

ADDR	CODE	LABEL	OPCODE	OPERAND	COMMENT
0036	5E		STR		Store result in location FF
0037	1F		INC		Point RF.0 to result
0038	64		OUT4		Display result
0039	00				Put anything here.
					This location written by set up sections
003A	3E		X'3E'		If overflow or borrow, go to location 3E
003B	7A		REQ		No overflow or borrow, so make sure Q off
003C	3000		BR	BEGIN	Then go back and get ready for a new calculation
003E	7B		SEQ		Turn on Q to indicate overflow or borrow
003F	3000		BR	BEGIN	Then go back and get ready for a new calculation
0000	3041	A1E1	3F04	3706 6CA4	F835 A2F8 39A3
0010	D4F8	F452	F833	5330 20F8	F752 F83B 53C4
0020	F8FE	AFEF	3F24	6C64 3728	3F2A 6C64 372E
0030	2F8F	AE2F	0EF4	5E1F 6433	3E7A 3000 7B30
0040	00F8	00B2	B3B4	BEBF F8FF	3002 CC1B B824
0050	6C6D				

SUPER ELF CASSETTE FORMAT

The Super Elf Super Monitor and Super Basic use the following cassette format.

This approach allows automatic loading into memory since the starting address is on the tape. A test can be made to see if there is enough space in memory for the file prior to loading because the file also contains the number of bytes. Each byte includes a parity bit which is used for error checking. The rate of recording and playback is approximately 1200 bytes per second with a 1.79MH clock. Reliable operation has been achieved (with a recommended recorder) at 2000 bytes per second using a 3.0MH clock. The read software used in the Super Monitor and Super Basic allows starting the recorder with the cassette fully rewound. The plastic leader/tape splice does not cause problems and it is not necessary to advance the cassette past the leader prior to starting. In fact there are no level adjustments or tape positioning required (when using one of the recommended recorders). Just load, set volume and tone to max and go. This format is self clocking and insensitive to speed variations of over +/-15%.

The Format Consists of:

1. A 10 second leader of all 'ones' terminated with a zero bit.
2. Data bytes.
3. A 5 sec trailer of all 'zeros'.

The Data Section Consists of:

1. Starting address 2 bytes Hi/Low. (0000 TO FFFF HEX)
2. Number of bytes 2 bytes Hi/Low. (0000 TO FFOO HEX)
3. Data bytes 8 bits with the most significant (MSB) first with an added parity bit. (For a total of 9 bits). Even parity is used, i.e. the sum of the ones in the data plus the parity bit is always an even number.

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DATA 0111 01 01  PARITY=1      (6'1's)
DATA 0011 00 11  PARITY=0      (4'1's)
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A bit is defined as a high level followed by an equal length low level. A zero bit is three times the length of a one bit. The end of a bit is the beginning of the next bit.

The following bit times are for a 1.79 MH clock. The effects of other clock frequencies are discussed later.

1. A ONE bit has a 206 microsec ON time and a 609 to 627 microsec OFF time.
2. A ZERO bit has a 618 microsec ON time and a 609 to 627 microsec OFF time.

The standard Super Elf with a 1.79 MH clock and either Super Basic or the Super Monitor uses this format. If your system uses a different clock frequency, make the following changes to For Different Clock Rates, Solve this equation:
VALUE=8 X CLOCK RATE (MH)-1.3

Round off VALUE, convert to hexadecimal and patch into location 8193 in the Super Monitor V1.1 or 2.0; and location 2947 in Super Basic 1.4; QKOC is the location in the cassette read routine.

Super Elf owners may ignore this section. Non Super Elf owners must use the listed cassette read routine and may need to use the schematic for read hardware. Elf II owners usually can successfully read with their own hardware. The following table lists the changes required for the different sense lines.

	EF1	EF2	EF3	EF4
QK16	34	35	36	37
QK1D	3C	3D	3E	3F
QK2C	3C	3D	3E	3F
QK41	34	35	36	37
QK48	3C	3D	3E	3F
QK53	3C	3D	3E	3F

Where QK is the Quarter K of memory in which the cassette read routine is loaded. NOTE: Do not load the read routine in a page which will be written into by the read routine.

If you have trouble reading you may have the signal inverted (all recorders are not the same even the same brand and model). This software usually but not always accepts either normal or inverted data, it depends upon the amount of distortion introduced by the recorder. The following table inverts the data.

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QK48	34	35	36	37
QD53	34	35	36	37

To use the cassette read routine (non Super Elf owners only), follow the following instructions.

1. Load program per this load listing. QK refers to your page of memory where you want the program to reside:

2. Branch into the program from register 0 into location QK00. If you wish to branch into the program from any other register (but not register 2 or 5) then change the "90" instruction at location QK00 to "9P" where P is the same as the register designation which you are using. Then branch into QK00.

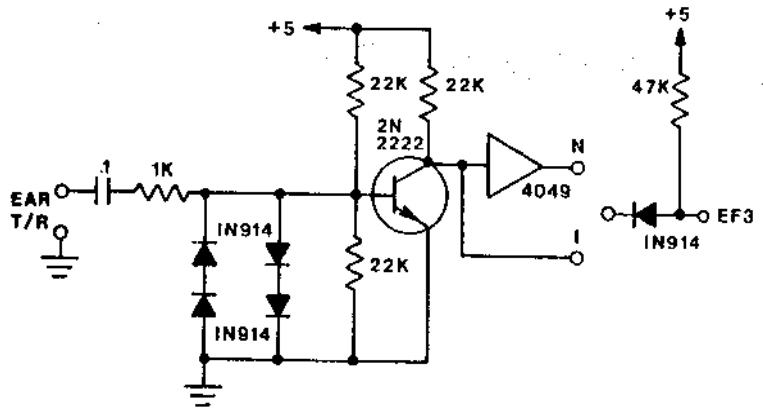
3. After starting the program, load the cassette at the beginning, start recorder in playback with maximum volume and treble on the tone control. There is a 10 second leader and then the low address of the current loaction of memory being loaded off the cassette will be displayed. The rate is about 1200 baud. At the end of loading, an "AA" will show up on the display (If you have a hex display at output port 64).

4. If a parity error is detected, an "EF" will be displayed (on the hex display). Check the program for loading errors and try re-running the playback. Also check your hardware setup.

Future articles will be discussed:

- a. The Elf II format and how non Elf II owners can read Elf II cassettes.
- b. The Super Elf Write/Read software source listings.

QK00	90B3	E2B5	B2F8	72A2	F812	A5F8	0DB6	F83E
QK10	A3D3	F808	A6A7	3616	96FF	013B	223E	1927
QK20	302E	F800	FC01	3B2C	F8EE	306F	3E24	8632
QK30	3797	7EB7	2630	1687	F633	2897	3011	F80A
QK40	8436	4196	FF01	3B50	3E44	9432	4124	3041
QK50	943A	3E3E	53D5	B8D5	A8D5	B9D5	A929	99FC
QK60	01B9	D558	8852	6422	1829	993A	62F8	AA52
QK70	6400							



A TRICKY SOLUTION TO A CLEAR PROBLEM

By S. G. Grant

In QUESTDATA No. 8, Jay Mallin in his article DOODLE PROGRAM on page 8 issued a challenge of sorts, "It's possible to write a program that will clear all but one byte-try it sometime." Well, reader Arthur S. G. Grant has come up with a program which cleverly does the job in 12 machine language bytes. Do any readers have new challenges in search of solutions? If so, let us know. QUESTDATA readers can solve any challenge, right?

ADDR	CODE	LABEL	OPCODE	OPERAND	COMMENT
0000	3030		BR		
0001	00				Hint- this later be-
...					comes im-
...					portant
...					(this 00 in
...					01) No more
...					hints-tracing
...					thru this
...					program is
...					part of the
...					fun
0030	90		GHI	R0	
0031	A1		PLO	R1	
0032	B1		PHI	R1	
0033	E1		SEX1		
0034	F873		LDI	'73'	
0036	73		STXD		
0037	90		GHI	R0	
0038	A0		PLO	R0	