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Introduction

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UCSD p-SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Your UCSD p-System™ is a versatile computer operating system that is quickly gaining acceptance by many microcomputer users. A major advantage of the p-System is its portability. It can be installed on many kinds of computers by making a few changes to what is called the basic input/output system (BIOS), which controls monitor, keyboard, diskette, and printer routines. Once the p-System BIOS is prepared by an equipment manufacturer, the p-System is ready to run, allowing you to use a host of off-the-shelf p-System applications programs.

The p-System supports several high-level programming languages including Pascal and BASIC. If you have an application package that is written in one of these languages, the p-System may be a good choice. Because the p-System is optimized for the UCSD Pascal™ programming language, that is, UCSD Pascal can be compiled and executed more efficiently on the p-System, many Pascal programmers and users prefer to use the p-System.

PURPOSE OF THIS BOOKLET

The UCSD p-System is a sophisticated operating system that can be used to create, compile, link, print, assemble, and run programs. The standard p-System editor and filer can be used to create, format, revise, print, and save text and data files as well as programs. Because the p-System can do so much, it is accompanied by a large set of documentation. This booklet was prepared to help you get started with the p-System, and help you use the documentation effectively. It describes two available configurations of the p-System: the Run-Time and the Development Systems; it lists accompanying documentation and software and provides a set of basic procedures for making copies of your master diskettes and using the p-System to run an application program.

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ABOUT YOUR p-SYSTEM

The Run-Time System and the Development System are each briefly described in the following two paragraphs.

Run-Time System

The Run-Time System includes the software required to install and operate computer applications programs, such as accounting, word processing, and electronic work sheet programs. With the Run-Time System you get the UCSD p-System editor and filer. The editor is considered by many users to be an excellent word processor. The filer lets you do such things as duplicating diskettes and copying files. The manuals and diskette-based programs and files are listed in the following tables.

Development System

If you are a computer programmer, you probably bought the Development System. With this system, computer programs can be written in either a high-level programming language, such as Pascal, or in assembly language. High-level languages can be compiled into p-Code, or assembled using the p-System’s assembler. The p-System linker lets you combine p-Code and assembly language programs into an integrated program that takes advantage of the power of both high-level and assembly language routines.

If you purchased the Development System, you have all of the manuals and software listed in the following two tables.
Documentation Supplied with Your UCSD p-System

The first table contains a list of the manuals supplied with the Run-Time and Development Systems and a description of each. If you wish to order these manuals, you should include the part number in your ordering information.

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Software Supplied with Your UCSD p-System

The following table lists the diskettes and the corresponding p-System files and programs supplied on each. If you have the Run-Time System, you will have a PSYS diskette. If you have the Development System, you will have the PDEV diskette.
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INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the equipment and software required to use the Run-Time System, how to connect the equipment and turn it on, and how to run an application program.

EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE REQUIRED

To use the UCSD p-System Run-Time package on your Texas Instruments Professional Computer, you will need the following equipment, software, and manuals.

- Texas Instruments Professional Computer
- UCSD p-System PSYS Diskette, Part Number 2223136-0001
- Texas Instruments Professional Computer Operating Instructions, Part Number 2223072-0001

EQUIPMENT SETUP AND OPERATION

The following procedures provide system set-up and turn-on information, describe how to make working copies of your master diskettes, and tell you how to run an applications program. Set-up, turn-on, directory listing, and flexible diskette formatting and copying procedures are common to both flexible-diskette and Winchester-disk systems.

If you have a Winchester disk system, use the Winchester installation procedure contained in the last paragraph of this chapter.
Equipment Setup

Set up your computer equipment by following the procedures contained in Chapter 2 of your Texas Instruments Professional Computer Operating Instructions manual. Once the equipment is connected and operating properly, you can use your UCSD p-System by performing the procedures in the following paragraph.

Turning On Your Professional Computer

The following procedure applies to a one- or two-diskette Texas Instruments Professional Computer or one equipped with one flexible diskette and a Winchester disk. Turn on your computer system as follows:

1. Insert the diskette labeled PSYS in the left-hand diskette drive, label up, and close the diskette drive door.

2. Pull your monitor power switch to the ON position. If you have a printer, turn it on, and set the computer power switch, located at the right-rear, to ON.

3. If you have a Winchester installed, immediately after the cursor flashes across the top row of the display unit, press the escape key (labeled ESC). This will ensure that your Texas Instruments Professional Computer will load from the diskette. This step is important; if at this point the system does not load from the diskette, repeat this process beginning with step 2.
NOTE

You will hear the diskette drive click and see the red read/write light come on. This activity indicates that the UCSD p-System is being loaded into the memory of your computer. Once the activity ceases, the following information is displayed on your display unit.

Command: E(dit, R(un, F(ile, C(omp, L(ink, X(ecute, A(ssem, D(efine, ? [IV.12 B4h] —

Welcome PSYS, to
U.C.S.D p-System IV.12
Current date is ??-Jan-83

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH THE UCSD P-SYSTEM

Now that system power is on and the main command line is displayed, you are ready to start using the p-System. The following procedures describe how to check system volume numbers and names, list a disk directory, format a new diskette, transfer files from one diskette to another, and run a program.
Checking System Volume Numbers and Names

This procedure explains how to check system volume numbers and names. Volume numbers are assigned to each peripheral device, such as a diskette drive. For example, volume #4 is the left-hand drive and #5 is the right-hand drive. Names are also assigned. In the case of diskette drives, user-assigned names are given, and may be displayed using the system filer (F(ile on the main command line), and the filer’s V(ols command. To check your system’s volume numbers and names, follow the steps outlined below.

1. With the main command line displayed, press F and notice the following display.
2. Notice that a question mark is displayed after the D(ate prompt on the filer command line. Pressing the question mark (?) causes another filer command line to appear. Press the question mark key and notice that the filer has two additional command lines, which include the V(ols and Q(uit commands.

3. Press V and a display similar to the following appears.

```
Filer: G(et, S(ave, W(hat, N(eu, L(dir, R(em, C(hng, T(rans, D(ate, ? [D.7]
Vols on-line:
  1  CONSOLE:
  2  SYSTERM:
  4 # PSYS:   [640]
  6  PRINTER:
Root vol is - PSYS:
Prefix is - PSYS:
```

4. Return to the main command line by pressing Q for Q(uit.
Listing a Diskette File Directory

Before making a working copy, you will want to check the directory of your diskette to see what programs and files are present. To do this, you will use the system filer.

1. Press F to enter the filer.

2. Press L and respond to the prompt by typing #4 and pressing the RETURN key.

   NOTE

   The left-hand diskette drive is volume #4, and the right-hand diskette drive is volume #5. If you have a Winchester disk installed instead of a second diskette drive, this drive is volume #5. When listing file directories, formatting, or transferring files, you can use either the volume number (#4 or #5) or the diskette name followed by a colon, such as PSYS:. If you have additional diskette drives or a Winchester disk system, use the appropriate volume numbers for these devices.

3. Review the directory listing. Note the file FORMAT.CODE. This is a format program that is run to prepare a new disk for use with p-System programs and files. Press the space bar if the length of the file listing exceeds the display unit capacity to see additional file listings.

4. Return to the main prompt line by pressing Q.
Making a Working (Backup) Copy

These procedures describe how to create a working copy of the PSYS diskette. If your computer includes a Winchester disk, use the procedure entitled Installing the p-System on Computers with Winchester Disks. It describes how to build a working p-System on the Winchester. If your computer includes one or two flexible diskettes but no Winchester, use the following procedures. They describe how to make backup copies of the PSYS so that the original can be saved.

CAUTION

Never use the original diskette(s) except to prepare a working backup copy. Once a copy has been made, store the original in a suitable place.

Refer to the appropriate section which contains instructions tailored to your computer.

Making a Backup on Computers with Diskette Drives Only

Use this procedure to prepare backups if your system has one or two diskette drives.

1. Press X to enter the execution mode of the p-System.

2. Type FORMAT and press the RETURN key to execute the format program; notice the following display.
3. Type 5 for a two-drive system or 4 for a one-drive system, press the RETURN key, and notice the last line of the display.

4. Insert a new diskette, label up, in the right-hand drive if you have a two-drive system, or in the left-hand drive if you have a one-drive system, and press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.
Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)?
unit ε exits
Place disk in unit 5 and press return...

New vol name?

5. Enter **BPSYS** as the new volume name and press the **RETURN** key. Notice the last line of the display.

6. Press **Y**. The utility will begin formatting the diskette.

7. The utility will format the diskette and display the following message to indicate that the format process has completed:
8. On a one-drive system, place the PSYS disk in the drive. Examine the newly initialized diskette for bad spots.

a. Press **F** for the filer, then **X** to begin the execution of the Examine program.

b. Notice the following display:

Examine blocks on what vol?

c. Type **#5** for a two-drive system. On a one-drive system, place the newly initialized diskette in the drive and type **#4**. Notice the last line of the display.
d. Type 0-640, where 640 is the number of blocks on the disk as reported by the Format program. Examine then indicates that the directory may be endangered if bad blocks exist. Notice the last line of the display:

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File(s) endangered: Directory 0 6
Fix them?
```

e. Press Y. Examine then marks bad blocks on the disk so they will not be used, and it indicates blocks that may be ok. This means the block is probably safe for data storage. When Examine is finished, the filer prompt line is displayed.

9. Remove the newly formatted diskette, label it PSYS, and go on to step 10.
NOTE

In the following steps, the filer transfer utility is used to make working copies of your PSYS diskette. If you have a single-drive system, you will start the transfer utility and then insert your formatted diskette. The system will prompt you to change diskettes as required. With a two-drive system, your master diskette will be in the left-hand drive (volume #4) and the backup diskette in the right-hand drive (volume #5).

10. Press T for T(transfer). Notice the following display.

11. Type #4 and press the RETURN key. Notice the last display line.
12. Type #5 if you have a two-drive system, or #4 if you have a single-drive system, and press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.

13. If you have a two-drive system, insert your newly formatted PSYS diskette in the right-hand drive. If you have a single-drive system, place it in the left-hand drive.

14. Press Y and press the RETURN key; notice the last line of the display.
15. Press Y and observe the transfer process. Single-drive users are prompted to change diskettes as needed. Upon completion of the transfer, notice the following display.

This completes the diskette backup procedure. You should store your master diskettes in a safe place and use your working copies.
Installing the p-System on Computers with Winchester Disks

Follow the steps in this procedure if you have a computer with one diskette drive and one or more Winchester disks.

1. Press X to enter the execution mode of the p-System.

2. Type FORMAT and press the RETURN key to execute the format program; notice the following display.

   Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)?
   unit 0 exits

3. Press 5 and then the RETURN key, and notice the last line of the display.

   Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)?
   unit 0 exits
   Place disk in unit 5 and press return...
4. Since the Winchester disk is already installed, you simply press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.

```
Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)? unit 5 exits
Place disk in unit 5 and press return...
New vol name?
```

5. Type WIN as the new volume name and press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.

```
Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)? unit 0 exits
Place disk in unit 5 and press return...
New vol name?
WIN: correct?
```

6. Press Y. Notice the last line of the display.
Enter unit of disk to be formatted (4,5,9,10)?

unit 0 exits

Place disk in unit 5 and press return...

New vol name?
WIN: correct?

0 - Texas Instruments Model 525/62
1 - Texas Instruments Model 525/61
2 - Texas Instruments Model 525/122
3 - Seagate Technology Model ST-506
4 - Seagate Technology Model ST-412
5 - Seagate Technology Model ST-406
6 - Seagate Technology Model ST-419

Enter Winchester type: 0

7. At this point, the format utility asks you to identify the type of Winchester installed in the Texas Instruments Professional Computer. The type of Winchester can be determined from the documentation received with the Winchester prior to installation.

8. The utility will format the Winchester and display the following message to indicate that the format process has completed:

Disk has 10404 blocks.
9. Examine the newly initialized Winchester for bad spots.

a. Press F for the filer, then X to begin the execution of the Examine program.

b. Notice the following display:

Examine blocks on what vol?

Type #5. Notice the last line of the display.

Examine blocks on what vol? #5
Block-range?
d. Enter 0-10404, where 10404 is the number of blocks on the disk as reported by the Format program. Examine then indicates that the directory may be endangered if bad blocks exist. Notice the last line of the display:

```
File(s) endangered:
Directory   0       6
Fix them?
```


e. Press Y. Examine then marks bad blocks on the disk so they will not be used, and it indicates blocks that may be ok. This means the block is probably safe for data storage. When Examine is finished, the filer prompt line is displayed.

This process will take approximately 25 minutes.

10. With the master PSYS diskette in the diskette drive, type T for T(transfer. Notice the following display.

```
Transfer what file?
```
11. Type \#4:= and press the **RETURN** key. Notice the last display line.

12. Type \#5:= and press the **RETURN** key.

13. Observe the transfer process. Upon completion of the transfer, the filer prompt line will return to the display.

14. Quit the filer by pressing **Q**.

15. Boot the p-System from the Winchester disk. This is accomplished by pressing **H**. Do not press the **ESC** key as before while the boot process is in progress.

16. If you have the PDEV diskette, go to page 3-5 to complete the transfer.
Running a Program

The procedure for running a standard applications program is similar to running the format program. The program must be present on the system and appear in the file directory as #VOL:PROGNAME.CODE, where #VOL: is either the volume number (#4 or #5) or name, and PROGNAME is any legitimate file name. If you have a two-drive system, the program may be present on either drive once the p-System has been initialized. To run a program, perform the following procedure.

1. Insert the p-System diskette in the left-hand diskette drive and turn on system power. If you have a Winchester disk and have installed the p-System on it, you do not need to use a diskette.

2. Once the main command line is displayed, insert the diskette containing the program to be run.

3. Type X, for Xecute, and enter the volume name or number and program name in the form:

   VOL:PROGNAME <RETURN>

4. Notice that the program executes.
When You Are Finished

Most application programs return to the system command prompt line automatically when they finish. Pressing the space bar clears the display after a program finishes. However when you have finished running a program, you can also return to the system command line as follows:

1. Press and hold down the CTRL key, type C, and then release both keys.

2. Notice that the current operation terminates, the display clears, and the system command line re-appears.

3. If you are finished, remove your diskettes and turn off the computer and printer power switches.
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DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM DOCUMENTATION

If you purchased the Development System, you are probably a programmer or advanced user. You should use the documentation provided with the Development System, which is listed in Chapter 1 of this book.

MAKING BACKUP COPIES OF THE PDEV DISKETTE

Making a Backup on Computers with Diskette Drives Only

Use this procedure to prepare backups if your system has one or two diskette drives.

1. Press X to enter the execution mode of the p-System.

2. Type FORMAT and press the RETURN key to execute the format program; notice the following display.
3. Type 5 for a two-drive system or 4 for a one-drive system, press the RETURN key, and notice the last line of the display.

4. Insert a new diskette, label up, in the right-hand drive if you have a two-drive system, or in the left-hand drive if you have a one-drive system, and press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.
5. Type **BPDEV** as the new volume name and press the **RETURN** key. Notice the last line of the display.

6. Press **Y**. The utility will begin formatting the diskette.

7. The utility will format the diskette and display the following message to indicate that the format process has completed:
8. On a one-drive system, place the PSYS disk in the drive. Examine the newly initialized diskette for bad spots.
   a. Press F for the filer, then X to begin the execution of the Examine program.
   b. Notice the following display:

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Examine blocks on what vol?
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c. Type #5 for a two-drive system. On a one-drive system, place the newly initialized diskette in the drive and type #4. Notice the last line of the display.
d. Type 0–640, where 640 is the number of blocks on the disk as reported by the Format program. Examine then indicates that the directory may be endangered if bad blocks exist. Notice the last line of the display:

File(s) endangered:
Directory 0 6
Fix them?

e. Press Y. Examine then marks bad blocks on the disk so they will not be used, and it indicates blocks that may be ok. This means the block is probably safe for data storage. When Examine is finished, the filer prompt line is displayed.

9. Remove the newly formatted diskette, label it PDEV, and set it aside for later use.
NOTE

In the following steps, the filer transfer utility is used to make working copies of your PDEV diskette. If you have a single-drive system, you will start the transfer utility and then insert your formatted diskette. The system will prompt you to change diskettes as required. With a two-drive system, your master diskette will be in the left-hand drive (volume #4) and the backup diskette in the right-hand drive (volume #5).

10. Insert the master PSYS diskette in the left-hand diskette drive and press F, for the filer, and T, for T(transfer. Notice the following display.

Transfer what file?

11. Remove the master PSYS diskette and insert the master PDEV diskette in the left-hand diskette drive. Type #4: and press the RETURN key. Notice the last display line.
12. Type #5: if you have a two-drive system, or #4: if you have a single-drive system and press the RETURN key. Notice the last line of the display.

13. If you have a two-drive system, insert your newly formatted PDEV diskette in the right-hand drive. If you have a single-drive system, place it in the left-hand drive.

14. Press Y and then the RETURN key; notice the last line of the display.
15. Type Y and observe the transfer process. Single-drive users are prompted to change diskettes as needed. Upon completion of the transfer, notice the following display.

This completes the diskette backup procedure. You should store your master diskettes in a safe place and use your working copies as needed.
Installing PDEV on Computers with Winchester Disks

This is to be performed only after the PSYS diskette has been installed on the Winchester disk.

1. With the master PDEV diskette in the diskette drive, press F to begin execution of the filer. Then press T, for T(transfer). Notice the following display.

   Transfer what file?

2. Type #4:= and press the RETURN key. Notice the last display line.

   Transfer what file? #4:=
   To where?
3. Type \#5:8 and press the RETURN key.

4. Observe the transfer process. Upon completion of the transfer, the filer prompt line will return to the display.

5. Quit the filer by pressing Q.
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