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BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO MULTIPROGRAM BATCH

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PREFACE

The Beginner's Guide to Multiprogram Batch has been written for the user who knows a programming language and requires only a rudimentary knowledge of Batch operations.

HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

For those users whose mode of input is cards, the following chapters or sections of chapters should be read.

Chapter 1   Introduction
Chapter 2   Entering a Job to Batch from Cards
Chapter 4   Interpreting Your Printed Output
Chapter 5,
Section 5.2   Using Cards to Enter Jobs

According to the language in which his/her program is written, the user should pay particular attention to the following sections.

FORTRAN — Section 2.2.3 Card Deck to Run FORTRAN Programs
ALGOL — Section 2.2.1 Card Deck to Run ALGOL Programs
COBOL — Section 2.2.2 Card Deck to Run COBOL Programs
MACRO — Section 2.2.4 Card Deck to Run MACRO Programs
BASIC — Section 2.3.1 Card Decks for Programs that Do Not Have Special Control Cards

For users who input their jobs through interactive terminals, the following chapters or sections of chapters are recommended.

Chapter 1   Introduction
Chapter 3   Entering a Job to Batch from a Terminal
Chapter 4   Interpreting Your Printed Output
Chapter 5,
Section 5.1   Using the Terminal to Enter Jobs
REFERENCES

Not all of the commands and cards for Batch are described in this manual. Those users who wish to know more about Multiprogram Batch can refer to Chapter 3 in the DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual. Also in that manual, the SUBMIT command is described in Chapter 2.

An elementary description of the basic monitor commands can be found in the document Getting Started with Timesharing. The DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual contains the description of all the monitor commands available to the user.

Error messages from the system programs supplied by DEC that are invoked by the user’s job are explained in the applicable manuals. For example, if a user’s FORTRAN program fails to compile successfully, the error messages he receives from the FORTRAN compiler can be found in Chapter 11 of the FORTRAN IV Programmer’s Reference Manual, in the DECsystem-10 Mathematical Languages Handbook, and in Appendix G of the DECsystem-10 FORTRAN-10 Language Manual (DEC-10-LFORA-B-D).
## CONVENTIONS USED IN THIS MANUAL

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<td>A set of numbers, or numbers and a word that indicates the date and time; e.g., 15-5-72 14:15 or 15-MAY-72 14:15. Time is represented using a 24 hour clock, 14:15 means 2:15 P.M.</td>
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<td>filename.ext</td>
<td>The name and extension that can be associated with a file. The name can be 1 to 6 characters in length and the extension can be 1 to 4 characters in length. The first character of the extension must always be a period. The extension is optional. Refer to the glossary for definitions of filename and filename extension.</td>
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<td>hh:mm:ss</td>
<td>A set of numbers representing time in the form hours:minutes:seconds. Leading zeros can be omitted, but colons must be present between two numbers. For example, 5:35:20 means five hours, 35 minutes, and 20 seconds.</td>
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<td>jobname</td>
<td>The name that is assigned to a job. It can contain up to six characters. Refer to the glossary for the definition of a job.</td>
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<td>[proj,prog]</td>
<td>The user number assigned to each user, commonly called called a project-programmer number. The two numbers that make up the project-programmer number must be separated by a comma or a slash. Refer to the glossary for the definition of a project-programmer number.</td>
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<td>n</td>
<td>A number that specifies either a required number or an amount of things such as cards or line printer pages. This number can contain as many digits as are necessary to specify the amount required; e.g., 5, 25, 125, etc.</td>
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<tr>
<td>t</td>
<td>A number representing an amount of time, usually in minutes. This number can contain as many digits as are necessary to specify the amount of time required; e.g., 5, 25, 125, etc.</td>
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## GLOSSARY

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<td>ALGOritchmic Language. A scientific oriented language that contains a complete syntax for describing computational algorithms.</td>
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<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Any of the letters of the alphabet (A through Z) and the numerals (0 through 9).</td>
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<td>ASCII Code</td>
<td>American Standard Code for Information Interchange. A 7-bit code in which information is recorded.</td>
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<td>Assemble</td>
<td>To prepare a machine-language program from a symbolic-language program by substituting absolute operation codes for symbolic operation codes and absolute or relocatable addresses for symbolic addresses.</td>
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<td>Assembler</td>
<td>A program which accepts symbolic code and translates it into machine instructions, item by item. The assembler on the DECSystem-10 is called the MACRO assembler.</td>
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<td>Assembly Language</td>
<td>The machine-oriented symbolic programming language belonging to an assembly system. The assembly language for the DECSystem-10 is MACRO.</td>
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<td>Assembly Listing</td>
<td>A printed list which is the byproduct of an assembly run. It lists in logical-instruction sequence all details of a routine showing the coded and symbolic notation next to the actual assigned notations established by the assembly procedure.</td>
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<td>BASIC</td>
<td>Beginner’s All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code. A timesharing computer programming language that is used for direct communication between terminal units and remotely located computer centers. The language is similar to FORTRAN II and was developed by Dartmouth College.</td>
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<td>Batch Processing</td>
<td>The technique of executing a set of computer programs in an unattended mode.</td>
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<td>Card</td>
<td>A punch card with 80 vertical columns representing 80 characters. Each column is divided into two sections, one with character positions labeled zero through nine, and the other labeled eleven (11) and twelve (12). The 11 and 12 positions are also referred to as the X and Y zone punches, respectively.</td>
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<td>Card Column</td>
<td>One of the vertical lines of punching positions on a punched card.</td>
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<td>Card Field</td>
<td>A fixed number of consecutive card columns assigned to a unit of information.</td>
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<td>Card Row</td>
<td>One of the horizontal lines of punching positions on a punched card.</td>
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<td>Central Processing Unit (CPU)</td>
<td>The portion of the computer that contains the arithmetic, logical, control circuits, and I/O interface of the basic system.</td>
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<td>Central Site</td>
<td>The location of the central computer. Used in conjunction with remote communication to mean the location of the DECsystem-10 central processor.</td>
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<td>Character</td>
<td>One symbol of a set of elementary symbols such as those corresponding to the keys on a typewriter. The symbols usually include the decimal digits 0 through 9, the letters A through Z, punctuation marks, a space, operation symbols, and any other special symbols which a computer may read, store, or write.</td>
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<td>COBOL</td>
<td>Common Business Oriented Language. An automatic programming language used in programming data processing applications.</td>
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<td>Command</td>
<td>An instruction that causes the computer to execute a specified operation.</td>
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<td>Compile</td>
<td>To produce a machine or intermediate language routine from a routine written in a high level source language.</td>
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<td>Compiler</td>
<td>A programming system which translates a high level source language into a language suitable for a particular machine. A compiler converts a source language program into intermediate or machine language. Some compilers used on the DECsystem-10 are: ALGOL, BASIC, COBOL, FORTRAN.</td>
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<td>Computer</td>
<td>A device with self-contained memory capable of accepting information, processing the information, and outputting results.</td>
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<td>Computer Operator</td>
<td>A person who manipulates the controls of a computer and performs all operational functions that are required in a computing system, such as: loading a tape transport, placing cards in the input hopper, removing printouts from the printer rack, and so forth.</td>
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<td>Continuation Card</td>
<td>A punched card which contains information that was started on a previous punched card.</td>
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<td>Control File</td>
<td>The file made by the user that directs Batch in the processing of your job.</td>
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<td>Core Storage</td>
<td>A storage device normally used for main memory in a computer.</td>
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<td>CPU</td>
<td>See central processing unit.</td>
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<td>Cross Reference Listing</td>
<td>A printed listing that identifies all references of an assembled program to a specific label. This listing is provided immediately after a source program has been assembled.</td>
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<td>Data</td>
<td>A general term used to denote any or all facts, numbers, letters, and symbols, or facts that refer to or describe an object, idea, condition, situation, or other factors. It represents basic elements of information which can be processed or produced by a computer.</td>
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<td>Debug</td>
<td>To locate and correct any mistakes in a computer program.</td>
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<td>Disk</td>
<td>A form of mass storage device in which information is stored in named files.</td>
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<td>Dump</td>
<td>A listing of all variables and their values, or a listing of the values of all locations in core.</td>
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<td>Execute</td>
<td>To interpret an instruction and perform the indicated operation(s).</td>
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<td>Extension</td>
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<td>File</td>
<td>An ordered collection of 36-bit words comprising computer instructions and/or data. A file can be of any length, limited only by the available space on the storage device and the user's maximum space allotment on that device.</td>
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<td>Filename</td>
<td>A name of one to six alphanumeric characters chosen by the user to identify a file.</td>
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<td>Filename Extension</td>
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<td>FORTRAN</td>
<td>FORmula TRANslator. A procedure oriented programming language that was designed for solving scientific type problems. The language is widely used in many areas of engineering, mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology, psychology, industry, military, and business.</td>
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<td>Job</td>
<td>The entire sequence of steps, from beginning to end, that you initiate from your interactive terminal or card deck or that the operator initiates from the operator's console.</td>
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<td>Jobstep</td>
<td>A serial or parallel sequence of processes invoked by a user to perform an operation.</td>
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<td>K</td>
<td>A symbol used to represent a thousand; for example, 32K is equivalent to 32,000.</td>
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<td>Label</td>
<td>A symbolic name used to identify a statement in the control file.</td>
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<td>Log File</td>
<td>A file into which Batch writes a record of a user’s entire job. This file is printed as the final step in Batch’s processing of a job.</td>
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<td>Monitor</td>
<td>The collection of programs which schedules and controls the operation of user and system programs.</td>
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<td>Monitor Command</td>
<td>An instruction to the monitor to perform an operation.</td>
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<td>Mounting a Device</td>
<td>A request to assign an I/O device via the operator.</td>
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<td>Multiprogramming</td>
<td>A technique that allows scheduling in such a way that more than one job is in an executable state at any one time.</td>
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<td>Object Program</td>
<td>The program which is the output of compilation or assembly. Often the object program is a machine language program ready for execution.</td>
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<td>Password</td>
<td>The secret word assigned to a user that, along with that user’s number (project-programmer number), identifies him uniquely to the system.</td>
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<td>Peripheral Device</td>
<td>Any unit of equipment, distinct from the central processing unit, which can provide the system with outside communication.</td>
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<td>Project-Programmer Number</td>
<td>Two numbers separated by a comma which, when considered as a unit, identify the user and that user’s file storage area.</td>
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<td>Program</td>
<td>The complete plan for the solution of a problem, more specifically the complete sequence of machine instructions and routines necessary to solve a problem.</td>
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<td>Programming</td>
<td>The science of translating a problem from its physical environment to a language that a computer can understand and obey. The process of planning the procedure for solving a problem. This may involve, among other things, the analysis of the problem, preparation of a flowchart, coding of the problem, establishing input-output formats, establishing testing and checkout procedures, allocation of storage, preparation of documentation, and supervision of the running of the program on a computer.</td>
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<td>Queue</td>
<td>A list of jobs to be scheduled or run according to system, operator, or user-assigned priorities. For example, the Batch input queue.</td>
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<td>Software</td>
<td>The totality of programs and routines used to expand the capabilities of computers, such as compilers, assemblers, operational programs, service routines, utility routines, and subroutines.</td>
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<td>Source Deck</td>
<td>A card deck comprising a computer program, in symbolic language.</td>
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<td>Source Language</td>
<td>The original form in which a program is prepared prior to processing by the computer.</td>
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<td>Source Program</td>
<td>A computer program written in a language designed for ease of expression of a class of problems or procedures, by humans. A translator (assembler, compiler, or interpreter) is used to perform the mechanics of translating the source program into a machine language program that can be run on a computer.</td>
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<td>Terminal</td>
<td>A keyboard unit that is often used to enter information into a computer and to accept output from a computer. It is often used as a timesharing terminal on a remotely located computer center.</td>
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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 WHAT IS MULTIPROGRAM BATCH

Multiprogram Batch is a group of programs that allows you to submit a job to the DECsystem-10 on a leave-it basis. That is, you give the job to an operator (if on cards) or submit it directly to the computer (if from a timesharing terminal) so that you can do something else while your job is running. A job is any combination of programs, their associated data, and commands necessary to control the programs.

Some of the jobs that are commonly processed under Batch are those that:

1. Are frequently run for production,
2. Are large and long running,
3. Require large amounts of data, or
4. Need no actions by you when they are running.

1.2 HOW TO USE BATCH

Batch allows you to submit your job to the computer through either an operator or a timesharing terminal, and receive your output from the operator when the job has finished. Output is never returned at a timesharing terminal even if your job is entered from one; instead, it is sent to a peripheral device (normally the line printer) at the computer site and returned to you in the manner designated by the installation manager.

1.2.1 Setting Up Your Job

You must make up a control file to use Batch. A control file is a list of commands for the monitor, system programs, or Batch itself that tells Batch what steps to follow to process your job and the order in which to process them. When you enter your job on cards, you can take advantage of the special control cards that cause Batch to insert commands into the control file for you. When you enter your job from a timesharing terminal, you must put all the commands for your job into the control file yourself.

The steps that you must take to create a control file from cards are described in Chapter 2. Creating a control file from a timesharing terminal is described in Chapter 3.
1.2.2 Running Your Job

After you submit the job, it waits in a queue with other jobs until Batch schedules it to run under guidelines established by the installation manager. Some factors that affect how long your job waits in the queue are its size, the amount of core it needs, the amount of time that it will take to run it, and whether or not you have specified a certain deadline when you want it run. When the job is started, Batch reads the control file and performs the actions necessary to run the job. For example, Batch passes monitor commands to the monitor which performs the actions called for and passes commands to system programs so that their processing can be performed.

As each step in the control file is performed, Batch records it in a log file. For example, if a monitor command such as COMPIL is processed, Batch passes it to the monitor and writes it in the log file. The monitor response is also written in the log file. Any response from your job that would be written on the terminal during timesharing is written in the log file by Batch.

1.2.3 Receiving Your Output

When the job is completed successfully and output has been sent to all devices, Batch terminates the log file and has it printed. The output from your job and the log file are then returned to you. Output from your job can be in the form of a line-printer listing, punched cards, punched paper tape, plots, DECtape, or magnetic tape. If the output is to a DECtape or magnetic tape, you must include commands in your job to mount these tapes so that your output can be written on them. This is also true if you have input to any of the programs in your job written on tape. If your output is to cards, paper tape, the plotter, or the line printer, you must specify to Batch the approximate amount of cards, paper tape, plotter time, or pages that you require. These restrictions are to help Batch restrain runaway programs. An example of using the MOUNT command in the control file to request mounting of tapes is shown in Chapter 5. The way that you specify the amounts of paper, cards, etc, is described in Chapter 2, “The $JOB Card” and in Chapter 3, “Submitting Your Job”.

1.2.4 Recovering from Errors

If an error occurs in your job, either from an error in your program or from an erroneous command in the control file, Batch writes the error message in the log file and usually terminates the job. In addition, if the error occurred in your program, Batch causes a dump to be taken of your area of core. You can, however, put commands in the control file so that Batch can help you recover from errors in your job and continue running. Error recovery from a card job is described in Chapter 2; from a job entered from a terminal, in Chapter 3. Dumps, along with other printed output from a Batch job, are described in Chapter 4.
1.3 SUMMARY

The steps that you must perform to enter a job to the computer through Batch are as follows:

1. Create a control file either from cards (refer to Chapter 2) or from a terminal (refer to Chapter 3).

2. Submit the job to Batch, either to the operator for a card job (Chapter 2) or directly to Batch from a terminal (Chapter 3).

3. Pick up your output and interpret it (refer to Chapter 4).

Some sample jobs that are run through Batch from cards and from a terminal are shown in Chapter 5.
CHAPTER 2

ENTERING A JOB TO BATCH FROM CARDS

Batch runs your job by reading a control file that contains commands to the monitor, system programs, or Batch itself. You have to make up the control file, but Batch provides you with special control cards to help you make up control files for simple jobs. These control cards make it easy for you to submit your programs to the computer and to create your control file to run these programs. Most of these control cards cause Batch to insert commands into the control file and/or copy programs and data into disk files. Some are used to show the beginning of your job and to identify it; and one is used to indicate the end of it. Batch control cards are also available to help you recover from errors that may occur while your job is running.

The leftmost column of the following table shows the section (if any) of this chapter where an introductory explanation of the control card is given. You can find a more technical explanation of these cards in the DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual Section 3.4.

| Section 2.4.1       | $ALGOL          |
| Section 2.4.2       | $BLISS          |
| Section 2.4.3       | $COBOL          |
| Section 2.4.4       | $CREATE         |
| Section 2.4.5       | $DATA           |
| Section 2.4.6       | $DECK           |
| Section 2.4.7       | $DUMP           |
| Section 2.4.8       | $EOD            |
| Section 2.4.9       | $EOJ            |
| Section 2.4.10      | $ERROR          |
| Section 2.4.11      | $EXECUTE        |
| Section 2.4.12      | $FORTRAN        |
| Section 2.4.13      | $JOB            |
| Section 2.4.14      | $MACRO          |
| Section 2.4.15      | $MESSAGE        |
| Section 2.4.16      | $NOERROR        |
| Section 2.4.17      | $PASSWORD       |
| Section 2.4.18      | $RELOCATABLE    |
| Section 2.4.19      | $SEQUENCE       |
| Section 2.4.20      | $SNOBOL         |
| Section 2.4.21      | $TOPS10         |
2.1 FORMAT OF THE CARDS IN YOUR DECK

The card decks that you input to Batch can contain any combination of Batch control cards; commands to the monitor, system programs, and Batch itself; programs and data that will be copied into separate disk files, and data that will be copied into the control file for your program to read.

The Batch control cards must contain a dollar sign ($) in column 1 and a command that starts in column 2. The command must be followed by at least one space, which can then be followed by the other information on the card. Refer to the individual description of each card for any special format requirements.

If you include a card with a monitor command, you must place a period in column 1 and follow it immediately with the command. Any information that follows the command is in the format that is shown for the command in the *DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands* manual. You must place a $TOPS10 card immediately before the monitor command in the card deck (see Section 2.4.14).

To include a command to a system program on a card, you must punch an asterisk (*) in column 1 and punch the command string immediately following the asterisk. Refer to the manual for the system program that you wish to use.

Batch commands are punched like monitor commands; that is, a period is punched in column 1 and the command immediately follows the period. You must also place a $TOPS10 card immediately before Batch commands in the card deck (see Section 2.4.14).

The card format for your program depends on the language in which you have written the program; refer to the reference manual for the programming language that you are using for the format of each line of your program. The same is true for your data. The format that is required for the data by the programming language that you are using is described in the language reference manual.

If you want to include data for your program in the control file, you punch it as you would data that is read from a separate file. This applies to data on cards only. If you are submitting your data directly to Batch via a timesharing terminal, you will not need the extra dollar sign ($).

If you put any special characters other than those described above in the first column of a card, you may get unexpected results because Batch interprets other special characters in special ways. If you want to know about other special characters, refer to the *DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands* manual, Chapter 3.

If you have more information than will fit on one card, you can continue on the next card by placing a hyphen (-) as the last nonspace character on the card to be continued and the rest of the information on the next card.

Comments can also be included either as separate cards or on cards containing other information. To include a comment on a separate card, you must punch a dollar sign ($) in column 1, the comment character, an exclamation point (!), in column 2 and then the comment. To add a comment to a card, you must precede the comment with an exclamation point (!) after all the information that you need has been put on the card. Formerly,
the semicolon (;) was the only character used to indicate the beginning of a comment. Both the exclamation point (!) and the semicolon (;) are used now for this purpose. However, you should use the exclamation point (!) for any new jobs submitted to Batch.

2.2 SETTING UP YOUR CARD DECK

Since the most common tasks performed in a job are compilation and execution of one or more programs, simple control cards are available that will cause Batch to insert commands into the control file for these tasks. However, a Batch job can do anything a timesharing job can do and if you wish to perform more complicated tasks, you will have to include monitor commands in your deck to direct Batch to execute your tasks. Section 2.3 describes the way in which you include monitor commands and commands to other system programs.

The control cards that you can use to compile and execute programs written in ALGOL, COBOL, FORTRAN, and MACRO are shown in Sections 2.2.1, 2.2.2, 2.2.3, and 2.2.4. Certain control cards are always required in a Batch job. The $JOB card and the $EOJ card are always required. The $SEQUENCE and $PASSWORD cards may be required, depending on the installation.

If the $SEQUENCE card is required, it must be the first card in the deck. The $JOB card must always be either the second card in the deck if the $SEQUENCE card is required, or the first card in the deck if the $SEQUENCE card is not required. If it is required, the $PASSWORD card must immediately follow the $JOB card. It will be assumed in this manual that the $SEQUENCE and the $PASSWORD cards are required. The $EOJ card must be the last card in the deck to indicate to Batch that it has read the end of your job. This $EOJ card is only used to end your entire job, not to end individual files in your job.

The cards that come between the first and last cards constitute your job. Setting up decks for specific languages is shown in the sections that follow.

2.2.1 Card Deck to Run ALGOL Programs

To run ALGOL programs, you use the $ALGOL and $DATA cards. You put a $ALGOL card in front of your ALGOL program to make Batch copy your program into a disk file and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. The $ALGOL card is described in detail in Section 2.4.1.

You put a $DATA card in front of the data that goes with the program to make Batch copy your data into another disk file and insert an EXECUTE command into your control file. The $DATA card is described in Section 2.4.3.
Thus, to compile and execute an ALGOL program, your card deck would appear as shown in Figure 2-1.

Refer to the description of each card for the information that goes on it. The way that you tell your program how to find its data is described in Section 2.4.3.1.

2.2.2 Card Deck to Run COBOL Programs

To run COBOL programs, you can use the $COBOL card and the $DATA card. You put a $COBOL card in front of your COBOL program to make Batch copy your program into a disk file and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. The $COBOL card is described in detail in Section 2.4.2.

You put a $DATA card in front of the data that goes with your program to make Batch copy your data into another disk file and insert an EXECUTE command into your control file. The $DATA card is described in Section 2.4.3.
Thus, to compile and execute one COBOL program, your card deck would appear as shown in Figure 2-2.

Figure 2-2

Refer to the description of each card for the information that goes on it. The way that you tell your program how to find its data is described in Section 2.4.3.1.

2.2.3 Card Deck to Run FORTRAN Programs

To run FORTRAN programs, you can use the $FORTRAN or $F40 and $DATA cards. You put a $FORTRAN card in front of your FORTRAN program to makeBatch copy your program into a disk file and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. The $FORTRAN and $F40 cards are described in detail in Section 2.4.8.

You put a $DATA card in front of the data that goes with your program to make Batch copy your data into another disk file and insert an EXECUTE command into your control file. The $DATA card is described in Section 2.4.3.
Thus, to compile and execute one FORTRAN program, your card deck would appear as shown in Figure 2-3.

![Diagram of card deck](image)

Figure 2-3

Refer to the description of each card for the information that goes on it. The way that you tell your program how to find its data is described in Section 2.4.3.1.

### 2.2.4 Card Deck to Run MACRO Programs

To run MACRO programs, you can use the $MACRO and $DATA cards. You put a $MACRO card in front of your MACRO program to make Batch copy your program into a disk file and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. The $MACRO card is described in detail in Section 2.4.10.

You put a $DATA card in front of the data that goes with your program to make Batch copy your data into another disk file and insert an EXECUTE command into your control file. The $DATA card is described in Section 2.4.3.
Thus, to assemble and execute one MACRO program, your card deck would appear as shown in Figure 2-4.

Refer to the description of each card for the information that goes on it.

2.3 PUTTING COMMANDS INTO THE CONTROL FILE FROM CARDS

Batch puts commands into the control file for you when you use certain control cards. However, only a small number of commands can be put in the control file in this way. If you wish to perform operations in addition to compilation and execution, you must include commands in your card deck so that Batch will copy them into your control file. Where you put these commands in your card deck determines their position in the control file. Batch reads your card deck in sequential order, copying commands into the control file as they, or the special control cards, are read. However, Batch, when it reads a control card that tells it to copy a program or data into a disk file, copies every card that follows such a control card until it meets another control card. If you want to follow your program or data with Batch commands or monitor commands, you must insert a $TOPS10 card immediately before these commands in your card deck. The $TOPS10 card directs Batch to copy all cards following it into the control file. Therefore, a single monitor or Batch command or a group of consecutive monitor and/or Batch commands must be preceded by a $TOPS10 card. The copying of these commands is terminated by the next control card in the deck. The $TOPS10 card is described in Section 2.4.14.
For example, in order to compare two card decks and produce a list of the differences, you could include the cards shown in Figure 2-5 in your deck.

Figure 2-5

The only commands that you cannot use in a Batch job are CSTART, CCONT, ATTACH, DETACH, and SEND. Batch will ignore these commands when it reads them in the control file. Also, you cannot use the LOGIN command in your Batch job because you will get an error that will terminate your job. Batch logs your job in accordance with your $JOB and $PASSWORD cards.

2.3.1 Card Decks for Programs That Do Not Have Special Control Cards

By combining monitor commands with the $DECK control card, you can process any program that does not have special control cards. You put a $DECK card in front of a program, data, or any other group of cards to make Batch copy the cards that follow the $DECK card into a disk file and, if the user requests, to place the file into a specific output.
queue (or queues). The $DECK card is described in detail in Section 2.4.4. You put a $TOPS10 card in front of monitor and Batch commands to cause Batch to copy these commands into the control file. The $TOPS10 card is described in detail in Section 2.4.14.

For example, a BASIC program does not have a specific control card. To run a BASIC program under Batch from cards, you can combine the $DECK card and the $TOPS10 card with monitor commands. You also use a $DECK card to copy the data for a BASIC program because the $DATA card puts an EXECUTE command into the control file, and BASIC does not use the EXECUTE command to run. The $TOPS10 card causes Batch to copy the monitor commands into the control file.

Figure 2-6 shows a card deck that enters a BASIC program for running under Batch.

Figure 2-6
The BASIC program contains statements that read data from a disk file. You answer OLD to the BASIC question

NEW OR OLD –

because the file is on disk and can be retrieved by BASIC.

If your BASIC program reads data that is to be input by you during the running of the program, you enter the data in the control file so that it will be passed to your program by Batch. This is shown in Figure 2-7.
You can use the same technique to enter programs written in any language that does not have a specific control card, provided that your installation supports the language. Also, you can run system programs under Batch using the same technique.

2.4 CONTROL CARDS FOR BATCH (In Alphabetical Order)

The special control cards for Batch are described below in detail. Only the control cards that are pertinent to this manual are discussed. Refer to "DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands (DEC-10-MRDD-D)" for the remaining cards. The same is true for some of the switches that can be included on each card. If a switch is not described in this manual, it can be found in the "DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands" manual.

2.4.1 The $ALGOL Card

You put a $ALGOL card in front of your ALGOL program to make Batch copy your ALGOL program into a disk file, create a unique filename of the form LN???? with the extension .ALG, and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. Thus, when Batch runs your job, your ALGOL program will be compiled. You can put some optional information on the $ALGOL card to tell Batch more about your program or the cards that your program is punched on.

The $ALGOL card has the form:

```
$ALGOL(switches)/switches
```

(switches) are switches that Batch passes to the ALGOL compiler when it puts the COMPILE command in the control file. These switches must be enclosed in parentheses, must not be preceded by slashes, and may or may not be separated by commas. The switches for the ALGOL compiler are described in Section 18.1 in Chapter 18 of the "DECsystem-10 ALGOL Programmer's Reference Manual (DEC-10-LALMA-A-D)."

/switches are switches to Batch to tell it how to read your program and whether or not to request a compilation listing when the program is compiled. The switches can be put on the card in any order and are described below.
/WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of the ALGOL program. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you indicate the number of a column at which to stop. Thus, if you have no useful information in the last ten columns of each card of your program, you can tell Batch to read only up to column 70 by specifying

/WIDTH:70

on the $ALGOL$ card.

/NOLIST Switch

Normally, the $ALGOL$ card tells Batch to ask the compiler to generate a compilation listing of your ALGOL program. The listing is then printed as part of your job’s output. If you don’t want this listing, you can include the /NOLIST switch on the ALGOL card to stop generation of the listing.

/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards of your ALGOL program, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 or any column you may specify in the /WIDTH switch. However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

Examples

The simplest form of the $ALGOL$ card is shown in the following example.

$ALGOL$

This card causes Batch to copy your program into a file to which Batch gives a unique name of the form LN???? and the extension .ALG. The cards in the program are read up to column 80 and trailing spaces are not suppressed. A listing file is produced when the program is compiled. This listing is written as part of the job’s output. No compiler switches are passed to ALGOL.

The following is an example of a $ALGOL$ card with switches.

$ALGOL (1000D,N,Q)/NOLIST/SUPPRESS/WIDTH:72$

With this card, Batch copies your program onto disk, assigns your program a unique file-name of the form LN???? .ALG, and inserts a COMPILE command into the control file. The compiler reads and acts upon the switches 1000D, N, and Q given to it by Batch. When the program is compiled, no listing is produced. The cards in the program are read up to column 72 and trailing spaces up to column 72 are not copied into the file.
2.4.2 The $COBOL Card

You place the $COBOL card in front of your COBOL program to make Batch copy your COBOL program into a disk file, create a unique filename of the form LN???? with the extension .CBL, and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. Thus, when Batch runs your job, your COBOL program will be compiled. You can put some optional information on the $COBOL card to tell Batch more about your program or the cards that your program is punched on.

The $COBOL card has the form:

```
$COBOL(switches)/switches
```

(switches) are switches that Batch passes to the COBOL compiler when it puts the COMPILE command in the control file. These switches must be enclosed in parentheses, must not be preceded by slashes, and may or may not be separated by commas. The switches for the COBOL compiler are described in Table D-3 in Appendix D of the DECsystem-10 COBOL Programmer’s Reference Manual (DEC-10-LCPRA-A-D).

/switches are switches to Batch to tell it how to read your program, and whether or not to request a compilation listing when the program is compiled. The switches can be put on the card in any order and are described below.

/WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of the COBOL program. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you indicate the number of a column at which to stop. Thus, if you have no useful information in the last ten columns of each card of your program, you can tell Batch to read only up to column 70 by specifying

```
/WIDTH:70
```

on the $COBOL card.

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/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards of your COBOL program, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 or any column you may specify on the /WIDTH switch. However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

Examples

The simplest form of the $COBOL card is:

$COBOL

This card tells Batch to copy your program into a file and assign a unique name of the form LN???? and the extension .CBL. All 80 columns of the cards are read and trailing spaces are copied. No switches are passed to the compiler, and a listing file is produced when the job is run. The listing is printed as part of the job's output.

The following is an example of a $COBOL card with switches.

$COBOL (N,P)/SUPPRESS/WIDTH:72

With this card, Batch copies your program onto disk, assigns your program a unique filename of the form LN???? .CBL, and inserts a COMPILE command into the control file. Batch passes the N and P switches to the compiler. The cards are read only up to column 72 and trailing spaces up to column 72 are not copied into your file. A listing file is produced when the program is compiled. This listing is printed as part of the job's output.

2.4.3 The $DATA Card

You put a $DATA card in front of the data for your program to make Batch copy it into a disk file and to insert an EXECUTE command into your control file. When your job is run, any programs that were entered with $ALGOL, $COBOL, $FORTRAN, or $MACRO cards that came before the $DATA card, are executed. Every time that Batch reads one of the $-language cards, it adds it to a list that it keeps. When it then reads a $DATA card, each program in Batch's list is put into the EXECUTE command string that the $DATA card puts into the control file. When Batch reads another $-language card after the $DATA card, Batch clears its list so that it can start a new list for programs entered later. If you have more than one set of data for a program or programs, you can precede each set with a $DATA card to put two EXECUTE commands into the control file to run your program or programs twice. An EXECUTE command following another EXECUTE command in the control file without intervening $-language cards causes the programs executed by the first EXECUTE command to be loaded and executed again.

If your data is included in the program so that you do not have cards with data on them, you can use the $EXECUTE card (Paragraph 2.4.7) to insert an EXECUTE command into the control file.
The form of the $DATA card is:

```
$DATA filename.ext/switches
```

filename.ext specifies the optional filename and extension that you can tell Batch to put on the file that it creates for your data. If you omit the filename and extension, Batch will create a unique name for your file and add the extension .CDR to it.

/switches are switches to Batch to tell it how to read your data cards. The switches are described below.

**/WIDTH:n Switch**

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of your data. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you indicate the number of a column at which to stop. Thus, if you have no useful information in the last ten columns of each card of your data, you can tell Batch to read only up to column 70 by specifying

```
/WIDTH:70
```

on the $DATA card.

**/SUPPRESS Switch**

When Batch reads the cards of your data, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 or up to any column you may specify on the /WIDTH switch. However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.
/MAP

If you want a loader map to be generated and printed for you when your program is run, you can specify the /MAP switch on the $DATA card to tell Batch to request one for you within the EXECUTE command it places in your control file.

Examples

The simplest form of the $DATA card is:

$DATA

This card causes Batch to copy your data into a file and to assign a unique name and the extension .CDR to it. All 80 columns of the cards are read and trailing spaces are copied into the file.

The following example shows a $DATA card with switches.

$DATA MYDAT.DAT/WIDTH:72

The data that follows this card is copied into a file named MYDAT.DAT and an EXECUTE command is inserted into the control file. When Batch reads the cards of the data, it reads only up to column 72 and copies trailing spaces into the data file.

2.4.3.1 Naming Data Files on the $DATA Card — If you want to name your data file on the $DATA card rather than letting Batch name it for you, you must, in your program, assign that file to disk as shown in the following examples.

COBOL Example

```cobol

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
SELECT SALES, ASSIGN TO DSK.

DATA DIVISION.
FILE SECTION.
FD SALES, VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "SALES CDS".
```

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The $DATA card would then appear as follows.

$DATA SALES.CDS

**FORTRAN Examples**

You can assign your data to disk in several ways when you use FORTRAN. You can read from unit 1, which is the disk, in your program and use the name FOR01.DAT as the filename on your $DATA card, as shown in the following statements.

```
READ (1,f), list
$DATA FOR01.DAT
```

You can also tell FORTRAN to read from logical unit 2, which is normally the card reader, and assign unit 2 or the card reader (CDR) to disk (DSK). You can use the name FOR02.DAT on the $DATA card in this case.

```
READ (2,f), list
$DATA FOR02.DAT
```

You can also use a specific disk device such as DSK0 as the unit from which you will read. In the control file, you would then assign DSK0 to DSK. The unit number of DSK0 is 20 and thus the name on the $DATA card would be FOR20.DAT.

```
READ (20,f), list
$DATA FOR20.DAT
```

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**ALGOL Example**

To read your data from the disk in an ALGOL program, you would use the following statements. You can assign your data to any channel (signified by \( c \)) and you can give your data file any name as long as the name that you use in your program is the same as that put on the $DATA card.

```
INPUT (c, "DSK")
SELECT INPUT (c)
OPENFILE (c, "MYDAT.DAT")
```

$DATA MYDAT.DAT

This is to ensure that your program finds your data in the disk file under the name that you have assigned to it.

If you let Batch assign a name to your data file, you will not know the name that your data file will have and should therefore assign your data file, without a name, to the card reader. Batch will tell the monitor in this case to look for your data in a disk file when your program wants to read it. The following examples illustrate how to do this.

**COBOL Example**

```
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
SELECT SALES, ASSIGN TO CDR.
```

```
DATA DIVISION.
FILE SECTION.
FD SALES, LABEL RECORDS ARE OMITTED.
```
**FORTRAN Example**

To read your data from the card reader, you use the unit number 2 or no unit number, as shown below.

```fortran
  READ (2,f), list
  END
  $DATA
  READ f, list
  END
  $DATA
```

**ALGOL Example**

In an ALGOL program, you would assign the desired channel (signified by c) to the card reader, select the desired channel, but you would not explicitly open the named file on the channel because the file does not have a name that is known to you.

```algol
  INPUT (c, "CDR")
  SELECT INPUT (c)
  $DATA
```

The $DATA card cannot be used for data for programs written in languages other than ALGOL, BLISS, COBOL, FORTRAN, and MACRO. It can, however, be used for programs that are in relocatable binary form. Thus, data for BASIC programs cannot be copied by means of the $DATA card; you should instead use the $DECK card, described below.
2.4.4 The $DECK Card

You can put the $DECK card in front of any program, data, or other set of information to make Batch copy the program, data, or information into a disk file. Batch (by means of the appropriate switch or switches) will also insert commands into the control file to have your program, data, or information printed, plotted and/or punched on cards and/or paper tape.

The form of the $DECK card is:

```
filename.ext

$DECK filename.ext/switches
```

- filename.ext specifies the optional filename and extension that you can tell Batch to put on the file that it creates for your program or data. If you omit the filename and extension, Batch will create a unique name for your file.

- /switches are switches to Batch to tell it how to read and write the cards in your deck. The switches are described below.

/ WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card in your deck. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you indicate the number of a column at which to stop. Thus, if you have no information in the last 10 columns of each card in your deck, you can tell Batch to read only up to column 70 by specifying

```
/WIDTH:70
```

on the $DECK card.
/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards in your deck, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 (or up to any column you may specify on the /WIDTH switch). However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

/CPUNCH

Batch will place the file it has just created on disk into the card-punch output queue.

/PLOT

Batch will place the file it has just created on disk into the plotter output queue.

/PRINT

Batch will place the file it has just created on disk into the line-printer output queue.

/TPUNCH

Batch will place the file it has just created on disk into the paper-tape punch output queue.

Examples

The simplest form of the $DECK card is:

$DECK

This card causes Batch to copy your deck into a disk file and to assign a unique name to it. All 80 columns of the cards are read and trailing spaces are copied into the file. The file is not placed into any output queue.

The following shows an example of a $DECK card.

$DECK MYDECK.CDS/WIDTH:50/PRINT

The deck that follows this card is copied into a disk file named MYDECK.CDS. When Batch reads the cards in the deck, it reads up to column 50 and copies trailing spaces into the file. The disk file created from your cards will be placed in the line-printer output queue.
2.4.5 The $EOJ Card

You must put the $EOJ card at the end of the deck containing your complete job to tell Batch that it has reached the end of your job. If you omit the $EOJ card, an error message will be issued unless it is the practice of your installation to have the operator put the card on any deck that does not have one. However, your job will still be scheduled. The form of the $EOJ card is shown below.

![$EOJ Card](image)

2.4.6 The $ERROR Card

You can use the $ERROR card and the $NOERROR card (described later in this Chapter) to specify error recovery in the control file. When Batch reads the $ERROR card, it inserts a special Batch command into the control file, the .IF (ERROR) command. This command will later tell Batch what to do when an error occurs when your job is being processed. How to perform error recovery is described in Section 2.5.

The $ERROR card has the form:

![$ERROR Card](image)
statement is a command to the monitor, to a system program or a special Batch command such as .GOTO or .BACKTO.

Batch enters an .IF (ERROR) command into the control file when it reads the $ERROR card, and includes the statement from the $ERROR card in the .IF (ERROR) command in the form:

```plaintext
.IF (ERROR) statement
```

The Batch commands .GOTO and .BACKTO have the forms:

```plaintext
.GOTO statement label
.BACKTO statement label
```

statement label is the label of a line in the control file. The label can contain from one to six alphabetic characters and must be followed by a double colon (::) when it is labelling a line.

The .GOTO command tells Batch to search forward in the control file on disk until it finds the line containing the label. The .BACKTO command tells Batch to search back in the control file on disk to fine the line containing the label. .BACKTO initiates the search at the beginning of the control file. You must supply the labelled line and any related lines for which Batch will search. Include these lines in your card deck where you want them to be copied into the control file. If Batch cannot find a labelled line that it is searching for as a result of a .GOTO or a .BACKTO statement, it terminates your job.

### 2.4.7 The $EXECUTE Card

The $EXECUTE card is used to place an EXECUTE monitor command into your control file. It is similar in function to a $DATA (Paragraph 2.4.3) only the $EXECUTE card does not have a data deck following it. This card is used when there is no data or when your data already exists on disk. The files to be placed in the EXECUTE command string generated by the $EXECUTE card are determined in the same way that they are for a $DATA card. The form of the $EXECUTE card is shown below.
/switch is a switch to Batch to tell it what to include in the command it inserts in the control file.

/MAP

If you want a loader map to be generated and printed for you when your program is run you can specify the /MAP switch on the $EXECUTE card to tell Batch to request one for you within the EXECUTE command it places in your control file.

2.4.8 The $FORTRAN and $F40 Cards

You place the $FORTRAN or $F40 card in front of your FORTRAN program to make Batch copy your program into a disk file, create a unique filename of the form LN???? with the extension .FOR (or .F4), and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. The $FORTRAN card is used when you want a FORTRAN-10 program compiled, and the $F40 card is used when you want an F40 program compiled. You can put some optional information on the $FORTRAN or $F40 card to tell Batch more about your program or the cards that your program is punched on.

The $FORTRAN card has the form:

$FORTRAN(switches)/switches

The $F40 card has the same format. The only difference is that you punch $F40 rather than $FORTRAN.

(switches) are switches that Batch passes to the FORTRAN compiler when it puts the COMPILE command in the control file. These switches must be enclosed in parentheses, must not be preceded by slashes, and may or may not be separated by commas. The switches for the FORTRAN compilers are described in Table C-1 in Appendix C of the DECsystem-10 FORTRAN-10 Language Manual (DEC-10-LFLMA-B-D) and in Table 12-1 in Chapter 12 of the DECsystem-10 FORTRAN IV Programmer’s Reference Manual (DEC-10-LFLMA-B-D).
/WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of the FORTRAN program. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you include the number of the column at which to stop. The FORTRAN compiler only reads FORTRAN statements up to column 72, even if you tell Batch to read up to column 80. But, if you wish to read only up to column 60, you can specify

/WIDTH:60

on the $FORTRAN or $F40 card.

/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards of your FORTRAN program, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 (or up to any column you may specify in the /WIDTH switch). However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

/CREF Switch

If you want a cross-reference listing of your FORTRAN program, you can include the /CREF switch on the $FORTRAN or $F40 card to tell Batch to ask the FORTRAN compiler to produce a cross-reference listing when it compiles your program. This listing is printed as part of your job’s output.

/NOLIST Switch

Normally, the $FORTRAN or $F40 card tells Batch to ask the compiler to generate a compilation listing of your FORTRAN program. The listing is then printed as part of your job’s output. If you do not want this listing, you can include the /NOLIST switch on the $FORTRAN or $F40 card to stop generation of the listing.

Examples

The simplest form of the $FORTRAN card is:

$FORTRAN

The simplest form of the $F40 card is:

$F40
The $FORTRAN or $F40 card tells Batch to copy your program into a disk file and assign a unique name and the extension. The extension will be .FOR when you use the $FORTRAN card, and it will be .F4 when you use the $F40 card. All 80 columns of the cards are read, trailing spaces are copied, and a listing file is produced when the job is run. No switches are passed to the compiler. The listing is printed as part of the job's output.

The following is an example of a $FORTRAN and $F40 card with switches.

$FORTRAN (I,M)/CREF/WIDTH:72
or
$F40 (I,M)/CREF/WIDTH:72

With this card, Batch copies your program onto disk, assigns your program a unique filename of the form LN????.FOR (or .F4), and inserts a COMPILE command into the control file. Batch passes the I and M switches to the compiler. The cards are read only up to column 72 and trailing spaces up to column 72 are copied into your file. A cross-reference listing of your program will be generated.

2.4.9 The $JOB Card

You must include the $JOB card as the first card in your deck or as the second card following the $SEQUENCE card, which is described later in this chapter.

The $JOB card tells Batch whose job it is processing and, optionally, the name of the job, and any constraints that you want to place on the job. When Batch reads the $JOB card and the $PASSWORD card, if it is required, it creates the control file and begins the log file for your job. Batch then places into the control file the commands that are taken from the cards that follow the $JOB card.

The $JOB card has the form:

$JOBname[proj,prog]/switches
name is the optional name that you can give to the job. If you omit the name, Batch will create a unique name for your job. The name of the job is that which Batch gives to your control file and log file. To the job name, Batch adds the extension .CTL for the control file. It adds the extension .LOG to the name for the log file.

[proj,prog] is your project-programmer number; i.e., the number that you were assigned by the installation to allow you to gain access to the DECsystem-10. Normally, the project-programmer number is two numbers separated by a comma and enclosed in square brackets.

/switches are switches to Batch to tell it the constraints that you have placed on your job. They are described below.

AFTER:dd-mmm-yy hh:mm Switch

If you do not want Batch to run your job until after a certain time on a certain day, you can include the /AFTER switch on your $JOB card. The date and time are specified in the form dd-mmm-yy hh:mm (e.g., 20-MAY-72 02:15). If this switch is not included, Batch runs your job at the time that it would normally schedule such a job, based on its size, the amounts of core and time required, and other parameters.

AFTER:+hh:mm Switch

If you do not want Batch to run your job until after a certain amount of time has elapsed since the job was entered, include this form of the /AFTER switch on the $JOB card. The amount of time that the job must wait after it has been entered is specified in the form +hh:mm (e.g., +1:30). If this switch is not included, Batch will schedule the job as it normally does.

NOTE

If any of the programs in your job have output to slow-speed devices such as the card punch, the paper-tape punch, the line printer, and the plotter, do not include an ASSIGN command in your job. Batch will take care of this output for you as long as you specify the switches for these devices, which are described below.

CARDS:n Switch

If any program in your job has punched card output, you must include the /CARDS switch on the $JOB card to specify the approximate number of cards that your job will punch. Up to a maximum of 10,000 cards can be specified in the form n (where n represents a
decimal number from 1 to 10,000). If you do not specify the /CARDS switch, no cards will be punched, even if you want them. If you do not specify enough cards, the remaining output over the number of cards specified will be lost without notification to you.

/CORE:nK Switch

You can specify the amount of core in which the programs in your job will run by means of the /CORE switch. You specify the amount of core in the form n or nK (e.g., 25 or 25K). You should try to estimate as closely as possible the amount of core that your job will need. If you do not specify enough, your job cannot run. If you do not specify the amount of core that your job will need, Batch will assume 25K or an amount set by the installation.

/CORE:nP Switch

You can also specify the amount of core your job will need in pages, up to the maximum allowed by the installation. You specify the amount of core in the form nP (e.g., 60P). If you do not specify the amount your job will need, Batch will assume 50P or an amount set by the installation.

/DEADLINE:dd-mm-yy hh:mm

If you want your job to be completed by a specified date and time, you can include the /DEADLINE switch on your $JOB card. The date and time are specified in the form dd-mm-yy hh:mm. Hours are specified using a 24 hour clock. The resulting DEADLINE time must be greater than the AFTER time. If this switch is not included, Batch completes your job in the time it normally would, based on the job size and other parameters.

/DEADLINE:+hh:mm

If you want Batch to start your job by a specified time, you can include this form of the /DEADLINE switch on your $JOB card. You enter the time in the form +hh:mm (e.g., +10:15 which means, start this job after ten hours and fifteen minutes have passed). If this switch is not included, Batch will schedule the job as it normally does.

/FEET:n Switch

If any program in your job has punched paper-tape output, you must include the /FEET switch on the $JOB card to specify the approximate number of feet of paper tape that your job will punch. You specify the number of feet in the form n (e.g., 50). If you do not specify the /FEET switch, no paper tape will be punched, even if you want it. If you do not specify enough paper tape, the output that remains over the number of feet that you specify will be lost and the message ?OUTPUT FORMS LIMIT EXCEEDED will be punched in block letters on the tape.
/NAME:name Switch

You can include your name by inserting this switch on your $JOB card. Your name can be up to 12 characters, and it can also be a quoted string. This switch is optional unless your installation requires it. If it is required, then the name you insert must match the name in the accounting files of your installation.

/PAGES:n Switch

Normally, Batch allows your job to print up to 200 pages. Included in this number are the log file and any compilation listings that you may request. If you need more than 200 pages for your job, you must include the /PAGES switch on the $JOB card to indicate the approximate number of pages that your job will print. If your output exceeds either the maximum that Batch allows or the number that you specified in the /PAGES switch, the excess output will not be printed and the message ?OUTPUT FORMS LIMIT EXCEEDED will be written in the log file. However, even if you exceed the maximum, the first ten pages of the log file will be printed.

/TIME:hh:mm:ss Switch

Normally, Batch allows your job to use up to five minutes of central processor time. Central processor (CPU) time is the amount of time that your job runs in core, not the amount of time that it takes Batch to process your job. If you need more than five minutes of CPU time, you must include the /TIME switch on the $JOB card to indicate the approximate amount of time that you will need. If you do not specify enough time, Batch will terminate your job when the time is up. However, if you specify a large amount of time, Batch may hold your job in the queue until it can schedule a large amount of time for it.

The value in the /TIME switch is given in the form hh:mm:ss (hours:minutes:seconds). However, if you specify only one number, Batch assumes that you mean seconds. Two numbers separated by a colon (:) are assumed to mean minutes and seconds. Only when you specify all three numbers, separated by colons, does Batch assume that you mean hours, minutes, and seconds.

/TPLOT:t Switch

If you have any programs in your job that do output to the plotter, you must include the /TPLOT switch on the $JOB card so that your output will be plotted. If the /TPLOT switch is not included, no output will be plotted. If enough minutes (specified in the form t) are not specified, any plotter output left after the time has expired will be lost without notification to you.
The following rules apply to all switches in the above list that require a time and/or date to be specified:

When you specify the time of day (hh:mm:ss)

1. You must not omit the colon (:) or colons.

When you specify a date (dd-mm-yy)

1. You must not omit the hyphens.
2. You must specify both the day and the month as a minimum requirement.
3. You can abbreviate the month to 3 letters or use the numeric representation of the month (e.g., JUL and 7 both indicate July).
4. If you omit the year, the date (and its associated time, if present) will be interpreted to mean the next occurrence of that date (and time).
5. If you omit the time from a date specification, the time is assumed to be midnight on the specified date. In the example below the current date of 5-DEC-74 will be assumed.

/DEADLINE:19-Jan 20:00 means 8 P.M. on January 19, 1975.
/DEADLINE:19-1 20:00 means 8 P.M. on January 19, 1975.

2.4.10 The $MACRO Card

You place a $MACRO card in front of your MACRO program to make Batch copy your program into a disk file, create a unique filename in the form of LN???? with the extension .MAC, and insert a COMPILE command into your control file. Thus, when Batch runs your job, your MACRO program will be assembled. You can put some optional information on the $MACRO card to tell Batch more about your program or the cards that your program is punched on.

The $MACRO card has the form:

$MACRO(switches)/switches
are switches that Batch passes to the MACRO assembler when it puts the COMPILE command in the control file. The switches must be enclosed in parentheses, must not be preceded by slashes, and may or may not be preceded by commas. The switches for the MACRO assembler are described in Table 4-1 in Chapter 4 of the DECsystem-10 MACRO-10 Assembler Programmer's Reference Manual (DEC-10-LMCOA-A-D).

are switches to Batch to tell it how to read your program and whether or not to request a compilation listing when the program is compiled. The switches can be put on the card in any order and are described below.

/WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of your MACRO program. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by means of the /WIDTH switch, in which you include the number of the column at which to stop. Thus, if you wish to have Batch read only up to column 70, you can specify

/WIDTH:70

on the $MACRO card.

/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards of your MACRO program, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 (or up to any column you may specify on the /WIDTH switch). However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

/CREF Switch

If you want a cross-reference listing of your MACRO program, you can include the /CREF switch on the $MACRO card to tell Batch to ask the MACRO assembler to produce a cross-reference listing when it assembles your program. This listing is printed as part of your job's output.

/NOLIST Switch

Normally, the $MACRO card tells Batch to ask the assembler to generate an assembly listing of your MACRO program. This listing is then printed as part of your job's output. If you do not want this listing, you can include the /NOLIST switch on the $MACRO card to stop generation of the listing.
**Examples**

The simplest form of the $MACRO card is:

```
$MACRO
```

This card tells Batch to copy your program into a disk file and assign a unique name and the extension .MAC to it. All 80 columns of the cards are read, trailing spaces are copied, and a listing file is produced when the job is run. The listing is printed as part of the job’s output. No switches are passed to the assembler.

The following is an example of a $MACRO card with switches.

```
$MACRO (P,Q,X)/WIDTH:72
```

With this card, Batch copies your program onto disk, assigns your program a unique filename of the form LN????MAC, and inserts a COMPILE command into the control file. Batch passes the P, Q, and X switches to the assembler. The cards are read only up to column 72 and trailing spaces are copied into your file. An assembly listing is generated.

### 2.4.11 The $NOERROR Card

You can use the $NOERROR card and the $ERROR card (described in Section 2.4.6) to specify error recovery in the control file.

When Batch reads the $NOERROR card, it inserts a special Batch command into the control file, the .IF (NOERROR) command. This command tells Batch what to do when an error occurs when your job is being processed. How to perform error recovery is described in Section 2.5.

The $NOERROR card has the form:

```
$NOERROR statement
```

*statement* is a command to the monitor or a special Batch command such as .GOTO or .BACKTO.
Batch enters an .IF (NOERROR) command into the control file when it reads the $NOERROR card, and includes the statement from the $NOERROR card in the .IF (NOERROR) command in the form:

```
.IF (NOERROR)
```

The Batch commands .GOTO and .BACKTO have the forms:

```
.GOTO statement label
.BACKTO statement label
```

`statement label` is the label of a line in the control file. The label can contain from one to six alphabetic characters and must be followed by a double colon (::) when it is labelling a line.

The .GOTO command tells Batch to search forward in the control file until it finds the line containing the label. The .BACKTO command tells Batch to search back in the control file to find the line containing the label. .BACKTO initiates the search at the beginning of the control file. You must supply the labelled line and any related lines for which Batch will search. Include these lines in your card deck where you want them to be copied into the control file. If Batch cannot find a labelled line that it is searching for as a result of a .GOTO or a .BACKTO statement, it terminates your job.

### 2.4.12 The $PASSWORD Card

You put the password that has been assigned to you on the $PASSWORD card to tell Batch that you are an authorized user of the system.

In conjunction with the $JOB card, the $PASSWORD card identifies you to Batch and tells Batch to create the control file and log file for your job. If you put a password on the $PASSWORD card that does not match the password stored in the system for you, Batch will not create any files and will terminate your job. Some installations may not require the $PASSWORD card; if it is required at your installation, you must put it immediately after the $JOB card.

The $PASSWORD card has the form:
password is a one to six character password that is stored in the system to identify you. There must be exactly one space between the end of the card name ($PASSWORD) and the first character of your password.

2.4.13 The $SEQUENCE Card

You can use the $SEQUENCE card to specify a unique sequence number for your job. This card may or may not be required by the installation or may be supplied by the personnel at the installation. If the card is required, you must include it as the first card in the deck containing your job.

The form of the $SEQUENCE card is:

```
$SEQUENCE n
```

n is the unique sequence number assigned to your job.

2.4.14 The $TOPS10 Card

You can include monitor commands and Batch commands in your card deck by inserting a $TOPS10 card immediately before these commands. The $TOPS10 card directs Batch to copy all cards following it into the Batch control file. Therefore, a single monitor or Batch command or a group of consecutive monitor and/or Batch commands must be preceded by a $TOPS10 card. The copying process is terminated by the next control card in the deck.
The form of the $TOPS10$ card is:

```
$TOPS10/switches
```

/switches are switches to Batch to tell it how to read and interpret your input.

/WIDTH:n Switch

Normally, Batch reads up to 80 columns on every card of your data. You can make Batch stop reading at a specific column by using the /WIDTH switch, in which you indicate the column number at which Batch is to stop reading. Thus, if you have no useful information in the last ten columns of each card of your data, you can tell Batch to read only up to column 70 by specifying

```
/WIDTH:70
```

on the $TOPS10$ card.

/SUPPRESS Switch

When Batch reads the cards of your data, it normally copies everything on the card up to column 80 or up to any column you may specify on the /WIDTH switch. However, if you do not want trailing spaces copied (to save space on the disk, for example), you can tell Batch, by means of the /SUPPRESS switch, not to copy any trailing spaces into the disk file.

2.5 SPECIFYING ERROR RECOVERY IN THE CONTROL FILE

Normally, when an error occurs in your job, Batch terminates the job and, if the error occurred when one of your programs was running, causes a dump of your core area. The dump is printed with your output and log file. You can specify recovery from errors in the control file by means of the $ERROR$ and $NOERROR$ cards, described in Sections 2.4.6 and 2.4.11. You must include one of these cards at the point in the control
file that an error may occur. When an error occurs, Batch examines the next monitor-level line (i.e., not a line that contains data or a command string to a system program) to find an .IF (ERROR) statement to tell it what to do about the error. If an error does not occur and an .IF (ERROR) statement is present, the .IF (ERROR) statement is not executed.

Thus, if you have a program that you are not sure is error-free, you can include a $ERROR or $NOERROR card to tell Batch what to do if an error occurs, as shown in Figure 2-8.

![Figure 2-8](image)

The above cards would cause Batch to make the following entries in the control file.

```
.COMPILE ...
. IF (ERROR) statement
```

On either the $ERROR or $NOERROR card, you must include a statement that tells Batch what to do. You can use any monitor command, a command to a program, or one of the special Batch commands. The .GOTO and .BACKTO commands are two Batch commands for this purpose. Refer to Section 2.4.6 for descriptions of these
commands. Be sure, if you use .GOTO or .BACKTO on your $ERROR or $NOERROR card, that you supply a line for the control file that has the label that you specified in the .GOTO or .BACKTO commands.

Two sample jobs are shown below. The first shows using $ERROR and the .GOTO command to specify error recovery. The second example shows the use of the $NOERROR card and the .GOTO command.

If you have a program that you are not sure will compile without errors, you can include another version of the same program in your job (that hopefully will compile) and tell Batch to compile the second program if the first has an error. The cards to enter this job are shown in Figure 2-9.

These cards set up the following control file for you.

`.COMPILE /COMPILE LN?????.FOR /LIST
 .IF (ERROR) .GOTO A
 .EXECUTE LN?????.REL /MAP:MAP.LST
 .GOTO B
 A:: !CONTINUE
 .COMPILE /COMPILE LN?????.FOR /LIST
 .EXECUTE LN?????.FOR
 B:: !CONTINUE`

The $FORTRAN card told Batch to copy the program into a disk file, to create a unique filename for the program in the form LN?????.FOR, and to insert a COMPILE command into the control file. The $ERROR card told Batch to insert .IF (ERROR) .GOTO A into the control file. The data was copied into a disk file and an EXECUTE command was put into the control file because of the $DATA card. The $TOPS10 card told Batch to start copying cards into the control file, so Batch put the next two lines into the control file. The second $FORTRAN card told Batch to copy the program into a disk file, create a unique filename for the program in the form LN?????.FOR, and put a COMPILE command into the control file. A $EXECUTE card was used instead of a $DATA card because the data was already in a file on disk. The next line was put into the control file.

When the job is started, Batch reads the control file and passes commands to the monitor. If an error occurs in the compilation of the first program, Batch finds the .IF statement and executes the .GOTO command contained in it. The command tells Batch to look for the line labelled A, which contains a comment, so Batch goes on to the next line. The second program is compiled and then executed with the data. The next line is a comment, so Batch continues to the end of the control file. If an error does not occur in the first program, Batch skips the .IF statement, executes the program with the data, skips the unnecessary error procedures, and continues to the end of the control file.

A variation of the above procedure is shown in Figure 2-10 using the $NOERROR card and the .GOTO command. The difference is that Batch skips the .IF statement if an error occurs, and performs it if an error does not occur.
Figure 2-9
Figure 2-10
Batch reads the cards and puts the following commands into the control file.

```
.COMPILE /COMPILE LN?????.FOR /LIST
.IF (NOERROR) .GOTO A
.COMPILE /COMPILE LN?????.FOR /LIST
.EXECUTE LN?????.FOR
.GOTO B
A:: !CONTINUE
.EXECUTE LN?????.FOR
B:: !CONTINUE
```

The $FORTRAN card tells Batch to copy the FORTRAN program into a file, to create a unique filename of the form LN?????.FOR, and to insert a COMPILE command into the control file. The $NOERROR card tells Batch to insert an .IF command into the control file.

The second $FORTRAN card tells Batch to copy the second program into a disk file, to create a unique filename of the form LN?????.FOR and to insert another COMPILE command into the control file. Instead of a $DATA card, a $DECK card is used to tell Batch to copy the data into a disk file named FORO1.DAT. The $DATA card is not used here because it would have the names of both programs in its list for the EXECUTE command generation, which would cause an error when the job is run. To tell Batch to start copying cards into the control file, the STOPS10 card comes next. Thus, Batch copies the next five lines into the control file.

When the job is run, Batch passes the COMPILE command to the monitor to compile the first program. If an error does not occur, the .IF command is read and the .GOTO command is executed. Batch skips to the line labelled A, which is a comment, and continues reading the control file. The program LN?????.FOR is executed with the data and the end of the job is reached. If an error occurs, Batch skips the .IF statement and continues reading the control file. The second program is compiled and then executed with the data. Batch is then told to go to the line labelled B, which is a comment line. The end of the job follows. The EXECUTE monitor command was used in this job rather than the $EXECUTE card. The $EXECUTE card would have caused the names of both programs to be included in the EXECUTE command which would have resulted in an error when the job was run.

The examples shown above illustrate only two ways that you can specify error recovery in the control file. You can use the .BACKTO command or any monitor command that you choose to help you recover from errors in your job.

You do not have to attempt to recover from errors while your job is running. You can correct your errors according to the error messages in the log file when your job is returned to you, and then run your job again. You can find a complete list of error messages in Chapter 4 of the DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual. Batch will also print a dump of your core area if an error occurs while your job is running and you have not specified error recovery. If you can read dumps, this can also aid you to correct your errors. The log file and dumps are described in Chapter 4.
CHAPTER 3

ENTERING A JOB TO BATCH FROM A TERMINAL

When you enter a job to Batch from a timesharing terminal, you must create a control file that Batch can use to run your job. The control file contains all the commands that you would use to run your job if you were running under timesharing. For example, if you wanted to compile and execute a program called MYPROG.CBL, the typeout would appear as follows:

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.CBL
COBOL: MAIN(MYPROG)
EXIT
.EXECUTE MYPROG.CBL
LOADING
LOADER 1K CORE
EXECUTION
EXIT
```

(Your request)  (Your request)  The system's reply  The system's reply

The control file to tell Batch to run the same job appears as the following:

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.CBL
.EXECUTE MYPROG.CBL
```

When the job is run, the commands are passed to the monitor to be executed. The commands and their replies from the monitor are written in the log file so that the entire dialog shown above appears in the log file.

To create a control file and submit it to Batch from a terminal, you must perform the following steps:

1. LOGIN to the system as a timesharing user.
2. Write a control file using an editor such as TECO or LINED.
3. When you finish the control file, close and save it on disk.
4. Submit the job to Batch using the monitor command SUBMIT or QUEUE INP:

You can then wait for your output to be returned at the designated place.
3.1 CREATING THE CONTROL FILE

After you have logged into the system as you normally would to start a timesharing job, you must run an editor so that you can create your control file.

The control file can contain monitor commands, system program commands, data that would normally be entered from a terminal, and special Batch commands. The Batch commands are described in Section 3.3. What you write in the control file depends on what you wish your job to accomplish. An example of a job that you can enter to Batch from a terminal is as follows:

1. Compile a program that is on disk.
2. Load and execute the program with data from another disk file.
3. Print the output on the line printer.
4. Write the output into a disk file also.
5. Compile a second program.
6. Load and execute the second program with the data output from the first program.
7. Print the output from the second program.

The control file that you would write for the above job is as follows:

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.F4/COMPILE
.EXECUTE MYPROG.F4
.COMPILE PROG2.F4/COMPILE
.EXECUTE PROG2.F4
```

You include statements in your programs to read the data from the disk files and write the output to the printer and the disk. The output to the line printer is written with your log file as part of the total output of your job.

If an error occurs in your job, Batch will not continue, but will terminate the job and, if the error occurs while one of your programs is running, cause a dump to be taken of your core area. The dump is then printed with your job's output. To avoid having your job terminated because an error occurs, you can specify error recovery in the control file using the special Batch commands. Error recovery is described in Section 3.4.

Any monitor command that you can use in a timesharing job can be used in a Batch job with the following exceptions. The ATTACH, DETACH, CCONT, CSTART, and SEND commands have no meaning in a Batch job. If you include one of these commands in your job, Batch will write the command and an error message into your log file, will not process the command, and will then continue the job from that point. Do not include a LOGIN command in your control file because Batch logs the job for you. If you put in a LOGIN command, your job will be terminated.
### 3.1.1 Format of Lines in the Control File

Since you can put monitor, system program, and Batch commands, as well as data into the control file, you have to tell Batch what kind of line it is reading. The format of each of these lines is described below. Each line normally begins in column 1, but Batch always starts reading at the first nontab or nonblank character, regardless of the column in which it appears.

To include a monitor or Batch command, you must put a period (.) in the first column and follow it immediately with the command. Any information that follows a monitor command is in the format shown for the command in Chapter 2 of the *DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands* manual.

If you include a command string to a system program, you must place an asterisk (*) in column 1 and follow it immediately with the command string. For the format of command strings, refer to the manual for the specific system program that you wish to use.

If you want to include a command to a system program that does not accept carriage return as the end of the line (e.g., TECO and DDT), you must substitute an equal sign (=) for the asterisk so that Batch will suppress the carriage return at the end of the line.

To include data for your program in the control file, write it as you would data that is read from a separate file. The only restriction on data in the control file is that alphabetic data that is preceded by a dollar sign ($) must be preceded by an additional dollar sign so that Batch will not mistake it for its own control command.

If you put any special characters other than those described above in the first column of the line, you may get unexpected results because Batch interprets other special characters in special ways. If you want to know about other special characters, refer to Chapter 3 of the *DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands* manual.

If you have more information than will fit on one line, you can continue on the next line by placing a hyphen (-) as the last nonspace character on the line to be continued and the rest of the information on the next line.

Comments can also be included either as separate lines in the control file or on lines containing other information. To include a comment on a separate line, you must put an exclamation point (!) in column 1 and follow it with the comment. To add a comment to a line after your data, you must precede the comment with an exclamation point (!). Formerly, the semicolon (;) was the only character used to indicate the beginning of a comment. Both the exclamation point (!) and the semicolon (;) are used now for this purpose. However, you should use the exclamation point (!) for any new jobs submitted to Batch.

### 3.2 SUBMITTING THE JOB TO BATCH

After you have created the control file and saved it on disk, you must enter it into the Batch queue so that it can be run. All programs and data that are to be processed when the job is run must be made up in advance or be generated during the running of the job. You can have them on any medium but, if they are on devices other than disk, you must include commands in your control file to have the operator mount the devices on which your program and data reside.
It is recommended that your programs and as much of your data as is possible reside on disk. An example of including MOUNT commands in the control file to mount tapes is shown in Chapter 5.

You enter your job in Batch's queue by means of the SUBMIT or QUEUE INP: monitor command. These commands have the forms:

```
SUBMIT jobname=control filename.ext, log filename.ext/switches
QUEUE INP:jobname=control filename.ext, log filename.ext/switches
```

- **jobname** is the name that you give to your job. If this name is omitted, Batch uses the name of the control file.
- **control filename.ext** is the name that you have given to the control file that you created. You can add an extension, but if you do not, Batch will assume an extension of .CTL.
- **log filename.ext** is the name that Batch will give the log file when it is created. You can add an extension, but if you do not, Batch will assume an extension of .LOG.

You must specify the name of the control file. If the name of the log file is omitted, its name will be taken from the name of the control file.

- **/switches** are switches to Batch to tell it how to process your job and what your output will look like. Most switches can appear anywhere in the command string; however, a few must be placed after the files to which they pertain. The various kinds of switches are described below.

Three kinds of switches are available to you to use in the SUBMIT and QUEUE INP: commands. The switches are: queue operation, general, and file control. Each category of switch and the switches in each category are described in the following sections.

### 3.2.1 Queue Operation Switches

Queue operation switches describe the actions that you want Batch to perform with your job. Only one of this type of switch can be placed in the command string, and it can appear anywhere in the command string.

- **/CREATE Switch**

With the /CREATE switch, you tell Batch that you are entering a job into its queue. The job will then wait in the queue until Batch is ready to process it. If you omit a queue operation switch from the SUBMIT command string, Batch will assume the /CREATE switch, i.e., it will assume that you are entering a job. An example of this switch follows.
SUBMIT MYJOB = MYFILE.CTL, MYLOG.LOG /CREATE

/KILL Switch

You put the /KILL switch in a SUBMIT command to tell Batch that you want to delete a job that you previously entered into its queue. For example, if you submit a job and discover that you left a command out of the control file, you could delete the queue entry by issuing another SUBMIT command for that job with a /KILL switch in it. After you have corrected the control file, you could resubmit the job to Batch. However, if Batch has already started to run your job, it will ignore your request to delete the job and issue the message %QUEUE REQUEST INP:jobname[proj,prog] INTERLOCKED IN QUEUE MANAGER. When you use the /KILL switch, you must specify the job name in the SUBMIT command or you will kill all the jobs that you may have in the Batch input queue.

/MODIFY Switch

If you want to change any switch value that you have previously entered in a SUBMIT command, you can include the /MODIFY in a new SUBMIT command to tell Batch which switch value that you want to change. You can change any switch value that can be entered in a SUBMIT command. The switch value that you want changed is written immediately after the /MODIFY switch. For example, to change the number of pages in a /PAGE switch (described below), you could issue the following command.

SUBMIT MYJOB = /MODIFY/PAGE:500

The value specified in the /PAGE switch that follows the /MODIFY switch replaces the previous value. If Batch has already started the job in which you wish to change a switch, the /MODIFY switch will be ignored, and Batch will issue the message %QUEUE REQUEST INP:jobname[proj,prog] INTERLOCKED IN QUEUE MANAGER.

3.2.2 General Switches

You use the general switches to define limits for your job. Such limits as core, pages of output, and the time that your job will run can be specified as general switches. Each general switch can be specified only once in a SUBMIT command, although each can be modified in subsequent SUBMIT commands by means of the /MODIFY switch. You can put a general switch anywhere in the command string because it affects the entire job, not just one file in the job.

/AFTER:hh:mm Switch

If you do not want Batch to run your job until after a certain time or until after a certain number of minutes have elapsed since the job was entered, you can include the /AFTER switch in the SUBMIT command string. The time is specified in the form hh:mm (e.g., 12:15) and the amount of time that the job must wait is specified in the form +hh:mm (e.g., +1:15). If you omit the switch, or the colon and the value in the switch, Batch will schedule your job as it normally would.
NOTE

If any of the programs in your job have output to slow-speed devices such as the card punch, the paper-tape punch, the line printer, and the plotter, do not include an ASSIGN command to your job. Batch will take care of this output for you as long as you specify the switches for these devices, which are described below.

/CARDS:n Switch

If any program in your job has punched card output, you must include the /CARDS switch in the SUBMIT command to specify the approximate number of cards that your job will punch. The number of cards is specified in the form n (e.g.; 1000). If you do not specify the /CARDS switch, no cards will be punched, even if you want them. If you specify the switch without the colon and a value, up to 2000 cards can be punched by your job. If you do not specify enough cards, the output that remains after the limit is reached will be lost without notification to you.

/CORE:n Switch

You can specify the maximum amount of core in which the program in your job will run by means of the /CORE switch. You specify the amount of core in the form n (e.g., 25) which indicates decimal thousands. You should try to estimate as closely as possible the amount of core that your job will need. If you do not specify enough, your job cannot run to completion. If you omit the switch, Batch will assume 25K of core or an amount set by the installation. If you specify the switch without the colon and a value, Batch will assume 40K of core or an amount set by the installation.

/FEET:n Switch

If any program in your job has punched paper-tape output, you must include the /FEET switch in the SUBMIT command to specify the approximate number of feet of paper tape that your job will punch. You specify the number of feet in the form n (e.g., 50). If you do not specify the /FEET switch, no paper tape will be punched, even if you want it. If you specify the /FEET switch without the colon and a value, Batch will assume the number of feet equal to 10 times the number of disk blocks that your paper tape output would occupy plus 20. If you do not specify enough paper tape, the output that remains after the limit is exceeded will be lost and the message ?OUTPUT FORMS LIMIT EXCEEDED will be punched into the tape in block letters.

/PAGE:n Switch

Normally, Batch allows your job to print up to 200 pages. Included in this number are the log file and any listings that you may request. If you need more than 200 pages for your
job, you must include the /PAGES switch in the SUBMIT command to indicate the approximate number of pages that your job will print. If you include the switch without the colon and a value, Batch will assume that you will print up to 2000 pages. If your output exceeds either the maximum that Batch allows or the number that you specified in the /PAGE switch, the excess output will be lost and the message ?OUTPUT FORMS LIMIT EXCEEDED will be printed. However, even if you exceed the maximum, the first ten pages of the log file will be printed.

/TIME:hh:mm:ss Switch

Normally, Batch allows your job to use up to five minutes of central processor time. Central processor (CPU) time is the amount of time that your job runs in core, not the amount of time that it takes Batch to process your job. If you need more than five minutes of CPU time, you must include the /TIME switch in the SUBMIT command to indicate the approximate amount of time that you will need. If you specify the switch without the colon and a value, Batch will assume that you need one hour of CPU time. If you do not specify enough time, Batch will terminate your job when the time is up.

The value in the /TIME switch is given in the form hh:mm:ss (hours:minutes:seconds). However, if you specify only one number, Batch assumes that you mean seconds. Two numbers separated by a colon are assumed to mean minutes and seconds. Only when you specify all three numbers, separated by colons, does Batch assume that you mean hours, minutes, and seconds. For example:

/TIME:25 means 25 seconds
/TIME:1:25 means 1 minute and 25 seconds
/TIME:1:25:00 means 1 hour and 25 minutes

/TPLOT:t Switch

If you have any programs in your job that do output to the plotter, you must include the /TPLOT switch in the SUBMIT command so that your output will be plotted. If the /TPLOT switch is not included, no output will be plotted. If you specify the switch without the number of minutes (specified in the form t), Batch will allow output equal to ten minutes of plotter time. If enough time is not specified, any plotter output left after the time has expired, will be lost without notification to you.

3.2.3 File-Control Switches

File-control switches allow you to specify parameters for individual files in the SUBMIT command. The control file can receive a special parameter, while the log file does not, and vice versa. If you place a file-control switch before the two filenames in the SUBMIT command, the switch applies to both files in the request. If you place the switch after one of the files in the command, it refers only to that file.
/DISPOSE Switch

The /DISPOSE switch can have one of three values:

/DISPOSE:DELETE
/DISPOSE:PRESERVE
/DISPOSE:RENAME

/DISPOSE:DELETE allows you to specify that either the control file or the log file (or both) should be deleted after the job is run. The log file is deleted from your disk area only after it has been printed.

/DISPOSE:PRESERVE allows you to specify that one or both of your files should be left in your disk area after the job is finished and all output printed.

/DISPOSE:RENAME tells Batch that you want the specified file to be taken from your disk area immediately and put in Batch’s disk area. In the case of the log file, /DISPOSE:RENAME only works for a log file that already exists on your disk area. Do not use /DISPOSE:RENAME for a log file that does not yet exist. After the job has been run and the output has been printed, the file that was renamed is deleted from Batch’s disk area.

If you omit the /DISPOSE switch, Batch assumes /DISPOSE:PRESERVE. That is, both the control file and the log file are saved in your disk area. If you plan to use the control file again, then it is best to omit the /DISPOSE switch for the control file. If you do not want to keep the control file because you do not have enough room in your disk area, specify either /DISPOSE:DELETE or /DISPOSE:RENAME. /DISPOSE:DELETE will cause the control file to stay in your disk area until after the job is finished and then be deleted. /DISPOSE:RENAME will cause Batch to immediately move your control file to its own disk area where it will stay until the job is finished, at which time it will be deleted. You should use /DISPOSE:RENAME when you will be over your logged-out quota if the control file remains in your disk area when you log off the system.

Unless you have some use for the copy of the log file that will remain in your disk area even after it has been printed, use the /DISPOSE:DELETE switch to have the log file deleted after it is printed. If you do not delete the log file and you run the job again using the same log filename, your new log file will be appended to the old log file and they will both be printed as part of the new job.

The switches, and the assumptions made if they or their values are omitted, are all subject to change by each installation. Check with the installation where you run your jobs to find out what differences exist between the values described here and those at the installation. Additional switches are available for use with the SUBMIT command. For information about these switches, refer to the SUBMIT command in Chapter 2 of the DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual (DEC-10-MRDD-D). You can obtain further information about Batch in Chapter 3 of the aforementioned manual.
3.2.4 Examples of Submitting Jobs

The following are sample jobs that are entered to Batch by means of the SUBMIT command. The jobs are shown in the following order.

1. Creating the control file.
2. Submitting the job to Batch using the SUBMIT command.

The control file consists of a command to compile the F40 program and execute it.

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.F4 /LIST/COMPILE
.EXECUTE MYPROG.F4
```

After the control file to compile and execute the FORTRAN program has been written and saved, you must submit the job to Batch.

```
SUBMIT MYFILE
```

When Batch reads this SUBMIT command, it assumes the following:

1. The control filename and extension are MYFILE.CTL.
2. The name of the job is MYFILE.
3. The log file will be named MYFILE.LOG.
4. Both the control file and the log file will be saved in your disk area (/DISPOSE:PRESERVE).
5. An entry is being created in Batch's queue (/CREATE).
6. No cards will be punched by the job (/CARDS:0).
7. The maximum amount of core to be used to run the job is 25K (/CORE:25).
8. No paper tape will be punched (/FEET:0).
9. 200 is the maximum number of pages to be printed (/PAGE:200).
10. The maximum amount of CPU time is 5 minutes (/TIME:5:00).
11. No plotter time will be used (/TPLOT:0).

The next example shows the control file that was created at the beginning of this chapter being submitted to Batch.

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.F4/COMPILE
.EXECUTE MYFILE.F4
.COMPILE PROG2.F4/COMPILE
.EXECUTE PROG2.F4
```
After you have saved the control file, you must submit the job to Batch.

SUBMIT MYSELF = MYFILE.CTL,MYFILE.LOG/DISPOSE:DELETE/TIME:20:00/CARDS:500

When Batch reads this request, it assumes the following:

1. The name of the job is MYFILE.
2. The name of the control file is MYFILE.CTL.
3. The log file will be named MYFILE.LOG.
4. An entry is being created in Batch’s queue (/CREATE).
5. The log file will be deleted after it is printed (/DISPOSE:DELETE).
6. The control file will be saved in your disk area (/DISPOSE:PRESERVE).
7. A maximum of 500 cards can be punched by the job (/CARDS:500).
8. The maximum amount of core that can be used is 25K (CORE:25).
9. No paper tape will be punched by the job (/FEET:0).
10. 200 is the maximum number of pages that can be printed (/PAGE:200).
11. The maximum amount of CPU time that the job can use is 20 minutes (/TIME:20:00).
12. No plotter time will be used (/TPLOT:0).

If you made an error in the SUBMIT command when you submitted either of these jobs, Batch will type an error message on your terminal to explain your error so that you can correct it.

3.3 BATCH COMMANDS (In Alphabetical Order)

You can write certain special Batch commands in the control file to tell Batch how to process your control file. Each of these commands must be preceded by a period so that Batch will recognize it. The commands are described in detail in the following sections.

3.3.1 The .BACKTO Command

You can use the .BACKTO command to direct Batch to search back in the control file for a line with a specified label. The .BACKTO command has the form:

.BACKTO label
where

label is a 1- to 6-character alphanumeric label for a statement. It must be followed by a double colon (::).

Normally, Batch reads the control file line-by-line and passes the commands and data to the monitor and your program. When you put a .BACKTO command into the control file, you tell Batch to interrupt the normal reading sequence and to search back in the control file to find a line containing the label specified in the .BACKTO command. The .BACKTO command searches for the label you specified starting from the beginning of the file and ending at the place the command was given. When the labelled line is reached, Batch executes the line and continues from that point (unless the line contains another .BACKTO command or a .GOTO command, described below).

If Batch cannot find the labelled line, it terminates your job. An example of the .BACKTO command is as follows.

```

ABC:: .DIRECT

.BACKTO ABC
```

### 3.3.2 The .ERROR Command

With the .ERROR command, you can specify to Batch the character that you wish to be recognized as the beginning of an error message. Normally, when Batch reads a message that begins with a question mark (?), it assumes a fatal error has occurred and terminates the job, unless you have specified error recovery (refer to Section 3.4). If you wish Batch to recognize another character as the beginning of a fatal error message, you must specify the character in the .ERROR command. The character specified may not be a control character, an exclamation point (!) or a semicolon (;). The exclamation point and semicolon will be interpreted as the comment character and will not function as the error signal character. This command has the form:

```
.ERROR character
```

where

character is a single ASCII character that is recognized in the DECsystem-10.

If you do not specify a character in the .ERROR command, Batch uses the standard error character, the question mark. When a line that begins with the character that you specify in the .ERROR command is passed to Batch from the monitor, a system program, or is issued by Batch itself, Batch treats the line as a fatal error and terminates the job, exactly as it would if the line were preceded by a question mark. Any messages preceded by other characters will not be recognized by Batch as errors.
If you do not include the .ERROR command in your control file, Batch will recognize the question mark as the beginning character of a fatal error message, unless you include the .NOERROR command in your control file to cause Batch to ignore fatal errors (refer to Section 3.3.5).

An example of the .ERROR command follows.

```
.
.
.ERROR %
.
.
.ERROR
```

In this example, you specify in the middle of the control file that you want Batch to recognize the question mark (?) and the percent sign (%) as the beginning character of a fatal error from that point in the control file. Further on in the control file, you tell Batch to go back to recognizing the question mark as the beginning of a fatal error message.

### 3.3.3 The .GOTO Command

You can include the .GOTO command in your control file to direct Batch to skip over lines in the control file to find a specific line. The .GOTO command has the form:

```
.GOTO label
```

where

```
label
```

is a 1- to 6-character alphanumeric label for a statement. It must be followed by a double colon (::).

When Batch encounters a .GOTO command in the control file, it searches forward in the control file to find the label specified in the .GOTO command. Batch then resumes processing of the control file at the line with the specified label. If the label is not found, Batch will issue the message

```
BTNCNF COULD NOT FIND LABEL xxxxxx
```

and the job will be terminated.

If you do not include a .GOTO command in the control file, Batch reads the control file sequentially from the first statement to the last, unless you include a .BACKTO statement (refer to Section 3.3.1).
An example of the .GOTO command follows.

```
  .
  .
  .GOTO ABC
  .
  ABC:: .DIRECT
```

You can use the .GOTO command as the statement in an .IF command (refer to Section 3.3.4) to aid you in error processing. For example:

```
  .
  .
  .IF (ERROR) .GOTO ABC
  .
  ABC:: .TYPE MYPROG
```

### 3.3.4 The .IF Command

You can include the .IF command in your control file to specify an error recovery procedure to Batch or to specify normal processing if an error does not occur. The .IF statement has the forms:

```
  .IF (ERROR) statement       (The parentheses must be included.)
  .IF (NOERROR) statement     (The parentheses must be included.)
```

where

- `statement` is a command to the monitor, to a program, or to Batch.

The .IF command can be used in two ways as shown in its two forms. You can include the .IF (ERROR) command in your control file at the place where you may have an error. The .IF (ERROR) command must be the next monitor-level line (as opposed to a line in your program or a line of data) in your control file after an error occurs so that Batch will not terminate your job. In the .IF (ERROR) command, you direct Batch to either go back or forward in your control file to find a line that will perform some task for you, or direct Batch to perform a task for you at that point in your control file, or to direct the monitor or any other program to perform some task for you.

You can use the .IF (NOERROR) command also to direct Batch or the monitor to perform tasks for you when an error does not occur at the point in your control file where you place the .IF (NOERROR) command. Thus, if you expect that an error will occur
in your program, you can include an .IF (NOERROR) command to direct Batch in case the error does not occur, and then put the error processing lines immediately following the command. Refer to Section 3.4 for an example of using .IF (NOERROR) and .IF (ERROR).

If an error occurs and Batch does not find an .IF command as the next monitor-level line in the control file, Batch writes an error message in the log file and terminates the job. If one of your programs is running when an error occurs and there is no .IF command, Batch causes a dump to be taken and terminates your job.

### 3.3.5 The .NOERROR Command

You can use the .NOERROR command to tell Batch to ignore all error messages issued by the monitor, system programs, and Batch itself. The only exception is the message ?TIME LIMIT EXCEEDED. Batch will always recognize this as an error message and terminate your job. The .NOERROR command has the form:

```
.NOERROR
```

When Batch reads the .NOERROR command, it ignores any error messages that would normally cause it to terminate your job.

You can use .NOERROR commands in conjunction with .ERROR commands in the control file to control error reporting. For example, if you wish to ignore errors at the beginning and end but not in the middle of the control file, place .ERROR and .NOERROR commands at the appropriate places in the control file. In addition, you can also specify which messages must be treated as fatal errors.

```
... 
.NOERROR 
... 
.ERROR % 
... 
.ERROR 
... 
.NOERROR
```

The first command tells Batch to ignore all errors in your job. The second command tells Batch to recognize as errors any message that starts with a question mark (?) and a percent sign (%). You change the error reporting with the next command to tell Batch to go back
to recognize messages that begin with a question mark as fatal. The second .NOERROR command tells Batch to ignore all error messages again. If the ?TIME LIMIT EXCEEDED message is issued at any time, Batch will print the message and terminate the job.

3.3.6 The .PLEASE Command

You can direct Batch to type a specified message to the system operator by including the .PLEASE command in your control file. The .PLEASE command has the form:

```
.PLEASE message ESCape
```

- message is the message to be typed to the system operator.
- ESCape is the ESCape character. If this character is present, processing continues normally after the message has been output to the operator. If the character is omitted, the job will wait for a response from the operator before resuming its normal processing. The ESCape character may be generated via the sequence ↑[ (circumflex-opening bracket).

the carriage-return/line-feed is required.

3.4 SPECIFYING ERROR RECOVERY IN THE CONTROL FILE

If you do not specify error recovery when an error occurs in your job, Batch terminates the job and, if the error occurs when one of your programs is running, causes a dump of your core area. You can specify error recovery in the control file by means of the Batch commands, especially the .IF command. You must include the .IF command at the point between programs in the control file that an error may occur. When an error occurs, Batch examines the next monitor-level line (i.e., not a line that contains data or a command string to a system program) to find an .IF command to tell it what to do with the error. If an error does not occur and an .IF (ERROR) command is present, the .IF (ERROR) command is not executed. Similarly, if an error does not occur and you have included an .IF (NOERROR) command, the .IF command is processed. Batch does not search past the next executable monitor line in the control file for the .IF command. Therefore, if this command is used, it must be the next monitor level or Batch command in the control file. Thus, if you have a program that you are not sure is error-free, you can include an .IF command to tell Batch what to do if an error occurs, as shown in the following example.

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.F4
.IF (ERROR) STATEMENT
```

In either the .IF (ERROR) or the .IF (NOERROR) command, you should include a statement that tells Batch what to do. You can use any monitor command or one of the Batch commands. The .GOTO and .BACKTO commands are commonly used for this
purpose. Refer to Sections 3.3.1 and 3.3.3 for descriptions of these commands. Be sure, if you use .GOTO or .BACKTO in the .IF command, that you supply a line in the control file that has the label that you specified in the .GOTO or .BACKTO command.

Two sample jobs are shown below. The first shows the .IF (ERROR) command and the .GOTO command to specify error recovery. The second example shows the use of the .IF (NOERROR) and .GOTO commands.

If you have a program that you are not sure will compile without errors, you can include another version of the same program in your job (that hopefully will compile) and tell Batch to compile the second program if the first has an error. You write the control file as follows.

```
.COMPILE /COMPILE MYPROG.F4 /LIST
.IF (ERROR) .GOTO A
.EXECUTE MYPROG.F4
.GOTO B
A:: !CONTINUE
.COMPILE /COMPILE PROG2.F4 /LIST
.EXECUTE PROG2.F4
B:: !CONTINUE
```

When the job is run, Batch reads the control file and passes commands to the monitor. If an error occurs in the compilation of the first program, Batch finds the .IF (ERROR) command and executes the .GOTO command contained in it. The command tells Batch to look for the line labelled A, which contains a comment, so Batch continues to the end of the control file. If an error does not occur in the first program, Batch skips the .IF (ERROR) command, executes the program with its data, skips the unnecessary error procedures, and continues to the end of the control file. A variation of the above procedure is shown below using the .IF (NOERROR) command and the .GOTO command. The difference is that Batch skips the .IF (NOERROR) command if an error occurs, and performs it if an error does not occur. The following is the control file that you would create.

```
.COMPILE /COMPILE MYPROG.F4 /LIST
.IF (NOERROR) .GOTO A
.COMPILE /COMPILE PROG2.F4 /LIST
.EXECUTE PROG2.F4
.GOTO B
A:: !CONTINUE
.EXECUTE MYPROG.F4
B:: !CONTINUE
```

When the job is run, Batch passes the COMPILE command to the monitor to compile the first program. If an error does not occur, the .IF (NOERROR) command and the .GOTO command are executed, Batch skips to the line labelled A, which is a comment, and continues reading the control file. The program MYPROG.F4 is executed with its data and the end of the job is reached. If an error occurs, Batch skips the .IF (NOERROR) command and continues reading the control file. PROG2.F4 is compiled and then executed with the same data that the first program would have used. Batch is then told to go to the line labelled B, which is a comment line. The end of the job follows.
The examples shown above illustrate only two ways that you can specify error recovery in the control file. You can also use the other Batch commands, or any monitor command that you choose to help you recover from errors in your job.

You do not have to attempt to recover from errors while your job is running. You can correct your errors according to the error messages in the log file when your job is returned to you, and then run your job again. Batch will also print a dump of your core area if an error occurs while your job is running and you have not specified error recovery. If you can read dumps, this can also aid you to correct your errors. The log file and dumps are described in Chapter 4.
CHAPTER 4

INTERPRETING YOUR PRINTED OUTPUT

You can receive three kinds of printed output from your Batch jobs:

1. Output that you request; i.e., the results of your job.
2. Output from Batch; i.e., the log file.
3. Output that is the result of actions by your job or by Batch, the monitor, or system programs. Examples of this output are compilation listings, cross-reference listings, error messages, and core dumps requested by Batch.

4.1 OUTPUT FROM YOUR JOB

Although this chapter deals mainly with printed output, you can have output to any device that the installation supports, as long as the installation allows you to use these devices. If your output is directed to the line printer, it will be printed separate from the log file. The printed output from each program will be preceded by two pages containing your name and project-programmer number and other pertinent information. Following these pages are two header pages containing the name of your output file in block letters. The output follows these header pages. A trailer page follows your output. This page contains the same information that is on the first two pages. The header and trailer pages also include three rows of numbers (read vertically from 001 to 132).

If your output is that which would normally be sent to the terminal, it will be printed in the log file. In the sample output shown in Section 4.4, the output from the program is included in the log file because it is directed to the terminal rather than the line printer.

4.2 BATCH OUTPUT

The output from Batch consists of a log file that contains all the statements in the control file, commands sent to the monitor from Batch for you, and the replies to the commands from the monitor and system programs like the compilers. Any error message sent from the monitor or system program, or from Batch itself, is also written in the log file. Refer to the DECsystem-10 Operating System Commands manual (DEC-10-MRDD-D) for a list of the error messages from the monitor. The messages from each system program are listed in the applicable manuals.
You can ignore most of the information in the log file because it is system information and need not concern you. If you wish, you can keep it for reference by system programmers if unexpected results occur in your job.

4.3 OTHER PRINTED OUTPUT

Other output that you can get as a result of your job includes compiler and cross-reference listings, loader maps for programs that were successfully loaded, and dumps that you can request or that Batch gives to you when an error occurs in your program.

The compiler and cross-reference listings are those listings generated by the compiler if you request them. When you enter your job from cards, Batch requests compilation listings for you unless you specify otherwise. Cross-reference listings are generated for you only if you specifically ask Batch for them. When you enter your job from a terminal, you must request the listings in the COMPILE command. Also, if you request a cross-reference listing, you must run the CREF program (by means of the CREF command) to get your listing printed.

If you enter your job from cards and include a $DATA or $EXECUTE card to request execution of a program, you may ask Batch to request a loader map for you. This map shows the locations in memory into which your program was placed. If you enter your job from a terminal, you must request a loader map in the EXECUTE command if you wish to have one. If you wish to know the locations into which your program was loaded, the loader map can be of use to you. Otherwise, you can ignore it. A loader map is shown in the sample output in Section 4.4; however, it is not interpreted in this manual.

If a fatal error occurs in a program in your job and you have not included an error recovery command to Batch, Batch will not try to recover from the error for you. Instead, it will write the error message in the control file, request a dump of your memory area, and terminate your job. The dump is then printed with your output. If you can read dumps, the dump that Batch requests for you may be helpful in finding your errors. Otherwise, you can ignore the dump and use the error messages to locate the errors in your program.

4.4 SAMPLE BATCH OUTPUT

Two sample jobs and their output are shown in the following sections. The first shows a job entered from cards, the second shows a job entered from a terminal. The log file is somewhat different for the two types of jobs.

4.4.1 Sample Output from a Job on Cards

This example shows a job in which a small COBOL program is compiled and executed. The card deck is shown in Figure 4-1.
The COBOL program is as follows.

```
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.
PROGRAM-ID. MYPROG.
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
DATA DIVISION.
PROCEDURE DIVISION.
START.
DISPLAY "THIS IS TO SHOW SAMPLE OUTPUT FROM MPB."
DISPLAY "THESE TWO LINES ARE OUTPUT FROM THE PROGRAM."
STOP RUN.
```

When the job is run, the program is compiled and a compilation listing is produced. The listing is shown below. Note that the compiler puts sequence numbers on the program even though they were not in the original program.
After the program is compiled, it is loaded and executed. Since the /MAP switch was specified on the $EXECUTE card, Batch requests a loader map when it puts the EXECUTE command in the control file, the loader map is the next thing printed from your job. It is shown on the following page. Note that each of these printouts is preceded by headers, which are not shown in these examples.

Following loading, the program is executed. The program in this example does not have output to the line printer. Instead its output is written to a terminal. Because this is a Batch job, the terminal output is written in the log file. The log file is printed next because the end of the job is reached. The log file contains all the dialog between your job and the monitor and system programs and some commands that Batch sent to the monitor for you. An annotated log file is shown on the following pages. Note that each line in the log file is preceded by the time of day when the line was written. Following the time is a word that describes what kind of information is on each line. You do not need to know what each of these words means because much of the information is system information.
LINK-10 symbol map of MAP page 1
Produced by LINK-10 version 2A(244) on 12-Nov-84 at 14:17:47

Low segment starts at 0 ends at 1340 length 1341 = 1K
287 words free in Low segment
45 Global symbols loaded, therefore min, hash size is 51
Start address is 1242, located in program MYPROG

**********

JOBDAT=INITIAL=SYMBOLS
Zero length module

**********

LIBOL=STATIC=AREA
Low segment starts at 140 ends at 1177 length 1040 (octal), 544 (decimal)
,COMM. 140 Common length 544.

**********

MYPROG from DSKI LN3000.HILE[4,77743] created by COBOL on 12-Nov-84 at 14:13:08
Low segment starts at 1220 ends at 1331 length 112 (octal), 90 (decimal)
MYPROG 1262 Entry relocatable

**********

TRACED from SYSILIBOL,HILE[1,4] created on 26-Sep-84 at 13:52:00
Low segment starts at 1332 ends at 1340 length 7 (octal), 7 (decimal)
BTRAC, 1335 Entry relocatable CBOOL, 1336 Entry relocatable
PTFLG, 1337 Global relocatable TRACE, 1332 Entry relocatable
TRPD, 1335 Entry relocatable TRPOP, 1333 Entry relocatable

**********

[End of LINK-10 map of MAP]
The lines prefixed by "STCRD" show the cards you entered. The rest is system information that need not concern you.

This is system information that Batch enters. It need not concern you.

Batch logs your job into the system. The information that follows it is the system response.

These are commands that Batch entered for you.

The answer to the compile command from the monitor.

Commands entered by Batch for you.

Monitor response to the EXECUTE command.

This is output from your program.

Monitor indicates that execution of your program has ended.

This is the LOGOUT dialogue, giving system information.

This is more system information
4.4.2 Sample Output from a Job from a Terminal

This example shows the same job described above as it would be entered from a terminal. You would first create the program as a file on disk.

```
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.
PROGRAM-ID. MYPROG.
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
DATA DIVISION.
PROCEDURE DIVISION.
START.
DISPLAY "THIS IS TO SHOW SAMPLE OUTPUT FROM MPB."
DISPLAY "THESE TWO LINES ARE OUTPUT FROM THE PROGRAM."
STOP RUN.
```

Then you would make up a control file to compile and execute the COBOL program.

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.CBL
.EXECUTE MYPROG.CBL
```

You must then submit the job to Batch using the SUBMIT command.

```
SUBMIT MYJOB
```

When the job is run, the program is compiled and a listing is produced, even though you did not request it. This is because the COBOL compiler always produces a listing. Note that the compiler adds sequence numbers to the listing, even though you did not include these numbers on the program.
Because you did not request it specifically in the EXECUTE command, you will not get a loader map of your program. The log file is printed next as the last of your output. The output from the program is written in the log file because it is output to the terminal and the log file simulates a terminal dialog. The log file also contains some commands that Batch sent to the monitor for you and some additional system information. An annotated log file is shown on the following page. Note that each line in the log file is preceded by the time of day when the line was written. Following the time is a word that describes what kind of information is on each line. You do not have to know what each of these words means because much of the information is system information.
BATCON VERSION 12(1041) RUNNING MYJOB SEQUENCE 368 IN STREAM 2

INPUT FROM DSKB1\MYJOB.[4,77743]
OUTPUT TO DSKB1\MYJOB.LOG[4,77743]

JOB PARAMETERS
TIME: 00:05:00 UNIQUE: YES RESTART: NO

MONTR

LOGIN 4/77743 /SPOOL:ALL/TIME:1300/LOCATE:1/NAME:"TEST"

USER JOB 35 RX7AVA SYS #514/546 TTY224
USER [LOGN,SP OTHER JOBS SAME PPN]
USER 1512 14-OCt-84 SUN
USER 1512 14-OCt-84 MONTR

...COMPILE MYPROG.CBL
EXIT

...EXECUTE MYPROG.CBL
USER LINKY LOADING
USER [LNKYCT MYPROG EXECUTION]
USER THIS IS TO SHOW SAMPLE OUTPUT FROM MYB.
USER THESE TWO LINES ARE OUTPUT FROM THE PROGRAM.

EXIT

...KJOB DSKB1\MYJOB,LOG=/W/B/Z14/VRI:10/VSl:368/FL:200/VP:110/VD1P
K-QUE TOTAL OF 2 BLOCKS IN 1 FILE IN LPTS1 REQUEST
LOGUT JOB 35, USER [4,77743] LOGGED OFF TTY224 1512 14-OCt-84
LOGUT SAVED ALL FILES (80 BLOCKS)
LOGUT RUNTIME 4.03 SEC
LPMSG LPTSPL VERSION 6(344) RUNNING ON LPT2

This is system information that Batch enters. It need not concern you.

Batch logs your job into the system. The information that follows is the system response.

These are commands that Batch enters for you.

This is another command from your control file and the response.

This is the output from your program.

This indicates that execution has ended.

This is the LOGOUT dialogue, which gives system information.
CHAPTER 5

PERFORMING COMMON TASKS WITH BATCH

This chapter shows some sample jobs that are run from a terminal and from cards. Section 5.1 illustrates entering jobs from a terminal. Section 5.2 shows entering jobs from cards. The examples are the same in both cases, the difference is only in the way that they are entered.

5.1 USING THE TERMINAL TO ENTER JOBS

ALGOL Example

The first job is a simple ALGOL program that writes output to the terminal. Since the job is being entered through Batch, the output is written in the log file instead of on the terminal.

```
BEGIN
  REAL X; INTEGER I;
  X := 1;
  FOR I := 1 UNTIL 1000 DO X := X+I;
  PRINT (X);
END
```

The control file for the program is as follows:

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.ALG/LIST
.EXECUTE MYPROG.ALG
SUBMIT MYFILE
```

When Batch starts the job, the statements in the control file call the ALGOL compiler to compile the program. Batch then calls the loader to load the program for execution. A listing of the program will be printed with the log file, as shown below.
B1

BEGIN

START OF BLOCK 1

REAL X; INTEGER I;
X := 1;
FOR I := 1 UNTIL 1000 DO X := X + I;
PRINT(X);

END BLOCK 1, CONT 0

0 ERRORS
BAJOB 15:13:04  
BATEON VERSION 12.1041) RUNNING MYFILE SEQUENCE 369 IN STREAM 2

BAFIL 15:13:04  
INPUT FROM DSKB1:MYFILE.[4,77743]

BAFIL 15:13:04  
OUTPUT TO DSKB1:MYFILE.LOG[4,77743]

BASUM 15:13:04  
JOB PARAMETERS
TIME:00:05:00 UNIQUE:YES RESTART:NO

MONTR 15:13:04
"LOGIN 4/77743 /SPOOL:ALL/TIME:300/LOCATE:1/NAME:"TEST"

USER 15:13:08
JOB 3  RX7AVA SYS #514/546 TTY224

USER 15:13:09
1513 14-OCT-84 SUN

MONTR 15:13:10
"COMPILE ALGOL:ALG/LIST

USER 15:13:14
ALGOL: ALGOL

MONTR 15:13:14
EXIT

MONTR 15:13:14
"EXECUTE ALGOL:ALG

USER 15:13:17
LINK: LOADING

USER 15:13:20
[LNKXCT ALGOL EXECUTION]

USER 15:13:22
5,00501006 5

USER 15:13:22
END OF EXECUTION - 1K CORE

USER 15:13:22
EXECUTION TIME: 0.04 SECS.

USER 15:13:22
ELAPSED TIME: 0.08 SECS.

MONTR 15:13:22

MONTR 15:13:30
TOTAL OF 3 BLOCKS IN 2 FILES IN LPTS1 REQUEST

LGOUT 15:13:34
JOB 3, USER [4,77743] LOGGED OFF TTY224 1513 14-OCT-84

LGOUT 15:13:34
SAVED ALL FILES (100 BLOCKS)

LGOUT 15:13:34
RUNTIME 4.52 SEC

LPMG 15:13:37
LPTSL VERSION 6.344) RUNNING ON LPT2

LPMG 15:13:40
JOB MYFILE FILE DSKB1:ALGOL[4,77743] FOR [4,77743] STARTED

LPMG 15:13:44
DSKB1:ALGOL[4,77743] DONE
BASIC Example

The next sample shows how to enter a BASIC program to Batch. You must make up the file and save it on disk. Then make up a control file that simulates the dialog with the BASIC system. The program is shown below.

```
5 INPUT D
10 IF D = 2 THEN 110
20 PRINT "X VALUE","SINE","RESOLUTION"
30 FOR X=0 TO 3 STEP D
40 IF SIN(X)<=M THEN 80
50 LET X0=X
60 LET M=SIN(X)
80 NEXT X
90 PRINT X0, M,D
100 GO TO 5
110 END
```

The program requests data from the user when it is running. You include the data in the control file. The final data item must be 2 to conclude the program. The control file follows.

```
.R BASIC
*OLD
*DSK:MYBAS.BAS
*RUN
.1
.01
.001
2
*MONITOR
```

The output from the terminal will be printed in the control file because it would normally be printed on the terminal. The command to submit the job to Batch is as follows.

```
SUBMIT = BAS.CTL
```
BATCOM version 12(1041) running BAS sequence 25 in stream 2
Input from DSKB0;BAS,CTL[4,77743]
Output to DSKB0;BAS,LOG[4,77743]
Job parameters
Time=08:05:100 Unique:YES Restarting

Login 4/77743 /SPool:ALL/TIME=1300/LOCATE=1/NAME=TEST
Job 30 RX7ATA SYS #514/546 TTY223
[Login, other jobs same PPN]
User 1134 21-Oct-84 Sun
User 1134 26 Mon 
User ,,R BASIC
User READY, FOR HELP TYPE HELP.
User *OLD
User OLD FILE NAME -- DSK:MYBAS.BAS
User 1134 21-Oct-84
User MYBAS 1134 21-Oct-84
User 7,1
User X VALUE SINE RESOLUTION
User 1,6 0,999574 0,1
User 1,01
User X VALUE SINE RESOLUTION
User 1,57 1. 0,01
User 7,001
User SINE RESOLUTION
User 1,571 1. 0,001
User ?2
User TIME: 0,59 SECS.
User READY
User MONITOR
User KQ = Total of 3 blocks in 1 file in LPT1 request
Job 30 User [4,77743] Logged off TTY223 1135 21-Oct-84
Saved all files (30 blocks)
Runtime 4,10 Sec
LPT1B Version 0(344) Running on LPI0
FORTRAN Example

The third example shows a FORTRAN-10 program that prints output on the line printer. In the control file, you want to tell Batch to delete your relocatable binary file if an error occurs when your program is executed. Otherwise, you want Batch to save your relocatable binary file as it normally would. The program is shown below.

```
C THIS PROGRAM CALCULATES PRIME NUMBERS FROM 11 TO 50.
  DO 10 I = 11, 50, 2
  J = 1
  4 J = J + 2
  A = J
  A = I / A
  L = I / J
  B = A - L
  IF (B) 5, 10, 5
  5 IF (J.LT.SQRT(FLOAT(I))) GO TO 4
  PRINT 105, I
  10 CONTINUE
  105 FORMAT (14, 'IS PRIME. ')
END
```

The control file to compile and execute this program, deleting the relocatable binary file if there is an execution error, is as follows.

```
.COMPILE MYPROG.FOR
.EXECUTE MYPROG.REL
.IF (NOERROR) .GOTO END
.DELETE MYPROG.REL
END:: !END OF JOB
```

The command to submit this job is as follows.

```
SUBMIT MYFOR.CTL,MYFOR.LOG/DISPOSE:DELETE
```

The output and log file are shown on the following page. The log file will be deleted after it has been printed.

```
11 IS PRIME.
13 IS PRIME.
17 IS PRIME.
19 IS PRIME.
23 IS PRIME.
29 IS PRIME.
31 IS PRIME.
37 IS PRIME.
41 IS PRIME.
43 IS PRIME.
47 IS PRIME.
```
BATCON VERSION 12(1041) RUNNING MYFOR SEQUENCE 414 IN STREAM 7
INPUT FROM DSKB1\MYFOR.CTL[4,77743]
OUTPUT TO DSKB1\MYFOR.LOG[4,77743]
JOB PARAMETERS
TIME:00:05:00 UNIQUE:YEST RESTART:NO

LOGIN 4/77743 /SPOOL:ALL/TIME:1300/LOCATE:11/NAME:"TEST"
JOB 20 RX7AVC SYS #514/546 TTY231
[LGNSJP OTHER JOBS SAME PPN]
USER 1444 15-OCT-84 MON

COMPILE FORT.FOR
FORTRAN: FORT
EXECUTE FURT.FOR
LINK: LOADING
[LNXCFT FOR EXECUTION]
USER END OF EXECUTION
CPU TIME: 0.13 ELAPSED TIME: 1.83
EXIT

EXECUTION
CPU TIME: 0.13 ELAPSED TIME: 1.83
EXIT

TOTAL OF 3 BLOCKS IN 2 FILES IN LPT2 REQUEST
OTHER JOBS SAME PPN

TOTAL OF 3 BLOCKS IN 2 FILES IN LPT2 REQUEST
OTHER JOBS SAME PPN

JOB 20, USER [4,77743] LOGGED OFF TTY231 1447 15-OCT-84
ANOTHER JOB STILL LOGGED IN UNDER [4,77743]
RUNTIME 7.33 SEC
LPTSPL VERSION 6(344) RUNNING ON LPT2
JOB MYFOR FILE DSKB0\FORLPT[4,77743] FOR [4,77743] STARTED
DSKB0\FORLPT[4,77743] DONE
The fourth program shows a COBOL program that reads a magnetic tape and writes output on another magnetic tape. To have your magnetic tapes mounted on drives and assigned to you, you must request that the operator mount them. Since you do not know which drives will be assigned to your job, you must assign them in your job with logical device names. The MOUNT command assigns the drive to your job and associates the logical name that you specify in it with the physical drive assigned. You should include a PLEASE command to the operator to tell him that you want two magnetic tape drives. If he cannot let you have the drives because they are in use, you can ask him to enter your job again. Your magnetic tapes, one with the input data, the other blank so that you can write on it, should be given to the operator or kept at the central site, so that the operator can find your tapes. The program is as follows.

```
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
FILE-CONTROL.
    SELECT INFIL, ASSIGN MAG1.
    SELECT OUTFIL, ASSIGN MAG2.
DATA DIVISION.
FILE SECTION.
FD INFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD
    VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "INFIL DAT",
    BLOCK CONTAINS 20 RECORDS.
01 INREC, PIC X(80).
FD OUTFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD.
    VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "OUTFILDAT",
    BLOCK CONTAINS 12 RECORDS.
01 OUTREC, PIC X(80).
PROCEDURE DIVISION.
START.
    OPEN INPUT INFIL, OUTPUT OUTFIL.
LOOP.
    READ INFIL AT END GO TO FIN.
    WRITE OUTREC FROM INREC.
    GO TO LOOP.
FIN.
    CLOSE OUTFIL, INFIL.
STOP RUN.
```
The control file and the SUBMIT command to enter this program to Batch are as follows.

```plaintext
.PLEASE NEED TWO MAGTAPES, IF I CAN'T HAVE THEM, REQUEUE.
.MOUNT MTA:MAG1/VID:INFIL /RONLY/REELID:9TRACK
.MOUNT MTA:MAG2/VID:OUTFIL/WENABLE/REELID:9TRACK
.COMPILE MYPROG.CBL
.EXECUTE MYPROG.CBL
.DISMOUNT MAG1:
.DISMOUNT MAG2:
.DELETE MYPROG.*

.SUBMIT MYJOB=MYJOB.CTL
```

The log file is shown on the following page.
BATCON VERSION 17(1041) RUNNING MYCOR SEQUENCE 1226 IN STREAM 1
INPUT FROM DSKB1;MYCOR.CTL[4,77743]
OUTPUT TO DSKB1;MYCOR.LOG[4,77743]
JOB PARAMETERS
TIME:00:05:00 UNIQUE:YES RESTART:YES

LOGIN 4/77743 /POOL:ALL/TERM:1300/LOCATE:1/NAME:"TEST"
JOB 3 P57ATA SYS #40/2 TTY145
[LMIFSP OTHER JOBS SAME PPN]
028 24-OCT-84 WED
LOGIN 4/77743

PLEASE NEED TWO MAGTAPES, IF I CAN'T HAVE THEM, REQUEUE.
MOUNT MTA;MAG1/VID:INPUT/RONLY/REELID19TRACK
REQUEST QUEUED
USER REQUEST QUEUED
MAG1 MOUNTED, MTR1 USED
MOUNT MTA1;MAG2/VID:OUTPUT/WENARLE/REELID19TRACK
REQUEST QUEUED
USER REQUEST QUEUED
MAG1 MOUNTED, MTR1 USED

COMPILE COB,CRL
EXECUTE COB,CRL
LINK: LOADING
[LINKS=COB EXECUTION]
[MT1] DISMOUNTED
DELETE COB,CRL

KJOR DSKB1;MYCOR.Log=/W/B/ZI4/VP110/V8;1226/VI:1200/VP:10/VDP
TOTAL OF 3 BLOCKS IN 1 FILE IN LPS1 REQUEST
KJOR OTHER JOBS SAME PPN
JGMUT JOB 3, USER [4,77743] LOGGED OFF TTY145 1031 24-OCT-84
JGMUT ANOTHER JOB STILL LOGGED IN UNDER [4,77743]
LPM6G LPS6PL VERSION 6(344) RUNNING ON LPT1
5.2 USING CARDS TO ENTER JOBS

**ALGOL Example**

The first job is a simple ALGOL program that writes its output into the log file because it has statements that would cause it normally to write to the terminal. The program is as follows.

```
BEGIN
  REAL X; INTEGER I;
  X := 1;
  FOR I := 1 UNTIL 1000 DO X := X + I;
  PRINT (X);
END
```

The cards to enter this program are shown in Figure 5-1.

Figure 5-1

The output, including the log file, is shown on the following page.
BASIC Example

The next example shows how to enter a BASIC program. You must include the program after a $DECK card so that it will be copied into a file on disk. No $DATA card can be used because BASIC does not use the EXECUTE command and because the data is entered in the control file. The program requests data when it is running; it finds the data in the control file. The final data item must be 2 so that the program can be concluded. The program is shown below.

```plaintext
5   INPUT D
10  IF D = 2 THEN 110
20  PRINT "X VALUE", "SINE", "RESOLUTION"
30  FOR X = 0 TO 3 STEP D
40  IF SIN(X)=M THEN 80
50  LET X0 = X
60  LET M = SIN(X)
80  NEXT X
90  PRINT X0, M, D
100 GO TO 5
110 END
```
The cards to enter the program and run it are shown in Figure 5-2.

Figure 5-2

The output from the program will be printed in the log file because it would normally be printed on the terminal. The log file is shown on the following page.
08106154 STDAT 13-NOV-84 R57ATA SYS #4/2 SPRIKIT Version 2(1035) Running on CDRO
08106154 STCRD $SEQUENCE 10
08106154 STCRD $JOB BASJOB [4,77743]
08106159 STCRD $DECK MYBAS,BAS
08106156 STMSG File DSK1MYBAS.HAS Created - 11 Cards Read - 2 Blocks Written
08106157 STCRD STOP010
08106157 STCRD SEQJ
08106157 STSUM End of Job Encountered
08106157 STSUM 26 Cards Read
08106158 STSUM Batch Input Request Created
08107113 BASJOB BATCON Version 12(1041) Running BASJOB sequence 10 In stream 2
08107113 BAFIL Input from DSK1BASJOB.CTL[4,77743]
08107113 BAFIL Output to DSK1BASJOB.LOG[4,77743]
08107113 BASUM Job parameters
Time:09185:00 Uniquely FS Restart/YES

08107113 MONTR
08107113 MONTR LOGIN 4/77743 /POOL;ALL/TIME;13/LOCATE;1/NAMETEST
08107113 USER JOB 17 R57ATA SYS #4/2 TTY147
08107117 USER 0807 13-NOV-84 Tue
08107117 MONTR .R BASIC
08107122 USER READY, FOR HELP TYPE HELP.
08107122 USER
08107122 USER *OLD
08107123 USER OLD FILE NAME---DSK1MYBAS,BAS
08107129 USER
08107129 USER READY
08107129 USER *RUN
08107129 USER
08107129 USER MYBAS 08107 13-NOV-84
08107127 USER
08107127 USER
08107127 USER
08107127 USER
08107127 USER
08107127 USER
08107128 USER X VALUE SINE RESOLUTION
08107128 USER 3.0 0.14112 0.1
08107128 USER 7.0 0.14112 0.1
08107128 USER X VALUE SINE RESOLUTION
08107128 USER 3.0 0.14112 0.01
08107128 USER 7.001 0.14112 0.01
08107131 USER X VALUE SINE RESOLUTION
08107132 USER 2.99999 0.14113 0.071
08107132 USER .72
08107132 USER
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08107136 USER
08107136 USER
08107136 USER
08107136 MONTR
08107136 MONTR JOB DSK1BASJOB.LOG="/\M/V120/VS10/VL:1200/V0:10
08107148 K:QUE Total of 5 blocks In 1 file In LPT31 request
08107149 LGOUT JOB 17, USER [4,77743] Logged off TTY147 0807 13-NOV-84
08107149 LGOUT Saved all files (100 blocks)
08107149 LGOUT Runtime .80 Sec
08107148 LPSL Version 6(344) Running on LPT0

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FORTRAN Example

The third example shows a FORTRAN-10 program that prints output on the line printer. In the control file, you want to tell Batch to punch your relocatable binary program if it executes correctly. Otherwise, you want to end your job so that you can find your error from the message in the log file. The program is shown below.

```
C THIS PROGRAM CALCULATES PRIME NUMBERS FROM 11 TO 50.
DO 10 I=11,50,2
  J=1
  J=J+2
  A=J
  A=I/A
  L=I/J
  B=A-L
  IF (B) 5, 10, 5
5 IF (J.LT.SQRT(FLOAT(I)))GO TO 4
  PRINT 105,I
10 CONTINUE
105 FORMAT (I4, ' IS PRIME.')
END
```

The cards used to enter this program are shown in Figure 5-3.

Figure 5-3
Batch puts the following commands into the control file as a result of the cards you entered.

.COMPILE LN???? .FOR/COMPILE/LIST
.EXECUTE LN???? .REL
.IF (ERROR) .GOTO END
.R PIP
*CDP:MYPROG = DSK:LN???? .REL
END:: !END OF JOB

The printed output from the job, including the log file, is shown on the following page.
08:07:12 STDAT 13-NOV-84 RS/ATA SYS #48/2 SPRINT Version 2(1035) Running on COR
08:07:12 STCD %SEQUENCE 12
08:07:12 STCD JOB TEST[4,77743] /CARDS=100
08:07:12 STCD %FORTTRAN
08:07:14 STMSG FILE DSK1401E.FOR Created = 14 Cards Read = 2 Blocks Written
08:07:12 STCD %EXECUTE
08:07:12 STCD STOP$10
08:07:12 STCD ERROR.GO TO END
08:07:12 STERR %SPFTFT This card should follow a STOP$10 Card
08:07:12 STERR Cards END: END OF JOB
08:07:12 STCD SEQJ
08:07:24 STSUM End of Job Encountered
08:07:12 STSUM 23 Cards Read
08:07:12 STSUM Batch Input Request Created:

08:07:148 BAJOB HATCOM version 12(1841) running TEST sequence 10 In stream 2
08:07:148 BAILF Input from DSK80/TEST.CTL[4,77743]
08:07:148 BAILF Output to DSK81/LOG[4,77743]
08:07:148 BASUM Job parameters
08:07:148 BASUM Time:02:05:10 Unique:YES Restart:YES
08:07:149 MONTR .LOGIN 4/77743 /SPOOL:ALL/TIME1300/LLOCATE1/NAME1/TEST
08:07:149 USER JOB 17 9S/ATA SYS #48/2 TTY147
08:07:152 USER K807 13-NOV-84 TYS
08:07:153 MONTR .COMPL /COMP/F10 DSK1401E,FOR/LIST
08:07:157 USER FORTRAN: LN401E
08:07:167 MONTR .EXECUT /REL DSK1401E,REL
08:07:169 USER LINK: Loading
08:07:169 USER LLWXCT LN401E Execution
08:08:12 USER END OF EXECUTION
08:08:120 USER CPU TIME: 0.21 ELAPSED TIME:1.92
08:08:120 MONTR EXIT
08:08:120 MONTR
08:08:120 MONTR
08:08:120 BLAAL "END:
08:08:120 FALSE IF (ERROR) ,GO TO END
08:08:120 BLAAL END:
08:08:120 BLAAL "END: OF JOB
08:08:120 BLAAL
08:08:120 BLAAL
08:08:120 MONTR .DELETE DSK1401E,FOR,DSK1401E,REL
08:08:120 USER Files deleted;
08:08:120 USER LN401E,FOR
08:08:120 USER LN401E,H,EL
08:08:120 USER LN401E,H,EL
08:08:120 USER LN401E,H,EL
08:08:120 MONTR .KJOB DSK80/TEST.LOG/4/77743/VR10/VS120/VR120/VC150/VD10
08:08:120 K-DUE Total of 8 blocks in 3 files In LPT1 request
08:08:120 LGOUT Job 17, User [4,77743] Logged off TTY147 2888 13-Nov-84
08:08:120 LGOUT Saved all files (79 blocks)
08:08:120 LGOUT Runtime 5.23 Sec
08:08:120 LGOUT
08:08:120 LGMSG LPT$1 Version 6(344) Running on LPT0
08:08:120 LGMSG Job TEST file DSK80/LOG[4,77743ystemed for [4,77743] started
08:08:120 LGMSG DSK80/LOG[4,77743] Done
08:08:120 LGMSG Job TEST file DSK80/LOG[4,77743] for [4,77743] started
08:08:120 LGMSG DSK80/LOG[4,77743] Done

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The fourth program shows a COBOL program that reads data from a magnetic tape and writes output on another magnetic tape. To have your magnetic tapes mounted on drives and assigned to you, you must request that the operator mount them. Since you do not know which drives will be assigned to your job, you must assign them in your job with logical device names. The MOUNT command assigns the drive to your job and associates the logical name that you specify in it with the physical drive assigned. You should include a PLEASE command to the operator to tell him that you want two magnetic tape drives. If he cannot let you have the drives because they are in use, you can ask him to enter your job again. Your magnetic tapes, one with the input data, the other blank so that you can write on it, should be given to the operator with your card deck or kept at the central site, so that the operator can find your tapes. The program is as follows.

```
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
FILE-CONTROL
   SELECT INFIL, ASSIGN MAG1.
   SELECT OUTFIL, ASSIGN MAG2.
DATA DIVISION.
FILE SECTION.
FD INFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD.
   VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "INFIL DAT".
   BLOCK CONTAINS 20 RECORDS.
01 INREC, PIC X (80)
FD OUTFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD
   VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "OUTFILDAT".
   BLOCK CONTAINS 12 RECORDS.
01 OUTREC, PIC X (80).
PROCEDURE DIVISION.
START.
   OPEN INPUT INFIL, OUTPUT OUTFIL.
LOOP.
   READ INFIL AT END GO TO FIN.
   WRITE OUTREC FROM INREC.
   GO TO LOOP.
FIN.
   CLOSE OUTFIL, INFIL.
STOP RUN
```
The cards to enter this job are shown in Figure 5-4.

Batch puts the following commands into the control file for you.

```plaintext
.PLEASE NEED TWO MAG TAPES, IF I CAN'T HAVE THEM, REQUEUE.
.MOUNT MTA: MAG1 /VID: INFIL /RONLY/ REELID: 9TRACK
.MOUNT MTA: MAG2 /VID: OUTFIL /WENABL/ REELID: 9TRACK
.COMPILE /COMPILE LN???? .CBL /LIST
.EXECUTE MYPROG.REL
.DISMOUNT MAG1:
.DISMOUNT MAG2:
```
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION,

INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION,

FILE-CONTROL.

SELECT INFIL, ASSIGN MAG1.

SELECT OUTFIL, ASSIGN MAG2.

DATA DIVISION,

FILE SECTION.

FD INFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD.

VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "INFIL DATA",

BLOCK CONTAINS 20 RECORDS.

FD INREC, PIC X(80),

FD OUTFIL, LABEL RECORDS ARE STANDARD,

VALUE OF IDENTIFICATION IS "OUTFIL DAT",

BLOCK CONTAINS 12 RECORDS.

FD OUTREC, PIC X(80),

PROCEDURE DIVISION,

START.

OPEN INPUT INFIL, OUTPUT OUTFIL.

READ INFIL AT END GO TO FIN,

WRITE OUTREC FROM INREC.

GO TO LOOP.

CLOSE OUTPUT, INFIL.

STOP RUN.

NO ERRORS DETECTED
BAJOB

HATCON version 12(1041) running COBJOB sequence 10 in stream 5

Output to DSK:LN31MH,REL

LINK1 loading

PLEASE NEED TWO MAGTAPES

OPERATOR NOTIFIED

OPERATOR NOTIFIED

EXIT
15:129:11 USER LLNXCT LN31MH Execution
15:129:11 M0TR EXIT
15:129:11 M0TR ..DISMOUNT MAG1
15:129:11 M0TR ..DISMOUNT MAG2
15:129:11 MAG2 DISMOUNTED
15:129:11 USER OPERATOR NOTIFIED
15:129:11 USER WAITING...
15:134:13 USER MAG1 DISMOUNTED
15:134:13 M0TR ..DISMOUNT MAG2
15:134:13 USER OPERATOR NOTIFIED
15:134:13 USER WAITING...
15:135:13 USER MAG2 DISMOUNTED
15:135:13 M0TR ..
15:135:13 BLASL FINISH
15:135:13 M0TR .DELETE DSKILN31MH.CBL, DSKILN31MH.REL
15:135:13 USER Files deleted:
15:135:13 M0TR LN31MH.CBL
15:135:13 USER 0 Blocks freed
15:135:13 USER LN31MH.REL
15:135:13 USER 0 Blocks freed
15:135:13 M0TR .KJ05 DSKB01C08JOB,LOG=/~/VSl4/VSl10/VS12/VSl:20/WD:0
15:135:12 K-JOB Total of 11 Blocks in 2 files in LPT15 request
15:135:11 LGOUT Job 12, User [4.77743] Logged off TTY146 1535 13-Nov-84
15:135:11 LGOUT Saved all files (100 Blocks)
15:135:11 LGOUT Runtime 8.49 Sec
15:136:17 LGMSG LPT5PL Version 6(344) Running on LPT15
15:136:16 LGMSG DSKB1:LN31MH4.77743 Done

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Please indicate the type of user/reader that you most nearly represent.

☐ Assembly language programmer
☐ Higher-level language programmer
☐ Occasional programmer (experienced)
☐ User with little programming experience
☐ Student programmer
☐ Non-programmer interested in computer concepts and capabilities

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