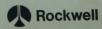


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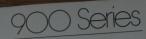
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Programming Guide









ROCKWELL 900 SERIES PROGRAMMING GUIDE

### INTRODUCTION

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### INTRODUCTION TO FLOWCHARTING

A flowchart is a plan, or outline of the way a program should be written. It shows graphically what occurs in a program. By writing a flowchart of a program before you write the actual program steps, you will make your task much simpler. You can organize your thoughts, discover where the difficult parts of the program will be found and decide how to solve them. As a result, when you write the program, you will know exactly how to proceed.

Let's see how the flowcharting technique can be used to outline a situation that occurs every day. Consider the steps involved in selecting a new car. Assume you are going to choose between a Cadillac, a Dodge and a Volkswagen. The following flowchart will outline the steps that you would follow in deciding which car to murchase.



FIGURE A

Notice how this outlines the major tasks and puts them in coherent order. It is possible to re-arrange the tasks somewhat (i.e., by visiting the Dodge showroom before visiting Cadillac), but the basic logic flow cannot be changed. (You couldn't decide which car to buy before visiting at least one showroom).

### DEFINITION OF SYMBOLS

The previous flowchart used three symbols that will be applied throughout this book.

They are designed as follows:

1.

OPERATION SYMBOL

A flowchart breaks down a program into separate operations. A description of each operation is put inside a rectangle called an "Operation Symbol."

2. ← ✓ →

Direction arrows show the flow directions within a flowchart.

3.

TERMINAL SYMBOL

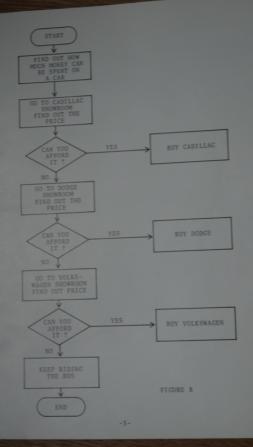
Terminal Symbols are used to show where a program begins and ends.

### DECISION MAKING

If you study the previous flowchart, you will find that the solution as to which car to buy was not considered. You could make that decision, but how could we break down the problem so that a computer could make the decision?

First, we must establish criteria by which you would decide which car to buy. One logical decision would be based on the price of the car. Our flowchart could be designed so that it compares the price of each car with the amount of money you have to spend, and then selects the best car that you can afford.

The flowchart might look like the flowchart on the next page.

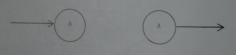


The previous flowchart introduced a new symbol called a "Decision Diamond".

The Decision Diamond is used when a decision must be made. For a flow-chart (or program) to work properly, each decision must be turned into a question that can be answered with yes or no, or true or false. A Decision Diamond has two direction arrows, one pointing out the path the flowchart will follow if the answer to the question is yes (or true) and the other pointing out the path that flowchart will follow if the answer to the question is no (or false).

CONTINUE FROM A

### LABEL CONNECTORS



Label connectors are used when it is inconvenient, because of the layout or complexity of a flowchart, to show a lengthy direction arrow between two points that are logically connected. An arrow entering a label connector shows where a flowchart is to continue to. An arrow exiting from a connector shows where the program is to continue from. The letters or numbers inside the connector give a name, or label, to the connector.

Sometimes, a flowchart may be written on two or more pages. As a result, a label connector may send you to a place on the page you are reading or to another page. As a result, two different shapes





ON-PAGE LABEL CONNECTOR OFF-PAGE LABEL CONNECTOR

Now that label connectors have been explained, we can use them to improve our flowchart. Note that in the flowchart in Figure B the improve our flowchart. Note that in the flowchart in Figure B the three operation symbols contain almost identical operations. One three operation symbols contain almost identical operations. One three operations, another says "Buy Dodge" and the last says "Buy Volkswagen". These can all be generalized to "Buy Car". This is all the information necessary for the decision making process, since you are already in the proper showroom when the decision to "Buy Car" is made. We can thus use label connectors to shorten the flowchart. Here is how the new flowchart might look:

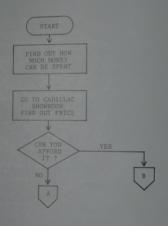
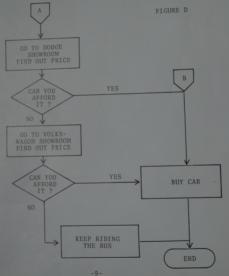


FIGURE C

The flowchart in Figure D also illustrates the technique of "jumping". Jumps are used when you are at one point of a flowchart and wish to skip over several operations and go directly to another operation.

When writing programs, you will find that jumps are used in the

The continuing flowchart might look as follows:



Because of the order in which the flowchart takes you to showrooms, it forces you to buy the most expensive car that you can afford. Realistically, buying a car because of the price tag is not a very good idea. The best car is not necessarily the most expensive one, it is the one that best suits your needs. Consideration should be given to: styling, mileage, safety, performance, seating capacity, trade-in-value, etc. After you've found out this information, you would then buy the most expensive car you could afford that best suits your needs. The floxchart should then be re-written to in-

First, let's list a set of rules to follow when writing the flowchart.

- 1. Arrange to visit each showroom in the order of expected
- 2. Enter a showroom and find out the price of the car.
- 3. If it cannot be afforded, go to next showroom.
- 4. If it can be afforded, find out if it meets other criteria.
- 5. If it does not meet other criteria, go to next showroom.

By visiting each showroom in the order of expected price, from highest to lowest, you are assured that you will buy the most

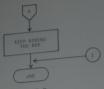
In order to write this new flowchart, we must introduce a new symbol:



This symbol represents a group of operations (or program steps) that are specified elsewhere in a flowchart. If you encounter the symbol while reading a flowchart, read the group of operations that it represents, then come back to where you left off and continue reading the main body of the flowchart.

With this symbol and the plan just discussed, we can write a conmembersive flowchart.





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### SUBROUTINES

This flowchart has introduced an entirely new concept, subroutines. A subroutine is a small flowchart (or program) that is part of a larger flowchart (or program). The subroutine shown here was used to determine if a car met the criteria other than price. If it did, the subroutine directed you to purchase the car. If it didn't, the subroutine directed you to return to the point from which you left the main program. This 'return' feature is what distinguishes a subroutine from a jump. A jump takes the program from point A to point B. A subroutine takes the program from point A to point G and then at some pre-determined time takes the program back to point A. As illustrated by this flowchart, the program can go to a subroutine several times from several different parts of a program and always return to the point from which it left. When a computer reads an instruction to go to a subroutine, it records the point to which it should return. As a result, a program can branch to a subroutine several times and always return to the place A program is a series of instructions executed automatically by a computing device. The instructions are written by the programmer. To write a program, analyze the best way to solve the problem manually, then execute the problem once, depressing each key in the order in which the problem would be solved. If, to run the problem order in which the problem would be solved. If, to run the problem would be solved, and execute thirty instructions, a program will reduce your work to entering three numbers on the same key.

### WRITING A BASIC PROGRAM

For example, let's say that you would like to write a program to solve the equation  $\underline{A} \times \underline{B} \times \underline{C} = E$ . This means that you want to be able to enter any four numbers, A,B,C and D, and have a program automatically multiply A times B times C then divide the product by D. If A=2, B=3, C=4 and D=5, therefore you would like a program to compute:  $2 \times 3 \times 4 = 4.8$ 

The first thing to do is determine how to solve the problem manually.

Solution
2 x
3 x
4 ÷
5 =

We could generalize this problem for any four variables A,B,C and B as follows:

	Solution
AxBxC = E	ΑX
	ВХ
	C ÷
	D =

To generalize the solution, letters (or variables) were substituted for the numbers 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Now, how would a program be written to compute  $\underbrace{A \times B \times C}_{D}$  = E? The basic solution was given above, in the solution column.

AX

BX

C ÷

D =

There are additional steps to take in order to enter this program into the calculator. However, the logic of how it works is complete.

Let's go over these additional steps required for entering a program. Looking at the program, there are four places where a variable is to be entered. However, the program cannot be entered touching 2 [X] 3 [X] 4 [:] 5 [=], as the variables will constantly change. There has to be a single instruction that will tell the machine to stop and allow entry of the next variable. The instruction that tells the machine to stop is logically called [STOP] and should be inserted in place of the variables in our program.

So far the program instructions are as follows:

INSTRUCTION	EXPLANATION
STOP	enter A
X STOP	enter B
X STOP	enter C
	enter D
-	compute E

Notice that the last step says "compute E", not "compute and print E".

A program will never execute anything unless it is specifically instructed what to do. In this case, it will not print anything unless you instruct it to print. Obviously, you must print the answer and you will undoubtedly want to print the entries as well. The compute program looks like this.

# **Program Coding Form** CALCULATOR MODEL NO.

The last four steps ([JUMP] 000) instructs the calculator that the program has been completed and that it should go back to the first step to pregare for new variables.

Step 013, [SPACE], instructs the program to skip a space each time it computes an answer. This makes the answers easier to see. This is called 'formatting' the output.

NOTE: The first step in a program is 000, not 001. This is common logic in any computing device. Therefore, the Last available step is one less that the memory size of your calculator.

Now that the program is finished, let's enter it into the calculator. To start, find the DMANUAL] and [PROG] keys. The normal condition, DMANUAL], allows you to run both manual calculations and programs. To enter a program touch [MANUAL], touch [PROG], enter the program steps, then touch [MANUAL] again. The tape print out will list as follows:

00	
Ulane	
02	
03	
05	
06	
07	
	P
	=
17	

Now we're ready to run the program.

First, touch the [RUN] key. Then enter the variances in order, touching the [RUN] key after each entry. When you're finished, the mount of the second of the

ENTRY		
	RUN	
	RUN	2 · e 3 · e
3	RUN	4 · e 5 · e
4	RUN	4.80

Easy? Now try some new numbers. Enter 10, 12, 14 and 16. You should get an answer of 105. Enter 5, 2, 12 and 3. You should get an answer of 40. Enter any four numbers you like, and see what the an answer is. Congratulations! You've just entered and run your first program.

### RULES OF BASIC PROGRAMMING

Three rules to follow can be established when writing a program.

These are the rules that were followed when writing the previous program.

- ANALYZE THE PROBLEM and decide the best way to solve it manually.
- 2. WRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION
- 3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT] AND [SPACE] INSTRUCTIONS.

These rules should be easy to follow if you have carefully studied the way the calculator operates. First, choose a method of solving your problem that will work for any set of variables. Next, write down the solution in a way that uses a minimum number of key depres-

sions. Finally, print the entries and answer, and insert the instruction [SPACE] as often as desired to set apart entries from answers and to separate different problems.

Let's write a short sample program to illustrate how these steps are followed. A very common business problem is one called Percentage Increase and Decrease. This problem computes the difference and percent of change between periods. For example, if 1250 units were sold in January and 1500 units in February then there has been priocesses of 150 units or 20%.

### 1. ANALYZE THE PROBLEM

Increase or Decrease:

difference = current period - previous period

Thus:

difference = % of Increase or Decrease

2. WRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION

Key Depression	Explanation
CLEAR ALL	Current Period Previous Period
† - T	Print 250, the amount of change
EXCHANGE %	Print 20%, the percentage of change.

INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.
 The completed form looks as follows.

# **Program Coding Form**

		PROGRAM TITLE	
ALC	ULATOR	MODEL NO. PAGE OF	
100	RAMMER		
ATE			
	CLEAR ALL	a married	
	STOP	Enter current period	
	+	Add current period	
		Enter previous period	
	PRINT		
		Set up previous period as a dividend	
		Subtract previous period from current period	
		Print amount of change	
		Print amount of change Make previous period the divisor, and the difference the dividend	
		Print percentage change	
		Separates each problem on the tape	
		Return to the beginning to process a new set of data	

### JUMPS AND DECISIONS

In general, the steps of a program are executed in sequential order.
When a [JUMP] instruction is executed, this sequential order changes.
The program may go from the 52nd step to the 165th step, or from
the 94th step to the 281st step, or from the 392nd step to the
sth step, and so on. The steps in between are ignored. The program
simply starts executing from the new address.

Any program step within the memory size of the calculator can be addressed by a Jump instruction.

Jumps fall into two categories, conditional and unconditional. Unconditional jumps simply take a program from one address to an address designated by the jump instruction. For example, if the calculator encounters a set of instructions saying, "Jump to Step 23", the jump is executed in all cases, unconditionally. Conditional jumps, on the other hand, will jump from step 28 to 48 only if some condition is fulfilled. Therefore, conditional jumps are used when a program has to make a decision.

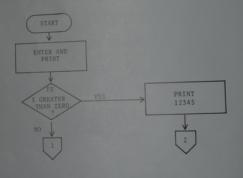
The calculator can make four different types of decisions. All concern the number in the keyboard register. If we call this number X, then the four decisions are:

CONDITION	INSTRUCTION
1. Is X positive?	Jump if Positive [JUMP] [+]
2. Is X negative?	Jump if Negative [JUMP] [-]
3. Is X zero?	Jump if Zero [JUMP] [=]
4. No X entry?	Jump if No Entry [JUMP] [AX]

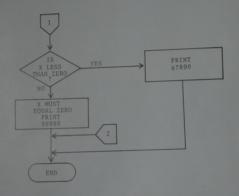
In each case, if the statement is true, the program will jump, If the statement is false, the program will pass through and

To see how jumps are used, write a program to test if X is greater than zero, less than zero, or equal to zero.

- 1. If X is greater than zero, Print X and then print 12345.
- 2. If X is less than zero, print X and then print a negative
- 3. If X equals zero, print X and then 99999.



Now that we have written the flowchart, we can write the program and insert [STOP], [PRINT] and [SPACE] instructions. Conditional jumps will be inserted to replace the decision diamonds.



FIGURE

## **Program Coding Form**

ATE				Routine used when x>0	50 0			-
000	STOP	Enter x	25 1	when X-	51 0		76	
	PRINT		26 1				77	
	JUMP		27 2				78	
	+		28 3		54		79	
04	LABEL	Jump if x is	29 4				80	
	0		30 5				81	
06	1						82	
	JUMP						83	
08			33 ј				84	
		Jump if x is <0					85	
	0						86	
							87	
	9						88	
14			39 2				89	
	9		40 6				90	
	9						91	
			42 8				92	
			43 9				93	
							94	
							95	
							96	
			47 SPACE				97	
			48 JUMP		73		98	
			49 0		74		99	
		MEMORY 1	1	3-24-		5 6		8

PROGRAM TITLE

This program used two labels, label 01 and label 02. A label is simply a symbolic address. For more information, please refer to the explanation of [LABEL] in the Advanced Operation Instruction Wannal.

This problem involved tests and jumps. However, most programs require that data be processed before it can be tested. For example, write a program in which a number X is entered. If X is less than or equal to 500, the program will multiply X by 2 and print the result. If X is greater than 500, the program will divide X by (-2) and print the result. In either event, after printing the result, the program will go back to the first step and prepare to accept another X value.

While this problem is very simple, use the three basic steps to solve it.

 ANALYZE THE PROBLEM. decide the best way to solve it manually.

To solve this problem, subtract X from 500 to determine its size. Then either multiply X by (2) or divide X by (-2), depending on the result of the operation. Since in subtracting 500 from the entry we will destroy it, we must temporarily store X in a memory while performing the test. After the test has been made, we can recall X from the memory and properly process it.

MRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION. This program involves both decisions and calculations; so it is best to construct a flowchart.

The next step is to write the solutions to the two routines that will compute either 2 times X or X divided by -2.

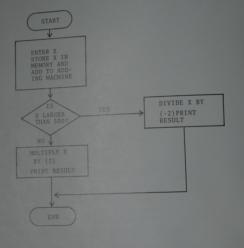


FIGURE J

Α.	To determine the relative size of X	Entry X 500	Key Depression  T  *  *  M+  T  (Test Total)	Explanation Clear adding machine and memory Add X to adding machine and to memory Subtract 500 from X Bring (X-500) to keyboard register
В.	X is less than 500	2	* X =	Recall X from memory and multiply it by 2.
	X is greater than 500		* : CHANGE SIGN	Recall X from memory and divide it by $(-2)$ .

3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.

We can now write the entire program by following the flowchart, stringing together the above short routines and inserting [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] and [JUMP] instructions.

# **Program Coding Form**

ALC	ULATOR MO	DEL NO.				PAGE		_ OF
ROG	RAMMER							
ATE			0				76	
	TOTAL			Start of routine to process X if				
	*			process X 11 X>500.			78	
	SPACE							
	STOP E	nter X		Recall X. Clear memory	54		79	
	PRINT						80	
	+			Divide X by (-2)			81	
	M+						82	
							83	
			-				84	
				Return to			85	
		ring X-500 o keyboard					87	
	JUMP							
	+ 1						88	
							89	
							90	
							91	
		500.						
							96	
	JUMP							
					73		98	
					74		99.	

This program is now complete. To enter it, simply depress [MANUAL], [PRO6], [CLEAR], enter the program steps, depress [MANUAL], [RUN], then enter the values. The answers will print.

### USING CONSTANTS IN A PROGRAM

Note that when executing the previous program that steps 007, 008 and 009 generated the constant 500. You may generate any constant within the 14 digit capacity of the calculator. Each digit including sign and decimal point takes one step. (12 requires two steps, 1.2 requires three steps and (-1.2) requires four steps.)

### THE THREE BASIC RULES OF PROGRAMMING

Now that several programs have been written, the basic rules of programming can be revised to allow entering of jumps. The expanded set of rules will be used throughout the rest of this book.

- ANALYZE THE PROBLEM. Decide the best way to solve it manually.
   If the program is in several parts, analyze and solve each
   part separately.
- WRITE DOWN YOUR SOLUTION, Unless the program is exceedingly simple, you shold write down both a flowchart of the problem and the method of solving each part of the problem.
- INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.
   Insert [STOP] [PRINT] and [SPACE] at the logical places in
   the program, as discussed earlier. Insert [JUMP] instructions at the decision points of the flowchart.

### CONSTRUCTING A BASIC PROGRAM

now that you have seen how conditional jumps are used, let's put them to work in a business application. As of this writing, social security is paid at the rate of social security as a famoual earnings, up to a maximum earnings of \$13,200. After a for a maximum earnings of \$13,200, social security is person's income for the year exceeds \$13,200, social security is no longer deducted.

Let's write a program to compute social security.

The program should operate as follows: The operator enters the prosse earnings during the pay period (P): then enters the year-to-date earnings up to the most recent pay period (YTD). The program must compute and print the social security deduction (if any), if there is no deduction, the program should print zero.

### 1. ANALYZE THE PROBLEM

An excellent way to analyze a problem like this is to carefully select test values that cover every possible combination of year-to-date and weekly earnings. Consider the following chart:

	Weekly	Earnings
	\$	250
		420
		350
		215
		385

'A' and 'B' are very straight-forward. 'A' has social security deducted from his wages and 'B' doesn't, as 'B' has already passed the \$13,200 limit. 'C' has earned \$13,000, so he must pay 5.85% of his next \$200 in earnings However, 'C' has earned \$350 for the period so a portion of his earnings is exempt from social security and a portion is not. This means that our program will have to make a special allowance for 'C'. 'D' and 'E' are exactly

the opposite of each other. 'D's' weekly earnings will bring the year-to-date earnings up to exactly \$13,200. bring the year-to-date was exactly \$13,200 before the weekly 'E's' year-to-date was exactly \$15,200 before the weekly

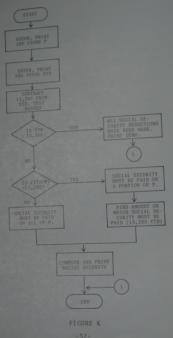
When writing a program, carefully consider every conceivable combination of circumstances and prepare the program to properly process each potential problem.

Manually solving these problems is easy. For 'A' and 'D', we multiply the weekly earnings by 5.85%. For 'B' and 'E', we do nothing (print zero). For 'C', we first find the amount of which social security must be deducted (by subtracting the old year-to-date earnings from \$13,200), then multiply this amount by 5.85%.

 write DOWN THE SOLUTION. The five problems can be solved as follows:

		Entry	Key Depression	Explanation
	A	250	Х	
		5.85	\$	
Employee	В			No Deduction
		13200	+	
		13000		
			T	\$13,200-YTD=amount on which to pay social security.
			Х	
		5.85	8	
Employee		215	X	
		5.85		
Employee	E			No Deduction

As you can see, getting the program to choose the proper solution



Take a second to look at the question inside the firse decision diamond. Note that another way of asking, "Is decision than 13,2002", is to ask, "Is (YTD-13,200) YTD greater than 13,200?". This is the way tests are made by greater than zero?". This is the way tests are made by the 900 Series. Programs must be written with this in

You should also note the way the question in the second decision diamond is phrased. It asks, "Is (YTD+P) greater than 13,2002". This question was specifically phrased to allow for case D. 'p' was the person whose weekly earnings brought her year-to-date up to exactly 13,200. If the question in the decision diamond had been, "Is (YTD+P) question in the decision diamond had been, "Is (YTD+P) tess than 13,2002", or, "Is (YTD+P) greater than or equal to 13,2002", the program would not operate correctly. Its decision would have been to not deduct social security from 'D's' paycheck. This illustrates the need for drawing a flowchart and carefully selecting test values.

3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.

# **Program Coding Form**

	ULATOR	MODEL NO.						PAGI	E	OF	4
00	GRAMME	-					-		75		
TE	- PAD		25	0	portion of P.	50	0		76		J
0	CLEAR ALL	Enter amount	26	2		51 I	ABEL		-		i
	STOP	earned during pay period (P)			Memory now con- tains (13200 -	52	0		77		P
	PRINT		27		vrn) the amt.		2		78		
	M+	Add P to memory Enter YTD	28	*	on which soc. sec. must be		*	Recall P	79		
4	STOP	Enter YTD earnings	29	X	paid		X		80		
	PRINT		30	5			5		81		
	+	Accumulate YTD				1			82		
	1			8					83		
	3						8		84		
	2								-		
	0						ę		85		
	0							Soc. Sec.	86		
	-								87		
							JUMP		88		
									89		
	JUMP								90		
	+								91		
						-	0		92		
18									93		
									94		
	+										
									96		
									97		
						-			98		
							4		99		

### SHORTENING PROGRAMS

There are many programs that can be easily written within the number of steps available in your calculator. There is rarely any practical reason for shortening these programs. However, it is wise to practice step-saving techniques, so that you will be skilled at using them when confronted with an extensive program, which may initially utilize more steps than are available.

The first rule in eliminating steps is to make use of the keys that do the most work in the least number of steps. For example, that do the most work in the least number of steps. For example, then using one memory frequently, it is often best to use [SELECT M] and the six keys related to it ([M+], [M-], [-+], [--], [0] and [\*]. These six keys all take one step to access the memory. By contrast, [-M-NI] and [-M/OUT] take three steps to store or recall data and four steps to accumulate data. Another economical set of keys are those relating to the add register ([+], [-], [S] and [T]). You might find that this is the most convenient 'memory' available. Each function takes just one step. Finally, be sure that you understand the functions of [AX], [N], [8] and [EXCHANGE]. These were carefully designed to give you a variety of automatic functions and proper was of these keys can save many steps and memories.

In this manual other methods of saving steps and registers are pointed out. Let us re-examine the social security program to see what can be done to shorten it. The program already takes advantage of the add register, the [SELECT M] functions and the percent key. It can be shortened even further, however, by some re-writing.

This program has three separate problems to consider:

- 1. Pay social security on the entire week's pay.
- 2. Pay social security on a portion of the week's pay.
- Pay no social security at all.

They have been handled by writing three separate routines that handle each situation and then jump back to the beginning of program.

We can save a number of steps by combining parts of the routines, and letting some instructions operate for more than one routine.

Here is a simple example. It just saves two steps but explains the concept. At label 01 you will find the routine that prints zero when no social security is deducted. The steps are:

Step Number	Key Depression
	PRINT
	040 are:
	PRINT

mance steps 045 - 050 are identical to steps 035 - 040, two steps can be saved by the following change:

Step Number	Key Depression
045	0
046	JUMP
047	0
048	3
049	5

This will have no effect on the answers that print. The program had been printing zero at step 045. Now it will print zero at step 035. In either case, after printing the answer it will jump to step 000.

By using this philosophy, we can shorten the rest of the program.

### **Program Coding Form**

DATI	GRAMA	MER						PAGE	OF
	CLEA	R	25	0	of P	50	0	75	
	STOP		26		OI P	51	0	76	
	PRIN	last pay	27	M-		52		77	
			28	LABEL		53		78	
04	STOP	Enter YTD		0		54		79	
				2		55		80	
	+			*	Pay soc. sec. on amount in	56		81	
	1			Х	memory	57		82	
						58		83	
						59		84	
				8		60		85	
						61		86	
				8		62		87	
					Social Security	63		88	
4						64		89	
				JUMP		65		90	
		Jump if all soc. sec.	41			66		91	
			42	0		67		92	
			43	0		68		93	
		(Recall P)	44		No soc. sec. to be paid	69		94	
	+		45	0	to be pard	70		95	
	TY	TD+P-13200	46	1		71		96	
Л		ump if soc.	47	0 Z	ero to print	72		97	
	- p	aid on P. ontinue ifsoc.	48 д	IMP		73		98	
		ec. is to be	40	0		74		99	

This program uses the same basic logic as the previous one. If you have any questions, please refer to the explanation of the earlier program.

Our 67 step program has been cut down to 52 steps by making some simple changes. It's obviously valuable to save 15 steps, but the percentage savings, 224, is even more significant. Theoretically, the same techniques could help you cut a program that first took 575 steps down to 448 steps.

During the rest of this manual we will discuss many other techniques that will help you save steps. However, it is literally impossible to cover all techniques so the best thing to do is to constantly think of ways to shorten programs while writing them.

Gradually, you will build a mental library of step-saving methods, and eventually you will find yourself easily solving problems that you would have once thought to be far beyond your calculator's capabilities.

A common problem in business statistics is finding the standard deviation of ungrouped data. The formula for the standard deviation (SD) is:

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n - 1}}$$

Where  $\Sigma X$  is the sum of all variables,  $\Sigma X^2$  is the sum of the squares of the variables and n is the number of variables.

Lets go through the three steps and see how easy it is to write a program for this formula.

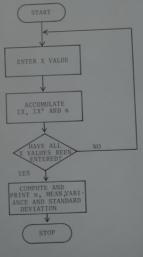
1. ANALYZE THE PROBLEM. A good program for standard deviation should require the operator to enter each X-value just once. Each time an entry is made, the program should automatically accumulate  $\Sigma X$ , then accumulate  $\Sigma X^2$  and n. The program should then be ready to accept the next X value.

After the last value is entered, there should be an easy method to instruct the program to jump to a routine that will process the data and print the answer.

Different problems will have different numbers of variables. The program should allow entry of an many values as necessary, then go to the part of the program that processes the data after the last variable has been entered.

WRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION. Following is a flowchart of a program that will allow entry of any number of variables and then process the accumulations. This flowchart is a diagram of a simple procedure called a "loop". A loop is used when a part of a program is to be repeated several times before the program goes forward. for example, in a 100-step program in which steps 25-50 are to be repeated several times, the program should be written so that each time it reaches step 050 it would automatically loop back to step 025 and start again. After some pre-determined signal, it should jump out of the loop and carry out steps 041-099. Depending on how the program is written, a loop can be repeated as many

3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.



### **Program Coding Form**

DATE		IER					PAGE	OF
		Beginning of data entry	12	25 AX		50	75	
	STOP	loop.		6		51	76	
	JUMP		2	7 *		52	77	
	AX		2	8 ÷		53	78	
04	0		2	9 N	$\Sigma X^2 - \frac{(\Sigma X)^2}{n}$	54	79	
	1		31		n-1	55	80	
	4				Variance	56	81	
				-	(Always floating)	57	82	
					Standard Deviation	58	83	
	=+	Accumulate $\Sigma X$ , $\Sigma X^2$ and n	34			59	84	
	UMP					60	85	
						61	86	
				JUMP	Return to the beginning	62	87	
						63	88	
SP		Beginning of data process-				64	89	
		ing routine				65	90	
		nsure 6 place	41			66	91	
			42			67	92	
			43			68	93	
			44			69	94	
	e	umber of ntries	45			70	95	
			46			71	96	
-			47			72	97	
	NT Me	ean	48			73	98	
х			49			74	99	

This program will allow us to enter as many X-values as we like. Each time a variable is entered and [RUN] is touched, the program will accumulate EX, EX<sup>2</sup> and n, then loop back to step 000. After the last entry is made and [RUN] is touched, the operator merely touches [RUN] without making an entry. This will cause the program to break out of the loop and jump to step 014, where it will process the stored data.

### USING THE INDIRECT MEMORY

A very common calculating problem is one called 'Percentage Distribution'. Several numbers are added together, then each individual number is divided by the sum of all the numbers to determine what percentage each is of the total amount.

First, let's see how this problem would be solved without using the indirect memory system. Assume that we have three numbers, 125, 456 and 789. We would like to write a program that will accumulate them, print a total and then print the percentage that each number contributes to the total. We have analyzed the problem in our discussion and we are ready to write down the solution.

		Entry	Key Depression	Explanation
			CLEAR ALL	To clear all registers
	Routine to	123	+	To add the numbers
	enter vari- ables		→M/IN 01	To store for later use
		456	+	To add the numbers
			→M/IN 02	To store for later use
		789	+	To add the numbers
			→M/IN 03	To store for later use

B. Routine to process vari- ables.	+M/OUT 01 ÷ T	Recall first entry Establishes the total as a constant divisor
	1	First percentage
	+M/OUT 02	Recall second entry
	8	Second percentage
	+M/OUT 03	Recall third entry
	1	Third percentage
	AX	Total of percentages
	N	Number of entries

This is a very straight-forward approach, so we could now write the program by inserting [STOP], [PRINT] and [SPACE]. However, if we do, we won't be able to use the program unless there are exactly three entries.

We must design a loop, as we did in the previous problem, to handle any number of variables. Basically, this loop should store the first entry in memory 1, the second entry in memory 2 and so on. Such a program would be able to accept any number of entries, up to the capacity of the calculator. Each entry should be added to the adding machine, then stored in a separate memory. After the last entry is made, the program should automatically leave the loop that stored all the variables, then enter another loop that recalls the variables and divides each by the total to find the percentages. After recalling and processing the last variable, the program must automatically leave the second loop, go back to step 000 and prepare to accept a new set of data.

Flowchart this method.

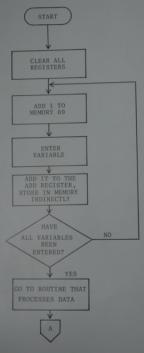
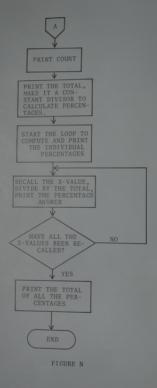


FIGURE M



On two separate occasions, the program must automatically leave a loop. It will be simple to design the program so that it leaves the first loop after the last entry is made. A 'Jump If No Entry' will work perfectly, as it did in the program for standard deviation. We will have a problem with the second loop. The entire loop is automatic and so a 'Jump If No Entry' will not work. To do this we will have to construct an item counter.

The 900 Series has two separate, automatic counters. If you have studied the calculator, you will understand why an item counter (or N-count) is used. In the first loop, our program will automatically count the number of entries as we add each entry to the adding machine. All we must do in the second loop is "reverse" that counter, count backwards from the number of entries to zero and then leave the loop when the "reverse count" reaches zero.

The following program uses the indirect register, the reverse counter, and the other techniques that have been discussed.

## **Program Coding Form**

		AR Clear all memories		25 N	Print number of entries	51	S		75	OF	
				26 PRIN		5		Jump if more processing	76		
	LAB	Beginning of EL data entry		27 S		52		required.	77		
		100p		28 PRIN	Print total of entries.	53	LABEL		78		
14	4			29 ÷	Establish total as a	54			79		
	SELE M	CI Increment pointer	1	30 T	constant divi-	55	3		80		
	+		3	31 _		56	SPACE	Processing completed	81		
	STOP	Enter variable	3	2 SPACE		57	SPACE		82		
3	JUMP		3	3 N	Initialize counter to	58	SPACE		83		
	AX		3	4 +	stop this loop after last	59	AX		84		
		Julip to	3	5 0	variable is recalled from	60	Print	Accumulated percentages	85		
	0	process data.	31	6 →M/IN	memory. Initialize	61	JUMP	(proof)	86		
	1		37	0	pointer reg- ister to re-	62	0		87		
	PRINT	Entry	38	0	call first entry.	63	0		88		
	+	Accumulate variable	39	LABEL		64	0		89		
-	M/IN		40	0	Data processing	65			90		
		Store variable	41	3	processing	66			91		
	UMP		42	SELECT	Increment	67			92		
	ABEL		43	+	position	68			93		
	0	Return to beginning of	44	+M/OUT	Recall entry	69			94		
		this loop.			Compute entry's per-	70			95		
LA			46		centage of	71			96		
		Beginning of data process-	47	PRINT		72			97		
		ing	48	1		73			98		
SP.	ACE		49			74			99		
Ŧ	-	MORY 1		2					33		

This program automatically created a counter by the addition of each variable, then it used the count to form a reverse counter that went back to zero. Also, the program created a constant divisor with the steps [†] [T] [=]. The answer to this division is of no importance but the total was converted into a constant divisor in only three steps.

As you can see, the indirect memory is a very powerful system. This program took just 65 steps to store and recall as many memories as was necessary. To do this without the use of the "Pointer Register" would have taken considerably more steps.

### PRINTING AN IDENTIFIER ON THE TAPE

The Percentage Distribution program will produce a tape that is somewhat difficult to read. The way to solve this problem is to create a counter in the program, and use it to identify the number of each entry and answer. The output may be either of the two following formats.

1.	123.00	Identifier (first entry)
	456.00	Identifier (second entry)
	789.00	Identifier (third entry)
	1368.00 3.00	(total of entries) (number of entries)
	8.99	Identifier (1st percentage)
	33.33	Identifier (2nd percentage)
	57.68	Identifier (3rd percentage)
	100.00	(total of percentages)
2.	1368.00	(number of entries) (total of entries)
	1. 123.00 8.99	Identifier (first entry) (first percentage)
	456.00 33.33	Identifier (second entry) (second percentage)
	789.00 57.68	Identifier (third entry) (third percentage)
	100.00	(total of percentages)

Either method is acceptable. The first method is simple to program and one that you can write.

The second method is not so obvious. Since each percentage is printed immediately after its corresponding entry, all variables must be entered before the <u>first</u> one can print. The entries will be printed during the second loop, as they are recalled from the memory.

We will have to change the previous program to get identifiers to print on the tape. A count is already being created in memory 00. This count can be recalled and printed during the second loop. To make the program print properly, steps 042-047 should be replaced with steps 042-053 below.

Step No.	Key Depression	Explanation			
042	SELECT M				
043	+	Add 1 to memory 00			
044	+M/OUT	Recall and print count from memory 00. This will create			
045	0	an identifier on the tape.			
046	0				
047	SPACE				
048	PRINT				
049	←M/OUT	Recall and print each			
050	INDIR	entry.			
051	PRINT				
052	8	Compute and print each entry's percentage of the total.			
053	PRINT	percentage			

Next, step 013, which is a [PRINT] instruction, should be eliminated as it has been replaced by the [PRINT] instruction at step 051.

Because of the fine editing system available on the 900 Series, you will not have to re-enter this program. If the old program is in the program memory, change it to incorporate the new steps. The old routine was:

Step No.	Key Depression			
042	SELECT M			
043	+			
044	+M/OUT			
045	INDIR			
046	8			
047	PRINT			

We can leave steps 042, 043 and 044 alone, erase step 045, then insert the new steps from 045 to 051. The program will automatically expand to allow room for the new steps. The [8], [PRINT], instructions that had been steps 046 and 047 will now be steps 052 and 053. Everything else will be adjusted accordingly.

- Touch [JUMP] 045 [EDIT].
- 2. Touch [CLEAR] once to erase the [INDIR] instruction.
- Enter the new steps, 00 [SPACE] [PRINT] [+M/OUT] [INDIR] [PRINT].
- Touch [MANUAL] [JUMP] 013 [EDIT] [CLEAR] [MANUAL] to eliminate the [PRINT] instruction at step 013.

You might have wanted to correct step 013 before going on to step 045. However, that would complicate matters. When you eliminate step 013, the old step 014 becomes step 013, and so on. Step 045 would become step 044. Therefore it is always best to start with the last change and work backwards.

If you have followed the instructions properly, the tape of the editing instructions should look like this:

000 001 001 002 003 004 006 007 008 009 010 011 012 013 014 015 017 018 017 019 01	SE + ST J A × LA 0 1 1 N J L A 0 2 L A 0 1 L S N P S F S F S F S F S F S F S F S F S F S	0 2 9 0 3 1 0 3 2 0 3 3 5 0 3 4 5 0 3 7 0 3 8 0 3 9 0 4 0 0 4 1 0 4 2 0 4 5 0 4 6 0 4 7 0 4 8 0 5 1 0 5 2 0 5 3 0 5 6 0 5 7 0 5 8 0 5 8 0 5 8 0 5 8 0 5 8 0 5 8 0 6 7 8 0 7 8 8 0 7 9	T = LS   M + O O O LA O O O O C O O	059 061 062 063 064 065 065 066 066 067	0 3 LS LS LS AX P J (

To run the program, enter the variables 123, 456 and 789. The printout should look like this:

Identifiers are extremely important, particularly when writing programs that print a great deal of information.

Subroutines are powerful tools that have many uses. If a program has a routine that is to be used in several different places, writing a subroutine can save many program steps. Insert the steps [LABEL] (digit) (digit) in front of the subroutine and insert [RETURN] after the last step. (Remember that (digit) (digit) means and two-digit integer such as 01 or 99). Place the subroutine at the end of the main body of the program or in any area that makes sense. The instructions [GO SUB] (digit) (digit) will send the main program to the subroutine, and the [RETURN] instruction at the end will send the program back to the first step after [GO SUB] (digit)

### PROGRAM USING A METRIC CONVERSION SUBROUTINE

The following is an example of a program that uses a subroutine to save 43 steps. Assume that we must write a program that converts yards to meters and cubic yards to cubic meters. Specifically, there are a number of boxes with measurements given in meters. The program should convert each side to its equivalent in yards, then find the volume of the box in both cubic meters and cubic yards.

To find the volume of a box with length L, width W and height H, the formula is simply; Volume = L x W x H.

To convert a number from meters to yards, it should be multiplied

1. ANALYZE THE PROBLEM

Perhaps the most straightforward method is to enter each variable, store it in meters, convert it to yards, then store the converted number in a separate memory.

After the third variable is entered, converted and stored, the program can recall the three variables expressed in meters, find their product, print the answer, recall the variables in yards, find the product and print it. Finally, the program should clear all the registers and prepare to accept a new set of data.

### 2. WRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION

Flowchart the basic logic flow of the program, then incorporate the subroutine technique to shorten the number of steps that the program will use.

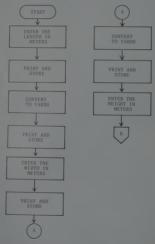
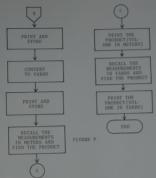


FIGURE 0



By studying this flowchart the need for a subroutine becomes obvious. One series of instructions is repeated three times



The flowchart will be rewritten using the subroutine technique.

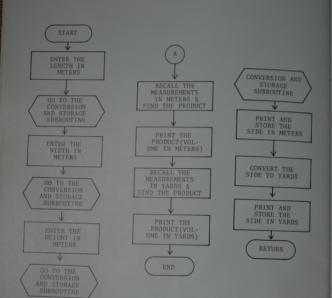


FIGURE Q

The flowchart indicates that there are only two major routines to be written.

a. Routine to Convert Meters to Yards and Store Both

Entry	Key Depre	ssions	Explanation		
5 (meters)	→M/IN	01	(store meters)		
	Х		(convert to yards)		
1.0936132983377	→M/IN	02	(convert to yaras)		

Now write the routine that calculates the volumes. The sub-routine is to be used three times.

When a subroutine is used several times to store data that will be used later on in the main program, the Pointer Register should be used to load the memories. (The same logic applies to loops). The subroutine looks like this:

CONVERSION AND STORAGE SUBROUTINE

Key Depression	Explanation
PRINT	Print side in meters
SELECT M	
+	Add 1 to memory 00
→M/IN	
INDIR	Store this side in meters
Χ	
1	
0	
9	
3	
6	
1	

Key Depression	Explanation
3	
2	
9	
8	
3	
3	
7	
7	
	Convert this side to yards
SELECT M	and the state of yards
+	Add 1 to memory 00
→M/IN	Store this side in yards
INDIR	side in yards

If this routine is used three times, it will load the six measurements into six consecutive registers. If memory 00 is cleared out at the beginning of the program, then 1 (in meters) will go to memory 1, L (in yards) will go to memory 2, W (in meters) will go to memory 3 and H (in yards) will go to memory 6. Assuming this is the case, write a routine that will find the volume of the box in both cubic meters and cubic yards.

Key Depression	Explanation
+M/OUT	
0	
1	L in meters
χ	
+M/OUT	
0	
3	W in meters
X	
+M/OUT	
0	
5	H in meters
=	Volume in meters
+M/OUT	
0	
2	L in yards
X	
+M/OUT	
0	
4	W in yards
X	
+M/OUT	
0	
6	H in yards
=	Volume in yards

Incorporate both routines into one program that allows entry of three variables.

3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.

## **Program Coding Form**

PRO								PAGE			OF
DAT		Clear	T	25		50	LABEL		75		Increment
		Clear	-	-0					76	M	indirect
	STOP	Enter length	-	26 5			0	Subroutine to			
	GO SUI		- 2	27 =		52	1	convert and store data.	77	→M/IN	
	0		2	8 PRINT		53	PRINT		78	INDIR	Store varia
)4	1			19 ←M/OU	Calculate vo	1- 54	Selec	Increment indirect		PRINT	
	STOP	Enter width		0 0		55	+	pointer	80	SPACE	
			3	1 2		56	→M/IN	Store variable	81	RE- TURN	Return to point of
	0			2 x		57	INDIR		82		departure :
8	1		33	-M/OUT		58	Х		83		
		Enter height		0		59	1		84		
	O SUB	Subroutine transfer		4		60			85		
			36	X		61	0		86		
	1			+M,OUT		62	9		87		
						63	3		88		
				6		64	6		89		
				-		65	1		90		
		alculate olume in	41		Volume in yards	66	3		91		
						67	2		92		
			43	SPACE		68	9		93		
			44	SPACE		69	8		94		
€Ņ.	LOUT		45	SPACE		70	3		95		
			46	JUMP		71	- 3		96		
			47	0		72	7		97		
	X		48	0		73	7		98		
	OUT		49			74		Meters con-	99		

Notice the economy of steps achieved by using a subroutine ([GO SUB]

The operating instructions for the program are:

- Depress [PROG], [CLEAR], then enter the program.

  - Enter the length in meters and depress [RUN]. The length in
  - Enter the width in meters and depress [RUN]. The width in meters and yards will print.
  - Enter the height in meters and depress [RUN]. The height in
  - The volume in meters will print, followed by the volume
  - The program is ready to accept a new set of variables.

If you run this program for the variables (5,6,7) and (9.50, 4.41 and 4.71) you will get the following printout with decimal at FL:

### CONDITIONAL SUBROUTINES

The metric conversion program used an unconditional subroutine.

The instructions [GO SUB] 01 sent the program to label 01 under all circumstances. The 900 Series also has the ability to perform conditional subroutines under the same conditions that it will perform conditional jumps. The calculator tests the number in the keyboard register. It can go to a subroutine under any of the following conditions.

### INSTRUCTION

1.	Is X Posi	tive?	Branch if Positive [GO SUB] [+]
2.	Is X Nega	tive?	Branch if Negative [GO SUB] [-]
7	To Y Zoro	2	Branch if Zero

[GO SUB] [=]

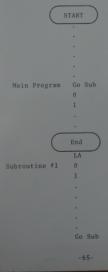
[GO SUB] [AX]

if the statement is true, the program will go to

In each case, if the statement is true, the program will go to the subroutine. If the statement is false, the program will pass through and go to the next step.

### NESTED SUBROUTINES

If a program is calculating in a subroutine, it can jump to a second subroutine, go through its steps, return to the point it left off at in the first subroutine, then go back to the point it jumped from in the main program. This process is called "nesting subroutines". The 900 Series can nest subroutines five levels deep, which means it can jump from subroutine A to subroutine B to subroutine C to subroutine D to subroutine E, complete E, go back to D and complete D, then go back to C, B, A and finally return to the main program. The following diagram will explain this concept.



### Return

Subroutine #2 0

0 2

.

Sub

0 3

3

Retur

Subroutine #3

0

.

Subroutine #4 4 0 Return 0 Return

### ERROR CORRECTION SUBROUTINES

The program to compute standard deviation (refer to loops, page 40) will operate with one exception: what will happen if the operator enters an incorrect value and touches [RUN]? He will have to touch [CLEAR ALL] and start over again. There should be a method of correcting such errors.

This can easily be solved by writing an error-correction routine. Error correction routines are written by following the same three steps that we have been using to write complete programs.

### 1. ANALYZE THE PROBLEM

If an incorrect X-Value was entered and [RUN] was touched,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Sigma X^2$  and n accumulations would be incorrect. If you have entered a wrong number, X, then the error correction routine must subtract X from  $\Sigma X$ ,  $X^2$  from  $\Sigma X^2$  and 1 from the n count.

### WRITE DOWN THE SOLUTION

The following routine corrects the error and makes it obvious on the tape.

Key Depression	Explanation
	Enter wrong entry X
SPACE	
SPACE	
EXCHANGE	
CHANGE SIGN	
PRINT	Print both X and -X to signify error correction.
CHANGE SIGN	Restore the sign of X
Х	Correct error
=-	01101
SPACE	
CDACE	

Because of the spaces and the red printing of X, the tape will clearly show that this is not an entry but an error correction.

The error correction routine can now be incorporated into the main program. To allow the operator to access it manually, label 99 will be inserted at the beginning of the routine. Touching [GO SUB] 99 or [JUMP] [LABEL] 99 [RNN] will take the program to the routine.

The complete program for standard deviation looks like the following one.

3. INSERT [STOP], [PRINT], [SPACE] AND [JUMP] INSTRUCTIONS.

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000 CLEAR Clear MALL memorie	es 25 AX	50 X		75	
01 STOP	26	51	Nullifies incorrect entry	. 76	
02 JUMP	27 *	52 SPAC		77	
03 AX		X) <sup>2</sup> n 53 SPAC		78	
04 0	29 N n - 1	54 JUMP		79	
15 1	30 =	55 0	Jump to continue data	80	
6 4	31 PRINT Variance	56 0	entries	81	
PRINT	32 /	57 1		82	
Accumula X X <sup>2</sup> and n	te X, 33 PRINT Standard deviation	58		83	
=+	34 SPACE	59		84	
JUMP	35 SPACE	60			
0	36 SPACE	61		86	
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	39 0	64			
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x setting	43 9		9	2	
		68	9	3	
	44 SPACE	69	9	4	
	45 SPACE	70	9.		
RINT Count	46 EX Recall entry	71	9	6	
	47 CHANGE SIGN	72	97	7	
RINT Mean	48 PRINT Red to identify	73	98		
	49 CHANGE Restore SIGN proper sign	74	99		

The loading and operating instructions for this program are as

- 1. Depress [MANUAL] [PROG] [CLEAR]. This brings the step pointer to step 000 and eliminates any old program steps that had been held in the program memory.
- 2. Enter the program, then touch [MANUAL] [RUN].
- Enter each X-value.
- 4. If a mistake is made and [RUN] is touched, do the follow-
  - Touch [60 SUB] 99. The tape will space twice.
  - The incorrect number will print in red. This will signify that a correction has taken place.
  - c. The mistake is now corrected. Continue entering data.
- After all variables are entered, touch [RUN] to see the

Standard Deviation

To find the standard deviation of a new set of data, enter







