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ABSTRACT

This document is a report of a two-year effort by Duke University Press to make National Collegiate Software (NCS), a clearinghouse for faculty-authored liberal arts software for classroom use, a viable, scholastically respectable, self-supporting operation. NCS initially had been operated by North Carolina State University. When Duke University Press took over the program, it was with the expectation that the operating and marketing efforts needed would be analogous to those used for the books and journals published by most university presses. Duke turned the program into a more sophisticated software publishing operation rather than the clearinghouse it had been, and gained national recognition for a number of titles. However, the project never achieved break-even status, and the list of 170 software titles was sold to a commercial publisher. A catalog of the software that was available under the Duke University Press imprint is appended. (CH)

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Even in the liberal arts, academic careers are being built on a bedrock of publications in many media, including software. Yet most commercial software for higher education merely automates existing tasks--even the turning of pages.

"Educational software" can be said to embrace three categories: *productivity software*, or student versions of word processors, spreadsheets and database management systems; *instructional programs* per se, like the ubiquitous computer tutorials that dominate the public domain; and specialized programs by and for academic research applications, advanced learning, and scholarly reference, which we call *scholarly software*.

The National Collegiate Software division of Duke University Press sought to provide a publishing model in which peer-reviewed, faculty-written instructional and scholarly software for the humanities and social sciences was treated with the same seriousness as monographs and journal articles. Such software would help students learn in ways which would be impossible without the computer while giving authors the imprimatur their curricula vitae needed.

We learned that software publishing has less in common with book publishing than we had hoped; that resistance to technology persists at the grassroots level of university staffs as well as among users. Although we distributed over 9,000 software packages to 1,000 colleges and universities, we were over-optimistic about the pace of change we could manage both within Duke University Press and among instructors nationwide. After the FIPSE grant expired, all software products were transferred to a commercial educational publisher.

PURPOSE

The mission of National Collegiate Software was to provide development, testing, marketing and distribution assistance for specialized software not supported by the private sector. We wanted to seek out and publish the best faculty-authored microcomputer software for teaching and research in the humanities and social sciences.

We saw ourselves leading the way for university publishing of academic software and "electronic books," which promise to change drastically and forever the operations of university presses.

We expected to play a vital role in the growing university movement, spearheaded by librarians, to keep "knowledge property" within the university community (as opposed to giving it away to commercial publishing firms, which then sell it back at high cost to

the university).

BACKGROUND & ORIGINS

National Collegiate Software (NCS) was taken on in 1989 from North Carolina State University, where it was had been a no-frills outlet for faculty-authored liberal arts software. Run from a corner of an associate dean's office, it fit well the name "clearinghouse": a wide variety of software products in the social sciences and humanities were distributed through an ever-expanding catalog, with little support provided to either the authors or the buyers of the software. Quality was uneven.

At the beginning of the grant the portfolio was still growing at the rate of 12-36 new products each quarter, with the same number of upgrades. One-third of the new titles and two-thirds of the upgrades were developed in-house.

The Press took on the program with a commitment for the two-year period of the federal grant, based on projections of financial breakeven during that period. Additional staff hired included a fulfillment clerk, and a software specialist to handle the more technical matters.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

To position NCS for long-term growth, project director Paul Baerman focussed efforts on fewer disciplines, dramatically improving the quality of its portfolio and its manufacturing controls, its relations with authors and customers, and its prospects. The name "clearinghouse" was dropped to underscore the new concern with quality and Duke's intention of adding value during all phases of the publication process.

We initiated telephone support during normal business hours, and added a technical support form to all manuals to encourage submission of bugs uncovered by users.

Of course we had to sacrifice considerable revenue as we stopped promoting most of our existing titles, limiting the portfolio to about 70 products, including over a dozen newly introduced pieces and several extensively rewritten ones. Only in the winter of 1991 did we reach a point where we could begin to concentrate on bringing in revenues at a stepped-up level by abandoning the "commodity" approach in favor of promoting strong individual titles one at a time. But it was already too late.

Direct mail remained our main channel (virtually our only one) though we wanted to explore personal selling at conferences and the use of distributors. Published reviews of new and revised products were often favorable but were simply a long time coming.

PROJECT RESULTS

In NCS's two years at Duke, the Press's national reputation and credibility as an educational software publisher were increasingly

well established among its customers.

A number of titles were reviewed favorably in national media, were featured topics at panels at national meetings, and even won awards.

Still, our evaluation of the project as a whole must remain largely anecdotal, since formal research on whether and how our software improved learning, retention, or grades remained with our users, the faculty around the country. But in our stated terms--the expectation that we would break even--we failed.

We can take heart from the fact that we distributed over 9,000 pieces of faculty-authored software, many of which are now in regular use at American universities and colleges and which will continue to be updated by the authors and by William C. Brown, the commercial publisher who now owns the National Collegiate Software portfolio.

Because of the association with Duke University Press, National Collegiate Software conferred credibility on the honorable intellectual task of writing software for teaching and research.

SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

The imprimatur of a university press, although customers do not visibly react to it, often has a profound attraction for faculty software authors whose work benefits from the credibility a peer review process confers: truly, scholarly software is coming to earn the respect that a book or article may if published through a university press.

Because NCS software having usually retained most of the author's own code, it could fairly be said to be his or her work rather than an adumbration of something prepared by "hired guns". This was a source of pleasure for authors, and a source of suspicion for customers.

"Micro-marketing," the ability to meet the needs of precisely defined market segments almost to the level of the individual, was a requirement if NCS's scholarly software was to succeed by any yardstick; consequently, two of our most urgent initiatives for the coming year were to have been the construction of a customer database and the hiring of a full-time marketer.

At bottom, instructional software must prove itself as a cost effective tool competing against overhead transparencies, lectures, and textbooks. It "wins" only when it can free the instructor's and class's time for more important tasks, or when it allows users to do with the computer what they could not do without it--to go beyond learning *about* sociology or political science, for instance, and instead to *do* what sociologists or political scientists do.

The market both for scholarly and extended instructional software favors a publisher with high standards, quality controls, a broad network of collegial working relationships in academia, and a reputation for excellence equivalent to that of a seasoned university press. But it will take more time and resources than we had.

Project Overview

As computer literacy among faculty increases, software is becoming recognized as a legitimate tool in teaching and research--even in humanistic disciplines traditionally reluctant to embrace new technology. Careers are being built on a bedrock of publications in many media, and some academics have received tenure partly on the basis of their software publications. The future will bring many opportunities for joint projects between books, journals, libraries, faculty, and computing groups at universities everywhere. But some areas lag behind.

Booming fields such as science and medical education receive a great deal of attention from hardware and software companies; high-end applications such as interactive video are common, and competition abounds. One need only look at Optical Data Systems, Videodiscovery, or The Voyager Corporation, all specialized developers and distributors of interactive laser discs, for evidence. Yet the social sciences and humanities, though their professoriat is "computerized," feel like poor cousins when it comes to innovative software: showy, state-of-the-art programs designed for their unique needs are all but nonexistent, and the high-tech world seems only to lend them its castoffs. Most higher education software, as promulgated by commercial agents, merely automates existing tasks. At worst, it automates the turning of pages.

It is here that we sought to be a change-agent, to lead our colleagues in scholarly publishing and on liberal arts faculties toward a new dawn in which the computer would enable students to learn in ways which would be impossible without the computer. There was, we believed, a new class of software publisher sorely needed in higher education: we had heard and read the countless complaints about educational software's quality and paucity, and we had a growing sense that not only scholarly publishing but higher education itself might take years to catch up with the

electronic revolution. What was wanted was an operation different in kind from professional commercial developers like Borland, Microsoft, or Lotus, whose eye must always be on the main chance, the biggest market (e.g., elementary and secondary schools), and just as different from commercial distributors who add little value to the product. What was wanted was a sympathethic and collegial publisher of innovative and specialized work by and for faculty and their students, someone to provide guidance, testing, packaging and marketing, manage the review process, offer editorial services as well as technical support to users--in short, a scholarly software press.

As high-powered desktop computers have become more affordable, faculty, student, and classroom access to machines is increasingly taken for granted. The demand for specialized software has grown and is growing, especially in the neglected areas of the liberal arts.

The market for scholarly software is currently being met haphazardly, and sometimes not at all. Many of the needs that research or reference software address are now met by sheer legwork on the part of faculty or graduate students--a process that is slow, inefficient, and expensive. That is, not using a microcomputer at all is the chief substitute "product".

Yet we learned that software publishing has less in common with book publishing than we hoped; that resistance to technology persists at the grassroots level of university staffs as well as among users; and that five years would have provided a more realistic test than two years did, since the lead-times for decision-making, reviews, and the institutionalization of change are so lengthy. We were right about the needs to be met and the trends to be considered, but we were grossly over-optimistic about the pace of change we could manage both within Duke University Press and among instructors nationwide. We

distributed some 6,000 software packages to 1,000 colleges and universities in our two years of operations; we helped authors gain credibility for a new kind of writing; but we did not break even as we projected.

PURPOSE

". . . the mission of the NCSC is largely to provide development and distribution of specialized software not supported by the private sector," wrote Professor David Garson, the original project director. "It is not only a publishing/distribution service but also is a national resource for assisting faculty authors with development and improvement of their work--a national educational software initiative of direct and tangible assistance to faculty authors all over the country."

While our sense of mission evolved over the term of the project, one thing remained clear: we wanted to seek out and publish the best faculty-authored microcomputer software for teaching and research in the humanities and social sciences. Academia needed it; we saw that we could do it.

Our goal was ambitious but straightforward: to change the face of publishing and higher education by

1) bringing out 10-12 new titles each year in the disciplines of political science and international relations, writing and text analysis, economics, and statistics, acquiring a title only after a rigorous assessment (including peer review for academic quality, in-house testing, technical review, and market review), with revisions to both software and manual to meet NCS standards in full;

2) evaluating each listed title periodically for decision on whether it is worth major upgrade/revision or should be dropped;

3) focusing scholarly software acquisitions activity on the areas of research methods, quantitative and qualitative analysis, and electronic reference tools;

4) focusing instructional software acquisitions activity on multi-disciplinary programs that a student will use repeatedly (beyond a single course);

5) leading the way for university publishing of academic software and "electronic books," currently a popular novelty item, but one that promises to change drastically and forever the operations of university presses. We wanted to emphasize peer review and our special role as a university publisher--neither commercially driven nor out to sell the newest hardware;

6) serving as an information resource for other universities as they seek to find or create outlets for the distribution of faculty-authored software;

7) covering all financial costs, without need for outside support.

We expected to play a vital role in the growing university movement, spearheaded by librarians, to keep "knowledge property" within the university community (as opposed to giving it away to commercial publishing firms, which then sell it back at high cost to the university). The library community regrets greatly the situation with scientific journals, and expresses futile wishes that university presses would/could get involved in order to provide price competition. For software, we hoped it was still

not too late to turn the tide before it became purely a commercial endeavor. The outcome of our project suggests either than it was in fact too late, or that we were on the contrary too early: we were forced, in the end, to sell our entire software portfolio to a commercial textbook publisher to use as improved ancillaries that would stimulate sales of printed books.

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There are large programs for the development of academic software heavily funded by major hardware vendors (Apple, IBM, and DEC), but the funding sources dictate (at least indirectly) that such programs emphasize almost exclusively those products that will help to sell the latest and fanciest (and most expensive) hardware innovations.

BACKGROUND & ORIGINS

National Collegiate Software (NCS) was taken on in 1989 from North Carolina State University, where it was called The National Collegiate Software Clearinghouse. Its origins lay in the attempt to provide a no-frills outlet for any and all faculty-authored liberal arts software for common hardware platforms. Most sales are to higher education; NCS has not actively marketed to high schools since 1989, though 3.5% of its sales still come from this segment.

Run from a corner of an associate dean's office, it fit well the name "clearinghouse": a wide variety of software products in the social sciences and humanities were distributed through an ever-expanding catalog, with little support provided to either the authors or the buyers of the software.

"Nearly a thousand colleges and educational clients now use NCSC software," founder David Garson reported in his FIPSE grant proposal. "Gross revenues have grown from $8,000 in 1984-5, to $23,000 in 1985-6, to $45,000 in 1986-7, and are projected at $70,000 this year."

At takeover the portfolio was growing at the rate of 12-36 new products/quarter, with the same number of upgrades. One-third of the new titles and two-thirds of the upgrades were developed by NCS itself. Dr. Garson believed this rate of growth could continue at least to the point at which the operation would become self-sustaining.

A combination of program growth and resource tightening at NCSU forced Professor Garson to seek a new home for his program. He obtained from Zenith a donation of computers and from the federal Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education a two-year grant for an "Executive Director," so as to enable the program to survive financially without the extra resources that a Dean's

office had afforded. Professor Garson knew and trusted Duke University Press as the publisher of the Social Science Computer Review, which he edits, and did not want the program housed in a computer center, since he felt strongly that the technical aspects of the software would be overemphasized there.

To our university we argued that, despite the inevitable fragmentation of this market with its many disciplines, there are economies of scale and other advantages to centralization. For instance, marketing could focus on associations that bring together social scientists or humanists of many persuasions; production could take advantage of generic packaging with customized covers to lower average costs below those of a narrowly specialized, one-product publisher. In short, it still remains for some one player to bring together the resources and commitment to develop an attractive, professional software portfolio for the liberal arts that extends *beyond* the merely page-turning tutorial. In the long term, we said, an academic publisher willing to invest in the relationships and products for this arena will own a small but solid, defensible niche.

The Press took on the program with a commitment for the two-year period of the federal grant, based on projections of financial breakeven during that period and the expectation that growth would allow the Press to assume the Director's salary at the end of that period. The Press's then Director and the Press's Editorial Advisory Board were very enthusiastic about the possibilities that the program afforded us, as the first university press to begin distribution of academic software, and although we were frank about the fact that the program as run at NCSU lacked adequate quality controls, they endorsed our taking on the program within the Press's Journals Division.

The grant began in February 1989, and the move to Duke was completed on 1 July 1989. Paul Baerman was hired as NCS Director

through a joint decision by Professor Garson and the Press, after an extensive search, and two more staff members were then added: a fulfillment clerk, and in August, 1989, a software specialist.

Project Description

During the 20 months of Press operation, NCS made some dramatic changes, only some of which we had envisioned when we took on the program. These changes were made partly in response to a changing environment, but particularly in response to the Press's and Paul Baerman's insistence on quality over quantity, which made it impossible for a three-person staff to work to our satisfaction with the 265 titles then in the portfolio. The resultant changes have in effect turned the program into a software publishing operation rather than a "clearinghouse" (a word we have now dropped from the name): Whereas all plausible submissions were once accepted with few required revisions--many of them as "shareware" or co-distribution arrangements--NCS now accepts products only after a careful review process, including both in-house and peer reviews and an extensive editing of both software and manuals, and it only accepts titles for which NCS is the sole publisher.

These changes were applauded by everyone from our software authors--who have written a stream of supportive letters to the Press's Director--to the Press's Editorial Advisory Board. A somewhat embarrassing "clearinghouse" project (with manuals and promotional materials full of typos and many annoying minor glitches in the software) became a software publishing program which we showed with pride on the Duke Press tables at national academic meetings. A number of titles were reviewed favorably in such national media as Choice, Teaching Sociology, Journalism Educator, and Simulation and Gaming, as well as the computer journals; our titles have been featured topics at panels on academic software at such national meetings as the American

Political Science Association and the American Social Sciences Association, as well as at computing conferences such as the National Educational Computer Conference, the Association for Computing in the Humanities, the Association for Computing Machinery, and EDUCOM; and one (a "newswriting simulation" entitled Bayshore Blast) won a coveted national award as "1990 Distinguished Software for Higher Education" from EDUCOM.

These changes were not made without cost, of course. We had to rethink all aspects of the program, from author contracts to packaging of the final products. Unwilling to market the many titles that we took on from NCSU that were not up to our standards, we sacrificed considerable revenue as we stopped promoting most of our existing titles. We have eliminated approximately 200 titles, and invested much effort into fixing those that we retained. We actively sought new titles that would meet our standards, and then have reviewed and revised thoroughly (in conjunction with the authors and reviewers) the versions that we received.

As a result, only in the winter of 1991 did we reach a point where we could begin to concentrate on bringing in revenues at a stepped-up level, by promoting strong individual titles one at a time (as compared to the previous emphasis on a wide range of titles--almost a "commodity" approach). It was already too late.

Direct mail remained our main channel (virtually our only one) because it was cheap and its results measurable. Our key to long-term success was to be intelligent development and use of a "house list" which would let us swap names easily with professional associations, etc. and to engineer response rates up to five times higher than from a typical rented list.

We wanted to explore other channels such as personal selling at conferences and the use of distributors, which some publishers

had found useful. Conference displays have been shown to be an effective method of generating sales. Having a computer demo running in a booth (at a non-computer show) tends to increase traffic considerably, and this is one area where great synergy might have been possible with Duke University Press's books and journals. Further, by allying and cooperating more closely with computer users' groups in conference-sponsoring associations, NCS can begin to find opportunities for joint mailings, grant proposals, and invited talks. But our resources were simply too skimpy.

Published reviews are also critical to long-term success and recognition. Software acquisitions librarians, for instance, rely on them almost exclusively. Here we fared better, and with experience and patience (like book reviews, scholarly software reviews appear as much as two years after publication) would have done better still. Our titles received favorable reviews or mentions in national media such as The Chronicle of Higher Education, Choice, Teaching Sociology, Journalism Educator, and Simulation and Gaming, as well as in both trade and education-specific computer journals such as MacWorld, T.H.E. Journal, Philosophy & Computing, etc.

As for pricing, we discovered that customer expectations vary enormously. Some customers frankly expect to pay a price on the order of $80-$100 and then make pirated copies of the software for class and colleagues; a computer disk is so slight that copying it seems like fair use under copyright law. Others compare curricular software prices to the benchmark of textbook prices, and assume that if they intend to use software within the context of a course, then it must cost proportionally less than a textbook.

At bottom, we think a low retail price (well under $30) may be required for course-specific titles, while a higher one (perhaps

up to $200) could be supported for research-oriented titles.

A problem we should have given more thought to in advance was that, given the rate of change in computer hardware, packaged (i.e., not customized) software can last no more than two or three years without being significantly revised or rewritten. A single product can be repeatedly upgraded to include new features and operate on new platforms, extending its life almost indefinitely. Many software companies have made a virtue of necessity, building a popular product line around a single core program that is extended from DOS to Macintosh computers, say, then to network versions, then re-released in a faster, more powerful indigitation, and so on.

Publishers and authors who are unable to perform such upgrades must reconcile themselves to providing a constant stream of new titles instead, which costs them the benefits of name recognition and often results in quality problems, or at least the perception of quality problems. That's what happened to the original NCSC and to its industry-funded competitors, the Apple Computer Consortium and IBM's Wisc-Ware.

On the score of customer service, we quickly realized that since the audience for higher education software includes computer-literate people from many non-scientific disciplines as well as computer novices, not only a friendly manual and packaging is needed, but thorough and patient customer support. Commercial software companies, such as those who market popular word processors, have led users to expect phone support at least during business hours. Many firms have 800 numbers for orders, a few also for support; few in the educational arena have dared to charge for such support, though vendors of productivity programs (e.g., Ashton-Tate, Aldus) sometimes do, and quite stiffly. As whole classes of programs become commodities (spreadsheets, for instance), service revenue takes on increasing significance.

PROJECT RESULTS

After moving to Duke, NCS focussed its efforts on fewer disciplines, dramatically improving the quality of its portfolio and its manufacturing controls, its relations with authors and customers, and its prospects. When it became clear during the 1989-1990 fiscal year that a maintainable, high-quality portfolio was needed to replace a large and unruly list of partially tested software, the organization repositioned itself for long-term growth. More than 100 titles were immediately taken out of print or placed on a backlist (another hundred followed), a peer review process was instituted, and quality control and customer support were improved--all while holding revenues constant. The name "clearinghouse" was dropped to underscore the new concern with quality and Duke's intention of adding value during all phases of the publication process.

North Carolina State University's limited-support policy contradicted Duke's desire for a high reputation, so NCS initiated telephone support during normal business hours, and added a technical support form to all manuals to encourage submission of written bugs.

Although National Collegiate Software, as it existed at Duke University Press, relied--like WiscWare--on faculty software authors for most programming labor, unlike WiscWare it administered a peer review process and performed extensive internal reviewing, assisted with testing on different hardware configurations, and edited or rewrote manuals.

One thing that did *not* change was NCS's manufacturing in quantities of 1-10 units, as was inevitable with little room for inventory. For high-priced and slower-moving scholarly software, this production strategy is acceptable; instructional tools, however, must be produced and sold in quantities of at least 100

per year.

As NCS thus consolidated its actively marketed portfolio from 256 titles to 70 titles in the summer of 1990, total revenues naturally dipped as unit sales fell from 2775 in 1989-1990 to 2334 in 1990-1991; but the robustness of individual products, now being given considerably more product development and marketing attention, boded well for the future.

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Our evaluation of the project as a whole must remain largely anecdotal, since formal research on whether and how our software improved learning, retention, or grades remained with our users, the faculty around the country. But in our stated terms--the expectation that we would break even--we failed. Again, Professor Garson: "The intended outcome and the evaluation criteria are very clear in this instance: that the revenues of NCSC continue to rise . . . at or better than the rate experienced during 1984-1988 [25-30% per year], resulting in a level of revenue which would fund all direct aspects of the NCSC."

We can, however, take heart from the fact that we distributed over 9,000 pieces of faculty-authored software, many of which are now in regular use at American universities and colleges and which will continue to be updated by the authors and by William C. Brown, the commercial publisher who now owns the National Collegiate Software portfolio.

Following is a breakdown of the numbers of titles distributed.

Discipline	Titles	'88-'89	'89-'90	'90-'91	Total
Anthropology	20	184	259	232	695
Authoring Systems	11	21	31	2	65
Datasets	15	168	148	195	526
Economics	29	323	393	428	1173
English	21	21	10	1	53
Geography	10	0	79	126	215
History	7	56	113	63	239
Interdisciplinary	48	336	427	329	1140
Languages	20	178	249	509	956
Philosophy	15	67	82	85	249
Poli Sci	17	129	242	272	660
Psychology	11	136	272	105	524
Sociology	11	247	238	206	702
Statistics	45	521	682	619	1867
TOTAL	280	2387	3225	3172	9064

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SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS: Recommendations

Our university press would have chosen, had we been able to continue, to make scholarly software its first priority, followed by "extended instructional software." Inherently more interesting than one-time tutorials, it is also more valuable to the student and the academic community, it would let NCS use its network of contacts appropriately for peer review and revision,

and it has the staying power for courses taught every semester or every year to help NCS toward its long-term goal of self-funding.

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Over the next two to three years NCS would have broadened its scope to include electronic publications and electronic reference tools in these and related liberal arts disciplines, replacing older titles and letting others go out of print for a total of 50 products. Windows versions of selected titles would have been released, with ten to twelve new titles or editions issued per year; within three to four years of its publication every software title is expected to be heavily revised or dropped.

At bottom, the utility of computing is ever more important than its novelty: instructional software must prove itself as a cost effective tool competing against overhead transparencies, lectures, and textbooks. It "wins" only when it can free the

instructor's and class's time for more important tasks, or when it allows users to do with the computer what they could not do without it--to go beyond learning *about* sociology or political science, for instance, and instead to *do* what sociologists or political scientists do.

Many tutorials and simulations are designed to be used only once, and only in a particular course, but are quickly outdated or replaced by substitute "products" such as supplemental reading or TA question-and-answer sessions. The best extended instructional software, on the other hand, may span several courses and two or three disciplines. It is a multi-use tool for tinkering, not just a book in a more entertaining format.

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(Catalogue with list of disciplines and software titles enclosed)

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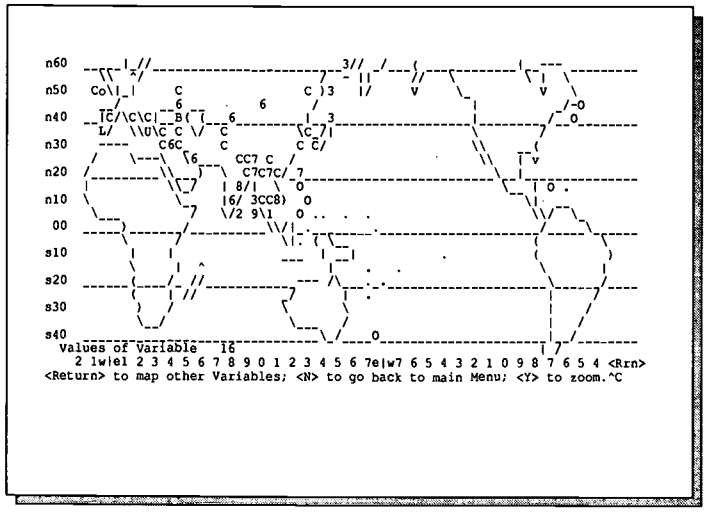

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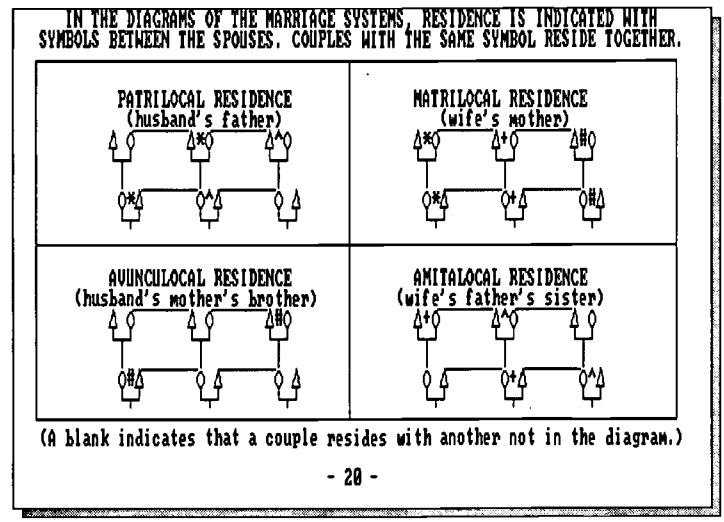

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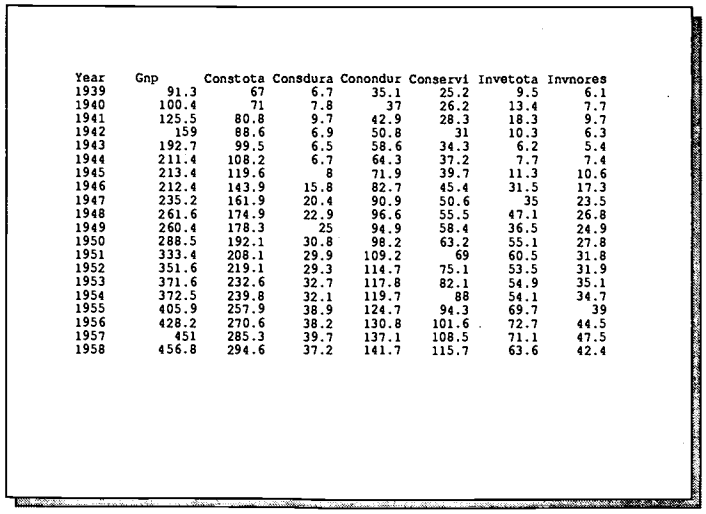

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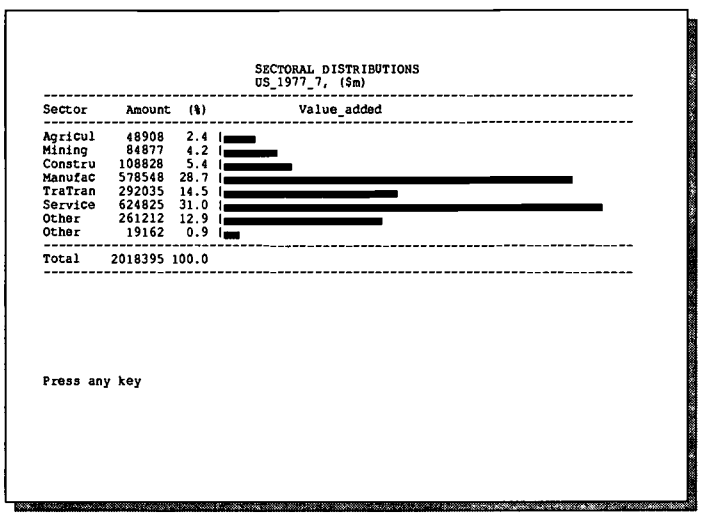

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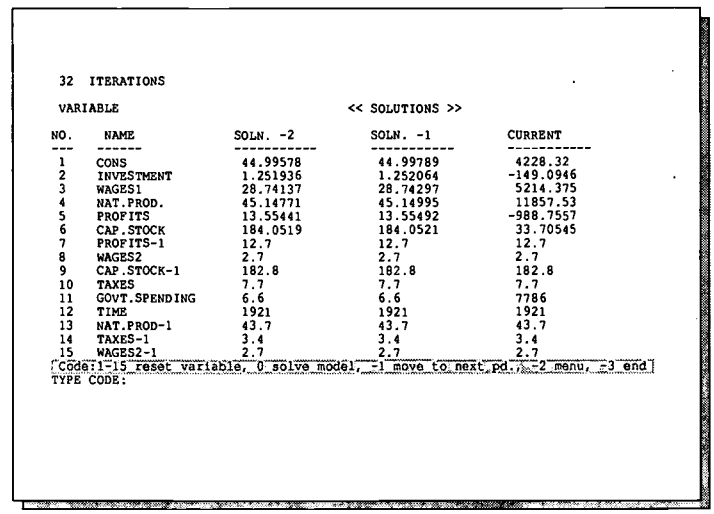

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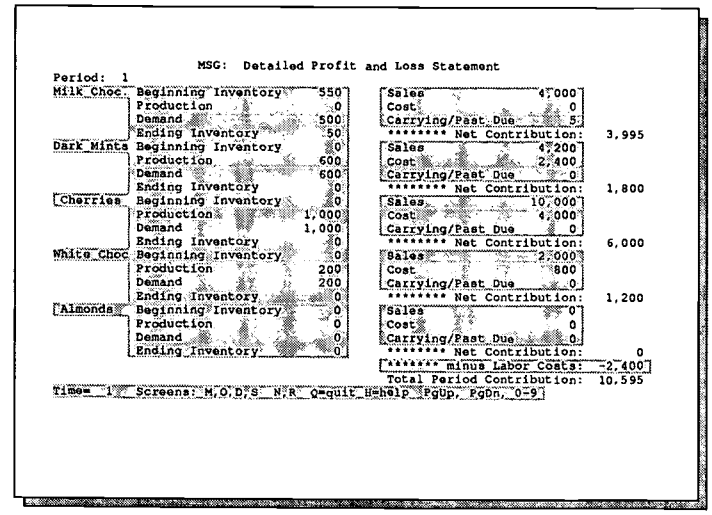

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Its 11 exercises start with DOS basics and proceed all the way to macro-writing, breaking up the material into manageable, self-contained segments which any student with an understanding of simple algebra and the time value of money can master at his or her own pace. User must own Lotus 1-2-3 version 2.2 or less. Version 3.0 (1990)

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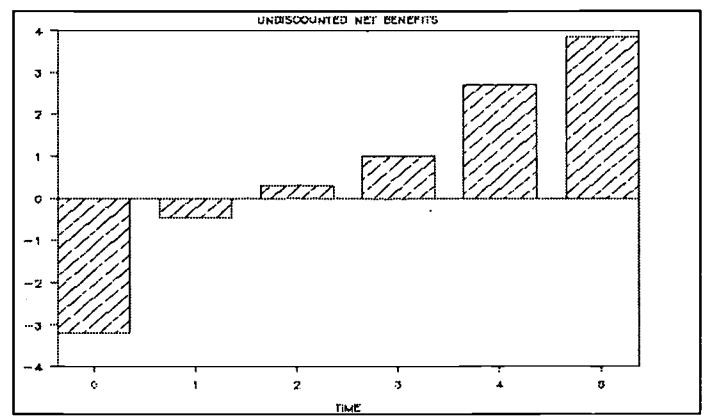

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A menu-driven introduction to macroeconomic modeling—more comprehensive than *MACMOD*—including tutorials and exercises with ample graphs on consumption, savings, investment, income, government, taxation, and the multiplier effect. We include Lotus 1-2-3 files for the instructor who wants to manipulate the equations or macros, and a compiled version for those who don't own Lotus but just want to turn students loose for experimentation and review in the lab. Graphics capability and 320K are required. Version 1.2 (1987)

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A set of integrated Hypercard stacks with over 300 graphs and diagrams—some with animation—on basic micro- and macroeconomic concepts, *EcoTutor* complements any standard introductory textbook and is easy to navigate using "review topics" cards that return to a quick outline of each stack. Topics covered include supply and demand, elasticity, revenue and cost concepts, market structures, competitive equilibrium, imperfect competition, oligopoly and monopoly, circular flow of income, income and employment, consumption and saving, investment and the multiplier, and monetary and fiscal policies. Requires 1M RAM and HyperCard. Version 1.1 (1989)

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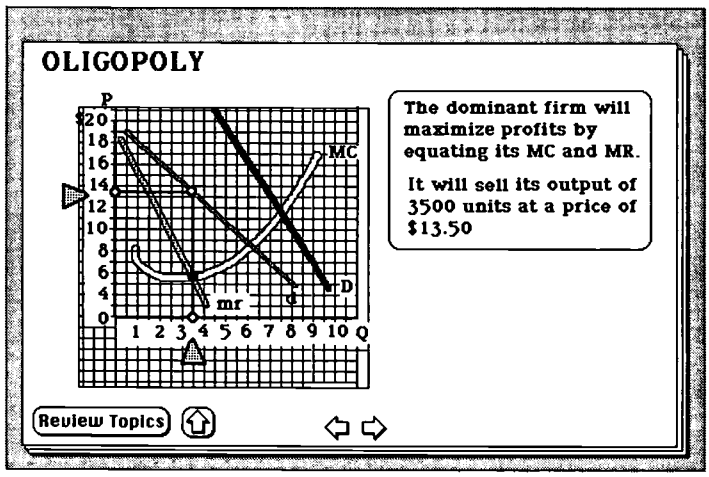

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NEW VisuaLearning Intermediate Microeconomics, by Sandford F. Borins, University of Toronto, and Cheryl B. Gladstone, York University

This software illustrates concepts in intermediate microeconomic theory by means of sophisticated two- and three-dimensional computer graphic displays. Complicated two-dimensional diagrams—such as the decomposition of a price change into income and substitution effects—are built up layer by layer on the screen, accompanied by explanatory text, rather than being presented in their entirety as in textbooks. Thus students need not continuously go back and forth between text and diagrams.

The authors turn to three-dimensional graphics to present concepts such as production and utility functions (e.g., a production function with capital and labor on the horizontal axes and output on the vertical axis), stimulating student interest and enhancing their comprehension by using a baseball diamond analogy. Diagrams are drawn almost instantly on the screen, and students may choose different parameters of the functions—different coefficients of labor and capital, for instance.

Concepts covered in the software (and discussed in the accompanying handbook) include utility theory, income and substitution effects, derivation of demand curves, Cobb-Douglas and CES production functions, economies of scale, cost minimization and output maximization, short and long run average and marginal cost curves, profit maximization, and dynamics of demand and supply. This software can be used to very good effect in classroom sessions where the instructor has a PC with a projection screen, or in an electronic classroom, or for self-study in the student lab. Requires 512K RAM, CGA/EGA/VGA, and a hard drive. Available for spring 1991 semester.

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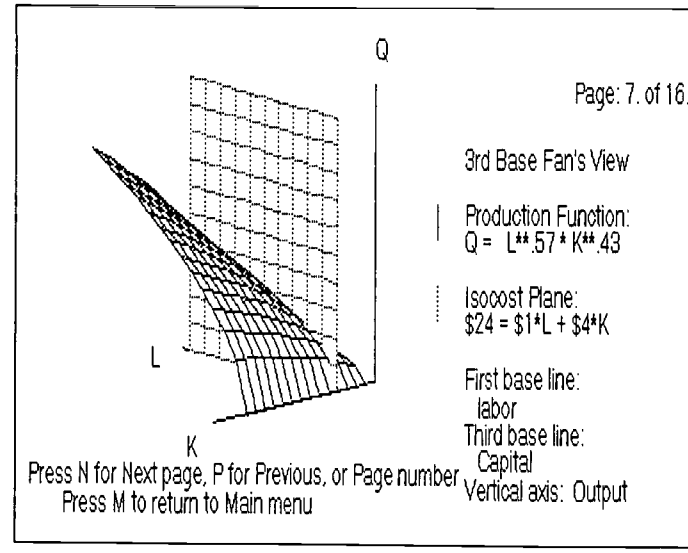

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Ten minutes after sitting down with this software for our home state we were so engrossed that we wrote off the rest of the afternoon. Sociologist Kenneth Hinze has mapped, *at the county level,* all 180 uncopyrighted variables from the Bureau of the Census's *County and City Data Book*. Menu-driven so students can instantly call up choropleth maps or fishnet maps, check scatterplots and simple correlations, and compare data for selected counties, the atlas lets them pursue hunches, confirm relationships, and endlessly explore socioeconomic patterns for their state or region—capturing images, if they want, using Word Perfect's *GRAB* program (or others) for later printing or presentations.

The data cover demographics and vital statistics, crime, education, income, housing, employment, agriculture, manufacturing, construction, wholesale and retail trade, government and the service economy. The graphics are limited to CGA, and these are boundary maps, *not* containing city names or topographical features. Each state is self-contained, comes with its counties map and a whole-U.S. (by state) file for comparison purposes. Requires DOS 3.1, 256K RAM, one drive and a CGA card. Hard disk required if you order the whole country. Version 1.0 (1990)

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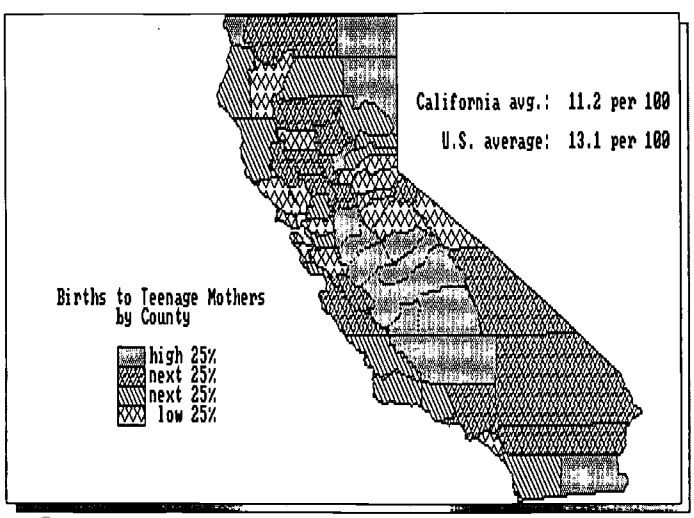

Electronic Atlas Shell, by Kenneth Hinze, Louisiana State University at Shreveport

This package helps the student or researcher make and publish a user-friendly electronic atlas—from, say, local election results by ward over time, neighborhood demographics, or marketing information. Its automated software for mapping and simple statistical analysis produces thematic choropleth maps, 3-D trace maps, and scatterplots, letting you create a free-standing, *visual* statistical abstract for your users. Comparable commercial packages cost hundreds, but if you're willing to use monochrome choropleth maps and to trace your own boundary files, you'll find this software a good building block. This package does *not* contain data or maps (except one extensive regional example) of the United States, the world, or anywhere. Requires DOS 3.1, 256K, and CGA card. The mapmaker (but not the end user) must also own our *PC-Datagraphics and Mapping,* listed in our Research Methodology and Statistics section. Version 1.0 (1989)

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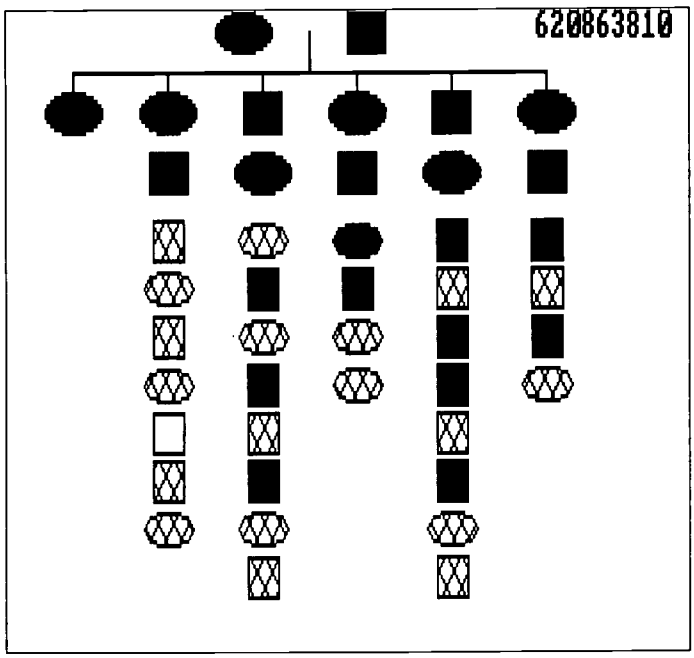

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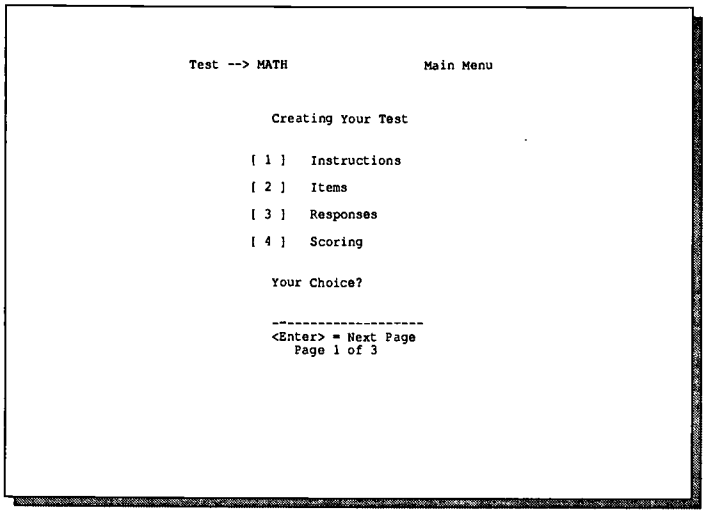

Quizmaker: On-line Definitions Reviews and Matching Drills, by G. David Garson, North Carolina State University

These time-savers for easy authoring of interactive computer drills support both a two-column, twenty-item "matching quiz" format (in which the order of the 20 items is different each time the program is run) and a multiple choice "definitions review" format (in which incorrect multiple-choice answers are randomly pulled in from the pool of correct answers to other questions, thus saving time during the test creation phase). *Quizmaker,* which comes with several sample quizzes on organizational behavior and American politics, requires only one drive. Version 3.0 (1989)

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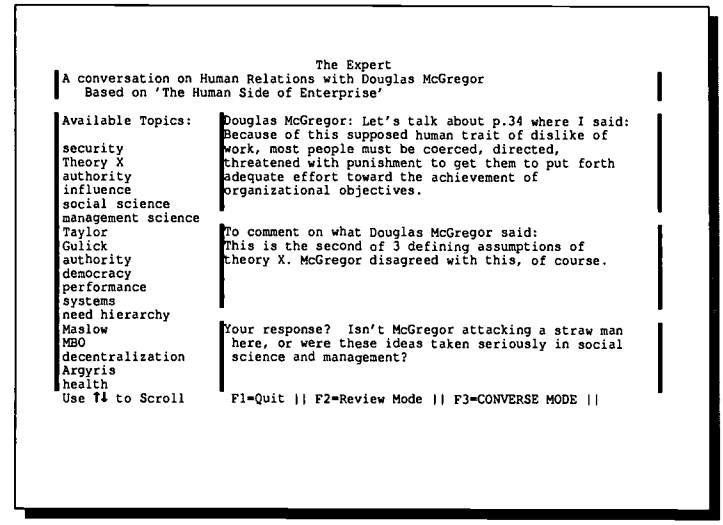

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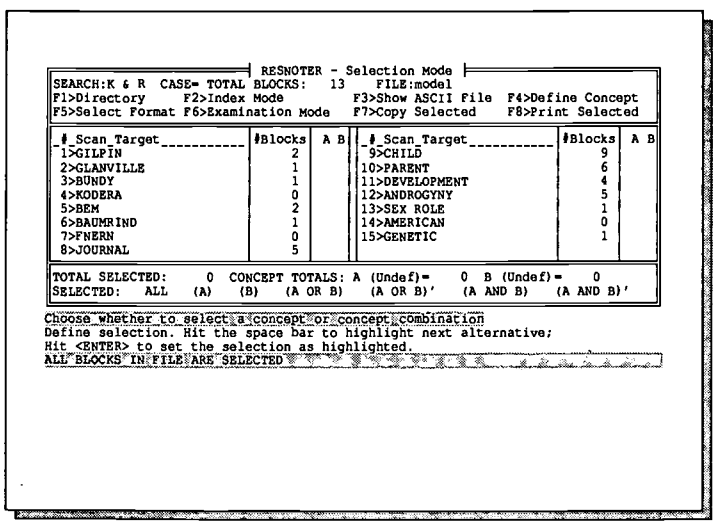

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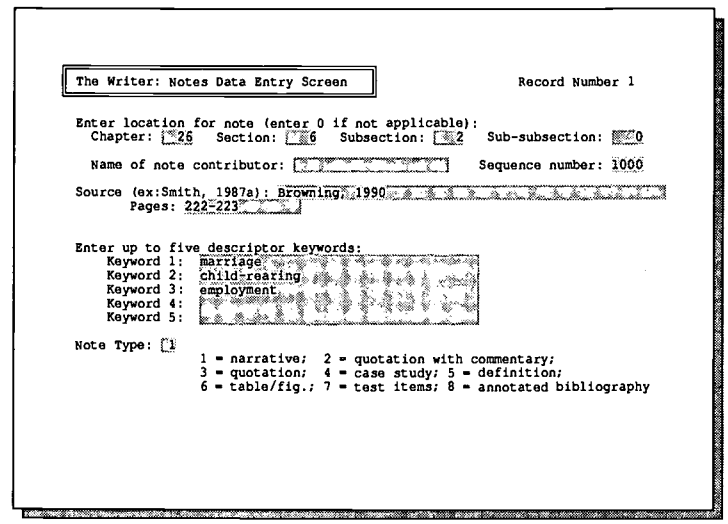

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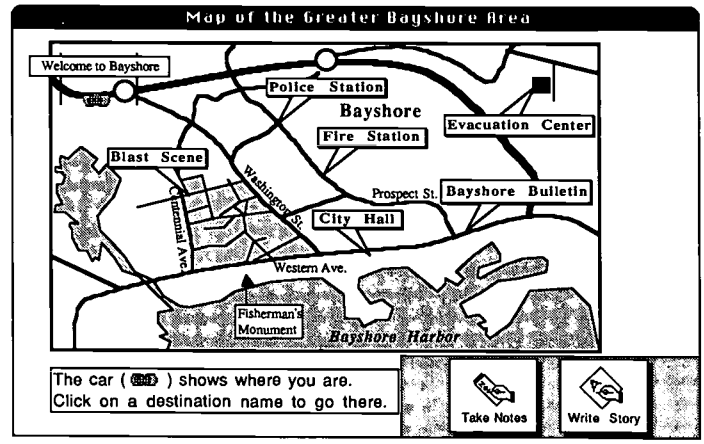

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

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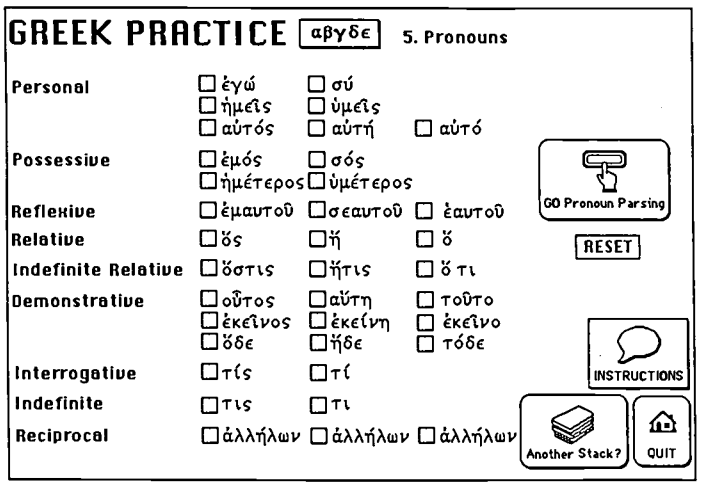

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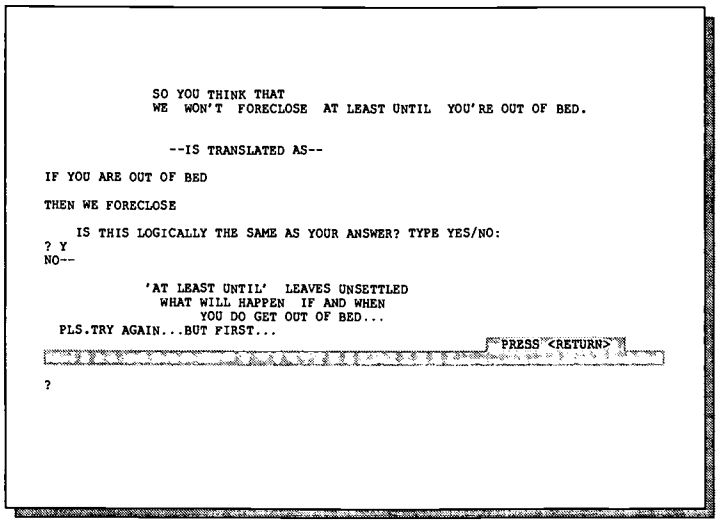

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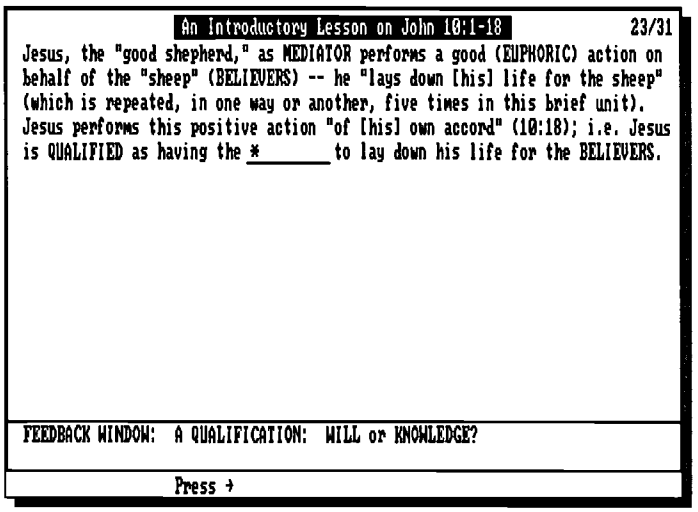

POLITICAL SCIENCE

"Compared to other international microcomputer simulations currently available, **INS4** *is probably the best for teaching purposes in a university setting . . . when examining a broad spectrum of global relationships . . . with the goal of concentrating on decision-making components."*
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Divided into decision-making teams and assigned to prototype nations, students negotiate, trade, avert (or wage) war, and try to control their economies while keeping constituents satisfied so they can retain office. Between rounds they study news and spy reports in class, run micro-simulation forecasts to aid in decision-making, and try out their political influence in meetings with friends and enemies. This new, more elaborate version of our popular courseware, based on Harold Guetzkow's classic model of international relations, includes statistics libraries for various scenarios ("Embargo," "Landlock," etc.), some taken from real world politics; these scenarios can be loaded from disk, or instructors create their own. The author suggests allowing at least 8 class periods for this elaborate and stimulating microcomputer-assisted roleplay; in a pinch a simulation run could be managed with only one computer shared by all in turn, since it's what happens in students' real-time negotiations that counts. Requires 512K, hard disk, printer.

Colleagues often ask us to summarize the respective strengths of this simulation and *Chinese House Game,* to which we say, "*INS IV,* which needs 512K RAM and a hard disk, is completely menu-driven and has excellent prepackaged scenarios, but it does force the instructor to enter the students' decisions manually into the 'master'; *Chinese House Game,* which needs only 256K RAM and two floppy drives, is partially menu-driven and relies strictly on newly created scenarios, but it lets the computer handle the chore of incorporating students' inputs." Both require the instructor to spend some time with the manual and software before introducing it, and to budget several class sessions for the simulation run. Version 1.01 (1990)

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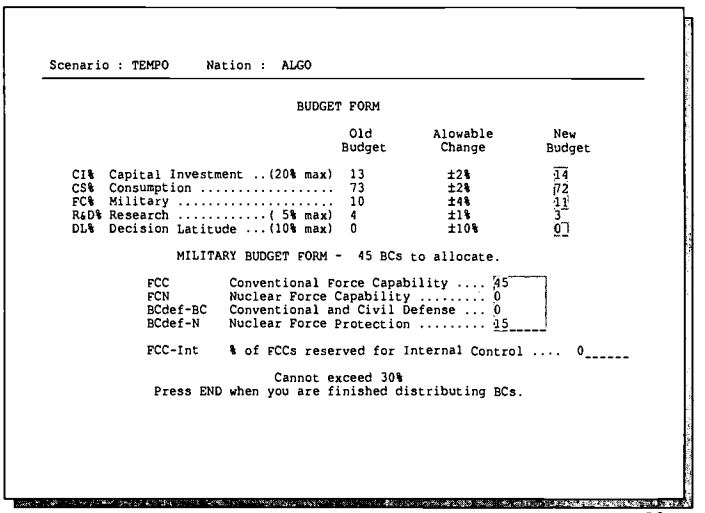

This is a computerized simulation that helps the participants to understand a wide range of phenomena: the nature of the international system; the role of the national decision maker; the process through which complex systems evolve and how they can be manipulated; the way in which decisions influence processes of social, political, and economic development; and cooperation and conflict in a context of different developmental goals. . . . It is, overall, an intriguing and cleverly thought-out simulation.
—Simulation and Gaming

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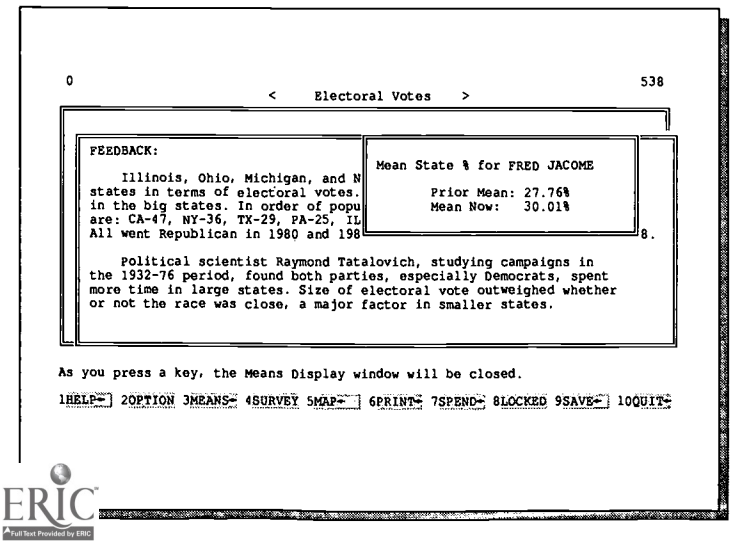

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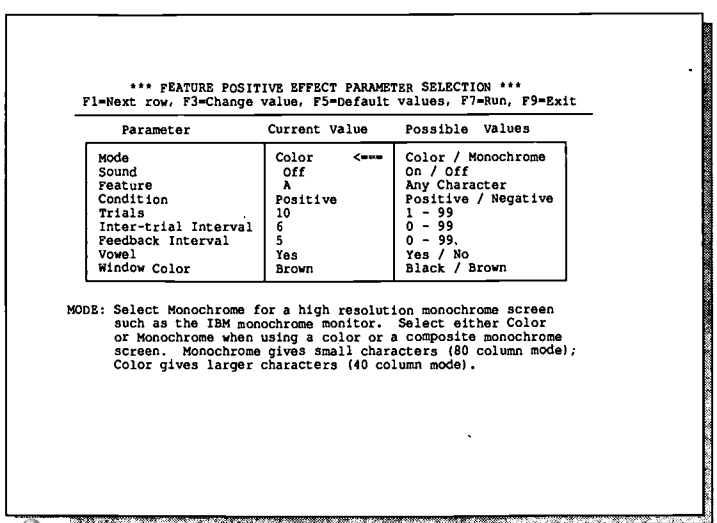

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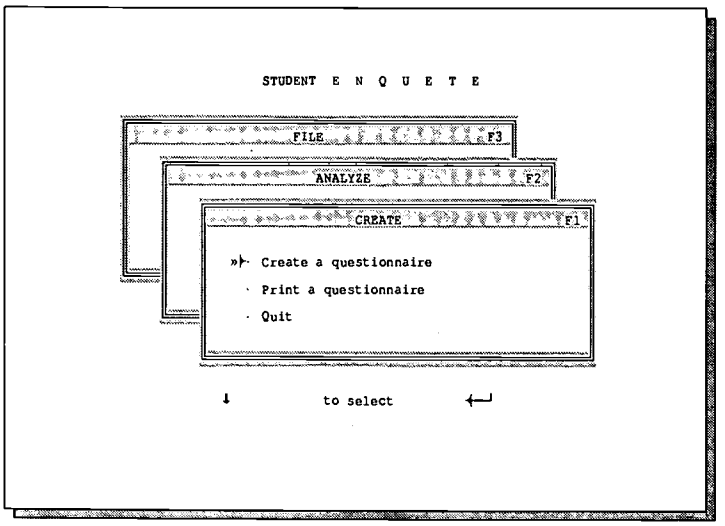

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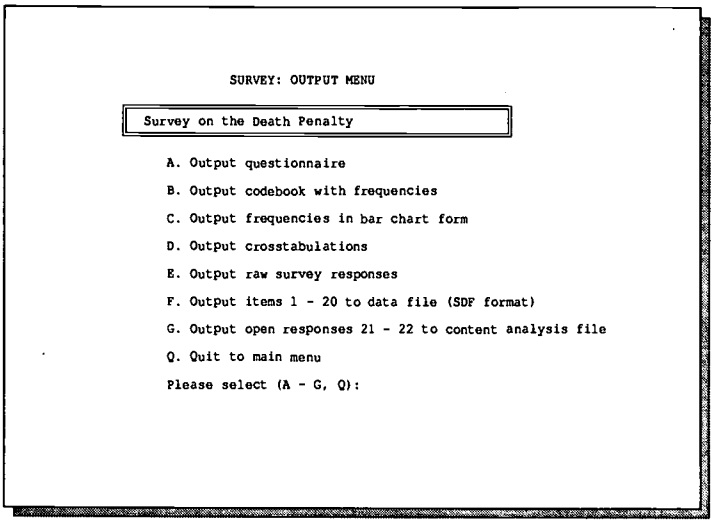

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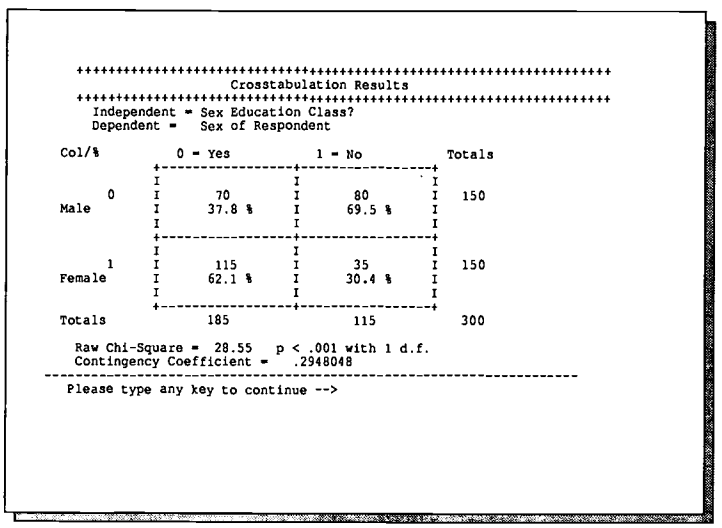

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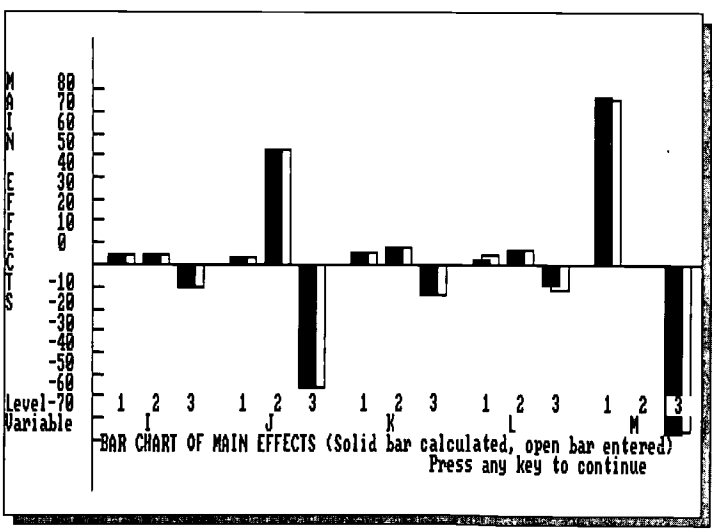

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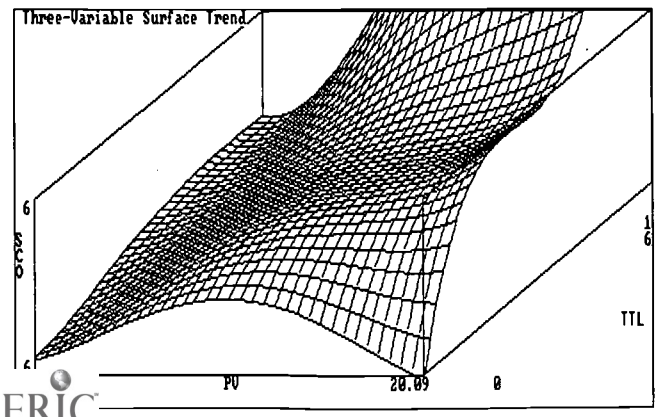

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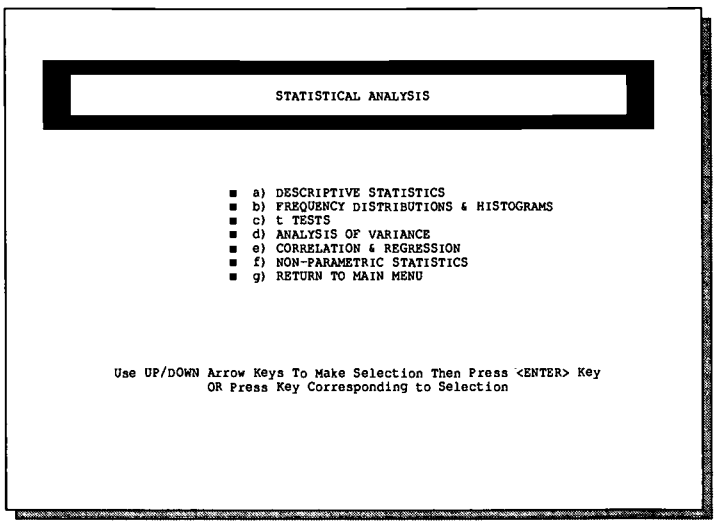

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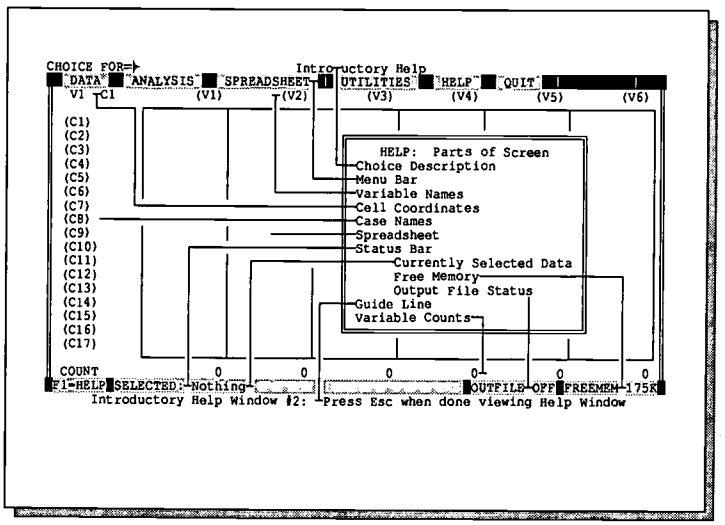

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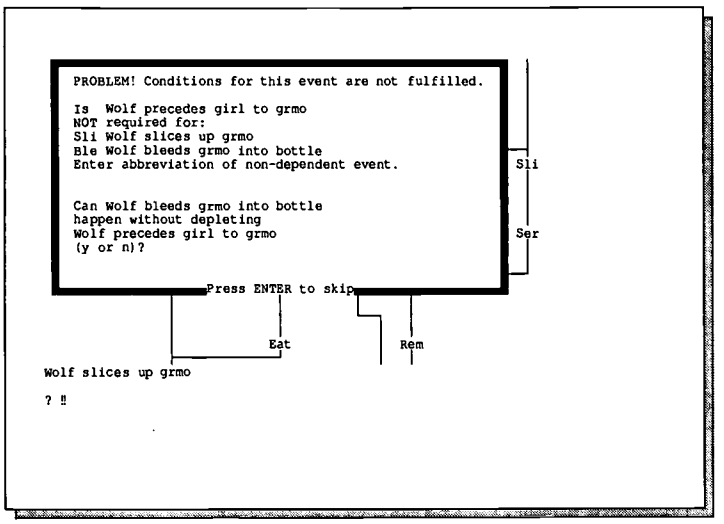

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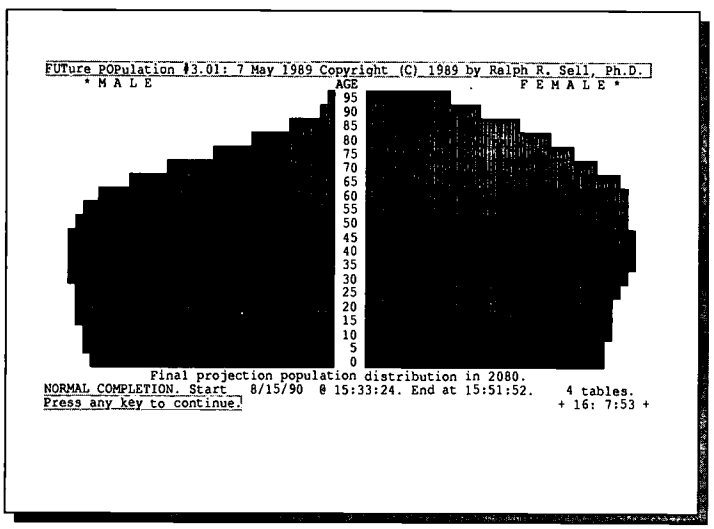

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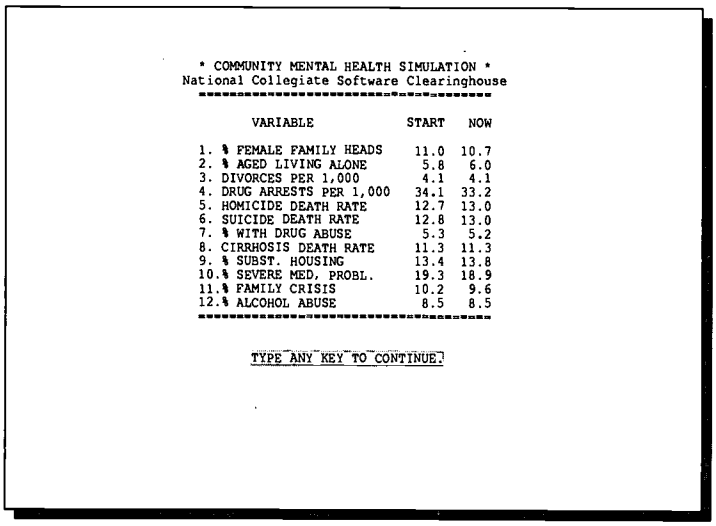

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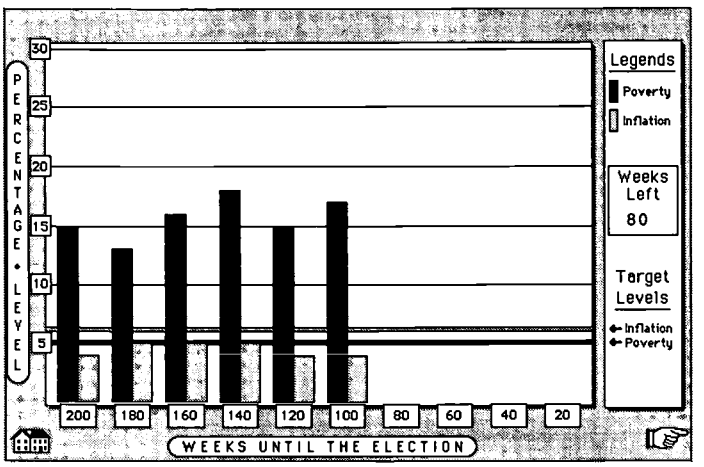

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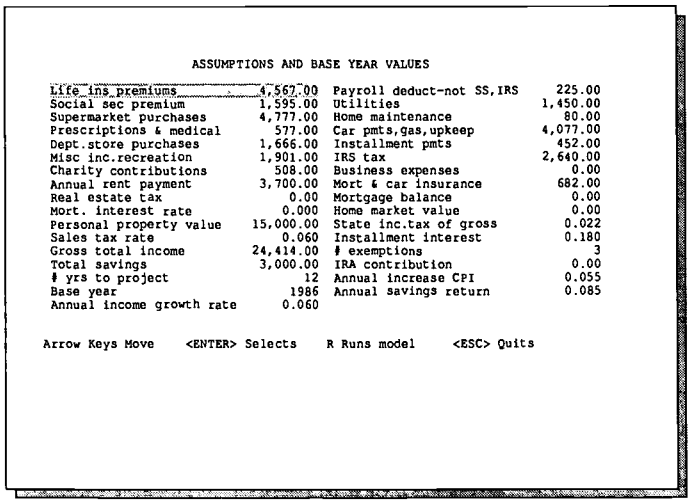
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