



# 50116 Program Description I

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**Program Description, Equations, Variables** Inspired by the "Enigma" coding machine used by the German Government before and during WW2, but actually more similar to their "Geheimschreiber", the program encodes and decodes integer numbers lying in the range 00-99 under the control of five pseudorandom number generators based on keys stored in registers  $R_A$  to  $R_E$ . Cycle length, if based on HP p.n.g. which starts its sequence with .5284163, is 500,000 for each key; and each may be drawn from different points along the same overall sequence---routines fd and fe will "exercise" the sequence continuously, thereby advancing it as far as desired.

**ALGORITHMS:**  $Encoded = (Uncoded + Datashift) \text{ --- with the 100s removed.}$

$Uncoded = (Encoded - Datashift + 100) \text{ --- with the 100s removed.}$

To compute datashift value:

1: Compute first Keyshift value;  $= INT(5 \times \text{FRAC}(997 \times \text{Key} "A"))$ . The value (0 to 4) directs the program to the next Key for the next Keyshift operation: 0-4::A-E.

2: Compute the remainder of the Keyshifts programmed for. There is capacity for up to seven in all, although only six have been shown in the prgm listing.

Note that no Keyshifts need be programmed for; prgm will then use only Key "A" when generating Datashift values. Keys advance after use.

3: Last Keyshift dictates which Key is used for Datashift (Key "n"):

$Datashift = INT(100 \times \text{FRAC}(997 \times \text{Key} "n"))$ .

**Operating Limits and Warnings** No code is perfect; and some are less perfect than others. Before entrusting important information or numerical data to this encoding system, the user should take expert advice. To improve security, these precautions should be observed: 1)Keep messages as brief and to the point as possible; 2)Avoid use of "obvious" or "probable" message phrases, as well as standard practice; 3)Never keep keys (whether on cards or on paper) with encoded messages; 4)Use more than one code group for common letters, symbols, etc.; 5)Don't get careless, as we all do.

This program has been verified only with respect to the numerical example given in *Program Description II*. User accepts and uses this program material AT HIS OWN RISK, in reliance solely upon his own inspection of the program material and without reliance upon any representation or description concerning the program material.

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## TYPICAL APPLICATION:

**Preamble:** Record on a data card: all registers zero except

$R_A = .5284163$   $R_B = .6298919$   $R_C = .5177719$   $R_D = .5684759$   $R_E = .2079123$

This card is the "Key Card" and is used in the main procedure, below.

### Main Procedure:

Ace industrial spy Boris Espion wishes to transmit to his superiors in Vulgaria the identity of a new coding machine, the "HEWLETT-PACKARD HP-67". The letters he transliterates into numbers, using the relationship A-Z (conventional sequence):: 01-26; the numbers he writes as 0-9::30-39, and "-" and "space" as 40 and 41 respectively. To be specially cunning, he writes the duplicate letters with '50' added. Thus his outgoing message in plain language reads:

08 05 23 12 55 20 70 40 16 01 03 11 51 18 04 41 58 66 90 36 37 00

Loading the program card, he then loads the Key Card for the day and proceeds to press "E", thereby selecting "Encode" mode. Then he presses "B" and enters each of his message numbers in turn at each PAUSE; after the last one he waits for the calculator to pause then presses: "GTO f c" and loads a blank card into the card reader. This he despatches to his superiors.

To ensure that he has a copy of the encoded message, he also presses "fB": this causes his HP-67 to display registers  $R_0$  through to  $R_{19}$ , but since he has only required  $R_0$  to  $R_4$ , he presses "R/S" after the fifth display. One day, he promises himself, he'll apply for an HP-97, which will save him the bother of copying down the values. This is what he gets:

0.582329548  
9.763466875  
9.454124987  
6.054664056  
9.150

A couple of facts are worth noting about these figures: first, they are held in the calculator stores as values one-tenth of these (eg: .0582329548); second, Boris is a very lax operator--he should have added some meaningless groups after the "00" to confuse the enemy.

To be extra sure he has it right, Boris reloads the Key Card, presses "D" (for Decode), followed by "C", loads message card during PAUSE, then waits for the calculator to decode the message which he then displays using "fB". Note that it halted after decoding the "00" group. Sure enough, he gets the original groups.

Later that same day Boris receives his reply:

06 81 68 98 13 77 68 02 91 91

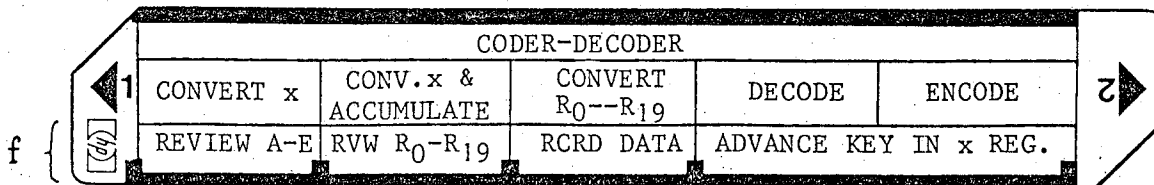
As this is such a short message, Boris decodes it by loading the Key Card, pressing "D", then writing each group in turn followed by "A" (after each): each group is then decoded and presented in the display separately.

Boris, poor man, cannot understand his superiors' meaning.

**Practical Note:** The conversion time is critically dependent on the number of keyshifts incorporated into Routine A. When using Routine C, the following approximate times apply to a full conversion of all 100 groups that can be held in store at one time:

2 keyshifts	:	15 minutes
4       "	:	20       "
6       "	:	25       "

**Keys:** Ideally, a sequence generated by a key should be as close to random as possible. In practice, the desired quality is 'obscurity', or a variability that the unauthorised recipient of a message cannot be expected to predict without access to the key or keys used to encode the message. Life may be made that much harder for such people by multiple encoding, and general rearrangement of the encoded groups. Whatever course is adopted by the user should, naturally, be kept secret.



STEP.	INSTRUCTIONS	INPUT DATA/UNITS	CONTROLS	OUTPUT DATA/UNITS
	NOTE: Throughout the text of this documentation, "keys" is used solely in the cyphering sense.		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
1	Load both sides of program card.		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
2a	To select "Decode" mode:—	any	D <input type="checkbox"/>	no change
2b	To select "Encode" mode:—	any	E <input type="checkbox"/>	no change
3	Load initial Keys A-E either manually or from a prerecorded data card. Keys B-E (any or all) can be "0" but if any are zero, Routine "A" must embody an even number of "Keyshift" operations.		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
4a	To convert values piecemeal:—	value	A <input type="checkbox"/>	conv. value
4b	To convert values, entered one-by-one, and accumulate them sequentially in regs. R0-R19:—	none	B <input type="checkbox"/>	PAUSE: "0"
	<i>During PAUSE, write the first value—</i>	value	wait <input type="checkbox"/>	etc.
	<i>Prgm pauses repeatedly; if no value is entered, prgm assumes "0". When all of regs R0-R19 are full (or, actually, overwritten), prgm carries out Step 7, below.</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
4c	To convert values held in R0-R19:—	none	C <input type="checkbox"/>	PAUSE: "19"
	<i>Prgm pauses (repeatedly) until a data card (which will define only R0-R19) is loaded or any number key is pressed. It then works through all of R0-R19, number pair by number pair, then carries out Step 7, below. Prgm halts after encoding "00" or after decoding to yield "00". If more values are to be converted, press "R/S"; prgm will halt again when the next "00" is encountered. To go at once to step 7, below, press: "GTO f c".</i>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
5	To review (display/print) Keys A-E:—	none	f A	
6	To review (display/print) R0-R19 (multiplied by 10 for formatting reasons):—	none	f B	
7	To record contents of R0-R19 on a data card, having zeroed RA-RE & RI (but saving Keys A-E):—	none	f C	"Crđ"
	<i>If this routine is called as a result of steps 4b or 4c and no card is to be recorded:—</i>		R/S R/S	
8	To run a Key value ahead through its sequence:— Key		fD or fE	{ see text !!any!!
	To halt (prgm will run indefinitely):—		R/S	
	Register I is incremented for each full cycle completed. Single-step to end of a cycle.		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS	STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS
001	f LBL A	31 25 11			x	71	
	DSP 0	23 00			f x=0	31 51	
	2	02			STO (i)	33 24	
	0	00		060	2	02	
	h x $\neq$ I	35 24			+	61	
	h x $\neq$ y	35 52			g 10 <sup>x</sup>	32 53	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 1		$\div$	81	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 2		STO + (i)	33 61 24	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 3		GTO 1	22 01	
010	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 4		f LBL C	31 25 13	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 5		h CF 3	35 61 03	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=keyshift 6		1	01	
	h SF 0	35 51 00			9	09	
	f GSB 0	31 22 00	=datashift	070	h STI	35 33	
	h CF 0	35 61 00			g MERGE	32 41	
	h RCI	35 34			h PAUSE	35 72	(load data card)
	h F? 1	35 71 01	="decoding?"		0	00	
	CHS	42			h F? 3	35 71 03	
	+	61			GTO 4	22 04	
020	E EX	43			GTO C	22 13	
	2	02			f LBL 3	31 25 03	
	h STI	35 33			h RCI	35 34	
	+	61			.	83	
	h RCI	35 34		080	2	02	
	$\div$	81			+	61	
	g FRAC	32 83			f LBL 4	31 25 04	
	h RCI	35 34			h STI	35 33	
	x	71			2	02	
	h x y	35 52			0	00	
030	h STI	35 33			g x=y	32 51	
	h R+	35 53			GTO f c	22 31 13	
	h RTN	35 22			h RCI	35 34	
	f LBL B	31 25 12			g FRAC	32 83	
	0	00		090	1	01	
	GTO 2	22 02			0	00	
	f LBL 1	31 25 01			x	71	
	h RCI	35 34			g 10 <sup>x</sup>	32 53	
	.	83			STO x (i)	33 71 24	
	2	02			RCL (i)	34 24	
040	+	61			g FRAC	32 83	
	f LBL 2	31 25 02			E EX	43	
	h STI	35 33			2	02	
	2	02			STO x (i)	33 71 24	
	0	00		100	x	71	
	g x=y	32 51			f INT	31 83	
	GTO f c	22 31 13			STO - (i)	33 51 24	
	h CF 3	35 61 03			f x=0	31 51	
	0	00			h SF 2	35 51 02	
	h PAUSE	35 72	(enter data value)		h F? 1	35 71 01	="decoding?"
050	h F? 3	35 71 03			h CF 2	35 61 02	
	+	61			f GSB A	31 22 11	
	f GSB A	31 22 11			STO + (i)	33 61 24	
	h RCI	35 34			h RCI	35 34	
	g FRAC	32 83		110	g FRAC	32 83	
	1	01			1	01	
	0	00			0	00	

REGISTERS

Registers R<sub>0</sub> through to R<sub>99</sub> are reserved for storage of data values in groups of 5.

A	Key A	B	Key B	C	Key C	D	Key D	E	Key E	I	used
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STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS	STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS
	x	71			0	00	
	2	02		170	x	71	
	+	61			f -x-	31 84	
	g 10x	32 53			2	02	
	STO ÷ (i)	33 81 24			0	00	
	h R↓	35 53			f ISZ	31 34	
	h F? 2	35 71 02			h RCI	35 34	
120	R/S	84			g x≠y	32 61	
	f x≠0	31 61			GTO 5	22 05	
	GTO 3	22 03			DSP 0	23 00	
	h F? 1	35 71 01			h RTN	35 22	
	R/S	84		180	g LBLf c	32 25 13	=record data card
	GTO 3	22 03			0	00	
	f LBL 0	31 25 00	=shift routine		h STI	35 33	
	RCL (i)	34 24			RCL E	34 15	
	9	09			+	61	
	9	09			RCL A	34 11	
130	7	07			RCL B	34 12	
	x	71			RCL C	34 13	
	g FRAC	32 83			RCL D	34 14	
	STO (i)	33 24			h x≠I	35 24	
	5	05		190	STO A	33 11	
	x	71			STO B	33 12	
	2	02			STO C	33 13	
	0	00			STO D	33 14	
	h F? 0	35 71 00	= "datashift?"		STO E	33 15	
	x	71			h x≠I	35 24	
140	h F? 0	35 71 00	= "datashift?"		f W/DATA	31 41	(run card)
	0	00			h R↑	35 54	
	+	61			STO A	33 11	
	f INT	31 83			h R↑	35 54	
	h STI	35 33		200	STO B	33 12	
	h R↑	35 53			h R↑	35 54	
	h RTN	35 22			STO C	33 13	
	g LBLf a	32 25 11	=key review		h R↑	35 54	
	DSP 7	23 07			STO D	33 14	
	RCL A	34 11			h LSTx	35 82	
150	f -x-	31 84			STO E	33 15	
	RCL B	34 12			CLx	44	
	f -x-	31 84			h RTN	35 22	
	RCL C	34 13			g LBLf d	32 25 14	} =advance Key in 'x' along sequence.
	f -x-	31 84		210	g LBLf e	32 25 15	
	RCL D	31 14			9	09	
	f -x-	31 84			9	09	
	RCL E	34 15			7	07	
	f -x-	31 84			x	71	
	0	00			g FRAC	32 83	
160	DSP 0	23 00			f ISZ	31 34	
	h RTN	35 22			GTO f d	22 31 14	
	g LBLf b	32 25 12	=data review		f LBL D	31 25 14	=set "decode"
	DSP 9	23 09			h SF 1	35 51 01	
	0	00		220	h RTN	35 22	
	h STI	35 33			f LBL E	31 25 15	=set "encode"
	f LBL 5	31 25 05			h CF 1	35 61 01	
	RCL (i)	34 24			h RTN	35 22	
	1	01					

## LABELS

## FLAGS

## SET STATUS

A CONVERT "x"	B CONVERT "x" & ACCUMULATE.	C CONVERT R <sub>0</sub> → R <sub>59</sub> (R <sub>19</sub> )	D SET "DECODE"	E SET "ENCODE"	0 DATASHIFT?	FLAGS	TRIG	DISP
a REVIEW CODE KEYS	b REVIEW R <sub>0</sub> ~ R <sub>19</sub>	c RECORD R <sub>0</sub> ~ R <sub>19</sub> ON CARD	d ADVANCE KEY	e IN X REGISTER	1 DECODE?	0 <input type="checkbox"/> ON <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OFF	DEG <input type="checkbox"/>	FIX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
0 used	1 used	2 used	3 used	4 used	2 used	1 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	GRAD <input type="checkbox"/>	SCI <input type="checkbox"/>
5 used	6	7	8	9	3 used	2 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RAD <input type="checkbox"/>	ENG <input type="checkbox"/>
						3 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		n 0