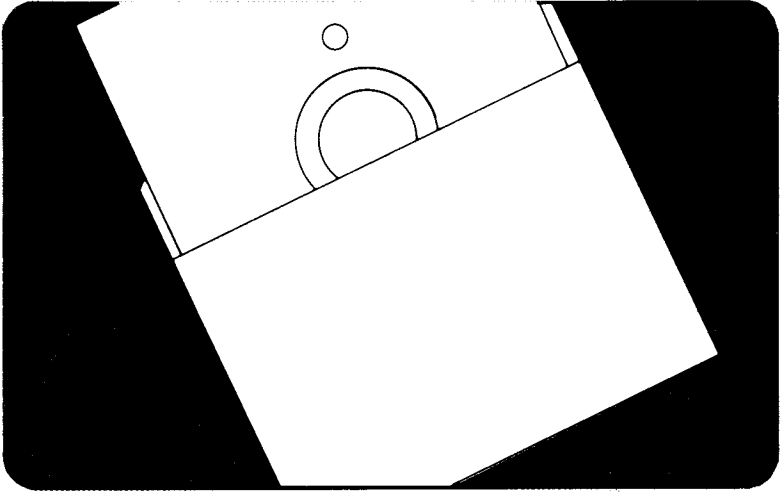
- HOME** Moves cursor to cell A1 (same as =A1); “re-paints” screen.
- INS** Insert mode on/off switch for data entry.
- DEL** Deletes character at data entry cursor (same as down arrow).

#### **CP/M-86 users only:**

To restore the original key functions, reset your system when you finish using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. To reset your system, press the **ALT**, **CTRL** and **DEL** keys at the same time.

You have finished copying files onto your program disk.

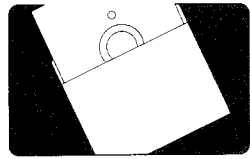
If “[Must Be Installed]” is printed on the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk label, you need to tailor SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> for your terminal. The procedure is described in Appendix D.



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**Installing SuperCalc2**

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## D. Installing SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

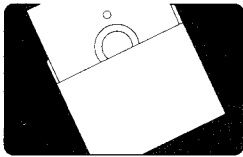
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#### **Installation might not be required:**

If you see “[Must Be Installed]” on your original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk label, the procedure outlined in PART 1 is required. PART 2 is optional.

If you do not see “[Must Be Installed]” on your original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk label, you can skip PART 1 and begin using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. Optionally, you can go on to PART 2.



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### Installing SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

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#### PART 1

## Tailoring SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> to your terminal (if required)

### **Purpose:**

To provide the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program with data about your terminal.

The installation files you need for this procedure are INSTALL.COM, INSTALL.OVL, and INSTALL.DAT (or INSTALL.COM, INSTAL86.OVL, and INSTAL86.DAT on some systems). Keep these files on the same disk.

If you have a file named INSTALLS (ending in "S") on your disk, it can be used to change default settings (described in PART 2), but SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> has already been tailored to your terminal.

### **Procedure:**

1. Put your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk (the copy you prepared) into the system startup drive — drive A on many computers.

If the INSTALL files are on a separate disk in drive B, for example, log onto drive B by typing B: .

If your drives are not called A and B, substitute your own drive names.

2. To start (or "load") the installation program:

Type: **INSTALL**

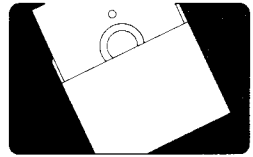
3. You see the installation program sign-on display, ending with the prompt:

Do you wish to proceed (Y/N)? (for Yes or No)

Type: **Y** (no need to press the  key)

4. You are asked to enter the name of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program file (SC2), preceded by the name of the drive containing that file, such as "A:" in our example:

Type: **A:SC2**



**Note:** You can quit the program at almost any time — WITHOUT SAVING YOUR SELECTION — by pressing **CTRL C** (press the keys labeled CTRL and C at the same time).

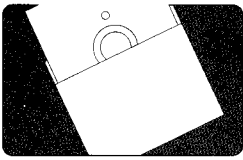
5. You see a list of brand names titled TERMINALS.  
Select the letter in front of the name of your terminal, then respond to prompts.  
If your terminal name is not displayed, see the list of "Compatible Terminals" at the end of PART 1.
6. After you select your terminal at Step 5, here are your choices:
  - Save your selection, then exit from the installation program. Information about your terminal is sent to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.
  - Exit without saving your terminal selection, if you wish.
  - Optionally, change some screen or printer default settings (usually not required for the proper functioning of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>). Choose the "Modify" option at the TERMINALS screen, then change the settings at the MODIFICATIONS screen. See PART 2 for details.

After you save your terminal selection, you can start using SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

### **IF YOUR TERMINAL IS NOT LISTED ON THE TERMINALS SCREEN:**

See the list of compatible terminals below, or see the manual that came with your terminal. The manual might provide the name of a listed terminal compatible to your own.

Select a compatible terminal if yours is not listed on the TERMINALS screen.



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#### Compatible Terminals

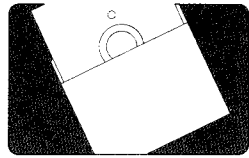
The following list contains the compatible terminals as of the date of this printing. This list is subject to change as new terminals are added.

<u>Your Terminal</u>	<u>Compatible Brand</u>	<u>Compatible Model</u>
ABM 80	DEC	VT-52
Direct 800	DEC	VT-100
Heathkit H19	Zenith	Z19
Heathkit H89	Zenith	Z19
Teleray 100	DEC	VT-100
Televideo 925	Televideo	920 or 950
Xerox 860	Xerox	820

#### **IF YOU CAN NOT FIND THE NAME OF A COMPATIBLE TERMINAL:**

Your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> dealer might be able to custom install the program for your terminal.

Custom installation is a task for programmers or experienced custom installers. If you have the technical know-how to do a custom installation yourself, ask your dealer for a copy of the Dealer's Custom Installation Guide for SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>. You can ask Sorcim for a copy of the guide if your dealer does not have one.

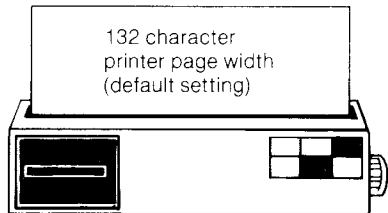
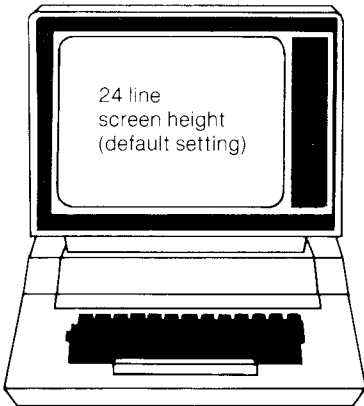
**PART 2****Changing screen and printer default settings (optional)**

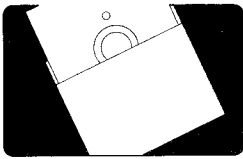
You can skip PART 2 until after you try using the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. You can change certain screen or printer default settings at any time. Some settings, noted on the table below, can be changed in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> each time you print a spreadsheet.

**Purpose:**

Though SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is shipped ready to work with most display monitors and printers, you may want to change some default settings. You can change the settings with the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> installation program.

For example, if your screen height or printer page width are different than the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> defaults (illustrated below), you can change the defaults to fit your requirements.





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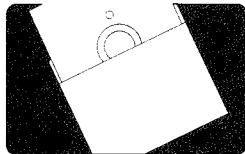
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#### Default settings you can change:

Original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> default settings are printed in boldface.

1. Screen dimensions **24** lines.  
**80** characters per line.
2. Printer page dimensions \* **66** lines.  
**132** characters per line.
  3. Printer status
    - Auto form feed \* **NO** NO means printer pauses between pages till you press the space bar.  
  
YES feeds paper without pausing between pages.
    - Double spacing \* **NO** NO single spaces printed lines.  
  
YES double spaces printed lines.
    - Send carriage return & line feed **YES** YES sends both control codes to printer.  
  
NO sends a carriage return control code only (a few printers will double space if they receive the line feed code).
4. Border character **7C** (hex value)

On most screens and many printers, 7C (hex) is the “;” character. If you see an odd-looking character or symbol on your spreadsheet row or column border, you can change this setting. For example, 3A (hex) sets the border character to “:”.



See the table of ASCII characters and corresponding hex values, Appendix I.

5. Printer initialization string \*

**Unconfigured or 0**

Unconfigured means no control codes are sent at the start of a /Output (to printer) command. Control codes turn selected printer features on or off.

Example: For the Epson, the IBM PC, and some other dot matrix printers, the hex value for compressed print is 0F (zero F). The hex value for normal print is 12.

See your printer manual for control codes and hex values for printer capabilities such as compressed print, double strike, italics, etc.

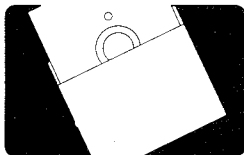
\* Settings marked with an asterisk (\*) can also be changed within SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> whenever you print a spreadsheet (See /Output command, Setup option.)

### Procedure:

Note that changing a default setting is not permanent. You can change a modified setting back to the way it was at any time. If you wish, you can exit from the installation program before saving your changes.

1. There are two ways to begin this procedure:
  - (1) From the TERMINALS screen, if you are proceeding from PART 1:

Type: **Z** (to display the MODIFICATIONS screen)



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- (2) From the system prompt, such as A>, your entry depends on the name of your installation program: If you selected a terminal (PART 1), your filename is INSTALL. If you were directed to skip PART 1, your filename is INSTALLS.

Reminder:

Your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.disk must be in drive A (or the system startup drive for your computer).

If the installation files are on a separate disk in drive B, for example, log onto drive B by typing **B:** ↵.

- If you have the program named INSTALL (.COM or .CMD):

Type: **INSTALL** ↵

Then respond to program prompts. Select **Z** at the TERMINALS screen.

- If you have the program named INSTALLS (.COM or .CMD):

Type: **INSTALLS** ↵

Then respond to program prompts.

2. When you see the screen titled MODIFICATIONS:

Select the option corresponding to the screen or printer setting you want to change. Then respond to program prompts.

For details about each option, refer to the table above titled "Default settings you can change."

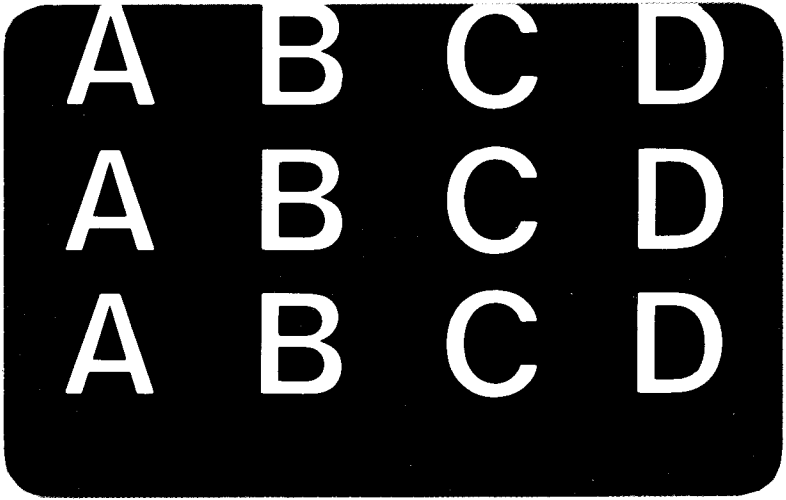
3. To save your changes — from the MODIFICATIONS screen:

Select the option beginning with the word "Save," then respond to program prompts. Your changes will be sent to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, and you will exit from the installation program.

Note: If you wish, you can choose an option to exit without saving your changes.

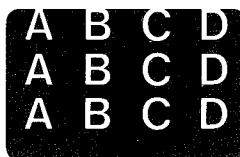
That ends the modifications procedure. For safekeeping, we suggest you make a backup copy of your installed SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk(s).





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**Sorcim Sort Collating Sequence**

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## E. Sorcim Sort Collating Sequence.

The **A**rrange command uses a sort order that is different from the ASCII sort order. This sort order is unique to Sorcim products and more closely arranges the characters in dictionary order.

The order is:

Space.

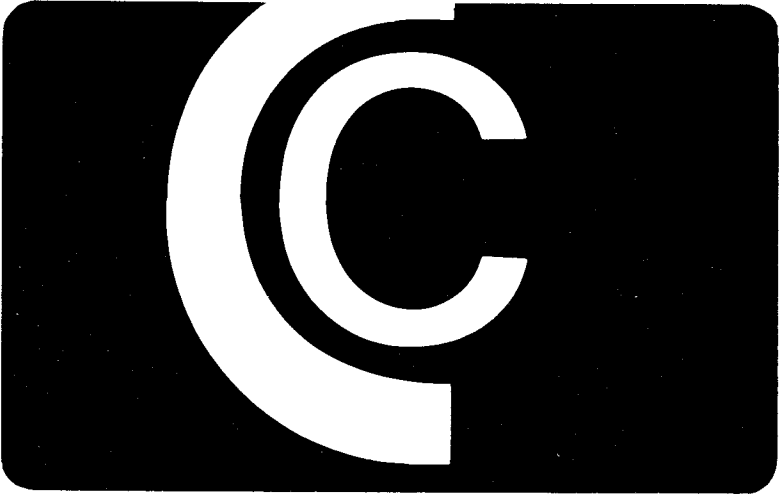
Other non-numeric, non-alpha characters in ASCII order.

Alpha characters, with lower case characters preceding their upper case counterparts.

Numeric characters.

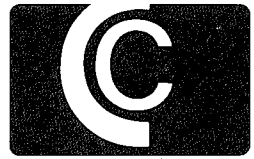
Specifically, the order is:

space bar	(continued from previous column)
!	[
"	\
#	]
\$	^
%	_
&	{
'	
(	~
)	^
*	aAbBcC...zZ
+	0
-	1
.	2
/	3
:	4
;	5
<	6
=	7
>	8
?	9
@	



**APPENDICES**  
**Compatibility of Files**

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## F. Compatibility of Files

When SuperCalc or SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> saves a file on disk, it writes the name of the program as part of the .CAL file. This is checked when SuperCalc or SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> attempts to load the file.

Any .CAL file prepared by SuperCalc can be used by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> with no changes.

SuperCalc can load a file created by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> provided that none of the following features of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> were ever used in the creation of that file.

- Calendar Functions
- Textual values
- User-defined display format
- Hide display format

If the data file does contain data pertaining to these features, SuperCalc will give an error message and not load the file.



**APPENDICES**  
**Software Maintenance for**  
**SuperCalc2**

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## G. Software Maintenance for SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>

MAINTAIN is a Sorcim program which:

- Verifies that the various parts of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program are correct and have not been damaged in any way,
- Allows you to make minor revisions or corrections to the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program when these changes are authorized by Sorcim.

You should only use the MAINTAIN program when you suspect that your copy of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is damaged in some way, or when advised by Sorcim, either directly or through your dealer.

**CAUTION:** If you make any modifications to the program other than those discussed in this chapter and in the Installation Instructions, the VERIFY and REVISE features can not be used.

### Finding Program Errors

When programs do not function properly, there are at least three possible sources of error. First, the problem could be in the computer hardware. Second, the problem could be a "bug" or error in the program itself. And finally, the problem could be accidental damage to the specific copy of the program being run. Of the three problems, the final one can be extremely troublesome because of confusion with the first two. When something goes wrong, you do not always know where to look for errors.

Magnetic disks are very sensitive and errors can be introduced into a program without your knowledge. Disk errors can sometimes be caused by:

- Turning off the computer with a diskette in the disk drive. This may cause a random "write" to the diskette. If the "write" occurs in an unused part of the disk, there is no problem. But if the "write" occurs in a program, it is possible that part of the program will be changed. The program may not run correctly again.

- Interference from other electrical appliances during disk operations. A small electrical appliance (e.g., a blender) operating on the same electrical circuit can sometimes cause havoc. Some computer systems are more prone to this interference than others.
- Power line fluctuations. Even though power line voltages in the U.S. are quite steady compared to some other countries, there sometimes is a sudden fluctuation that can introduce random errors if the fluctuation occurs during a disk operation.
- Memory chip failure. Hardware problems can cause damage to files before the problem is noticed or corrected.
- Another program which malfunctions and causes damage to files.

You need a reliable way of determining if the copy of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> being used is running properly. The MAINTAIN program VERIFY option accomplishes this.

## The VERIFY Option

The VERIFY option can accurately determine if any SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program has been damaged. VERIFY uses sophisticated error checking procedures. If there is a random error in a SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, there is less than one chance in one billion that VERIFY will fail to detect it. If VERIFY indicates that the copy of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is functioning properly, and there is still an apparent malfunction, it may be attributed to either an inherent flaw in the program or a problem with the computer equipment.

To run the MAINTAIN program, type the word MAINTAIN (when the program MAINTAIN.COM is on the currently logged drive and no other program is currently running). The program starts with the following screen display:

```

          ( ( ( Copyright Screen ) ) )

PRESS      IN ORDER TO
-----
  V        VERIFY integrity of a program bought from SORCIM
  R        REVISE a program (requires Hard Copy Revision Sheet)
  S        SHOW remedies for damaged programs
  H        HELP - explain available functions
  X        EXIT this program and return to System

*** A memory test is being run, please wait a few seconds ***
*** Your memory passed the test with no errors ***

-- Press Letter --) V

What is the NAME of the file for VERIFICATION?

-- Type file name or press Return Key to EXIT --) SC2.COM

```

Screen G-1: MAINTAIN Main Menu

Select the VERIFY option by typing the letter V. MAINTAIN. runs a test of RAM (main memory) in the Transient Program Area. If a bad memory location is found, MAINTAIN.COM prints its address.

Type the name of the program file you want to verify. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> includes these program files:

SC2.COM Main program  
SC2.OVL Overlay

In this example, we show MAINTAIN verifying the SC2.COM program file. After you give VERIFY the name of the program to check, the error checking procedure is begun. MAINTAIN determines during verification if any authorized revisions have been made to the program file. When a file is verified, the program will list the Revision Reference Number for any revision made to the original program in the same order as the revisions were made.



Then as each section of the program is read, the computer types an asterisk. This lets you follow the program's progress. As long as the asterisks appear, the program is functioning. When VERIFY finishes checking for errors, it tells you if the program on disk is free of errors.

```

MAINTAIN is now checking File "SC2.COM" for possible errors.
*****
*****
*****
*****

*****
*****
*****
*****

No revisions have been made to this file.

*** File "SC2.COM" has NO errors ***

-- Press any KEY to continue --)

```

### ScreenG-2: MAINTAIN — VERIFY option

If the VERIFY does not find any errors, the program returns to the list of options on the MAINTAIN Master Menu when you press a key. You may then VERIFY have another program by pressing the V key again, or may return to the system by pressing the X key.

If errors are found, the VERIFY prints possible causes of these problems, and things you might do to correct them.

These instructions can be seen by pressing the S key to select the Menu's SHOW option.

## The REVISE Option

This MAINTAIN option allows you to modify the original SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program using a special code supplied by Sorcim. No special programming knowledge is required for this interactive program. The possibility of inadvertent typographical mistakes causing errors is thoroughly checked, but all program revisions should be handled with care.

**CAUTION:** The REVISE function is not a feature for the casual program user. REVISE should only be performed by the individual responsible for total system operation. Even with the program's internal selfchecks, care must be used when making revisions using the Hard Copy Revision Sheets. It is vitally important that REVISE only be used with Sorcim Hard Copy Revision Sheets, and that these sheets be carefully followed.

If it becomes necessary to make minor revisions to SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>, Sorcim may send each registered SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> owner a code sheet which contains the necessary modifications.

The Hard Copy Revision Sheet provided to customers is not a list of computer instructions, but a special code that is only meaningful to the REVISE option of the MAINTAIN program.

Example of an excerpt from a Sorcim Hard Copy Revision Sheet:

Revision created from file ????????.??? to be applied to file SC2.COM.

The Revision Code is ABEI.

Line Number1: CNA AAB AAA KBA BOF KLC  
Line Number2: AOA CMN AFA AAD AAA EMN  
Line Number3: X

The REVISE option of the MAINTAIN program will prompt the user for each line of input, one line at a time. Each line of code contains checks which aid in guarding against typographical errors.

**NOTE:** The Hard Copy Revision Sheet shown above and in the example on the next few pages is for *illustration only*, and should *not* actually be used with REVISE.

Before using the REVISE option of MAINTAIN, a backup copy of the unrevised, old file should be made. Backup protection is very useful if you make any mistakes during revision. It is also a good practice to keep all Hard Copy Revision Sheets.

### How To Use REVISE

1. Make an extra backup copy of SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> programs.
2. Run the MAINTAIN program by typing MAINTAIN.
3. Select the REVISE option by typing R.
4. Follow the instructions presented by the computer.

NOTE: Do not run the REVISE option unless you have a Hard Copy Revision Sheet from Sorcim.

Example of the REVISE option in MAINTAIN.COM

The program starts with the following screen display:

```

          ( ( ( Copyright Screen ) ) )

PRESS   IN ORDER TO
-----
  V     VERIFY integrity of a program bought from SORCIM
  R     REVISE a program (requires Hard Copy Revision Sheet)
  S     SHOW remedies for damaged programs
  H     HELP - explain available functions
  X     EXIT this program and return to System

*** A memory test is being run, please wait a few seconds ***
*** Your memory passed the test with no errors ***

-- Press Letter --) R

What is the NAME of the file for VERIFICATION?

-- Type file name or press Return Key to EXIT --) SC2.COM

```

Screen G-3: MAINTAIN Main Menu (repeated)



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Select the REVISE option by typing the letter R. The screen scrolls, and MAINTAIN asks the following questions:

Type the name of the program file you need to revise. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> includes these program files:

SC2.COM Main Program  
SC2.OVL Overlay

In this example, we show MAINTAIN revising the SC2.COM program file. After you give REVISE the name of the program to check, the error checking procedure is begun. Before revisions can be made in a file, the program must verify that there are no errors in the file.

MAINTAIN determines during verification what revisions have already been made to the program file. When a file is verified, the program will list the Revision Code for each revision made to the original program in the same order as the revisions were made.

This process follows the steps as the VERIFY option. As each section of the program is read, the computer types an asterisk. This lets you follow the program's progress. As long as the asterisks appear, the program is functioning. When REVISE finishes checking for errors, it tells you if the program on disk is free of errors.

```

MAINTAIN is now checking File "SC2.COM" for possible errors.
*****
*****
*****
*****

*****
*****
*****
*****

*** File "SC2.COM" has NO errors ***

-- Press any KEY to continue --)

You should have an Sorcim HARD COPY REVISION SHEET.
Please type the revision carefully. There are
internal checks to find typing mistakes,
but be careful. MAINTAIN will only revise a program
when all revision lines have been typed correctly.

-- Type the Revision Code or Return Key to EXIT-->ABEI

Your Input: ABEI
-- Is this correct? Press Y for Yes, N for No --)

```

Screen G-4:MAINTAIN — REVISE option

When you press any key, MAINTAIN will be ready to accept the revision information.

MAINTAIN instructs you to enter the Revision Code. This combination of letters is printed at the top of the Hard Copy Revision Sheet. The program makes certain checks on this reference code to determine if it is correct. This code must match a code built into the program to be sure that you do not inadvertently change the wrong program. If the program will not accept a Revision Code, contact Sorcim.

Following each input, the program will retype the input and ask you if this is correct. If you indicate that the input is correct, the program will go to the next step. If you say the input is incorrect, the program will let you re-type the information.

The program now asks you to input the first line of code. Each code line contains information that will allow the computer to determine if there have been errors in typing the line. The code can be typed in groups of three characters, or all at once with no spaces. Typing in groups of three letters is easiest for most people.

```
Please type Line Number 1 or press Return Key to EXIT

Line Number 1: --)CNA AAB AAA KBA BOP KLC

Your input:  CNA AAB AAA KBA BOP KLC

-- Is this correct?  Press Y for Yes, N for No --)Y

Line #2: --)AOA CMN APA AAD AAA EMN

Your Input:   AOA CMN APA AAD AAA EMN

-- Is this correct?  Press Y for Yes, N for No --)Y

Line #3: --)X

Your Input:  X

-- Is this correct?  Press Y for Yes, N for No --)Y
```

Screen G-5: MAINTAIN — REVISE option continued

Your input is echoed back so that you can determine if you have made a typing error. Once you indicate that the line is correct, MAINTAIN will check it to see if it can find any errors. If an error is found, you will have the opportunity to re-enter the line.



If no errors are detected, continue with each line until you have entered all of the lines on the Hard Copy Revision Sheet.

NOTE: You can abandon the revision process and return to the MAINTAIN Master Menu at any time by pressing (F4) before any letters have been typed.

After all lines are entered, MAINTAIN will make the necessary revisions in the SuperCalc2 program. MAINTAIN keeps you informed of revision progress by typing an asterisk as each program record is changed.

```
The revision is being processed.
*****
*****
*****
*****
File "SC2.COM" has check values placed
REVISION IS COMPLETED.
-- Press X to EXIT or any other KEY to continue --)
```

Screen G-6: MAINTAIN — REVISE option completed

When MAINTAIN has finished revising the SuperCalc2 program, it tells you how to make backup copies (not shown here). It is important that all revised copies of SuperCalc2 be clearly labelled so that another user can determine what revisions have been made to a particular copy. Keeping the Hard Copy Revision Sheets is also important, as is keeping a copy of the original unrevised program.

To avoid confusion, many users find it best to destroy old copies of SuperCalc2 a few weeks after the revision has been made. The old copies, though, should be kept at least until you are certain that the revisions have been made correctly, and that no errors have been introduced to the program.

NEVER DESTROY THE ORIGINAL DISTRIBUTED COPY OF SUPERCALC2.



The file SC2.COM has now been revised. MAINTAIN has also included the name of the revision as part of the SC2.COM file. You can verify that the revision has been made at any time using the VERIFY option. The verify option lists all revisions made to a file. The following screen shows the revision that was just explained.

```
MAINTAIN is now checking File "SC2.COM" for possible errors.
*****
*****
*****

*****
*****
*****

Revisions have been made to this file in the following order:

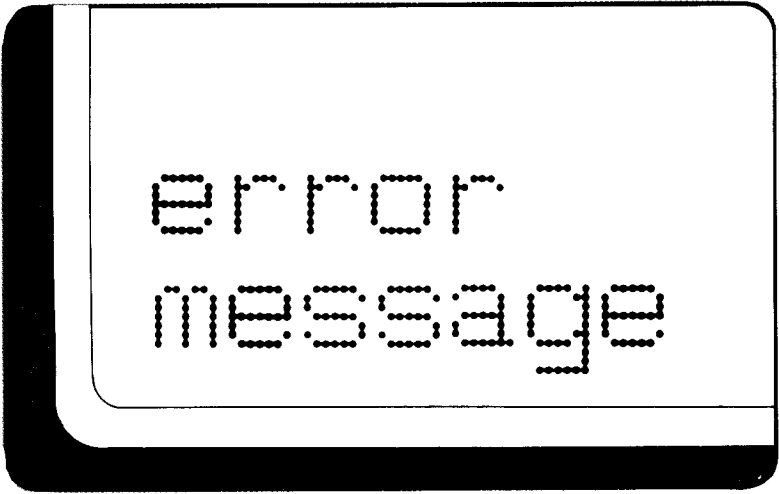
ABEI

*** File "SC2.COM" has NO errors ***

-- Press any KEY to continue --)
```

Screen G-7:MAINTAIN — VERIFY option after revision





**APPENDICES**  
**Error Messages**

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## H. Error Messages

### ***Cannot delete file***

The file is write-protected. Use your operating system command to delete the write-protection.

### ***CLEAR Current Split***

The split window has been cleared.

### ***Column BK contains data***

You cannot insert a column because column BK contains data. Delete or move the column to another location, then retry the insert.

### ***Column ERROR***

Indicates that a single Column entry is required.

### ***Column Range ERROR***

The Column range is not specified properly. Correct the error and reenter the range.

### ***Command aborted due to disk error***

Indicates a problem with the disk or disk drive.

### ***Copy won't fit***

There is not enough room on the spreadsheet for the Copy. Correct the error and retry the command.

### ***Disk FULL, command aborted***

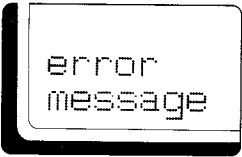
There is not enough room on the disk to write the file. Replace the disk with one that has room.

### ***Filename ERROR***

The file name is not in proper format.

### ***File not loadable***

The file is not in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> format.



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#### ***File NOT on Disk***

The file is not on the disk specified.

#### ***File SC2.HLP not installed***

Indicates that the help file SC2.HLP does not contain the screen called for by the AnswerKey.

#### ***Formula ERROR***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> checks formulas to see if they are complete and legitimate mathematical formulas before entering them into a cell. Locate and correct your error, then reenter the formula. C

#### ***From can't be block***

The source cannot be a block.

#### ***Insufficient memory to operate SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> requires a minimum of 48K for 8080 and Z80 and 64K for 8086 systems.

#### ***Memory FULL***

The computer memory is full. You cannot add anything to the spreadsheet. Save the spreadsheet on a disk file, or delete portions of it to continue.

#### ***No room (at edge) to display window***

Error is the result of attempting a /Window,Vertical at the left-most or right-most column of display or /Window,Horizontal at the first or last row of the display.

#### ***No SC2.hlp file on SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk***

Copy the file SC2.HLP onto your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk.

#### ***Printer not ready or out of paper***

This error message is for IBM PC only. SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> checks the printer for ready status. If the printer does not return the ready status, this message occurs.

Note: Set location 2B4 to non-zero to avoid checking the printer for ready status.

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***Protected Entry***

The cell is protected. Unprotect the cell to alter the contents.

***Range ERROR***

The cell range is not specified properly. Correct the error and reenter the range.

***Remount and press <RETURN> to continue***

Indicates an error in loading the overlay file, SC2.OVL.

***Row ERROR***

Indicates that a single Row entry is required.

***Row Range ERROR***

The Row range is not specified properly. Correct the error and reenter the range.

***Row 254 contains data***

You cannot insert a row because row 254 contains data. Delete or move the row 254 to another location, then retry the insert.

***SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> not properly installed on current default drive.******See SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> manual for further assistance.***

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> must be installed on some computers to work properly.

***SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program disk MUST remain on disk drive***

Make sure that the disk containing the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> files are on the program disk.

***Target is within move range***

You have specified a move that is inside the source range.

***Title Cleared***

Occurs when you clear a title lock or set a new title lock.

***“To” must be cell***

The destination must be a cell. Correct the entry.



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#### ***“To” must be partial column***

The destination must be a partial column.

#### ***“To” must be partial row***

The destination must be a partial row.

#### ***User Abort***

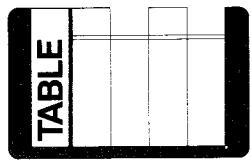
Indicates that execution of an .XQT file has been interrupted with CTRL C.

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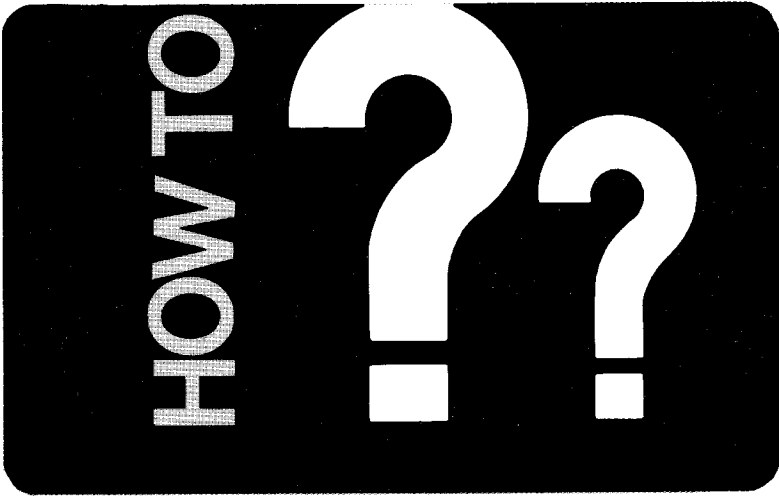
## ASCII Codes



ASCII Codes															
CONTROL		NUMBERS SYMBOLS				UPPER CASE				LOWER CASE					
00	NUL CTRL @	01	DLE CTRL P	02	SP	03	0	04	@	05	P	06	^	07	p
08	SOH CTRL A	09	DC1 CTRL Q	10	!	11	1	12	A	13	Q	14	a	15	q
16	STX CTRL B	17	DC2 CTRL R	18	"	19	2	20	B	21	R	22	b	23	r
24	ETX CTRL C	25	DC3 CTRL S	26	#	27	3	28	C	29	S	30	c	31	s
32	EOT CTRL D	33	DC4 CTRL T	34	\$	35	4	36	D	37	T	38	d	39	t
40	ENQ CTRL E	41	NAK CTRL U	42	%	43	5	44	E	45	U	46	e	47	u
48	ACK CTRL F	49	SYN CTRL V	50	&	51	6	52	F	53	V	54	f	55	v
56	BEL CTRL G	57	ETB CTRL W	58	'	59	7	60	G	61	W	62	g	63	w
64	BS CTRL H	65	CAN CTRL X	66	(	67	8	68	H	69	X	70	h	71	x
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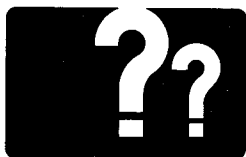
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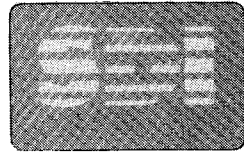
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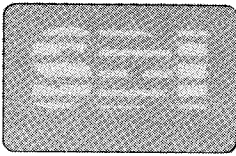


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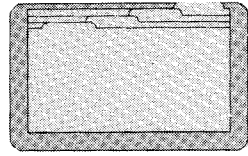
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# WELCOME TO SUPERDATA INTERCHANGE™

What is SuperData Interchange?



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## 1. Welcome to SuperData Interchange™

SuperData Interchange allows you to convert a data file from another program into a SuperCalc data file or vice versa.

### What is SuperData Interchange?

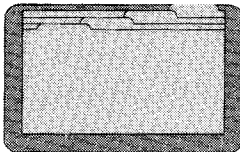
Without SuperData Interchange, exchanging information between SuperCalc and other programs can be difficult and time consuming. SuperCalc stores a data file on disk in a special binary format for efficient disk storage and quick loading of files. Only SuperCalc can read these files, other programs cannot use them.

SuperData Interchange converts SuperCalc's binary files to other formats that use ASCII characters and vice versa. ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is an internationally recognized character set code. Appendix B contains an ASCII table.

SuperData Interchange can convert three types of ASCII files into SuperCalc binary files and can generate the first 2 types of ASCII files from a SuperCalc file.

1. *Comma Separated Value* — .CSV. A .CSV file contains numeric values or text strings from file items (fields). Each item is separated by a comma. A .CSV file does not contain formulas or display formatting characteristics.
2. *SuperData Interchange format* — .SDI. An .SDI file defines each cell using three fields.
3. *VisiCalc*™ — .VC. SuperData Interchange can convert a VisiCalc data file into SuperCalc format, retaining formulas and display format characteristics.





# WELCOME TO SUPERDATA INTERCHANGE™

## Why Use SuperData Interchange?

### Why Use SuperData Interchange?

Converting data created by one program for use by another program saves time and money.

Suppose you have your most recent Profit and Loss Statement in .CSV format from your General Ledger package and want to do a little "what if" modeling with SuperCalc. Or perhaps you want to transfer some data in a SuperCalc spreadsheet to a program that uses .SDI format to further analyze the data and produce various reports.

With SuperData Interchange there's no need to key in the information a second time. You save time and avoid errors by converting the existing file.

SuperData Interchange displays a menu on the screen for selecting the type of conversion you want. The program prompts for the name of the file to be converted (the source file) and the name for the file to be created by the conversion (the destination file). The source file contents are NOT altered.

Here are some examples of the ways SuperData Interchange can convert data to and from different programs.

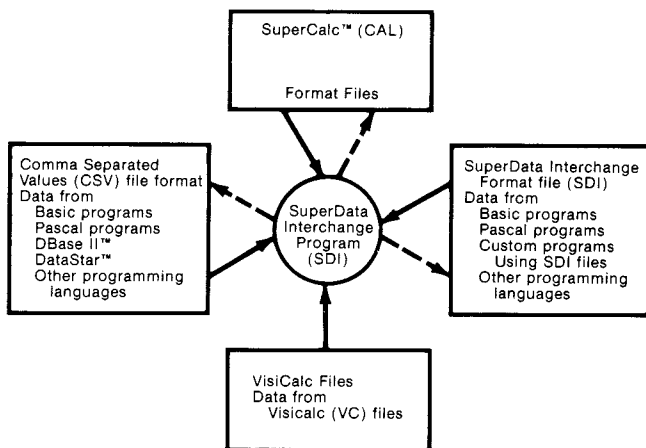
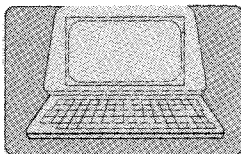


Illustration 1-1: SuperData Interchange

# USING YOUR SUPERDATA INTERCHANGE PROGRAM

## A Sample File Conversion



## 2. Using Your SuperData Interchange Program

### A Sample File Conversion

A sample file (BUDGET.CAL) is provided on your SuperCalc distribution disk. When loaded into the SuperCalc program, the display looks as follows:

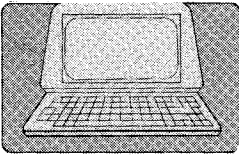
	A	B	C
1:	SAMPLE BUDGET		
2:			
3:	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
4:			
5:	-----		
6:	STARTING BALANCE		250.00
7:	PAYDAY	550.00	800.00
8:	RENT	-350.00	450.00
9:	UTILITIES	-75.00	375.00
10:	FOOD	-200.00	175.00
11:	AUTO	-100.00	75.00
12:	-----		
13:			75.00

Screen 2-1: Budget.Cal

If you attempt to display the file contents by typing:

A>TYPE BUDGET.CAL ↵

you will see only the title line (the contents of cell A1) and the SuperCalc version number which created the file. A “.CAL” file is “Binary” and the TYPE command does not display the data. Most other programs are not able to use this data because it is stored in a program-specific format.



## USING YOUR SUPERDATA INTERCHANGE PROGRAM


### Selecting the Type of Conversion

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These examples demonstrate SuperData Interchange's quick and easy method of converting files. But don't let its simplicity fool you — SuperData Interchange is a powerful conversion tool. Before you convert actual data there are several things to consider.

## Selecting the Type of Conversion

You first must decide what kind of data file your program uses. Consult the documentation that comes with the program or talk to your dealer.

To use SuperData Interchange, enter **SDI**  from your operating system prompt. The SuperData Interchange Main Menu displays on your monitor.

```

                               Sorcim File Conversion Utility
                               Version: 1.00

These are the File Conversions Available:

A. SuperCalc file to Comma Separated Value file
B. Comma Separated Value file to SuperCalc file
C. SuperCalc file to SuperData Format file
D. SuperData Format file to SuperCalc file
X. Exit program

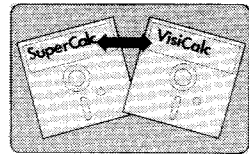
Enter Your choice (A, B, C, D or X)?
```

Screen 2-2: Main Menu

If your program reads files as *Comma Separated Values* you can use menu selections A and/or B. If your program uses .DIF format, the file might be eligible for selections C and/or D. Use selection E to convert a VisiCalc file to a SuperCalc file.

# USING YOUR SUPERDATA INTERCHANGE PROGRAM


## Specifying Filename and Extensions



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There are two methods of specifying a filename and extension. You can use the built-in default filenames and extensions or you can specify any filename and extension that conforms to your operating system requirements.

Default filenames can be used in two ways:

1. When you enter a source filename without an extension, SuperData Interchange automatically appends the appropriate extension — .CAL, .CSV, .VC or .SDI.
2. A  at the destination filename automatically uses the source filename for the destination filename with the correct output extension.

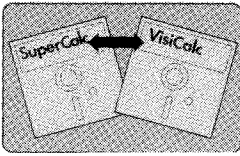
You may not want to use these defaults. To override the defaults, specify an exact file extension or an exact destination filename.

The default filename extensions *are only a convenience*. They contain no significance other than to help you identify the contents of the file. You are free to alter both the source filename and the destination filename.

**Note:** When you convert a .CAL file to another format the formulas are lost. Converting that file back to a .CAL file produces a .CAL file that contains only values, not formulas. To prevent destroying your original .CAL file rename the file and do not accept the default filename. This will help to prevent accidentally overwriting the file. After typing in the new filename you can still press  to accept the default file extension.

## Converting Files

To use SuperData Interchange, select the desired conversion type from the main menu. Specify the source and destination files. SuperData Interchange creates a new file containing the conversion and leaves the source file intact. The following examples demonstrate how to use SuperData Interchange.



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### ***SuperCalc file to Comma Separated Value file***

(.CAL —> .CSV)

This example uses all SuperData Interchange defaults. Follow along at your terminal and key in only the **Bold** characters. You may type either upper or lower case characters. SuperData Interchange automatically converts to upper case.

1. Select Menu Item **A** to convert from SuperCalc format to Comma Separated Value format (.CAL —> .CSV).
2. Enter the source filename.

Enter Source filename: **BUDGET**   
Opening file: BUDGET.CAL

Enter only the filename. SuperData Interchange appends the default .CAL extension.

3. Enter the Destination filename.

Enter Destination filename:   
Opening File: BUDGET.CSV

SuperData Interchange uses the filename BUDGET and appends the .CSV extension.

SuperData Interchange begins the conversion with the screen message:

Converting BUDGET.CAL to BUDGET.CSV

Your disk should be active for a time, and then the screen displays the message:

Conversion complete

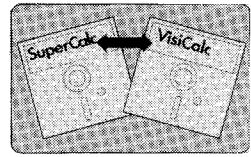
The SuperData Interchange Main Menu then redisplay on the screen.

### ***Comma Separated Value file to SuperCalc file***

(.CSV —> .CAL)

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Now that the file BUDGET.CSV exists, consider the conversion process in reverse.

1. Press **B** to select conversion from Comma Separated Value to SuperCalc format (.CSV → .CAL).
2. Enter the Source filename.

Enter Source filename: **BUDGET**   
Opening file: BUDGET.CSV

SuperData Interchange appends the .CSV extension.

3. Enter the Destination filename.

Enter Destination filename: **BUDGETV**   
Opening file: BUDGETV.CAL

You have overridden the default filename BUDGET with BUDGETV and SuperData Interchange appends the default .CAL extension. The V in the filename serves as a reminder that BUDGETV.CAL contains values only.

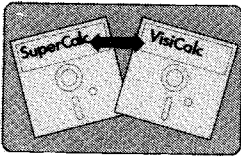
### When the File Exists--Safety Check

SuperData Interchange includes a safety check to help avoid writing over an existing file. Suppose you had entered a  requesting the default for the destination file in Step 3. This is the equivalent of entering BUDGET.CAL, your original SuperCalc data file. SuperData Interchange warns you with this message:

File Already Exists!  
Okay to Overwrite the file (y/n)?

Any key but “Y” or “N” will be ignored. The “N” key will abandon the conversion process and redisplay the menu.

If you press “Y” the existing file is deleted and the new file created with the name of the old file.



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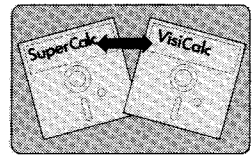
### **VisiCalc™ files**

SuperData Interchange converts VisiCalc data files to SuperCalc data files. All formulas and values are converted with the following exceptions.

1. The @CHOOSE(switch,value1,value2. . .) function in VisiCalc is interpreted in SuperCalc as  $(\text{INT}(\text{switch})=1)*\text{value1} + (\text{INT}(\text{switch})=2)*\text{value2} + \dots$ . If the converted expression exceeds 116 characters, a warning message displays on your monitor and ERROR is output to the .CAL file. If the switch has a negative value or 0 or greater than the number of values provided in the CHOOSE function, the resulting NA in VisiCalc is converted to 0 in SuperCalc. No warning message displays on your monitor.
2. Both the @AND and @OR functions in VisiCalc allow any number of arguments while the same functions in SuperCalc take only two arguments. In order to retain the accuracy of these functions, nested AND or OR functions are generated during conversion. If the converted formula exceeds 116 characters in length, ERROR is output to the destination file. A warning message displays on your monitor.
3. For the AND, OR, and NOT function, VisiCalc takes logic expressions, i.e., 1 or 0, as arguments. SuperCalc takes logic expressions plus zero or non-zero situation as arguments. Therefore, an expression such as AND(A1,B1) is evaluated as ERROR in VisiCalc, but when converted to SuperCalc is evaluated as 1 or 0.
4. The maximum number of nested parentheses in expressions which can be evaluated by SuperCalc is 7 while the corresponding number in VisiCalc is 9. SuperData Interchange converts the expression from VisiCalc to SuperCalc as long as the converted expression does not exceed 116 characters. If the expression is not a valid SuperCalc expression, SuperCalc will evaluate it to ERROR.

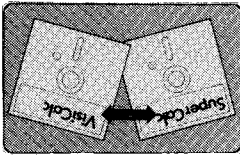
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5. A text string that exceeds 116 characters is truncated during conversion. If the original formula or the formula after conversion exceeds 116 characters, ERROR is output to the destination file. A warning message displays on your monitor.
6. Boolean formulas that evaluate TRUE or FALSE in VisiCalc result in 1 or 0 in SuperCalc.
7. The formula prefix “+” in VisiCalc is removed when converted to SuperCalc. For example the VisiCalc formula +A1+B1 is converted to the SuperCalc formula A1+B1.
8. VisiCalc displays 21 rows per screen while SuperCalc displays 20 rows per screen. If a worksheet was saved with the cursor at the 21st row of a screen in VisiCalc, then converted to a SuperCalc worksheet, the cursor stays in the same cell with the screen scrolling up one row, i.e., the first row scrolls off the top of the screen. Whenever there is a conflict between retaining original screen and original cursor position, the original cursor position prevails.
9. Window split with title lock is handled differently by SuperCalc and VisiCalc. VisiCalc always carries the title lock in the second window. SuperCalc does not carry the title lock in the second window. The conversion, however, retains the lock in both windows as if the user also set that title lock in the second window.
10. Repeated text in VisiCalc repeats across the column width only. When converted to SuperCalc, VisiCalc repeated text expands across the row until column BK or a non-empty cell, whichever comes first.





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### Summary of SuperData Interchange Conversions

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Use the other SuperData Interchange Main Menu options in a similar manner. A summary of the options follows:

Option A converts a SuperCalc file to a Comma Separated Value file. Only values are converted. Formulas and display format characteristics are not converted.

Option B converts a Comma Separated Value file to a SuperCalc file. Since a .CSV file contains only values, no formulas appear in the .CAL file. When you load the file into SuperCalc, the default display format is in effect.

Option C converts a SuperCalc file to an .SDI file. Only values are converted. Display format and formulas are lost.

Option D converts an .SDI file to a SuperCalc file. Formulas, display format and values are converted.

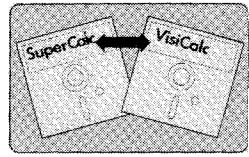
**Note:** Options C and D are not strictly opposite operations of each other. Although SuperData Interchange does not convert formulas and display format characteristics using Option C, Option D does recognize and convert both formulas and display format from an .SDI file containing them. How they get into the .SDI file does not matter to SuperData Interchange. For example, you could use another program to produce the data file, or you could use a text editor such as SuperWriter on an .SDI file to put in the formulas and display characteristics. Appendix B contains a technical description of the .SDI file structure.

Option E converts a VisiCalc file to a SuperCalc file. There is no comparable option that converts a SuperCalc data file into a VisiCalc data file.

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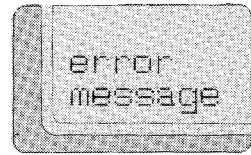
## Summary of SuperData Interchange Conversions

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### Special Considerations:

1. If there are warning messages during conversion, SuperData Interchange pauses after the conversion is completed and displays *Press Return to Continue*. This pause allows you to read warning messages before the screen scrolls back to the main menu.
2. A date function, e.g., DATE(mm,dd,yy) in a .CAL file converts to an integer value in a .CSV or .SDI file. This value is a modified Julian date, as if JDATE(date value) had been used on the date.
3. Textual Values are output as text. When converting from .SDI to .CAL, textual values or date values will only be recognized by SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> or SuperCalc3 if a formula is provided with the -4 type. Use your word processor such as SuperWriter to insert the formula.



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## A. Warning and Error Messages

### Error Messages

#### **Column out of range.**

This can happen when converting to .CAL files. The number of columns in the source file is greater than 63.

#### **Row out of range.**

This can happen when converting to .CAL files. The number of rows in the source file is greater than 254.

#### **No COL:ROW string in Origin Specifier.**

This can happen when converting from .SDI files to .CAL files. Correct the error.

#### **Ill-formed COL:ROW string in Origin Specifier.**

Correct the source file.

#### **No ROW string in Origin Specifier.**

Correct the source file.

#### **Missing arg. in Type Ind/Numeric Value line.**

This can happen when converting from .SDI to .CAL files. A data item does not contain a valid type indicator.

#### **Improper or no DATA header in file.**

The .SDI file does not have a valid "DATA" header item in the header.

#### **Multiple Origin Specifiers in a tuple.**

The .SDI file has more than one origin data item in one tuple (row).

#### **Invalid Type Ind./Data Definition.**

The .SDI file has an invalid type indicator or data definition.



## WARNING AND ERROR MESSAGES

### Warnings Issued by SuperData Interchange

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#### **Fmt/Formula/Rpt Count without prior data.**

An .SDI file contains a -3, -4, -5 data type indicator without a preceding numeric data or text data.

#### **Bad file name.**

This can happen if you enter a filename containing a reserved character as part of the destination file name, i.e., BUDGET.\* or specify an invalid drive reference, i.e., v:BUDGET.

#### **Source file not found.**

Correct the error.

#### **File is empty.**

Self-explanatory.

#### **File is not a .CAL file.**

Self-explanatory.

#### **File is not VisiCalc file.**

Self-explanatory.

## **Warnings Issued by SuperData Interchange**

These warnings are issued by the SuperData Interchange Program to inform you when an unusual action has taken place or when data are found that have not been correctly formed. In the latter case, no action is usually taken by the SuperData Interchange program. In either case, the converted file may be inaccurate.

#### **Closing quote found, truncating string.**

This can happen when converting from .CSV to .CAL files. It means that .SDI has found a closing quote for a quoted string, however, there is something left out after the quote and before the field delimiter ','. Those left-out characters will be truncated.

# WARNING AND ERROR MESSAGES

## Warnings Issued by SuperData Interchange



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### **String too long, truncation occurs.**

This can happen when converting to .CAL file. It means the original file has string(s) longer than 115 characters.

### **Formula too long, will output ERROR.**

This can happen when converting to .CAL file. It means the original file has formula(s) longer than 116 characters.

### **Column out of range in Header.**

This can happen when converting from .SDI file to .CAL file. It means that column or row specifier is out of range in SDI header items. Column range is 1..63. The erroneous header item will be ignored.

### **Row out of range in Header.**

This can happen when converting from .SDI file to .CAL file. It means that column or row specifier is out of range in SDI header items. Row range is 1..254. The erroneous header item will be ignored.

### **Null data cannot have formula.**

This can happen when converting from .SDI to .CAL file. If a data item in the .SDI file is a null data item followed by a formula data item, the formula is illegal and will be ignored.

### **Illegal format letter.**

This can happen when converting from an .SDI to a .CAL file. The .SDI file data item has invalid format letter(s) other than those defined by SuperCalc. The letter(s) will be ignored.

### **Bad integer number.**

This can happen when converting to .CAL file. It means the file has an invalid integer, i.e., integers which have characters other than 0..9, one sign character or a blank.

### **@AND cannot convert successfully.**

This can happen when converting from .VC to .CAL files. If the converted @AND formula exceeds 116 characters, an ERROR will be output.



## **WARNING AND ERROR MESSAGES**

### **Warnings Issued by SuperData Interchange**

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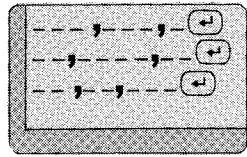
#### **@OR cannot convert successfully.**

This can happen when converting from .VC to .CAL files. If the converted @OR formula exceeds 116 characters an ERROR will be output.

#### **@CHOOSE cannot convert successfully.**

This can happen when converting from .VC to .CAL files. If the converted @CHOOSE formula exceeds 116 characters, an ERROR will be output.

P.S.: When warning messages occur during .VC to .CAL conversion, cell reference will always precedes the messages.



## B. Advanced Topics

### Special Data Formats

In the early days of microcomputers, program developers wrote programs to solve specific problems. The data produced and processed by these programs were usually unique to the program. The data had to be printed out, then rekeyed to be useful to another program.

Many programs produce the same kinds of data, that is, rows and columns of headings, numbers, blanks, etc. However, the file structure differs depending on the program.

Developers were interested in a storage format that permitted reconstruction of the data into its original appearance, no matter what the source of the information.

To help solve this problem Software Arts, Inc. defined the "Data Interchange Format" (DIF™). The SuperData Interchange format is an *extended version or superset* of the DIF format file.

**Note:** The definition of that solution is found in Software Arts Technical Note: SATN-18 "PROGRAMMERS GUIDE TO DIF."

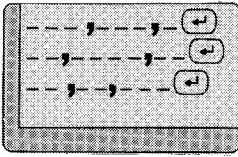
SuperData Interchange permits transferring data to and from SuperCalc without retyping.

### Conversion Considerations

The next section explores data formats in detail.

Three terms are important to SuperCalc data files.

1. Values — The actual numbers or strings of characters displayed from within SuperCalc. In SuperCalc a value may be a numeric constant or the result of calculating a formula.



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### Detailed File Formats

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2. Display format — The instructions SuperCalc executes when formatting values in individual cells, rows, columns or global conditions.
3. Formulas — Expressions assigned to cell locations specifying calculations or comparisons which are resolved by SuperCalc into values. The formulas may reference constants, built-in functions, or the contents of other cells.

### Detailed File Formats

This section gives the advanced SuperData Interchange user an understanding of what the files contain and how to create them from “scratch”.

#### ***Creating an .SDI or .CSV File***

An .SDI or .CSV data file may be created in many ways. One way is to use a program that reads and writes the .SDI or .CSV file format such as a BASIC program.

Another way is to use a word processor such as SuperWriter®. Be careful that the file contains alpha-numeric characters only. Yet another method is to generate the information on a mainframe computer and download this information to your system. This data can either be written on the mainframe in the format needed, or manipulated by an editor or another program.

#### **Comma Separated Value format**

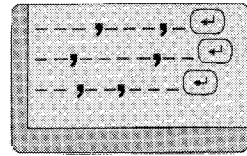
A Comma Separated Value data file consists of rows of data, each terminated by a carriage return and a line feed character. The data items in each row are separated by commas, with string data enclosed in double quotes.

A .CSV file contains no other control characters except the End-Of-File file character (**CTRL Z**) (represented as 1A in hex or 26 in decimal).



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### Comma Separated Value format



Numeric values must be in SuperCalc readable form: Integers, Real numbers and Exponential numbers.

Examples of numbers:

123	123.345	-123	-123.345
12E4	123E-12	-12E5	

String values consists of characters enclosed in double quotes (" "). A string may contain blanks, commas and special characters like /, \*, etc.

Examples of strings:

```
"This is a string."  
"This too!"  
"123,234,45 is a string also"
```

**Note:** Many programs that use .CSV data files do not require quotes around a string field unless there is a comma as part of the string. When SuperData Interchange creates a .CSV file, it encloses all strings in quotes, whether or not the string contains a comma. If there is a quote in the string, it is represented by two consecutive quotes, i.e. " ". Quotes around strings that do not contain commas are not required to convert a .CSV file to a .CAL file properly.

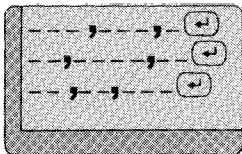
### Summary of .CSV Format

1. A line or row consists of data items (string and/or numeric) separated by commas.
2. Each line is terminated by a carriage return/line feed pair.
3. A (CTRL | Z) (hex 1A, decimal 26) terminates the file.
4. A string is surrounded by a double quote mark ("string").
5. There are no other control characters in the file.

Examples of .CSV files:

This file contains only numbers.

```
123.45,456.77,4322.56,837.233,9198.0,3444.94(↵)  
323.45,8989.84,3939.93,39.8,3494.343,343.99(↵)
```



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This file contains numbers and strings.

123,"John Smith","ground beef",12.45↵

124,"Betty Jones","top sirloin",34.54↵

125,"Jane Johnson","chicken",4.67↵

**Note:** The ↵ means the carriage return and line feed characters.

## SuperData Interchange format

The SuperData Interchange format (.SDI) is simple in concept, more complex in implementation. The file may contain information about the general appearance of the spreadsheet as well as the data in the spreadsheet.

The SuperData Interchange format (.SDI) is a superset of the DIF structure used with Visi-series software products. .SDI incorporates the major components of a DIF file and then has added other DATA and HEADER items to enable a file to carry more information. The original DIF specification contained only numeric and string data. The .SDI format may also contain information on the formulas and formatting characters of the SuperCalc spreadsheet.

A DIF file produced by VisiCalc can be used with SuperCalc after conversion with SuperData Interchange.

### ***SuperData Interchange .SDI File Layout***

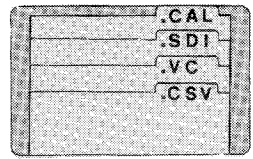
There are two major components of a .SDI data file, the HEADER section and the DATA section.

#### ***HEADER Section***

The HEADER consists of two required and three optional fields. The required fields are TABLE and DATA. The TABLE field must be the first field in the file and the DATA field must be the last field of the HEADER section.

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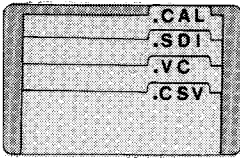


Between the TABLE and DATA fields the following optional fields are also allowed: COL-FORMAT, ROW-FORMAT and GDISP-FORMAT. These optional fields define the display formatting characteristics for Global, Row and Column formats. The Entry format is defined in the data section for each cell. These three fields are not part of the DIF format, only the .SDI format.

### **Formatting Strings**

Consider the format strings used in the HEADER section. This unquoted string may contain one or more of the following format options with no spaces between them.

- L            Indicates that numeric values are to be left justified when displayed in a cell, column or row.
  
- R            Indicates that numeric values are to be right justified when displayed in a cell, column or row.
  
- TL           Indicates that text values are to be left justified when displayed in a cell, column or row.
  
- TR           Indicates that text values are to be right justified when displayed in a cell, column or row.
  
- \$            Indicates that numeric values are to be displayed with the decimal point fixed at 2 places with trailing zeros to fill up the 2 places to the right of the decimal place if needed.
  
- \*            Indicates that numeric values are to be displayed as asterisks (\*). One asterisk displays for each integer count in the cell; i.e., 1 displays 1-\*, 10 displays 10-\*\*'s. If the cell contents equal 0, then the cell is blank.
  
- I            Indicates that numeric value of the cell is displayed as an integer with no decimal point and no places to the right of the decimal place.
  
- G            Indicates that a numeric value displays as *general* format with the *best-fit* possible.



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- D Indicates that formatting for the cell, column or row should be removed. At the global level, SuperCalc reverts to the default format.
- E Indicates that numeric values display in an exponential (n 10x) format. For example, 1.23e2 is equivalent to 123.

Format String Examples:

\$TL	TR*	D
GTLR	L\$	

### Header Items

TABLE — The first three lines of an .SDI data file indicate the beginning of the file and must appear exactly as shown here:

```
TABLE
0,1
" "
```

GDISP-FORMAT — Specifies the GLOBAL display format settings of the SuperCalc spreadsheet. Only one GDISP-FORMAT definition is allowed for a data file.

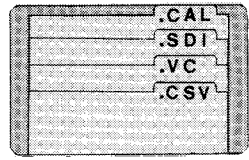
<i>FORMAT</i>	<i>SAMPLE ENTRY</i>	
GDISP-FORMAT	GDISP-FORMAT	
width,0	9,0	(global column
format string	\$TL	width of 9, textleft, \$
		format)

COL-FORMAT — Specifies the formatting of a particular column. The Column number must be in the range 1-63 columns. As many COL-FORMAT fields as necessary may be included in the header.

<i>FORMAT</i>	<i>SAMPLE ENTRY</i>	
COL-FORMAT	COL-FORMAT	
col#,width	3,12	(column C is 12
format string	I	characters wide and
		integer format)

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ROW-FORMAT — Specifies the formatting of a particular row. This is the same as COL-FORMAT but for rows. The Row number must be in the range 1-254 rows. As many ROW-FORMAT fields as necessary may be included in the header.

<i>FORMAT</i>	<i>SAMPLE ENTRY</i>
ROW-FORMAT	ROW-FORMAT
row #,0	14,0 (row 14)
format string	TL\$ (textleft,\$ formatting)

DATA — This item must be the last field in the header. It signifies the end of the header section and the beginning of the data section. The DATA field looks like this:

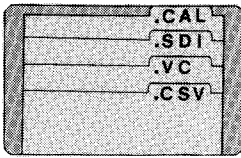
<i>FORMAT</i>	<i>SAMPLE ENTRY</i>
DATA	DATA
0,0	0,0
" "	" "

Below are some valid .SDI headers.

### **Minimal Header:**

This header contains only the TABLE section and the DATA section:

```
TABLE
0,1
" "
DATA
0,0
" "
```



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#### **Optional Field Header:**

This header contains the required TABLE and DATA sections as well as two COL-FORMAT and one GDISP-FORMAT definition.

TABLE	
0,1	
" "	Begin Header Section
COL-FORMAT	
1,40	Column width of A is 40
" "	No special display formatting
COL-FORMAT	
2,15	Column width of B is 15
\$	Money format
GDISP-FORMAT	
9,0	Global column width is 9
GTL	General format with Text Left
DATA	
0,0	
" "	Begin Data Section

#### **DATA Section**

The format of data items differs from that of header items. SuperData Interchange organizes data by rows. Within the rows, values are arranged according to the order of the columns.

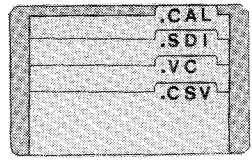
Each data entry consists of three fields on two lines. For example:

Line 1	field-1, field-2
Line 2	field-3

The first line contains two numeric values:

field-1	a type indicator
field-2	a numeric value

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## Types of Data Fields

The second line contains a string variable.

field-3                      string value

This could also be shown like this:

type indicator, numeric value  
string value

## Types of Data Fields

The type indicator must be an integer from 0 to 1 or -1 to -5. Each indicator is identified in the following table and described in detail below.

0	Numeric Data
1	Text String
-1	Data Definition
-2	Origin Specifier
-3	Entry level display formatting
-4	Formula
-5	Repeat Count

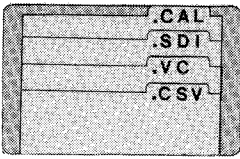
### ***Numeric Data***

A zero (0) in field #1 means that the cell contains numeric data. Numeric data is derived from the value that a SuperCalc Formula cell contained. The numeric value is stored in field #2. Field #3 contains the value indicator.

Example:            0,123.45  
                          V

The value indicator can be one of four values. When the value indicator is "V", the number is *valid*, and appears in field #2 as a decimal number. When the value indicator is anything else, the numeric data field is zero. Possible types of data and the contents of the numeric field is presented in the following table:

V	Indicates that the numeric data field contains a <i>valid</i> decimal number.
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### Types of Data Fields

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NA	The value for the cell is not available. The numeric data field is zero.
NULL	The value of the cell is NULL or unoccupied. The numeric data field is zero.
ERROR	The value is in Error, perhaps due to an invalid calculation such as dividing by zero.

The numeric data field can contain decimal numbers with signs (+ or -). One or more blanks may precede or follow the number value. If the data value contains an exponent of a power of ten, the value is followed by the letter "e" and the signed or unsigned exponent.

The numeric field is the only place that the .SDI file format allows a non-integer value.

### ***Text string***

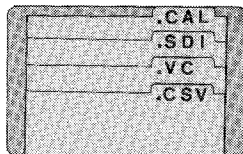
A one (1) in field #1 indicates that the data item is either a *Text* string or a *Repeating Text* string. The contents of field #2 indicated the type of text. The text string appears in field #3.

0	When field #2 is 0, the contents of field #3 is <i>Text</i> . The <i>Text</i> may be optionally enclosed in double quotes.
1	When field #2 is 1, the contents of field #3 is <i>repeating text</i> .

If the text contains blanks only (not blanks between words), then the string must be enclosed in quotation marks. A text value that is empty contains only quotation marks: i.e. " ".



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Example of a text cell:

1,0  
Check Register

Example of a repeating text cell:

1,1  
=

### **Data Definition**

A -1 in field #1 indicates that the data item contains data that defines the data file structure. There are two types of data definitions and they appear in field #3. Field #2 is not used and always contains zero. The two types of data definitions are:

**BOT**      Marks the beginning of a SuperCalc Row. Note that this is functionally equivalent to a carriage return in Comma Separated Values format in that it separates rows (or records).

Example:      -1,0  
                  BOT

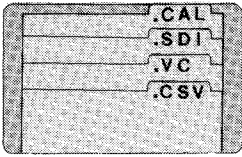
**EOD**      Marks the end of data. No further data is interpreted past the EOD by SuperData Interchange.

Example:      -1,0  
                  EOD

### **Origin Specifier**

A -2 in field #1 indicates an origin specifier. Field #2 is always zero. Field #3 contains the address of a cell.

The origin specifier indicates the cell where the next data item starts. This action is equivalent to a *skip to* command to avoid a long series of NULL entries. SuperData Interchange does not create this type of entry when converting from .CAL to .SDI formats, but does interpret it correctly when converting from .SDI to .CAL format.



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The cell address in field #3 contains two numbers separated by a colon. The first number is the column location (1-63). Although the columns are specified by an alphabetic notation in SuperCalc, the letters must be converted to their numeric equivalents here. The second number is the row number as used in SuperCalc (1-254).

The following examples compare SuperData Interchange notation with SuperCalc notation.

SuperCalc	SuperData Interchange
C20	3:20
AB74	28:74
BK254	63:254

### ***Entry level display formatting.***

A -3 in field #1 indicates Entry level display formatting. Field #3 contains the formatting specification for the previous cell. Field #2 is always zero (0).

Note: Global, Column and Row formats are specified in the HEADER section.

The display formatting codes are the same as for the Global Display item in the header section: i.e. I, \$, TL, etc. If there is no previous data item, an error occurs.

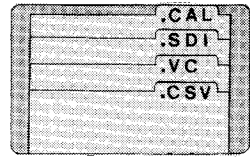
### ***Formula***

A -4 in field #1 specifies a formula. The formula is in field #3 and must be a valid SuperCalc formula. Field #2 is always zero. If there is no previous data item for that cell, an error occurs.

SuperData Interchange does not convert formulas from .CAL to .SDI format. However, you can create or edit formulas in an .SDI file with a text editor. SuperData Interchange will interpret them properly in a .SDI to .CAL conversion.

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Example:

```
-4,0  
A1+B1*4
```

### **Repeat Count**

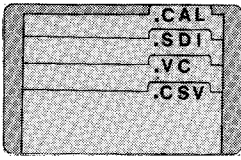
The repeat count is specified by -5 in field #1. The *previous* data item is to be repeated into the next sequential cells for the number of times specified by the number in field #2. Field #3 must contain R only. If there is no previous data item for that cell, an error occurs.

This is useful especially for padding a section of a spreadsheet with either NULL data or zeros. An example of filling a line of the spreadsheet with 10 zeros is:

```
-1,0  
BOT  
0,0  
V  
-5,9  
R
```

Example of a simple but complete .SDI File:

```
TABLE  
0,1  
" "  
DATA  
0,0  
" "  
-1,0  
BOT  
0,123.45  
V  
0,25.62  
V  
0,355.42  
V  
-1,0  
EOD
```



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### Types of Data Fields

This will create a file of 3 data items located on a single row.

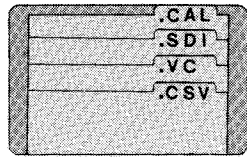
The following page shows the file BUDGET.SDI. Notice that the values are converted and that the formulas and display format characteristics are not included.

This example is Budget: (BUDGET.SDI)

TABLE	0,800.0
0,1	V
" "	-1,0
DATA	BOT
0,0	1,0
" "	RENT
-1,0	0,-350
BOT	V
1,0	0,450.0
SAMPLE BUDGET	V
0,0	-1,0
NULL	BOT
0,0	1,0
NULL	UTILITIES
-1,0	0,-75
BOT	V
0,0	0,375.0
NULL	V
0,0	-1,0
NULL	BOT
0,0	1,0
NULL	FOOD
-1,0	0,-200
BOT	V
1,0	0,175.0
DESCRIPTION	V
1,0	-1,0
AMOUNT	BOT
1,0	1,0
BALANCE	AUTO

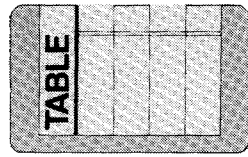
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## Types of Data Fields



-1,0	0,-100
BOT	V
1,1	0,75.0
=	V
0,0	-1,0
NULL	BOT
0,0	1,1
NULL	=
-1,0	0,0
BOT	NULL
1,0	0,0
STARTING BALANCE	NULL
0,0	-1,0
NULL	BOT
0,250	1,0
V	FINAL BALANCE
-1,0	0,0
BOT	NULL
1,0	0,75.0
PAYDAY	V
0,550	-1,0
V	EOD

# ASCII TABLE

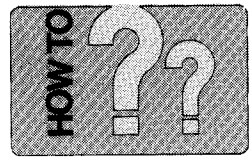


## ASCII Table

CONTROL		NUMBERS SYMBOLS		UPPER CASE		LOWER CASE	
<small>NUL</small> <b>CTRL @</b>	<small>DLE</small> <b>CTRL P</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>@</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>·</b>	<b>p</b>
<small>SOH</small> <b>CTRL A</b>	<small>DC1</small> <b>CTRL Q</b>	<b>!</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Q</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>q</b>
<small>STX</small> <b>CTRL B</b>	<small>DC2</small> <b>CTRL R</b>	<b>"</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>r</b>
<small>ETX</small> <b>CTRL C</b>	<small>DC3</small> <b>CTRL S</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>s</b>
<small>EOT</small> <b>CTRL D</b>	<small>DC4</small> <b>CTRL T</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>d</b>	<b>t</b>
<small>ENQ</small> <b>CTRL E</b>	<small>NAK</small> <b>CTRL U</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>U</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>u</b>
<small>ACK</small> <b>CTRL F</b>	<small>SYN</small> <b>CTRL V</b>	<b>&amp;</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>f</b>	<b>v</b>
<small>BEL</small> <b>CTRL G</b>	<small>ETB</small> <b>CTRL W</b>	<b>'</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>g</b>	<b>w</b>
<small>BS</small> <b>CTRL H</b>	<small>CAN</small> <b>CTRL X</b>	<b>(</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>h</b>	<b>x</b>
<small>HT</small> <b>CTRL I</b>	<small>EM</small> <b>CTRL Y</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>i</b>	<b>y</b>
<small>LF</small> <b>CTRL J</b>	<small>SUB</small> <b>CTRL Z</b>	<b>*</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>j</b>	<b>z</b>
<small>VT</small> <b>CTRL K</b>	<small>ESC</small> <b>CTRL [</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>;</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>[</b>	<b>k</b>	<b>{</b>
<small>FF</small> <b>CTRL L</b>	<small>FS</small> <b>CTRL \</b>	<b>,</b>	<b>&lt;</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>\</b>	<b>l</b>	<b> </b>
<small>CR</small> <b>CTRL M</b>	<small>GS</small> <b>CTRL ]</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>]</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>}</b>
<small>SO</small> <b>CTRL N</b>	<small>RS</small> <b>CTRL ^</b>	<b>.</b>	<b>&gt;</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>^</b>	<b>n</b>	<b>~</b>
<small>SI</small> <b>CTRL O</b>	<small>US</small> <b>CTRL _</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>_</b>	<b>o</b>	<b>DEL</b> <small>(RUBOUT)</small>

### KEY

<small>CR</small>	ASCII Name
<b>CTRL M</b>	
<small>hex</small>	<small>decimal</small>
0D	13



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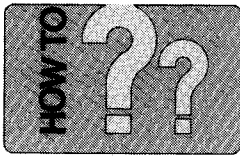
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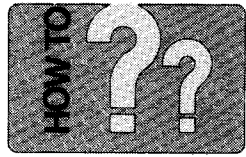
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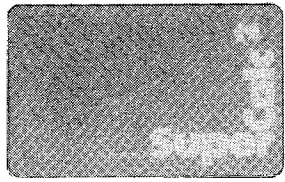
# Notes

# **10 Minutes to Supercalc<sup>2</sup>**

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*A Beginner's guide to SuperCalc2*

**Create your first  
spreadsheet  
in 10 minutes....**



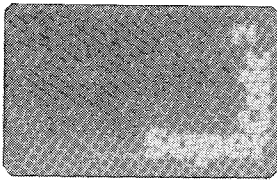
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# SuperCalc<sup>®</sup>2

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## INTRODUCTION

SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>—the easy-to-use super-powered spreadsheet.

These few pages will get you started in the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program. The only computer knowledge we assume you have is how to turn on your computer and use its disk drives.

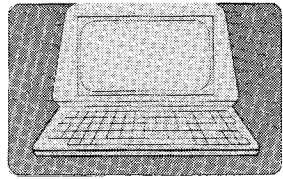
You will find SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is so easy to learn that in just 10 minutes you will be able to set up a spreadsheet and see how you can make better, faster decisions.

Of course, there is a lot more to the program than we can cover here. In fact, the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program and the spreadsheet concept can be used for an almost unlimited range of financial, engineering, and scientific applications.

In this booklet, we will show you how to build a trial spreadsheet and ask "What if I change this number or revise that approximation?" Then you can save your work and even print out a copy of the 10 Minute SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Solution.

Ready? Start up your computer as described in your owner's manual, turn on your timer, and try it for yourself.





## GETTING STARTED

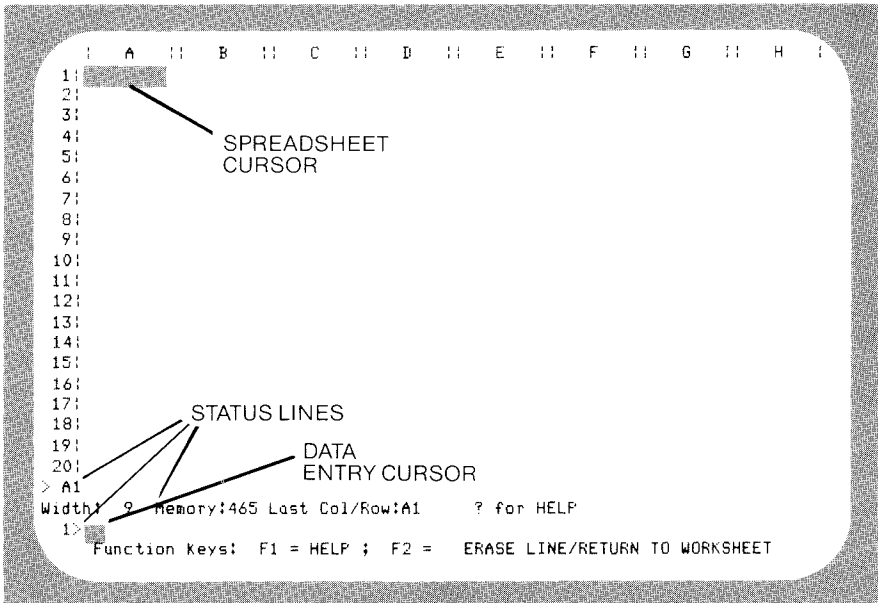
1. Place your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk in the A drive of your computer.
2. Type **SC2** and press the ↵ (or Return or Enter) key to start the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program.

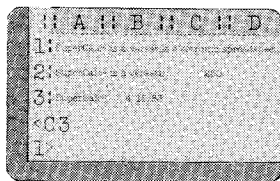
NOTE: In this booklet, the symbol ↵ means "Press the key labeled Return or Enter or ↵."

3. You will see an initial screen with the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> version number, and a copyright notice.

OK? Now press ↵.

Your screen shows the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> equivalent of a blank page, a clean slate to start scribbling on. But before you start typing, let's see what we've got.





## CELLS AND THE CURSOR

The SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> spreadsheet is a grid or matrix of cells. These cells are arranged in rows (numbered 1 through 254) and columns (lettered A through BK).

A CELL is a slot for one piece of information, such as a word or label, a number, or the result of a mathematical calculation or formula.

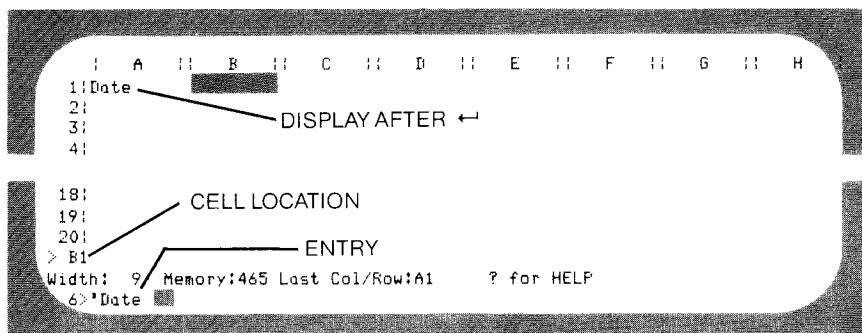
## CREATING A SPREADSHEET

Try typing some characters. Type:

**“Date**

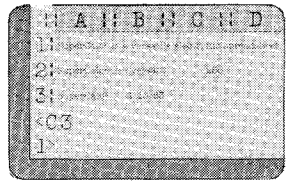
and press ←. If you make a typing mistake, before pressing ← just backspace (with the Backspace or left arrow key) and retype.

Be sure to type the quote before the first letter of Date. The quote tells the program that the following characters are text or words.



The word **Date** shows in the upper left cell, without the quotation mark.

If you forgot the quote, you got a formula error message. You could have backspaced until the beginning of the line and retyped the entry.



Now, let's try it without the quote. Type.

**Date** ←

You see a formula error message. Since there is no quote before the first character, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> determines that you are trying to enter a formula, rather than text.

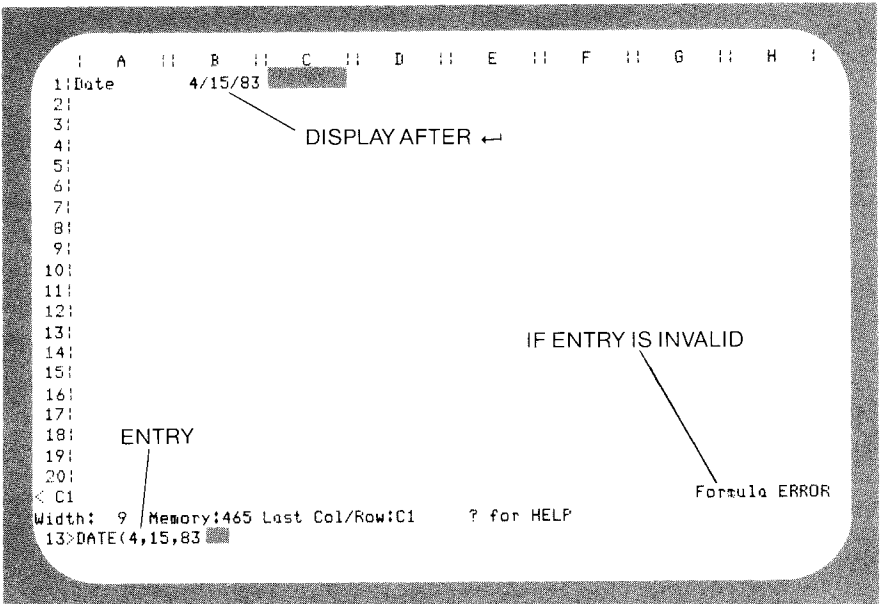
SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> does include a date function, though. Continue to type (after **Date**):

(  
the number of the current month **(1-12)**

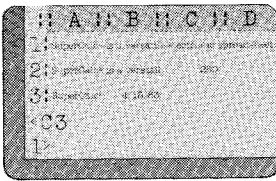
,  
the day of the month **(1-31)**

,  
the year

)←







## WORDS AND LABELS

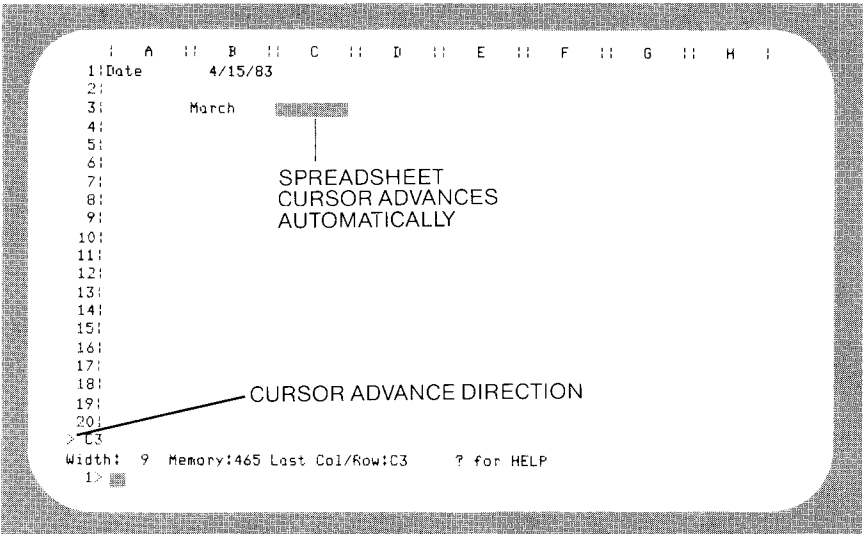
How do you enter something in a different position in the spreadsheet? Press one of the Arrow keys. (If you have already typed anything on the Entry line at the bottom of the screen, you will have to press the Ctrl and Z keys simultaneously to "Zap" or clear the entry.)\*

Move the Spreadsheet Cursor down to the Cell labeled B3.

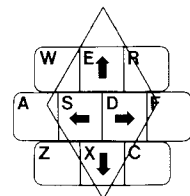
Now make another entry.

**"March ←**

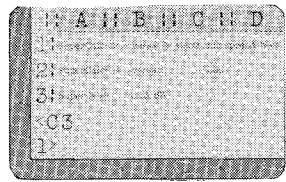
Be sure to type in the double quote.



\* If your computer has a Num Lock key, you may have to press it before the arrows will work. Some keyboards don't have arrow keys. If yours doesn't, you can always move the cursor like this:



Press the key marked Ctrl while also pressing the key marked

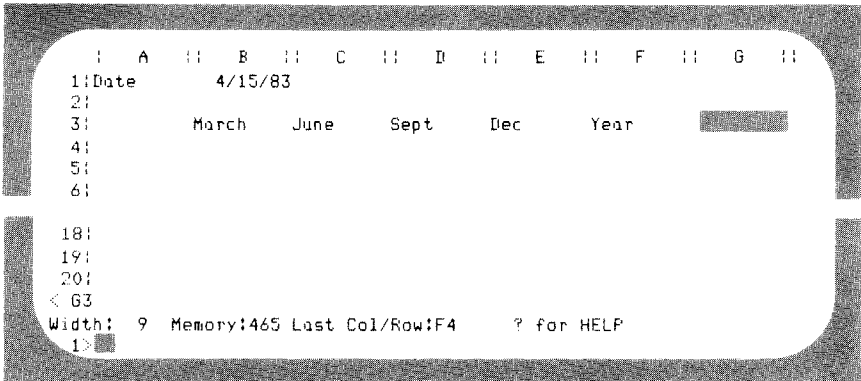


As you might expect, we are going to set up a simple spreadsheet—the Ten-Minute Quarterly Income Statement.

Move the Spreadsheet Cursor to the Cell C3, to the right of March. Type:

**“June**

Press **←** and then type in the other period names: **“Sept** **←** in D3, **“Dec** **←** in E3, and **“Year** **←** in F3. The spreadsheet will now look like this.



Getting the hang of it? Try something new. Without the **←**, type:

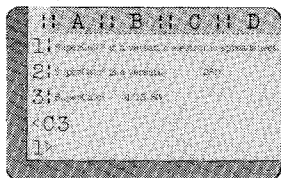
**=A4**

Here's what the entry line looks like.

**5 > => A4**

Press **←**.

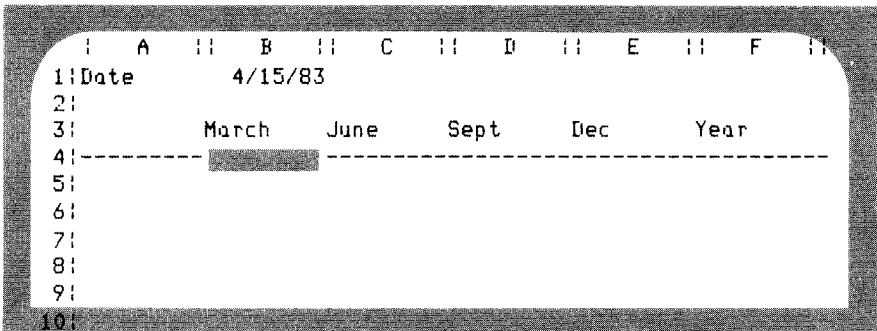
The equal symbol means, “Move the Spreadsheet Cursor directly to the cell specified.”



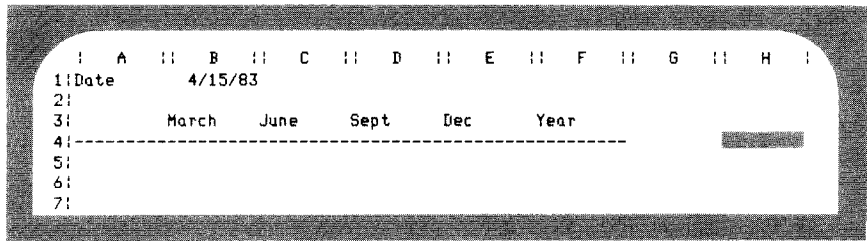
Here's another feature. Type (using the single quote):

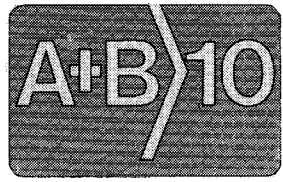
' ←

See what happens?



The single quote means "repeat the following text until you bump into a cell that isn't empty." Stop the line by going to cell G4 (type **=G4** ←), and by entering a double quote (" ←). You are filling G4 with blanks, which will turn the underline off.





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## NUMBERS AND FORMULAS

Go to A5 (type **=A5** ←), and enter “**Sales** ←”. Now let’s enter some sales numbers. In B5, type:

**3000** ←

Though this is a dollar amount, you can (and must) enter it as whole dollars without the \$ or commas. But be patient. We’ll put those in later.

Fill in C5 with 5000 (type **5000** ←), D5 with **4500**, and E5 with **6000**.

Now in F5 we want the totals for the row. In F5, type:

**SUM(B5:E5)** ←

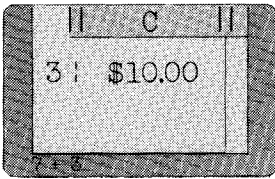
SUM is a special SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> function that adds up all cells in the specified range. The way you specify a range of cells in SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> is:

First cell location: Last cell location

**B5:E5** includes cells B5, C5, D5, and E5.

You will see the total displayed in cell F5.

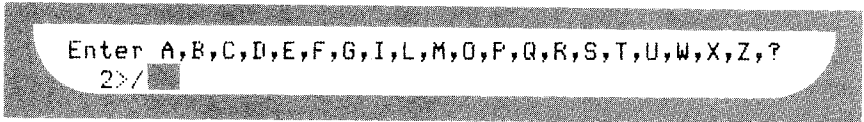
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1: Date		4/15/83					
2:							
3:		March	June	Sept	Dec	Year	
4:							
5: Sales		3000	5000	4500	6000	18500	



## SPREADSHEET FORMAT

That doesn't look as professional as we'd like though. It would be nice to add dollar signs, commas, and decimals. For this, we need to change the row format.

Type a slash (**/**). Notice that the middle status line changes:



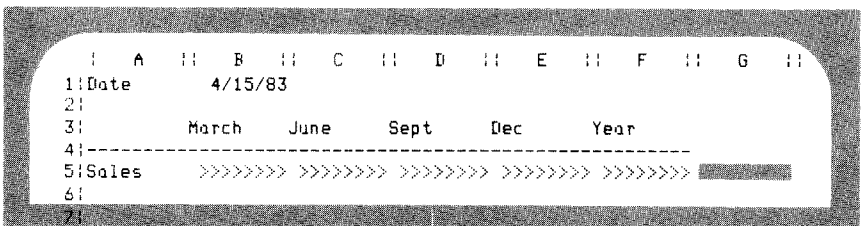
These are the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> Slash Command options that let you change your spreadsheet.

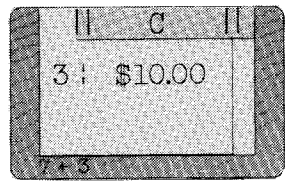
You will soon learn these commands by heart. If you ever want to see more explanation about each of these Slash commands, press the **?** key for help.

Now we want to change the row Format, so type an **F**. The word Format is automatically filled in, and the middle status line prompts you for the additional information necessary.

Just change the format for one row, so type **R**, and then the number of the row we need to change, **5**, and a comma. In this case, we want one of the User-Defined formats. Type **U** and **1**.

Press **←**.





What happened to our numbers? Well, when the Format added those extra characters (\$, and .00) the numbers got too big for the cells. We need to increase the cell width. Type:

**/F** (for the Format command)

**G** (for Global, changing the entire spreadsheet)

**12** (the new cell width)

**TR** (for TextRight, right justifying text for better appearance)

**S** (so numbers are shown in dollar format)

and press ←.

	B	C	D	E	F	G
1:	4/15/1983					
2:						
3:	March	June	Sept	Dec	Year	
4:						
5:	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$18,500.00	
6:						
7:						

That solves our problem, but creates another. Part of the spreadsheet moved off the screen, and the line in row 4 doesn't repeat with TextRight. So move the cursor to cell A6 with the arrow keys, and type:

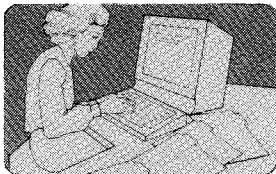
**/FR4,TL** ←

While we are adjusting the spreadsheet format, let's widen column A, the row title column, to allow for longer descriptions. Type:

**/FCA,15** ←

Here's what the display looks like now.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1:	Date	4/15/1983				
2:						
3:		March	June	Sept	Dec	Year
4:						
5:	Sales	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$18,500.00
6:						



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## MOVING ON

Add a few more lines. In A6, type:

**"Cost %"** ←

and in B6 enter:

**60** ←

In this simple example let's assume our Cost of Sales is a straight 60 percent during the whole year. You could enter 60 in cells C5, D6, and E6, but let's try an easier way.

Type:

**/R** (for Replicate, to repeat the contents of a cell)

**B6,** (the cell contents to be repeated)

**C6:E6** (the range of cells where B6 is replicated)

Here's what the status line looks like:

```
> C6  
To? (Enter Range), then Return; or "," for Options  
20>/Replicate,B6,C6:E6
```

Now press ←. You will find that 60 is filled in for all quarters.

Move to A7 (type **=A7** ←). Enter the title **"Cost of Sales"**.

Enter the following formula in B7:

**B6 % B5**

This formula takes the value in B6 as a percentage, and multiplies it by the value in B5.

Fill in this row using the replicate command, and you will notice another useful feature. Type:

**/RB7,C7:E7** ←



Now move the cursor to E7.

```
> E7          Form=E6%E5
Width: 12  Memory:465 Last Col/Row:G7
1>
```

Notice that the formula there has been automatically adjusted, so that it uses E5 and E6 values, rather than B5 and B6 from the original formula.

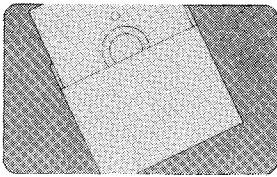
To finish off the line, move the Spreadsheet Cursor to F7 and type:

**SUM(B7:E7)** ←

Move the Spreadsheet Cursor back to the A column with the arrow keys (or type **=A1** ←) to see the results of all your work.

```
  |  A  |  B  |  C  |  D  |  E  |  F  |
1: |  Date  | 4/15/1983 |
2: |
3: |           March           June           Sept           Dec           Year
4: |-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
5: |   Sales  | $3,000.00 | $5,000.00 | $4,500.00 | $6,000.00 | $18,500.00
6: |   Cost %  | 60.00     | 60.00     | 60.00     | 60.00     |
7: | Cost of Sales | 1800.00  | 3000.00  | 2700.00  | 3600.00  | 11100.00
8: |
9: |
10: |
11: |
12: |
13: |
14: |
15: |
16: |
17: |
18: |
19: |
20: |
> A1          Text="Date
Width: 15  Memory:465 Last Col/Row:G7  ? for HELP
1>
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## SAVING YOUR WORK

Now you have a short Ten-Minute Income Statement in the memory of your computer. If you turn the power off, you lose all your work so far. In order to save your work, type:

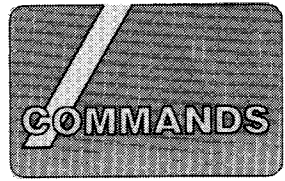
**/S** (the Save command)  
**Ten** (a name for filing this spreadsheet)  
**,** (to end the file name)  
**A** (to save All of the spreadsheet)

This saves the spreadsheet on your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> disk, filed under the name **TEN.CAL**. If you already have a file named TEN.CAL on that disk, SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> would ask you (through a prompt on the status line) if you want to replace the other file with this one (Overwrite), change the other file into a Backup file (.BAK instead of .CAL), or Rename and save the spreadsheet.

## WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED

At this point you're probably looking at the clock and thinking, "Not bad for ten minutes!". You have already learned a lot. These are all the basics you need to build even sophisticated spreadsheets.

If you want to stop now, turn to the Ending the Show section. If you have a few more minutes, though, we'll show you how to load files, do the *what if...*'s that the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is famous for, and show you how to consolidate and print spreadsheets.



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## IF YOU HAVE MORE TIME...

First, clear the display and start working on a new spreadsheet.  
Type:

**/Z** (to Zap or clear the contents of the spreadsheet)  
**Y** (to confirm that you want to erase the display)

Now reload the spreadsheet you saved earlier. Type:

**/L** (to Load the spreadsheet from disk)  
**TEN** (the name of the file you saved earlier)  
, (to end the file name)  
**A** (for All so we get the whole thing)

First, let's hide the Cost %. Type:

**/F** (the Format command)  
**R** (to hide a Row)  
**6** (the Row we want to hide)  
, (to indicate the end of the range)  
**H**← (the Hide option)

The row disappears from the Spreadsheet display, but if you move the Spreadsheet Cursor to Row 6, the top status line shows that percentages are retained for calculations.

A screenshot of a spreadsheet's status line. The text is displayed in a monospaced font on a light background with rounded corners. The text reads: "> B6 Form=60", "Width: 12 Memory:465 Last Col/Row:G7", and "1>".

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> B6 Form=60
Width: 12 Memory:465 Last Col/Row:G7
1>
```



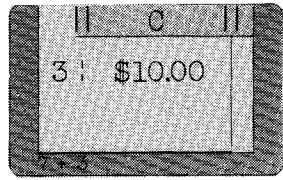
Let's expand the spreadsheet. Type:

- /L** (for Load)
- TenMin** (the name of the sample file that came with your SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program that contains the rest of the Income Statement)
- ,** (to end the file name)
- A** (for All so we get the whole thing)

Here's what it looks like:

Date	March	June	Sept	Dec	Year
Sales	\$3,000	\$5,000	\$4,500	\$6,000	\$18,500
Cost of Sales	1,800	3,000	2,700	3,600	11,100
Gross Profit	1,200	2,000	1,800	2,400	7,400
Selling Expense	450	750	675	900	2,775
Gen & Admin Exp	360	600	540	720	2,220
Net Before Tax	390	650	585	780	2,405
Income Tax	179	299	269	359	1,106
Net Income	\$211	\$351	\$316	\$421	\$1,299

> B19 Form=B16-B17  
Width: 12 Memory:463 Last Col/Row:G20 ? for HELP  
1>  
Function keys: F1 = HELP ; F2 = ERASE LINE/RETURN TO WORKSHEET



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## CHANGES AND ADJUSTMENTS

Perhaps the most valuable aspect of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is the ability to show the results immediately when you change assumptions. Let's look at some of these *What if...s*.

What if you increase third quarter sales by \$2,000? Try it and see what happens to profits.

Move the Spreadsheet Cursor to cell D5 and type:

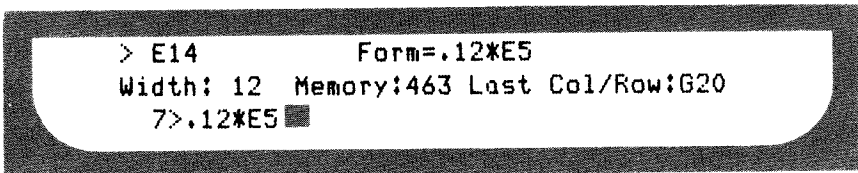
**6500** ←

See how Net Income went from \$316 to \$456?

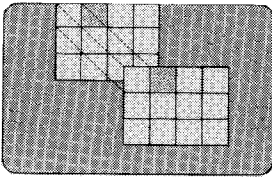
What if G & A expense increases in the fourth quarter? Move to E14 and type:

**/E** (for the Edit command)

And press ← to specify the current cell. The contents of that cell are shown on the entry line. You can move the cursor on the bottom line of the display left and right to edit that formula.



Move the cursor to the 1 in .12 and press the down-arrow key (or **Ctrl-X**). The down-arrow key deletes the character at the cursor, while the up-arrow inserts more space at the cursor position so you can type in additional characters. When you press ←, the formula in E14 is changed to 20% of Sales, rather than 12%. Notice how this affects the Income Statement. Profit decreases to \$162.



## CONSOLIDATION

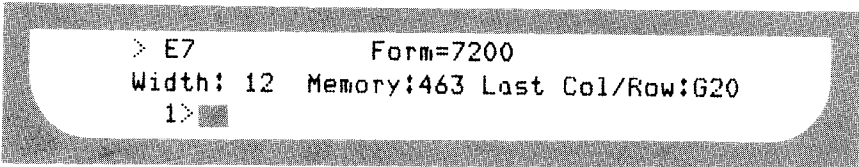
Another powerful feature of the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program is its ability to consolidate spreadsheets. You can set up spreadsheets for different offices or divisions, do their projections, and then consolidate these spreadsheets to see company-wide results.

To see how this works, let's consolidate our original sales data, stored in the TEN.CAL file, with the current spreadsheet. Type:

```
/L (the Load command)  
TEN, (the original spreadsheet we saved earlier)  
C (to Consolidate)
```

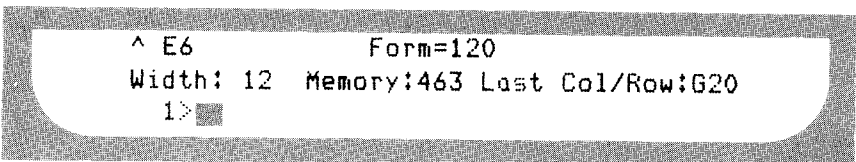
The original sales values are added to the values in the current spreadsheet, and the lower part of the spreadsheet is recalculated to reflect these new values.

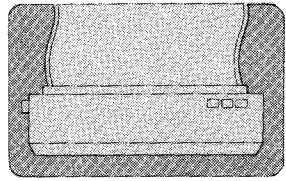
Move the Spreadsheet Cursor up to Row 7, the Cost of Sales.



Recall that the formulas in that row were originally entered as Cost % of Sales (B6 % B5, for example). Now note that the top status line shows the dollar value of the cells, rather than the original formula. When you consolidate statements, the values are consolidated, rather than the formulas.

Why? Move the Spreadsheet Cursor up to the hidden Row 6.





The original value was 60 (percent). Consolidation also added the values for these cells. If formulas were preserved, Cost of Sales would be 120% of Sales, not at all desirable.

## PRINTING THE SOLUTION

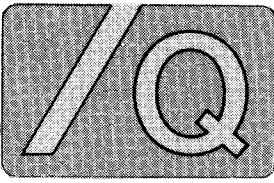
Want to print what you've created? Make sure your printer is properly hooked up, has paper and is ready, and continue.

Before we print the display, though, let's remove the border of the spreadsheet.

- /G** (The Global command, which affects overall characteristics of the spreadsheet display)
- B** (for Border, turning it Off if it is currently showing, or On if it is not displayed)

Date	4/15/1983				
	March	June	Sept	Dec	Year
Sales	\$6,000	\$10,000	\$11,000	\$12,000	\$39,000
Cost of Sales	3,600	6,000	6,600	7,200	23,400
Gross Profit	2,400	4,000	4,400	4,800	15,600
Selling Expense	900	1,500	1,650	1,800	5,850
Gen & Admin Exp	720	1,200	1,320	2,400	5,640
Net Before Tax	780	1,300	1,430	600	4,110
Income Tax	359	598	658	276	1,891
Net Income	\$421	\$702	\$772	\$324	\$2,219

> F6  
Width: 12 Memory:463 Last Col/Row:620 ? for HELP  
1> █



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The border disappears, so we are ready to print the Income Statement. Type:

**/O** (the Output command)  
**D** (to output the display)  
**All** (to output All of the spreadsheet)  
**,** (to indicate the end of the range)  
**P** (to send the output to the printer)

Printing should begin. If the spreadsheet doesn't print, be sure that your printer is set on line, is turned on, and has paper.

After your report has finished, press any key to continue with SuperCalc<sup>2</sup>.

## ENDING THE SHOW

Before you finish, do you want to save your spreadsheet? When you end the program, any work that hasn't been saved is gone. Refer back to the section on saving your work.

If you want to end the SuperCalc<sup>2</sup> program, just type:

**/Q** (the Quit command)  
**Y** (Yes, you want to Quit)

Other Sorcim SuperWare products come with "10 Minute" guides. Why not give them a try?