

CHAPTER 5

PDOS ASSEMBLY PRIMITIVES

PDOS assembly primitives are assembly language system calls to PDOS. They consist of one word XOP instructions which use XOP vectors 13, 14, and 15. Most calls have error returns, while others return only status or do not return at all.

PDOS calls are divided into four categories: namely, 1) system, 2) console I/O, 3) files, and 4) support primitives.

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5.1 PDOS ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE CALLS

PDOS assembly primitives are one word XOP instructions which use XOP vectors 13, 14, and 15. Most calls have error returns, while others return only status or do not return at all. Calls with error returns continue program execution two bytes beyond the call for a normal return, while an error condition returns immediately after the call instruction. This facilitates an immediate error report primitive or a 'JMP' to an error routine.

PDOS command primitives can be grouped according to the register workspaces they use. Level 0 calls are referred to as subroutines and use your program's workspace for their registers and parameters. These commands are higher level primitives which call disk primitives within PDOS. The call is equivalent to a Branch and Link (BL) instruction.

Level 1 primitives are for character input and output. These primitives use the level 1 workspace contained in each task control block. Registers R6 through R10 of this workspace are special variables used in console work. None of these primitives have an error return.

Level 2 primitives are the file manipulation routines. They handle defining, deleting, reading, writing, positioning, locking, and other such file utilities. The level 2 workspace of the task control block is used to transact these commands. Most of these primitives have an error return.

Only one task can be executing a level 2 primitive at a time. A lock flag located at >2FE6 is set when a task enters a level 2 primitive and is reset when it returns to the caller. All other tasks making a level 2 call swap while waiting for the flag to be reset.

Level 3 primitives are system subroutines and disk access programs. These include data conversion routines as well as disk read, write, and initialize sector programs contained in the boot area.

A second lock flag located at >2FE8 is used with the disk programs. This makes these calls autonomous and prevents multiple commands from being sent to the disk controller. It is the responsibility of the disk programs to clear this flag before exiting.

```
CALLX  LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
        XSOP             ;OPEN FILE, ERROR?
        JMP ERROR        ;Y
        MOV R1,@SLTN     ;N, SAVE SLOT #
```

Level 0 commands:

```
XAPF,XCHF,XCPY,XGML,XLOF,XLST,XRST
XSZF,XFFN,XBCP,XGLB,XGLM,XGLU,XRDE
XRDN,XTAB,XKTB
```

Level 1 commands:

```
XCBC,XGCC,XGCR,XPBC,XPCC,XPCL
XPLC,XPMC,XCLS,XPSC,XIPL
```

Level 2 commands:

```
XDFL,XDLF,XROO,XROP,XSOP,XNOP,XCLF
XCFA,XRBF,XRLF,XMBF,XMLF,XPSF,XRMF
XRFA,XWFA,XRMF,XLKF,XULF
```

Level 3 commands:

```
XISE,XRSE,XWSE,XRSZ,XGNP,XRTM
XWTH,XROT,XHDT,XFTD,XCBD,XCBH
XCBM,XCDB,XUDT,XUTH,XLFN,XCTB
XSTM,XRTS
```

(5.1 PDOS ASSEMBLY LANGUAGE CALLS continued)

Level 4 primitives use the clock workspace. They are for testing and setting events, suspending and locking tasks, and for swapping and returning errors.

Level 4 commands:

XSMP, XSHR, XSER, XERS, XERR, XEXT
XSEF, XSUI, XTEF, XLKT, XULT, XGTM

These primitive levels are summarized as follows:

LEVEL:	LV 0	LV 1	LV 2	LV 3	LV 4
XOP:	XOP 13	XOP 13	XOP 14	XOP 15	XOP 15
WORKSPACE:	BL	L1W	L2W	L3W	CLKMS
CALL:	XAPF	XCBC	XDFL*	XISE+	XSMP
	XCHF	XGCC	XDLF*	XRSE+	XSHR
	XCPY	XGCR	XROO*	XHSE+	XSER
	XGML	XPBC	XROP*	XRSZ+	XERS
	XLDF	XPCC	XSOP*	XGNP	XERR
	XLST	XPCL	XNOP*	XRTM	XEXT
	XRST	XPLC	XCLF*	XWTM	XSEF
	XSZF	XPNC	XCFA*	XRDT	XSUI
	XFFN	XCLS	XRBF*	XWDT	XTEF
	XBCP	XPSC	XRLF*	XFTD	XLKT
	XGLB	XIPL	XHBF*	XCBD	XULT
	XGLM		XHLF*	XCBD	
	XGLU		XPSF*	XCBD	
	XRDE		XRHF*	XCBD	
	XRDN		XRFA*	XUDT	
	XTAB		XHFA*	XUTH	
	XKTB		XRNF*	XLFN	
	XFFE		XLKF*	XCTB	
		R6=CNF	XULF*	XSTM	
		R7=PRT		XRTS	
		R8=IMP			
		R10=UNT			

* Level 2 lock

+ Level 3 lock

TMS9900 registers are designated by R0 through R15. Control characters appear as either an up arrow (^) preceding a alphabetic character or as two hexadecimal characters between angle brackets. Special characters such as carriage return, line feed, or escape have special abbreviations in angle brackets.

All calls return to the next word following the XOP, except where an error return is noted in the format. A few special calls also set the status register upon return. Such calls allow the user to select the type of jump required to handle the results.

Registers = R0-R15

^C = >03
<LF> = >0A
<CR> = >0D
<esc> = >1B

XAPF

error <== Error return
.... <== Normal return

5.2 SYSTEM CALLS

5.2.1 XCTB - CREATE TASK BLOCK

Mnemonic: XCTB
Value: >2FDD

Format: XCTB
 error

Registers: IN R0 = Task size
 (R1) = Task command line pointer
 R2 = Task time
 R3 = I/O port
 R4 = Optional low memory pointer
 R5 = Optional high memory pointer

OUT R0 = Spawned task #

```
SET0 R0          ;USE CURRENT PAGE
LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
LI R2,1          ;1 TIME PERIOD
CLR R3           ;USE PHANTOM PORT
MOV @>1DC(9),R4  ;GET EUM
MOV R4,R5        ;SET END
AI R4,->0400     ;SET BEGINNING (1K)
XCTB             ;CREATE TASK
JMP ERROR        ;PROBLEM
MOV R0,TASKN     ;SAVE TASK NUMBER
```

The CREATE TASK primitive places a new task entry in the PDOS task list. Memory for the new task comes from either the parent task or the system memory bit map. Register R0 controls the mode of the new task as well as the task size.

If register R0 is positive, then the first available contiguous memory block equal to R0 (in K bytes) is allocated to the new task. This memory comes from any page or map, but must be contiguous. If there is not a block big enough, then the upper memory of the parent task is allocated to the new task. The parent task's memory is then reduced by R0 x 1K bytes. Register R1 points to the new task command line. If R1=0, then the monitor is invoked.

If register R0 is zero, then registers R4 and R5 specify the new task's memory limits in the current map or page. Register R1 specifies the task's starting PC.

If register R0=-1, then registers R4 and R5 specify the new task's memory limits in the current map or page. Register R1 points to the new task command line. (If R0=0, then the monitor is invoked.)

If register R0<-1, then the complement of register R0 specifies the new page, R4 and R5 specify the new task's memory limits, and R1 points to the new task command line.

If R0>0 then: R0=Task size
 (R1)=Task command line
 (O=Monitor)

If R0=0 then: R1=Program PC
 R4-R5=New task memory limits
 of current map or page

If R0=-1 then: (R1)=Task command line
 (O=Monitor)
 R4-R5=New task memory limits
 of current map or page

If R0<-1 then: -R0-1=New task memory page
 (R1)=Task command line
 (O=Monitor)
 R4-R5=New task memory limits
 of current map or page

(5.2.1 XCTB - CREATE TASK BLOCK continued)

The command line is transferred to the spawned program via a system message buffer. The maximum length of a command line is 50 characters. When the task is scheduled for the first time, the message buffers are searched for a command. Messages with a source task equal to -1 are considered commands and moved to the task's monitor buffer. The task CLI then processes the line. If no command message is found, then the monitor is called directly.

Register R2 specifies the number of clock ticks the new task executes each time it is scheduled. This value is in 1/125ths of a second but can be changed by the BFIX utility.

Register R3 specifies the I/O port to be used by the new task. If register R3 is positive, then the port is available for both input and output. If register R3 is negative, then the port is used only for output. If register R3 is zero, then no port is assigned. Only one task may be assigned to any one input port while many tasks may be assigned to an output port. Hence, a port is allocated for input only if it is available. An invalid port assignment does not result in an error.

Finally, the spawned task's number is returned in register R0 to the parent task. This can be used later to test task status or to kill the task.

Possible Errors:

- 72 = Too many tasks
- 73 = Not enough memory

R2=Clock ticks/time slice

R3=I/O port

If R3=0, then phantom port (no I/O)

If R3>0, then port is used for I/O

If R3<0, then port is used for output only

5.2.2 XERR - MONITOR ERROR CALL

Mnemonic: XERR
Value: >2FC4

Format: XERR

Registers: IN R0 = Error code

XRSE ;READ SECTOR
XERR ;ERROR
....

The MONITOR ERROR CALL primitive returns the task to the PDOS monitor and passes an error code in register R0. PDOS prints 'PDOS ERR', followed by the decimal error number.

LI R0,56 ;RETURN EOF ERROR
XERR

Possible Errors: None

5.2.3 XEXT - EXIT TO MONITOR

Mnemonic: XEXT
Value: >2FC5

Format: XEXT
(exits to monitor)

XCLF ;CLOSE FILE, ERROR?
XERR ;Y, DO ERROR CALL
XEXT ;N, RETURN TO MONITOR

The EXIT TO MONITOR primitive returns a user program to the PDOS monitor. PDOS replies with a <LF>, <CR>, <bell>, and a '.' prompt. The latter two characters are changed by the BFIX utility.

Possible Errors: None

5.2.4 XFTD - FIX TIME & DATE

Mnemonic: XFTD
Value: >2FD5

Format: XFTD

Registers: OUT R0 = (Hours * 256) + Minutes
R1 = ((Year * 16) + Month) * 32 + Day

The FIX TIME & DATE primitive returns a two word encoded time and date generated from the system timers. The resultant codes include month, day, year, hours, and minutes. The ordinal codes can be sorted and used as inputs to the UNPACK DATE and UNPACK TIME routines.

(See 5.2.19 UNPACK DATE and 5.2.21 UNPACK TIME.)

Possible Errors: None

```
XFTD          ;GET TIME STAMP
MOV R0,@TSTP  ;SAVE TIME
MOV R1,@TSTP+2 ;SAVE DATE
....
```

```
TSTP  DATA 0,0      ;TIME STAMP SAVE
```

5.2.5 XGML - GET MEMORY LIMITS

Mnemonic: XGML
Value: >2F43

Format: XGML

Registers: OUT R0 = Beginning User Storage (BUS)
R1 = End User Memory (EUM)
R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R0,R1,R9,R11 of calling workspace

The GET MEMORY LIMITS subroutine returns the user task memory limits. These limits are defined as the first usable location after the task control block (>200 beyond register R9) and the end of the user task memory. The task may use up to but not including the upper memory limit.

Register R0 is returned pointing to the beginning of user storage and register R1 to the end of user storage.

Possible Errors: None

```
START  XGML          ;GET MEMORY LIMITS
        LI R0,ENDP    ;GET POINTER

START2  CLR *R0+       ;CLEAR MEMORY
        C R0,R1        ;DONE?
        JL START2      ;N
....
```

5.2.6 XGTM - GET TASK MESSAGE

Mnemonic: XGTM
Value: >2FCB

Format: XGTM
EQ = Message

Registers: IN (R1) = 51 character buffer
OUT RO = Source task #

The GET TASK MESSAGE primitive searches the PDOS message buffers for a message with a destination equal to the current task number. If a message is found, it is moved to the buffer pointed to by register R1, the message buffer is released, and the status is set EQUAL. If no message is found, status is returned NE.

The buffer must be at least 51 bytes in length. Only the first encountered message is returned. Messages are data independent and pass any type of binary data.

```
LOOP    LI R1,BUFFER    ;GET BUFFER
        XGTM            ;LOOK FOR MESSAGE
        JNE NONE
        XPCL            ;MESSAGE, CRLF
        XPLC            ;OUTPUT LINE
        JMP LOOP        ;LOOK AGAIN
*
NONE     ....
BUFFER  BSS 51          ;MESSAGE BUFFER
```

5.2.7 XISE - INIT SECTOR

Mnemonic: XISE
Value: >2FCC

Format: XISE
error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
R1 = Logical sector #
(R2) = Buffer address

The INIT SECTOR primitive is a system-defined, hardware-dependent program which writes 256 bytes of data from a buffer (R2) to a logical sector number (R1) on disk (R0). This routine is meant only to be used for disk initialization and is equivalent to the WRITE SECTOR primitive for all sectors except 0. Sector 0 is not checked for the PDOS ID code.

XISE branches to location >F808 of the boot EPROMs. You may substitute other routines to handle different devices such as high speed disks or bubble memories. The call exits with a INCT R14 and RTWP for a normal return. An error return is made by moving the error number to register R0 of the calling routine (*R13) and doing a RTWP. In either case, the level 3 lock at location >2FEB must be cleared!

See APPENDIX _ PDOS BOOT:SR.

Possible Errors:

Disk errors

```

      LI R0,DISKN      ;GET DISK #
      CLR R1           ;START AT SECTOR 0
      LI R2,BUFFER     ;GET BUFFER PTR
*
LOOP  XISE             ;WRITE TO DISK
      XERR             ;ERROR
      INC R1           ;MOVE TO NEXT
      CI R1,DISKZ      ;DONE?
      JL LOOP         ;N
      ....

XISE00 ....           ;ROUTINE ENTRY

XISE20 INCT R14        ;NORMAL RETURN
*
XISERT CLR @>2FEB      ;CLEAR LEVEL 3 LOCK
      RTWP            ;RETURN
*
XISERR MOV R0,*R13     ;ERROR RETURN
      JMP XISERT      ;RETURN

```

5.2.8 XKTB - KILL TASK BLOCK

Mnemonic: XKTB
Value: >2F50

Format: XKTB
error

Registers: IN R0 = Task #

*Uses registers R0-R3,R9,R11

The KILL TASK BLOCK primitive removes a task from the PDOS task list and optionally returns the task's memory to the system memory bit map. Only the current task or a task spawned by the current task can be killed. Task 0 cannot be killed.

The task number is specified in register R0. If register R0=0, then the current task is killed and its memory deallocated in the system memory bit map.

If R0>0, then the selected task is killed and its memory deallocated. If R0<0, then task number ABS(R0) is killed but its memory is not deallocated in the memory bit map.

The kill process includes releasing the input port assigned to the task, and closing all files associated with the task.

Possible Errors:

74 = No such task
76 = Task locked

```
PREND SET0 R0      ;KILL SELF
      XKTB         ;CALL KILL TASK
      XERR
```

If R0=0, then kill self & deallocate
memory

If R0>0, then kill task R0 & deallocate
memory

If R0<0, then kill task ABS(R0) & do not
deallocate memory

5.2.9 XLKT - LOCK TASK

Mnemonic: XLKT
Value: >2FC9

Format: XLKT

Registers: None

The LOCK TASK primitive locks a task in the run state by setting to nonzero the swap lock variable at memory location >2FEA. This allows only user interrupt routines (not tasks) and the current task to receive CPU cycles. The task remains locked until an UNLOCK TASK (XULT) is executed.

XLKT waits until all locks (Level 2 and Level 3 locks) are cleared before the task is locked.

Possible Errors: None

```
XLKT      ;LOCK TASK
SBO 20    ;START CRITICAL PROCESS

*
WAIT      TB -5      ;OK?
          JNE WAIT   ;N
          SBZ 20      ;Y, STOP
          XULT        ;UNLOCK TASK
          ....
```

5.2.10 XRDT - READ DATE

Mnemonic: XRDT
Value: >2FD3

Format: XRDT

Registers: OUT (R1) = MN/DY/YR string

The READ DATE primitive returns the current system date as a nine character string. The format is 'MN/DY/YR' followed by a null. Register R1 points to the string in the monitor work buffer.

```
GETD      XPMC      ;OUTPUT PROMPT
          DATA MES1
          XRDT        ;GET DATE
          XPLC        ;OUTPUT TO SCREEN
          ....

MES1      TEXT 'DATE='
          BYTE 0
```

Possible Errors: None

5.2.11 XRSE - READ SECTOR

Mnemonic: XRSE
Value: >2FCD

Format: XRSE
error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
R1 = Sector #
(R2) = Buffer pointer

The READ SECTOR primitive is a system-defined, hardware-dependent program which reads 256 bytes of data into a memory buffer pointed to by register R2. The disk is selected by register R0. Register R1 specifies the logical sector number to be read.

XRSE branches to location >F800 of the boot EPROMs. You may substitute other routines to handle different devices such as high speed disks or bubble memories. The call exits with a INCT R14 and RTWP for a normal return. An error return is made by moving the error number to register R0 of the calling routine (*R13) and doing a RTWP. In either case, the level 3 lock at location >2FE8 must be cleared!

See APPENDIX _ PDOS BOOT:SR.

Possible Errors:

Disk errors

```

CLR R0      ;SELECT DISK #0
CLR R1      ;READ HEADER
LI R2,BUFFER ;GET BUFFER
XRSE        ;READ INTO BUFFER
XERR        ;ERROR
....

BUFFER BSS 256 ;BUFFER

XRSE00 .... ;ROUTINE ENTRY

XRSE20 INCT R14 ;NORMAL RETURN
*
XRSERT CLR @>2FE8 ;CLEAR LEVEL 3 LOCK
RTWP      ;RETURN
*
XRSEERR MOV R0,*R13 ;ERROR RETURN
JMP XRSERT ;RETURN

```

5.2.12 XRTM - READ TIME

Mnemonic: XRTM
Value: >2FD1

Format: XRTM

Registers: OUT (R1) = HR:MN:SC string

The READ TIME primitive returns the current time as an nine character string. The format is 'HR:MN:SC' followed by a null. Register R1 points to the string in the monitor work buffer.

Possible Errors: None

```
GETD  XPMC      ;OUTPUT PROMPT
      DATA MES1
      XRTM      ;GET TIME
      XPLC      ;OUTPUT TO SCREEN
      ....
MES1  TEXT 'TIME='
      BYTE 0
```

5.2.13 XRTS - READ TASK STATUS

Mnemonic: XRTS
Value: >2FDF

Format: XRTS

Registers: IN R0 = Task #
OUT R1 = Task time
LT = Suspended
EQ = No task
GT = Executing

The READ TASK STATUS primitive returns in register R1 and the status register the time parameter of the task specified by register R0. The time reflects the execution mode of the task. If R1 returns zero, then the task is not in the task list. If R1 returns a value greater than zero, then the task is in the run state (executing). If R1 returns a negative value, then the task is suspended pending event -(R1).

The task number is returned from the CREATE TASK BLOCK (XCTB) primitive.

Possible Errors: None

```
SET0 R0      ;USE CURRENT PAGE
LI R1,FILEN  ;GET FILE NAME
LI R2,1      ;1 TIME PERIOD
CLR R3       ;USE PHANTOM PORT
MOV @>1DC(9),R4 ;GET EUM
MOV R4,R5    ;SET END
AI R4,->0400  ;SET BEGINNING (1K)
XCTB         ;CREATE TASK
JMP ERROR    ;PROBLEM
*
LOOP  XSWP     ;SWAP WHILE WAITING
      XRTS     ;FOR TASK TO COMPLETE
      JNE LOOP
      NEG R0    ;KILL TASK W/O FREEING
      XCTB      ;MEMORY
      JMP ERROR
```

If R1=0, then not in task list

If R1>0, then task executing

If R1<0, then task suspended on event -R1

5.2.14 XSEF - SET EVENT FLAG

Mnemonic: XSEF
Value: >2FC6

Format: XSEF

Registers: IN R1 = Event

The SET EVENT FLAG primitive sets or resets an event flag bit. The event number is specified in register R1 and is modulo 128. If the content of register R1 is positive, the event bit is set to 1. Otherwise, the bit is reset to 0. A hardware event can be simulated by the XSEF primitive when an event number of 1 through 15 is used.

Events are summarized as follows:

- 1-15 = Hardware events
- 16-63 = Software events
- 64-94 = Software resetting events
- 95-103 = Input port events
- 104-111 = Output complete events
- 112 = 1/5 second event
- 113 = 1 second event
- 114 = 10 second event
- 115 = 20 second event
- 116 = \$TTA active
- 117 = \$LPT active
- 118-125 = To be assigned
- 126 = Error message disable
- 127 = System utility

Possible Errors: None

```
LI R1,30      ;SET EVENT 30
XSEF          ;SET EVENT
....
```

```
LI R1,-35     ;RESET EVENT 35
XSEF          ;SET EVENT
....
```

4 types of event flags:

- 1-15 = Hardware
- 16-63 = Software
- 64-94 = Software resetting
- 95-127 = System

5.2.15 XSTM - SEND TASK MESSAGE

Mnemonic: XSTM
Value: >2FDE

Format: XSTM
error

Registers: IN R0 = Task #
(R1) = Message string

ERROR	LI R1,ERRM	;ERROR, RETURN MESSAGE
	SETO R0	; TO PARENT TASK
	XSTM	;SEND MESSAGE
	XERR	;PROBLEM
	XEXT	;DONE

The SEND TASK MESSAGE primitive places a 50 character message into the PDOS system message buffer. The message is data independent and is pointed to by register R1.

Register R0 specifies the destination of the message. If register R0 equals -1, and there is no input port (phantom port), then the message is sent to the parent task. Otherwise, register R0 specifies the destination task.

R0 = -1 sends message to parent task

The ability to direct a message to a parent task is very useful in background tasking. An assembler need not know from which task it was spawned and can merely direct any diagnostics to the parent task.

If the destination task number equals -1, the task message is moved to the monitor input buffer and parsed as a command line. This feature is used by the CREATE TASK BLOCK primitive to spawn a new task.

Possible Errors:

78 = Message buffer full

5.2.16 XSUI - SUSPEND UNTIL INTERRUPT

Mnemonic: XSUI
Value: >2FC7

Format: XSUI

Registers: IN R1 = Event

The SUSPEND UNTIL INTERRUPT primitive suspends the user task until the event specified in register R1 occurs. There are 127 events defined in PDOS. The first 15 (1-15) are hardware events while events 16 through 127 are software events. (Event 0 is ignored.) The event number in register R1 is modulo 128.

A suspended task does not receive any CPU cycles until the event occurs. When the event bit is set, the task begins executing at the next instruction after the XSUI call. The task is immediately scheduled and begins executing for hardware event interrupts. All others are scheduled during the normal swapping functions of PDOS.

A suspended task is indicated in the LIST TASK (LT) command by a minus event number being listed for the task time parameter. When the event occurs, the original time parameter is restored.

Hardware events are enabled by overwriting the appropriate interrupt vector with the workspace and address of the event processor. The interrupt mask bit on the 9901 is set to one, enabling the interrupt. However, you must ensure that the system interrupt mask is high enough to allow the interrupt to occur. Software events are indicated by a single bit being set or reset in an event list.

If more than one task is suspended on the same event, only the lowest numbered task is rescheduled for all hardware events. For software events, however, all tasks suspended on the event are rescheduled until the event is reset.

Once a hardware interrupt occurs, PDOS disables further interrupts on the event level at the system TMS9901 by setting the interrupt mask bit to zero. The system interrupt mask is not affected. Software event flags are not reset and must be processed by the event routine.

Possible Errors: None

```
LI R1,5      ;SUSPEND ON LEVEL 5
XSUI         ;SUSPEND TASK
LI R12,>0180 ;POINT TO AUX PORT
SBO 18       ;ACKNOWLEDGE INTERRUPT
....
```

```
.LT
TASK PAGE TIME TB HS PC SR ...
*0/0 0 3 >42A2 >441C >0654 >D40F ...
1/0 0 -30 >4AA2 >4A82 >1040 >D00F ...
2/0 0 -5 >52A2 >5282 >292E >C40F ...
```

New interrupt vector
Interrupt enabled at TMS9901

Interrupt disabled at TMS9901

Software event flag bit NOT reset

5.2.17 XSWP - SWAP TO NEXT TASK

Mnemonic: XSWP
Value: >2FC0

Format: XSWP

The SWAP TO NEXT TASK primitive relinquishes control to the next task in the system task list. This should be used by any routine waiting on I/O or other counters.

Possible Errors: None

```
LOOP    TB 5           ;CONDITION MET?
        JEQ LOOP02     ;Y
        XSWP           ;N, SWAP WHILE WAITING
        JMP LOOP
*
LOOP02  ....
```

5.2.18 XTEF - TEST EVENT FLAG

Mnemonic: XTEF
Value: >2FC8

Format: XTEF

Registers: IN R1 = Event

The TEST EVENT FLAG primitive sets the 9900 status word EQUAL or NOT-EQUAL depending upon the zero or nonzero state of the specified event flag. The flag is not altered by this primitive.

The event number is specified in register R1 and is modulo 128. The XTEF primitive is meaningful for software events only (16-127).

Possible Errors: None

```
LI R1,30      ;EVENT 30
XTEF          ;TEST EVENT FLAG
        JEQ EVENT ;EVENT = .TRUE.
        ....      ;EVENT = .FALSE.
```

5.2.19 XUDT - UNPACK DATE

Mnemonic: XUDT
Value: >2FDA

Format: XUDT

Registers: IN R1 = (Year * 16 + Month) * 32 + Day

OUT (R1) = MN/DY/YR

XFTD ;FIX TIME & DATE
XUDT ;UNPACK DATE
XPLC ;PRINT 'MN/DY/YR'
....

The UNPACK DATE primitive converts a one word encoded date into an eight character string terminated by a null (9 characters). Register R1 contains the encoded date and returns with a pointer to the formatted string. The output of the FIX TIME & DATE routine is valid input to this routine.

(See 5.2.4 FIX TIME & DATE.)

Possible Errors: None

5.2.20 XULT - UNLOCK TASK

Mnemonic: XULT
Value: >2FCA

Format: XULT

The UNLOCK TASK primitive unlocks a locked task by clearing the swap lock variable at memory location >2FEA. This allows other tasks to be scheduled and receive CPU time.

LOOP TB 5 ;CONDITION MET?
JNE LOOP ;N, WAIT
SBZ 10 ;Y, RESET
XULT ;UNLOCK TASK NOW

(See 5.2.9 XLKT - LOCK TASK.)

Possible Errors: None

5.2.21 XUTM - UNPACK TIME

Mnemonic: XUTM
Value: >2FDB

Format: XUTM

Registers: IN R1 = (Hours * 256) + Minutes

OUT (R1) = HR:MN

```
XFTD      ;GET SYSTEM TIME
MOV R0,R1
XUTM      ;CONVERT TO STRING
XPLC      ;PRINT TIME
....
```

The UNPACK TIME primitive converts a one word encoded date into a 5 character string terminated by a null. Register R1 contains the encoded time and returns with a pointer to the formatted string. The output of the FIX TIME & DATE routine is valid input to this routine.

(See 5.2.4 FIX TIME & DATE.)

Possible Errors: None

5.2.22 XWDT - WRITE DATE

Mnemonic: XWDT
Value: >2FD4

Format: XWDT

Registers: IN R0 = Month
R1 = Day
R2 = Year

```
LI R0,12   ;SET DATE TO 12/25/80
LI R1,25
LI R2,80
XWDT      ;SET DATE
....
```

The WRITE DATE primitive sets the system date counters. Register R0 specifies the month and ranges from 1 to 12. Register R1 specifies the day of month and ranges from 1 to 31. Register R2 is the last 2 digits of the year.

Possible Errors: None

5.2.23 XWSE - WRITE SECTOR

Mnemonic: XWSE
Value: >2FCE

Format: XWSE
error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
R1 = Sector #
(R2) = Buffer address

The WRITE SECTOR primitive is a system-defined, hardware-dependent program which writes 256 bytes of data from a buffer, pointed to by register R2, to a logical sector and disk device as specified by registers R1 and R0 respectively.

XWSE branches to location >F804 of the boot EPROMs. You may substitute other routines to handle different devices such as high speed disks or bubble memories. The call exits with a INCT R14 and RTWP for a normal return. An error return is made by passing the error number to register R0 of the calling routine workspace (*R13) and doing a RTWP. In either case, the level 3 lock at location >2FE8 must be cleared upon exit!

See APPENDIX _ PDOS BOOT:SR.

Possible Errors:

Disk errors

```
CLR R0      ;WRITE TO DISK #0
LI R1,10    ;WRITE TO SECTOR #10
LI R2,BUFFER ;GET BUFFER ADDRESS
XWSE        ;WRITE
XERR        ;PROBLEM
....
```

```
BUFFER BSS 256      ;DATA BUFFER
```

```
XWSE00 ....      ;WRITE SECTOR ENTRY
```

```
XWSE20 INCT R14    ;NORMAL RETURN
```

```
*
```

```
XWSERT CLR @>2FE8  ;CLEAR LEVEL 3 LOCK
RTWP    ;RETURN
```

```
*
```

```
XWSERR MOV R0,*R13 ;ERROR
JMP XWSERT          ;RETURN
```

5.2.24 XWTM - WRITE TIME

Mnemonic: XWTM
Value: >2FD2

Format: XWTM

Registers: IN R0 = Hours
R1 = Minutes
R2 = Seconds

```
LI R0,23      ;SET TIME TO 23:59:59
LI R1,59
LI R2,59
XWTM          ;SET SYSTEM TIME
```

The WRITE TIME primitive sets the system clock time. Register R0 specifies the hour and ranges from 0 to 23. Register R1 specifies the minutes and register R2, the seconds. Both range from 0 to 59.

Possible Errors: None

5.3 CONSOLE I/O PRIMITIVES

5.3.1 XBCP - BAUD CONSOLE PORT

Mnemonic: XBCP
Value: >2F49

Format: XBCP
NE = error

Registers: IN R1 = CRU base
R5 = Console Port #
R6 = Baud rate

*Uses registers R0,R1,R5,R6,R9,R11,R12

The BAUD CONSOLE PORT subroutine initializes any one of the eight PDOS I/O ports and binds a physical TMS9902 UART to a character buffer. The subroutine sets the 9902 character format, receiver and transmitter baud rates, and enables receiver interrupts.

Register R5 selects the console port and ranges from 1 to 8. The system variable ITBCRU, located at address >0096 (>00B6 for 102), points to the input CRU base table. This table binds a physical 9902 UART to a port character buffer and is generated during PDOS initialization. Entries in this table are changed by the BFIX utility or by a nonzero register R1.

The TMS9902 UART's control register is initialized to 1 start bit, 7 bit character, even parity, and 2 stop bits (11 bits). The receiver and transmitter baud rates are initialized to the same value according to register R6. Register R6 ranges from 0 to 7 or the corresponding baud rates of 19200, 9600, 4800, 2400, 1200, 600, 300, or 110. Either parameter is acceptable.

If R5 is negative, then the associated CRU base address is stored in the UNIT 2 (U2C(9)) variable. The port is bound to any CRU base in register R1.

Interrupts are enabled for input only (SBD 18).

Possible Errors:

64 = Invalid port or baud rate

```
START  LI R1,>320      ;ASSIGN CRU BASE
        LI R5,3         ; TO PORT 3
        LI R6,19200     ; WITH 19.2K BAUD
        XBCP            ;BAUD PORT
        ....
```

R5 = Port = 1 = >0080	TM9900/101MA main port
2 = >0180	TM9900/101MA aux port
3 = >0E00	ER3232 sel #1 page #0
4 = >0A00	ER3232 sel #3 page #0
5 = >0A40	ER3232 sel #3 page #1
6 = >0A80	ER3232 sel #3 page #2
7 = >0AC0	ER3232 sel #3 page #3
8 = >0B00	ER3232 sel #3 page #4

R6 = Baud = 0 = 19200 baud
1 = 9600 baud
2 = 4800 baud
3 = 2400 baud
4 = 1200 baud
5 = 600 baud
6 = 300 baud
7 = 110 baud

9902 initialized for 11 bits:

1 start bit
7 bit character
1 even parity
2 stop bits

5.3.2 XCBC - CHECK FOR BREAK CHARACTER

Mnemonic: XCBC
Value: >2F54

Format: XCBC
JL ^C
JLT esc
JEQ nothing

The CHECK FOR BREAK CHARACTER primitive checks the current user input port break flag to see if a break character has been entered. The PDOS break characters are control C (>03) and the escape key (>1B).

A control C sets the break flag positive, while an <escape> character sets the flag negative. The XCBC command samples and clears this flag. The condition of the break flag is returned in the status register.

A LOW condition indicates a ^C has been entered. The break flag and the input buffer are cleared. All subsequent characters entered after the ^C and before the XCBC call are dropped.

A LESS THAN condition indicates an <escape> character has been entered. Only the break flag is cleared and not the input buffer. Thus, the <escape> character remains in the buffer.

The ^C character is interpreted as a hard break and is used to terminate command operations. The <escape> character is a soft break and remains in the input buffer, even though the break flag is cleared by the XCBC command. (This allows an editor to use the escape key for special functions or command termination.)

Possible Errors: None

```

.....
XCBC          ;BREAK?
JL CONTC     ;Y, ^C
JLT ESCAP    ;Y, ESC
JMP LOOP     ;N, CONTINUE
*
CONTC LI R0, '^C' ;CONTROL C, ECHO '^C'
XPCC      ;OUTPUT
JMP BEGIN ;START AGAIN
*
ESCAP LI R1, BRKM ;OUTPUT '>>BREAK'
XPMC  ;OUTPUT
XEXT  ;EXIT TO PDOS
*
BRKM  BYTE >0A, >0D ;BREAK MESSAGE
TEXT '>>BREAK'
BYTE 0

```

5.3.3 XCLS - CLEAR SCREEN

Mnemonic: XCLS
Value: >2F5C

Format: XCLS

The CLEAR_SCREEN primitive clears the console screen, homes the cursor, and clears the column counter. This function is adapted to the type of console terminals used in the POOS system.

The character sequence to clear the screen is located in the task control block at >1EA(9). The clear screen variable is initialized from memory location >0090 when the task is created. It is altered after the task is executing by the **TERMINAL** utility.

The CLEAR SCREEN primitive outputs up to four characters: one or two characters, an escape followed by a character, or an escape, character, escape, and a final character. The one word format allows for two characters. The parity bits cause the escape character to precede each character.

The BFIX utility configures location >0090 for the default codes.

```

.....
XCLS                ;CLEAR SCREEN
XPMC                ;OUTPUT MESSAGE
DATA MES01
.....

```

CSC(9) = E111 1111 E222 2222

Diagram illustrating the sequence of characters and escapes for the string "123456789101112131415161718192021222324252627282930313233343536373839404142434445464748495051525354555657585960616263646566676869707172737475767778798081828384858687888990919293949596979899100".

The diagram shows the string being processed in groups of 10 characters. The sequence of characters and escapes is as follows:

- 1st character
- 1st escape
- 2nd character
- 2nd escape
- ...
- 10th character
- 10th escape
- ...
- 100th character
- 100th escape

5.3.4 XGCC - GET CONSOLE CHARACTER CONDITIONAL

Mnemonic: XGCC
Value: >2F55

Format: XGCC
EQ => No character
L => ^C
LT => Esc

Registers: OUT R0 = Character*256

The GET CONSOLE CHARACTER CONDITIONAL primitive checks the interrupt driven input character buffer and returns the next character in the left byte of register R0. The right byte is cleared.

If the buffer is empty, the EQUAL status bit is set. If the character is a control C (>03), then the break flag and input buffer are cleared, and the status is returned LOW. If the character is the escape character (>1B), then the break flag is cleared and the status is returned LESS THAN.

If no special character is encountered, the character is returned in register R0 and the status set HIGH and GREATER THAN.

If no port has been assigned for input (ie. port 0 or phantom port), then the routine always returns an EQUAL status.

Possible Errors: None

```
.....  
XGCC          ;CHARACTER?  
JEQ CONT      ;N, CONTINUE  
JL QUIT       ;Y, ^C, QUIT  
JLT NEXT      ;Y, ESC, GOTO NEXT  
  
*  
WAIT          XGCR          ;Y, WAIT CHARACTER  
JMP CONT
```

5.3.5 XGCR - GET CONSOLE CHARACTER

Mnemonic: XGCR
 Value: >ZF56

Format: XGCR
 L => ^C
 LT => Esc

Registers: OUT R0 = Character*256

```

LOOP  XGCR          ;GET CHARACTER
      JL QUIT       ;^C, DONE
      JLT NEXT      ;CONTINUE
      CI R0,'0'*256  ;NUMBER?
      ....
  
```

The GET CONSOLE CHARACTER primitive checks for a character from first, the input message pointer (@>18A(9)), second, the assigned input file (@>1E0(9)), and then finally, the interrupt driven input character buffer. If a character is ready, it is returned in the left byte of R0 and the right byte is cleared.

If there is no input message, no assigned console port character, and the interrupt buffer is empty, the task is suspended pending a character interrupt.

The status is returned LOW and the break flag cleared if the returned character is a control C (>03). The input buffer is also cleared. Thus, all characters entered after the ^C and before the XGCR call are dropped.

The status is returned LESS THAN and the break flag cleared if the returned character is the <escape> character (>1B).

For all other characters, the status is returned HIGH and GREATER THAN. The break flag is not affected.

If no port has been assigned for input, (ie. port 0 or phantom port), then the task is suspended indefinitely on event 95.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.6 XGLB - GET LINE IN BUFFER

Mnemonic: XGLB
Value: >2F4A

Format: XGLB
JLT XXXX {optional}

Registers: IN (R2) = Buffer

OUT (R1) = Input string
(R9) = Task control block
EQ = Carriage return only
L = Control C

*Uses registers R0-R3,R11 of calling workspace

The GET LINE IN BUFFER subroutine gets a character line into a buffer pointed to by register R2. A XGCR primitive is used by XGLB and hence characters come from a memory message, a file, or the task console port. The line is delimited by a <CR>. The status returns EQUAL if only a <CR> is entered. Register R1 is returned with a pointer to the first character.

The buffer need only be 80 characters in length since XGLB limits the number of characters to 78. All control characters except <rubout>, <escape>, ^C, and <CR> are ignored.

If an <escape> is entered, the task exits to the PDOS monitor unless a 'JLT' instruction immediately follows the XGLB call. If such is the case, then XGLB returns with status set at 'LT'.

Possible Errors: None

```

OPEN  XPMC          ;PROMPT
      DATA MES01
      LI R2,BUF      ;GET BUFFER ADDRESS
      XGLB           ;GET LINE IN BUFFER
      JLT OPEN       ;DO NOT EXIT ON ESC
      JEQ OPEN10      ;USE DEFAULT
*
OPEN2 XSOP          ;OPEN FILE
      JMP OPEN4       ;ERROR
      ....
OPEN4 CI R0,53       ;'NOT DEFINED' ERROR?
      JNE OPERR       ;N
      XDFL           ;Y, DEFINE FILE
OPERR XERR           ;ERROR
      JMP OPEN2       ;TRY TO OPEN AGAIN
*
OPEN10 ....

MES01 BYTE >0A,>0D
      TEXT 'FILE='
      BYTE 0
BUF   BSS 80

```

5.3.7 XGLM - GET LINE IN MONITOR BUFFER

Mnemonic: XGLM
Value: >2F4B

Format: XGLM
JLT XXXX {optional}

Registers: OUT (R1) = Input string
(R9) = Task control block
EQ = Carriage return only
L = Control C

OPEN	XGLM	;GET LINE
	XSOP	;OPEN FILE
	XEXT	;ERROR
	

*Uses registers R0-R3,R11 of calling workspace

The GET LINE IN MONITOR BUFFER subroutine gets a character line into the monitor buffer. A XGCR primitive is used by XGLM and hence characters come from a memory message, a file, or the task console port. The line is delimited by a <CR>. The status returns EQUAL if only a <CR> is entered. Register R1 is returned with a pointer to the first character.

The monitor buffer is located 256 bytes into the task control block and is 80 characters in length.

If an <escape> is entered, the task exits to the PDOS monitor unless a 'JLT' instruction immediately follows the XGLB call. If such is the case, then XGLB returns with status set at 'LT'.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.8 XGLU - GET LINE IN USER BUFFER

Mnemonic: XGLU
Value: >2F4C

Format: XGLU
JLT XXXX {optional}

Registers: OUT (R1) = Input string
(R9) = Task control block
EQ = Carriage return only
L = Control C

*Uses registers R0-R3,R11 of calling workspace

```
GETN  LI R4,DNUM      ;GET DEFAULT #
      XGLU            ;GET LINE
      JEQ GETN2       ;USE DEFAULT
      XCBD            ;CONVERT #
      JLE ERROR
      MOV R1,R4
*
GETN2 MOV R4,SAVE     ;SAVE #
      ....
```

The GET LINE IN USER BUFFER subroutine gets a character line into the user buffer. Register R9 points to the user buffer. A XGCR primitive is used by XGLU and hence characters come from a memory message, a file, or the task console port. The line is delimited by a <CR>. The status returns EQUAL if only a <CR> is entered. Register R1 is returned with a pointer to the first character.

The user buffer is located at the beginning of the task control block and is 256 characters in length. However, the XGLU routine limits the number of input characters to 78 plus two nulls.

If an <escape> is entered, the task exits to the POOS monitor unless a 'JLT' instruction immediately follows the XGLB call. If such is the case, then XGLB returns with status set at 'LT'.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.9 XIPL - INTERRUPT DRIVER PUT LINE

Mnemonic: XIPL
Value: 2F5E

Format: XIPL

Registers: IN R0 = Port #
(R1) = String

The INTERRUPT DRIVER PUT LINE primitive outputs a line to a console port using the transmitter interrupt features of the TMS9902 UART. Register R0 specifies the port number. No check is made as to its range. Register R1 points to the string to be output.

The routine first checks the port output variable and waits until zero. Then, the first character is output, the output variable set, and transmitter empty interrupt enabled. It is the responsibility of the calling program to monitor completion if the line buffer is to be used again. This is done by suspending on the corresponding output event.

The interrupt processor outputs characters until a null character is encountered. When complete, the output variable is cleared and the corresponding output event set.

Possible Errors: None

```
MOV @PRT(9),R0 ;GET CURRENT PORT #
MOV R0,R2
AI R2,103 ;GET CORRESPONDING
MOV R2,R1 ; OUTPUT EVENT #
NEG R1 ;NEGATE TO RESET
XSEF ;RESET EVENT
LI R1,MES01 ;GET MESSAGE POINTER
XIPL ;OUTPUT LINE
MOV R2,R1
XSUI ;SUSPEND UNTIL DONE
....
```

5.3.10 XPBC - PUT USER BUFFER TO CONSOLE

Mnemonic: XPBC
Value: >2F57

Format: XPBC

Registers: None

The PUT USER BUFFER TO CONSOLE primitive outputs to the user console and/or SPOOL file the ASCII contents of the user buffer. The output string is delimited by the null character. The user buffer is the first 256 bytes of the task control block.

Each character is masked to 7 bits as it is processed. With the exception of control characters and characters with the parity bit on, each character increments the column counter by one. A backspace (>08) decrements the counter while a carriage return (>0D) clears the counter. Tabs (>09) are expanded with blanks to MOD 8 character zone fields.

The output routine first sets RTS (SB0 16) and then checks DSR (TB 27) and BUSY (TB 22). If either one is nonzero, PDOS swaps to the next task and waits for both to clear. After the character is output, RTS is reset (SBZ 16).

If UNIT and SPOOL UNIT have coinciding bits, then the processed characters are written to the file slot specified by SPUN (>1E2(9)). The characters are not sent to the corresponding output ports. If a disk error occurs in the spool file, then all subsequent output characters echo as a bell until the error is corrected by selecting a different UNIT or resetting the SPOOL UNIT.

Possible Errors: None

```
CLINE  MOV R9,R2      ;GET USER BUFFER PTR
*
CLINE2
.....
MOV B R0,*R2+        ;LOAD BUFFER, DONE?
JNE CLINE2           ;N
XPBC                 ;Y, OUTPUT BUFFER
JMP CLINE            ;CONTINUE
```

5.3.11 XPCC - PUT CHARACTER TO CONSOLE

Mnemonic: XPCC
Value: >2F58

Format: XPCC

Registers: IN R0 = Character

```
LI R0,'^C' ;OUTPUT '^C'  
XPCC  
LI R0,>0A00 ;FOLLOWED BY LF  
XPCC
```

The PUT CHARACTER TO CONSOLE primitive outputs to the user console and/or SPOOL file the ASCII characters in register R0. If only one character is to be output, it is placed in the left byte with the right byte zero. If the right byte is nonzero, it is sent following the left byte.

Each character is masked to 7 bits as it is processed. With the exception of control characters and characters with the parity bit on, each character increments the column counter by one. A backspace (>08) decrements the counter while a carriage return (>0D) clears the counter. Tabs (>09) are expanded with blanks to MOD 8 character zone fields.

The output routine first sets RTS (SB0 16) and then checks DSR (TB 27) and BUSY (TB 22). If either one is nonzero, PDOS swaps to the next task and waits for both to clear. After the character is output, RTS is reset (SBZ 16).

If UNIT and SPOOL UNIT have coinciding bits, then the processed characters are written to the file slot specified by SPUN (@>1E2(9)). The characters are not sent to the corresponding output ports. If a disk error occurs in the spool file, then all subsequent output characters echo as a bell until the error is corrected by selecting a different UNIT or resetting the SPOOL UNIT.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.12 XPCL - PUT CRLF TO CONSOLE

Mnemonic: XPCL
Value: 2F59

Format: XPCL

XPCL ;OUTPUT CRLF

....

Registers: None

The PUT CRLF TO CONSOLE primitive outputs to the user console and/or SPOOL file the ASCII characters <LF> and <CR>. The column counter is cleared.

The output routine first sets RTS (SB0 16) and then checks DSR (TB 27) and BUSY (TB 22). If either one is nonzero, PDOS swaps to the next task and waits for both to clear. After the character is output, RTS is reset (SBZ 16).

If UNIT and SPOOL UNIT have coinciding bits, then the processed characters are written to the file slot specified by SPUN (01E2(9)). The characters are not sent to the corresponding output ports. If a disk error occurs in the spool file, then all subsequent output characters echo as a bell until the error is corrected by selecting a different UNIT or resetting the SPOOL UNIT.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.13 XPLC - PUT LINE TO CONSOLE

Mnemonic: XPLC
Value: >2F5A

Format: XPLC

Registers: IN (R1) = ASCII string

The PUT LINE TO CONSOLE primitive outputs to the user console and/or SPOOL file the ASCII character string pointed to by R1. The string is delimited by the null character.

Each character is masked to 7 bits as it is processed. With the exception of control characters and characters with the parity bit on, each character increments the column counter by one. A backspace (>08) decrements the counter while a carriage return (>0D) clears the counter. Tabs (>09) are expanded with blanks to MOD 8 character zone fields.

The output routine first sets RTS (SB0 16) and then checks DSR (TB 27) and BUSY (TB 22). If either one is nonzero, PDOS swaps to the next task and waits for both to clear. After the character is output, RTS is reset (SBZ 16).

If UNIT and SPOOL UNIT have coinciding bits, then the processed characters are written to the file slot specified by SPUN (@>1E2(9)). The characters are not sent to the corresponding output ports. If a disk error occurs in the spool file, then all subsequent output characters echo as a bell until the error is corrected by selecting a different UNIT or resetting the SPOOL UNIT.

Possible Errors: None

```
LI R1,MES1      ;OUTPUT MESSAGE
XPLC
LI R1,NUMB      ;GET NUMBER
XCB0            ;CONVERT TO DECIMAL
XPLC            ;OUTPUT
....
```

```
NUMB DATA 0      ;NUMBER HOLDER
MES1  BYTE >0A,>0D ;MESSAGE #1
      TEXT 'ANSWER='
      BYTE 0
```

5.3.14 XPMC - PUT MESSAGE TO CONSOLE

Mnemonic: XPMC
Value: >2F5B

Format: XPMC
DATA message
Registers: None

XPMC ;OUTPUT HEADER
DATA MESZ
....

The PUT MESSAGE TO CONSOLE command outputs to the user console and/or SPOOL file the ASCII character string pointed to by the word immediately following the PDOS call. The output string is delimited by the null character.

MESZ BYTE >0A,>0D ;MESSAGE #2
TEXT 'PDOS REV 2.4'
BYTE 0

Each character is masked to 7 bits as it is processed. With the exception of control characters and characters with the parity bit on, each character increments the column counter by one. A backspace (>08) decrements the counter while a carriage return (>0D) clears the counter. Tabs (>09) are expanded with blanks to MOD 8 character zone fields.

The output routine first sets RTS (SB0 16) and then checks DSR (TB 27) and BUSY (TB 22). If either one is nonzero, PDOS swaps to the next task and waits for both to clear. After the character is output, RTS is reset (SBZ 16).

If UNIT and SPOOL UNIT have coinciding bits, then the processed characters are written to the file slot specified by SPUN (>1E2(9)). The characters are not sent to the corresponding output ports. If a disk error occurs in the spool file, then all subsequent output characters echo as a bell until the error is corrected by selecting a different UNIT or resetting the SPOOL UNIT.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.15 XPSC - POSITION CURSOR

Mnemonic: XPSC
Value: >2F5D

Format: XPSC

Registers: IN R1 = x position (Row)
R2 = y position (Column)

```
OUTM  LI R1,23      ;POSITION TO BOTTOM
      CLR R2        ; OF SCREEN
      XPSC          ;POSITION
      XPMC          ;OUTPUT MESSAGE
      DATA MES1
      ....
```

The POSITION CURSOR primitive positions the cursor on the console terminal according to the row and column values in registers R1 and R2. Register R1 specifies the row on the terminal and generally ranges from 0 to 23, with 0 being the top row. Register R2 specifies the column of the terminal and ranges from 0 to 79, with 0 being the left-hand column. Register R2 is also loaded into the column counter reflecting the true column of the cursor.

The XPSC primitive outputs either one or two leading characters followed by the row and column. The leading characters output by XPSC are located in PSC (@>1EC(9)) in the task control block. When a task is created, PDOS loads these characters with defaults which come from absolute locations >0092 and >0093.

The row and column characters are biased by >20 is the parity bit of the 1st character is set. Likewise, if the 2nd parity bit is set, then row/column order is reversed. This accommodates most terminal requirements for positioning the cursor.

The BFIX utility is used to change the position cursor codes. The TERMINAL utility changes the codes while the task is executing.

Possible Errors: None

5.3.16 XTAB - TAB

Mnemonic: XTAB
Value: >2F4F

Format: XTAB
DATA column #

Registers: OUT R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R9,R11 of calling workspace

XPMC ;OUTPUT HEADER
DATA MES1
XTAB ;MOVE TO COLUMN 30
DATA 30
....

The TAB subroutine positions the cursor to the column specified by the number following the call. Spaces are output until the column counter is greater than or equal to the parameter.

The first print column is 0.

Possible Errors: None

5.4 FILE PRIMITIVES

5.4.1 XAPF - APPEND FILE

Mnemonic: XAPF
Value: 2F40

Format: XAPF
error

Registers: IN (R1) = Source file name
(R2) = Destination file name

OUT R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R0-R6,R9,R11 of calling workspace

APFL: LI R1,SFILEN ;SOURCE FILE NAME
LI R2,DFILEN ;DESTINATION FILE NAME
XAPF ;APPEND
JMP ERROR ;ERROR RETURN
.... ;NORMAL RETURN

SFILEN TEXT 'FILE1'
BYTE 0
DFILEN TEXT 'FILE2'
BYTE 0

The APPEND FILE subroutine is used to append two files together. The source and destination file names are pointed to by registers R1 and R2, respectively. The source file is appended to the end of the destination file. The source file is not altered.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
60 = File space full
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
Disk errors

5.4.2 XCFA - CLOSE FILE WITH ATTRIBUTES

Mnemonic: XCFA
Value: >2F87

Format: XCFA
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID
R2 = File type

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
LI R2,>2000 ;CLOSE AS OBJECT
XCFA ;CLOSE FILE
JMP ERROR
....
```

The CLOSE FILE WITH ATTRIBUTES primitive closes an open file identified by FILE ID. At the same time, the file attributes are updated to the contents of the left byte of register R2. Register R1 contains the FILE ID.

```
FILID DATA 0 ;FILE ID
FILEN TEXT 'FILENAME:EXT'
BYTE 0
```

If the file was opened for sequential access and the file has been updated, then the END-OF-FILE marker is set at the current file pointer. If the file was opened for random or shared access, then the END-OF-FILE marker is updated only if the file has been extended (data was written after the current END-OF-FILE marker.)

```
R2 = >8000 AC or Procedure file
= >4000 BN or Binary file
= >2000 OB or 9900 object file
= >1000 SY or Condensed 9900 object file
= >0800 BX or BASIC binary token file
= >0400 EX or BASIC ASCII file
= >0200 TX or Text file
= >0100 Undefined
= >0000 Clear file attributes
```

The LAST UPDATE is updated to the current date and time only if the file has been altered.

All files must be closed when opened! Otherwise, directory information is be lost and possibly even the file itself.

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
75 = File locked
Disk errors

5.4.3 XCHF - CHAIN FILE

Mnemonic: XCHF
Value: >2F41

Format: XCHF
error return only

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

*Uses all registers of calling workspace

LI R1,FILEN ;GET FILE NAME
XCHF ;CHAIN FILE
XERR ;PROBLEM

FILEN TEXT 'NEXTPRGM'
BYTE 0

The CHAIN FILE subroutine is used by the PDOS monitor to execute program files. The primitive chains from one program to another independent of file type.

Register R1 points to the chain file name. The file type determines how the file is to be executed. If the file is typed 'OB' or 'SY', then the 9900 object loader is called (XLDF). If the file is typed 'BX' or 'EX', then the PDOS BASIC interpreter loads the file and begins executing at the lowest line number. Likewise, if the file is typed 'AC', then control returns back to the PDOS monitor and further requests for console characters reference the file.

The XCHF call returns only if an error occurs during the chain operation. All other errors, such as those occurring in BASIC, return to the PDOS monitor.

Parameters may be passed from one program to another through the user TEMP variables located in the task control block. These are located at @>1FA(9), @>1FC(9), and @>1FE(9).

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
60 = File space full
61 = No start address
63 = Illegal object tag
64 = Checksum error
65 = Exceeds task size
66 = File not loadable
77 = Procedure not memory resident
Disk errors

5.4.4 XCLF - CLOSE FILE

Mnemonic: XCLF
Value: >2F86

Format: XCLF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID

The CLOSE FILE primitive closes an open file identified by FILE ID. Register R1 contains the FILE ID. If the file was opened for sequential access and the file was updated, then the END-OF-FILE marker is set at the current file pointer.

If the file was opened for random or shared access, then the END-OF-FILE marker is updated only if the file was extended (ie. data was written after the current END-OF-FILE marker).

If the file has been altered, the current date and time is store in the LAST UPDATE variable of the file directory.

All files must be closed when opened! Otherwise, directory information is lost and possibly even the file itself.

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
75 = File locked
Disk errors

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
XCLF           ;CLOSE FILE
JMP ERROR
....
```

FILID DATA 0 ;FILE ID

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

5.4.5 XCPY - COPY FILE

Mnemonic: XCPY
Value: >2F42

Format: XCPY
error

Registers: IN R1 = Source file name
R2 = Destination file name

OUT R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R0-R6,R9,R11 of calling workspace

The COPY FILE primitive copies the source file into the destination file. The source file is pointed to by register R1 and the destination file is pointed to by register R2. A control C halts the copy, prints '^C' to the console, and returns.

The file attributes of the source file are automatically transferred to destination file.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
60 = File space full
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
70 = Position error
Disk errors

LI R1,FILES ;SOURCE FILE NAME
LI R2,FILED ;DESTINATION FILE NAME
XCPY ;COPY FILE
JMP ERROR ;PROBLEM
.... ;CONTINUE

FILES TEXT 'TEMP'
BYTE 0
FILED TEXT 'TEMP:BK/1'
BYTE 0

5.4.6 XDFL - DEFINE FILE

Mnemonic: XDFL
Value: >2F80

Format: XDFL
error

Registers: IN R0 = File size
(R1) = File name

```
CLR R0      ;SEQUENTIAL FILE
LI R1,FILE1 ;GET FILE NAME
XDFL        ;DEFINE FILE
XERR        ;ERROR
....
```

The DEFINE FILE primitive creates in a PDOS disk directory a new file entry, specified by register R1. A PDOS file name consists of an alpha character followed by up to 7 additional characters. An optional 3 character extension can be added if preceded by a colon. Likewise, the directory level and disk number are optionally specified by a semicolon and slash respectively.

```
LI R0,100   ;RANDOM ACCESS FILE
LI R1,FILE2 ;GET FILE NAME
XDFL        ;DEFINE CONTIGUOUS FILE
XERR
....
```

Register R0 contains the number of sectors to be initially allocated at file definition. If register R0 is nonzero, then a contiguous file is created with R0 sectors. Otherwise, only one sector is allocated and a non-contiguous tag assigned. Each sector of allocation corresponds to 252 bytes of data.

R0 > 0 Contiguous file with R0 sectors

R0 = 0 Non-contiguous file

A contiguous file facilitates random access to file data since PDOS can directly position to any byte within the file without having to follow sector links. A contiguous file is automatically changed to a non-contiguous file if it is extended past its initial allocation.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
51 = File already defined
57 = File directory full
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
Disk errors

5.4.7 XDLF - DELETE FILE

Mnemonic: XDLF
Value: >2F81

Format: XDLF
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

```
LI R1,FILEN ;GET FILE NAME PTR
XDLF        ;DELETE FILE
JMP ERROR   ;ERROR
....        ;NORMAL RETURN
```

The DELETE FILE primitive removes from the disk directory the file whose name is pointed to by register R1 and releases all sectors associated with that file for use by other files on that same disk. A file cannot be deleted if it is delete (*) or write (**) protected.

```
FILEN TEXT 'TEMP/2'
BYTE 0
```

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
58 = File delete or write protected
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
Disk errors

5.4.8 XFFN - FIX FILE NAME

Mnemonic: XFFN
Value: >2F48

Format: XFFN
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R0 = Disk #
(R1) = Fixed file name
R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R0-R3,R9,R11 of calling workspace.

The FIX FILE NAME subroutine parses a character string for file name, extension, directory level, and disk number. The results are returned in the 32 character monitor work buffer (MMB(9)). Register R0 is also returned with the disk number. The error return is used for an invalid file name.

The monitor work buffer is cleared and the following assignments are made:

@0(1) = File name
@8(1) = File extension
@11(1) = File directory level

System defaults are used for the disk number and file directory level when they are not specified in the file name.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name

XGLU ;GET INPUT LINE
XFFN ;FIX FILE NAME
XERR ;ERROR IN NAME
....

	0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
	'-----'-----'-----'-----'....								
(R1) ==>	File name				Ext L 00==>				
	'-----'-----'-----'-----'....								

5.4.9 XLDF - LOAD FILE

Mnemonic: XLDF
Value: >2F44

Format: XLDF
error

Registers: IN R0 = Start memory address
R1 = End memory address
(R2) = File name

OUT R0 = Entry address
R9 = Task control block

*Uses all registers except R10

The LOAD FILE primitive reads and loads TI9900 object code into user memory. The file name pointer is passed in register R2. Registers R0 and R1 specify the memory bounds for the relocatable load. The file must be typed 'OB' or 'SY'.

The TI9900 object must be relocatable and register R0 is returned to the calling routine with the program entry address. If register R0 equals zero, no start has been found. Valid TI9900 object tags for 'OB' files are defined as follows:

Tag	Meaning	Tag	Meaning
---	-----	---	-----
0	= Program ID	8	= Ignore checksum
1	= Illegal	9	= Illegal
*2	= Relocatable entry	*A	= Relocatable address
3	= Illegal	*B	= Absolute data
4	= Illegal	*C	= Relocatable data
5	= Illegal	D	= Illegal
6	= Illegal	E	= Illegal
7	= Checksum	F	= End of record

A 'SY' file is generated from an 'OB' file by the SYFILE utility. The condensed object code contains only 4 types of object tags, each followed by a 2-byte binary number. These are indicated by an asterisk (*) in the above table.

Possible Errors:

63 = Illegal tag character
64 = Checksum error
65 = Memory limit exceeded
66 = File not loadable
Disk errors

```

XGML      ;GET MEMORY LIMITS
AI R0,>0100 ;ADD DISPLACEMENT
LI R2,FILEN ;GET FILE NAME
XLDF      ;LOAD FILE
XERR      ;ERROR
MOV R0,R0  ;OK ADDRESS?
JEQ ERROR ;N
B *R0      ;Y, GOTO ROUTINE

```

00000IDT=HEREA000086865B6C6CC6F5F20000F

AxxBheB11Co_2xx

5.4.10 XLFN - LOOKUP FILE NAME

Mnemonic: XLFN
Value: >2FD8

Format: XLFN
Found
Not found

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
(R1) = File name

OUT R3 = FILE ID
R7 = File slot address

```
XNOP  MOV @2(13),R1  ;GET FILE ID
      XFNH           ;FIX FILE NAME
      XSER           ;ERROR
      XLFN           ;LOOKUP NAME, FOUND?
      JMP ERR62      ;Y, FILE ALREADY OPEN
      ....

ERR62  XERS           ;FILE ALREADY OPEN
      DATA 62
```

The LOOKUP FILE NAME primitive searches through the file slot table for the file name as specified by registers R0 and R1. If the name is not found, register R3 returns with a -1. Otherwise, register R3 returns the associated FILE ID and register R7 the address of the file slot.

A file slot is a 32 byte buffer where the status of an open file is maintained. There are 32 file slots available. The FILE ID consists of the disk # and the file slot index.

File slots assigned to read only files are skipped and not considered for file match.

Possible Errors: None

5.4.11 XLKF - LOCK FILE

Mnemonic: XLKF
Value: >2F91

Format: XLKF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID

```
MOV @FILEID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
XLKF           ;LOCK FILE
JMP ERROR     ;PROBLEM
....
```

The LOCK FILE primitive locks an OPENed file such that no other task can gain access until an UNLOCK FILE (XULF) is executed.

A locked file is indicated by a -1 (>FF) in the left byte of the lock file parameter (LF) of the file slot usage (FS) command. The locking task number is stored in the left byte of the task number parameter (TN). Only the locking task has access to the locked file.

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
75 = File locked
Disk errors

5.4.12 XLST - LIST FILE DIRECTORY

Mnemonic: XLST
Value: >2F45

Format: XLST
error

Registers: IN (R1) = List string

OUT R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R0-R8,R9,R11

MLST	XGNP	;GET SELECT LIST
	JH MLST02	;PARAMETER OK
	LI R1,NULL	;USE NULL STRING
*		
MLST02	XLST	;CALL FOR LIST
	XERR	;ERROR
	XEXT	;EXIT TO MONITOR

The LIST FILE DIRECTORY subroutine causes PDOS to output to the console terminal a formatted file directory listing, according to the select string pointed to by register R1. The output is interrupted at any time by a character being entered on the console port. An <esc> character returns control to the PDOS monitor.

(See 4.17 LIST DIRECTORY.)

Possible Errors: Disk Errors

5.4.13 XNOP - OPEN SHARED RANDOM FILE

Mnemonic: XNOP
Value: >2F85

Format: XNOP
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R0 = File type
R1 = FILE ID

```
LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
XNOP             ;OPEN SHARED FILE
JMP ERROR        ;ERROR
MOV R0,@FILET    ;SAVE TYPE
MOV R1,@FILID    ;SAVE FILE ID
....
```

```
FILET DATA 0
FILID DATA 0
FILEN TEXT 'FILENAME:EXT'
BYTE 0
```

The OPEN SHARED RANDOM FILE primitive opens a file for shared random access by assigning the file to an area of system memory called a file slot. A FILE ID and file type are returned to the calling program in registers R1 and R0, respectively. Thereafter, the file is referenced by the FILE ID and not by the file name. A new entry in the file slot table is made only if the file is not already opened for shared access.

The FILE ID (returned in register R1) is a 2-byte number. The left byte is the disk number and the right byte is the channel buffer index. The file type is returned in register R0.

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

The END-OF-FILE marker on a shared file is changed only when the file has been extended. All data transfers are buffered through a channel buffer; data movement to and from the disk is by full sectors.

An "opened count" is incremented each time the file is shared-opened and is decremented by each close operation. The file is only closed by PDOS when the count is zero. This count is saved in the right byte of the locked file parameter (LF) listed by the file slot usage command (FS).

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
60 = File space full
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
Disk errors

5.4.14 XPSF - POSITION FILE

Mnemonic: XPSF
Value: >2F8C

Format: XPSF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID
R2,R3 = Byte position

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
MOV @RECN,R2  ;GET RECORD #
MPY @C36,R2   ;GET BYTE INDEX
XPSF          ;POSITION WITHIN FILE
XERR
....
```

The POSITION FILE primitive moves the file byte pointer to any byte position within a file. The FILE ID is given in register R1 and the two word byte index is specified in registers R2 and R3.

```
FILID DATA 0 ;FILE ID
RECN  DATA 0 ;RECORD #
C36   DATA 36 ;BYTES/RECORD
```

The file must have been opened for random access (ROPEN or SOPEN). An error occurs if the byte index is greater than the current End-of-File marker.

A contiguous file greatly enhances the speed of the position command since the desired sector is directly computed. However, the position command does work with non-contiguous files, as PDOS follows the sector links to the desired byte position.

A contiguous file is extended by positioning to the End-of-File marker and writing data. However, PDOS alters the file type to non-contiguous and random access is much slower.

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
70 = Position error
Disk errors

5.4.15 XRBF - READ BLOCK

Mnemonic: XRBF
Value: >2F88

Format: XRBF
error

Registers: IN R0 = # of bytes to be read
R1 = FILE ID
(R2) = Buffer address

OUT R3 = # of bytes read on error

The READ BLOCK primitive reads the number of bytes specified in register R0 from the file specified by the FILE ID in register R1 into the user memory as pointed to by register R2. If the channel buffer has been rolled to disk, the least used buffer is freed and the desired buffer is restored to memory. The file slot ID is placed on the top of the last-access queue.

If an error occurs during the read operation, the error return is taken with the error number in register R0 and the number of bytes actually read in register R3.

The read is independent of the data content. The buffer pointer in register R2 is on any byte boundary. The buffer is not terminated with a null.

A byte count of zero in register R0 results in one byte being read from the file. This facilitates single byte data acquisition.

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
56 = End of file
59 = Invalid file slot
Disk errors

```
LI R0,NUMB      ;GET NUMBER OF BYTES
MOV @FILEID,R1  ;GET FILE ID
LI R2,BUFF      ;GET BUFFER POINTER
XRBF            ;READ DATA
JMP ERROR
....
```

```
ERROR CI R0,56   ;EOF?
JNE ERROR2      ;N
MOV R3,@NUMB    ;Y, SAVE # BYTES READ
....
```

```
FILID DATA 0
NUMB DATA 0    ;# OF BYTES TO READ
BUFF BSS 132    ;BUFFER
```

```
CLR R0          ;READ 1 CHARACTER
MOV @FILEID,R1  ;GET FILE SLOT ID
STMP R2         ;READ CHARACTER INTO R0
XRBF            ;READ CHARACTER
JMP ERROR
....
```

5.4.16 XRDE - READ DIRECTORY ENTRY

Mnemonic: XRDE
Value: >2F40

Format: XRDE
error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
R1 = Read flag
(R2) = Last 32 byte directory entry
@>1F2(9) = Sector #
@>1F4(9) = # of directory entries

OUT R0 = Disk #
(R2) = Next 32 byte directory entry
R9 = Task control block
@>1F2(9) = Sector #
@>1F4(9) = # of directory entries

*Uses registers R0-R4,R9,R11 of calling workspace

The READ DIRECTORY ENTRY subroutine reads sequentially through a disk directory. If register R1 is zero, then the routine begins with the first directory entry. If register R1 is nonzero, then based on the last directory entry (pointed to by register R2), the next entry is read.

The calling routine must maintain registers R0 and R2, the user I/O buffer, and temps >1F2(9) and >1F4(9) of the task control block between calls to XRDE.

Possible Errors:

53 = File not defined (End of directory)
68 = Disk not formatted
Disk errors

```
START CLR R1      ;BEGIN WITH 1ST ENTRY
      JMP LOOP02
*
LOOP  SET0 R1      ;READ NEXT ENTRY
*
LOOP02 MOV @TSH1(9),R0 ;GET DISK #
      XRDE        ;READ DIRECTORY ENTRY
      XERR        ;ERROR
      MOV @12(2),R4 ;GET FILE TYPE
      ....
```

5.4.17 XRDN - READ DIRECTORY NAME

Mnemonic: XRDN
 Value: >2F4E

Format: XRDN
 error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #
 MMB = File name

OUT R0 = Disk #
 R1 = Sector # in memory
 (R2) = Directory entry
 R9 = Task control block

```

OPENF  MOV @2(13),R1  ;GET FILE NAME POINTER
        XFNM          ;FIX NAME IN MMB
        XSER          ;ERROR
        XRDN          ;READ DIRECTORY ENTRY
        XSER          ;ERROR
        CB *R2,@B24   ;$? (DRIVER?)
        ....
  
```

*Uses registers R0-R5,R9,R11 of calling workspace

@>172(9) => Monitor Work Buffer

The READ DIRECTORY NAME subroutine reads directory entries by file name. Register R0 specifies the disk number. The file name is located in the Monitor Work Buffer (MMB) in a fixed format. Several other parameters are returned in the monitor TEMP storage of the user status buffer. These variables assist in the housekeeping operations on the disk directory.

(See 5.4.8 FIX FILE NAME.)

Possible Errors:

53 = File not defined
 68 = Disk not formatted
 Disk errors

5.4.18 XRFA - READ FILE ATTRIBUTES

Mnemonic: XRFA
Value: >2F8E

Format: XRFA
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R2 = File attribute

```
LI R1,FILEN ;GET FILE NAME
XRFA        ;READ FILE ATTRIBUTES
XERR       ;PROBLEM
SRL R2,2    ;BINARY FILE?
JNC PNO     ;N
....        ;Y
```

The READ FILE ATTRIBUTES primitive returns in register R2 the 16-bit file attributes word. The file name is pointed to by register R1. File attributes are defined as follows:

```
FILEN TEXT 'PRGM:BIN'
BYTE 0
```

```
>80xx AC - PROCEDURE FILE
>40xx BN - BINARY FILE
>20xx OB - 9900 OBJECT FILE
>10xx SY - SYSTEM OBJECT FILE
>08xx BX - BASIC TOKEN FILE
>04xx EX - BASIC ASCII SOURCE FILE
>02xx TX - ASCII TEXT FILE
>01xx UD - USER DEFINED FILE

>xx04 C - CONTIGUOUS FILE
>xx02 * - DELETE PROTECT
>xx01 ** - DELETE AND WRITE PROTECT
```

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
60 = File space full
Disk errors

5.4.19 XRLF - READ LINE

Mnemonic: XRLF
 Value: >2F89

Format: XRLF
 error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID
 (R2) = Buffer address

OUT R0 = Error #
 R3 = # of bytes read on error

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
LI R2,BUFF ;GET BUFFER POINTER
XRLF ;READ LINE
JMP ERROR
....
```

```
FILID DATA 0
BUFF BSS 132 ;MAXIMUM BUFFER NEEDED
```

The READ LINE primitive reads one line, delimited by a carriage return <CR>, from the file specified by the FILE ID in register R1. If a <CR> is not encountered after 132 characters, then the line and primitive are terminated. Register R2 points to the buffer in user memory where the line is to be stored. If the channel buffer has been rolled to disk, the least used buffer is freed and the buffer is restored to memory. The file slot ID is placed on the top of the last-access queue.

If an error occurs during the read operation, the error return is taken with the error number in register R0 and the number of bytes actually read in register R3.

The line read is dependent upon the data content. All line feeds <LF> are dropped from the data stream and the <CR> is replaced with a null. The buffer pointer in register R2 is on any byte boundary. The buffer is not terminated with a null on an error return.

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
 56 = End of file
 59 = Invalid file slot
 Disk errors

5.4.20 XRNF - RENAME FILE

Mnemonic: XRNF
Value: >2F90

Format: XRNF
error

Registers: IN (R1) = Old file name
(R2) = New file name

The RENAME FILE primitive renames a file in a PDOS disk directory. The old file name is pointed to by register R1. The new file name is pointed to by register R2.

The XRNF command is used to change the directory level for any file by letting the new file name be a numeric string equivalent to the new directory level. XRNF first attempts a conversion on the second parameter before renaming the file. If the string converts to a number without error, then only the level of the file is changed.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
51 = File already defined
Disk errors

```
LI R1,FILEN1 ;GET OLD FILE NAME
LI R2,FILEN2 ;GET NEW FILE NAME
XRNF          ;RENAME FILE
XERR          ;PROBLEM
LI R2,LEVEL   ;GET NEW LEVEL
XRNF          ;CHANGE DIRECTORY LEVEL
XERR
....
```

```
LEVEL DATA 10
FILEN1 TEXT 'OBJECT:OLD'
BYTE 0
FILEN2 TEXT 'OBJECT:NEW'
BYTE 0
```

5.4.21 XROO - OPEN READ ONLY RANDOM FILE

Mnemonic: XROO
Value: >2F82

Format: XROO
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R0 = File type
R1 = FILE ID

The OPEN READ ONLY RANDOM FILE primitive opens a file for random access by assigning the file to an area of system memory called a file slot, and returning a FILE ID and file type to the calling program. Thereafter, the file is referenced by the FILE ID and not by the file name. This type of file open provides read only access.

The FILE ID (returned in register R1) is a 2-byte number. The left byte is the disk number and the right byte is the channel buffer index. The file type is returned in register R0.

Since the file cannot be altered, it cannot be extended nor is the LAST UPDATE parameter changed when it is closed. All data transfers are buffered through a channel buffer and data movement to and from the disk is by full sectors.

A new file slot is allocated for each XROO call even if the file is already open. The file slot is allocated beginning with slot 1 to 32.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
Disk errors

```
LI R1,FILEN ;GET FILE NAME
XROO ;OPEN READ ONLY FILE
JMP ERROR ;ERROR
MOV R0,@FILET ;SAVE TYPE
MOV R1,@FILID ;SAVE FILE ID
....
```

```
FILET DATA 0
FILID DATA 0
FILEN TEXT 'FILENAME:EXT'
BYTE 0
```

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

5.4.22 XROP - OPEN RANDOM FILE

Mnemonic: XROP
Value: >2F83

Format: XROP
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R0 = File type
R1 = FILE ID

The OPEN RANDOM FILE primitive opens a file for random access by assigning the file to an area of system memory called a file slot, and returning a FILE ID and file type to the calling program. Thereafter, the file is referenced by the FILE ID and not by the file name.

The FILE ID (returned in register R1) is a 2-byte number. The left byte is the disk number and the right byte is the channel buffer index. The file type is returned in register R0.

The END-OF-FILE marker on a random file is changed only when the file has been extended. All data transfers are buffered through a channel buffer and data movement to and from the disk is by full sectors.

The file slot is allocated beginning with slot 32 to slot 1.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
Disk errors

```
LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
XROP             ;OPEN RANDOM FILE
JMP ERROR        ;ERROR
MOV R0,@FILET    ;SAVE TYPE
MOV R1,@FILID    ;SAVE FILE ID
....
```

```
FILET DATA 0
FILID DATA 0
FILEN TEXT 'FILENAME:EXT'
BYTE 0
```

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

5.4.23 XRST - RESET FILES

Mnemonic: XRST
Value: >2F46

Format: XRST

Registers: IN R1 = Reset type

The RESET FILES primitive closes all open files either by task or disk number. The command also clears the assigned input FILE ID. If register R1 equals -1, then all files associated with the current task are closed. Otherwise, register R1 specifies a disk and all files opened on that disk are closed.

XRST has no error return and hence closes all files even though errors occur in the close process. This is necessary since files may be opened on a write protected disk, for instance, and a error occurs before the files could be closed.

Possible Errors: None

```
DONE SET0 R1 ;CLOSE ALL TASK FILES
XRST
....
```

```
MOV @DISKN,R1 ;PREPARE TO REMOVE DISK
XRST ;CLOSE ALL FILES
.... ;REMOVE DISK
```

5.4.24 XRWF - REWIND FILE

Mnemonic: XRWF
Value: >2F80

Format: XRWF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID

The REWIND FILE primitive positions the file specified by the FILE ID in register R1, to byte position zero.

```
REWIND MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
XRWF ;REWIND FILE
XERR ;PROBLEM
....
```

```
FILID DATA 0
```

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
70 = Position error
Disk errors

5.4.25 XSOP - OPEN SEQUENTIAL FILE

Mnemonic: XSOP
Value: >2F84

Format: XSOP
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name

OUT R0 = File type
R1 = FILE ID

The OPEN SEQUENTIAL FILE primitive opens a file for sequential access by assigning the file to an area of system memory called a file slot and returning a FILE ID and file type to the calling program. Thereafter, the file is referenced by the FILE ID and not by the file name.

The FILE ID (returned in register R1) is a 2-byte number. The left byte is the disk number and the right byte is the channel buffer index. The file type is returned in R0.

The END-OF-FILE marker on a sequential file is changed whenever data is written to the file. All data transfers are buffered through a channel buffer; data movement to and from the disk is by full sectors.

The file slots are allocated beginning with slot 32 down to slot 1.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
62 = File already open
68 = Disk not formatted
69 = No more file slots
Disk errors

```
LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
XSOP             ;OPEN SEQUENTIAL FILE
JMP ERROR        ;ERROR
MOV R0,0FILET    ;SAVE TYPE
MOV R1,0FILID    ;SAVE FILE ID
....
```

```
FILET DATA 0
FILID DATA 0
FILEN TEXT 'FILENAME:EXT'
BYTE 0
```

FILE ID = (Disk #) x 256 + (File slot index)

5.4.26 XSZF - SIZE DISK

Mnemonic: XSZF
Value: >2F47

Format: XSZF
error

Registers: IN R0 = Disk #

OUT R5 = Largest contiguous block
R6 = Number of sectors allotted
R7 = Number of sectors used
R8 = Number of free sectors
R9 = Task control block

*Uses registers R1-R8,R9,R11 of calling workspace

The SIZE DISK subroutine returns disk size parameters in registers R5, R6, R7, and R8. Register R7 returns the total number of sectors used by all files. Register R6 returns the number of sectors allocated for file storage.

Register R8 is calculated from the disk sector bit map and reflects the number of sectors available for file allocation. Register R5 is returned with the size of the largest block of contiguous sectors. This is useful in defining large files.

Possible Errors:

68 = Disk not formatted
Disk errors

```
CLR R0      ;SELECT DISK #0
XSZF        ;GET DISK SIZE
XERR        ;ERROR
MOV R8,R1
XCBM        ;OUTPUT FREE
DATA SPM1
XPLC        ;PRINT
MOV R5,R1
XCBM        ;OUTPUT LARGEST
DATA SPM2   ; CONTIGUOUS BLOCK
XPLC
XTAB        ;TAB TO COLUMN 20
DATA 20
MOV R7,R1
XCBM        ;OUTPUT USED
DATA SPM3
XPLC        ;PRINT
MOV R6,R1
XCBM        ;OUTPUT ALLOCATED
DATA SPM4
XPLC        ;PRINT
XEXT
```

```
*
SPM1  BYTE >0A,>0D
      TEXT 'FREE:'
      BYTE 0
SPM2  BYTE >2C,0
SPM3  TEXT 'USED:'
      BYTE 0
SPM4  TEXT '/'
      BYTE 0
```

5.4.27 XULF - UNLOCK FILE

Mnemonic: XULF
Value: >2F92

Format: XULF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
XULF           ;UNLOCK FILE
XERR
....
```

The UNLOCK FILE primitive unlocks a locked file for access by any other task.

```
FILID DATA 0 ;FILE ID
```

(See 5.4.11 XLKF - LOCK FILE.)

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
Disk errors

5.4.28 XWBF - WRITE BLOCK

Mnemonic: XWBF
Value: >2F8A

Format: XWBF
error

Registers: IN R0 = Byte count
R1 = FILE ID
(R2) = Buffer address

```
LI R0,252      ;WRITE FULL SECTOR
MOV @FILID,R1  ;GET ID
LI R2,BUFFER   ;GET BUFFER ADDRESS
XWBF           ;WRITE TO FILE
XERR
....
```

The WRITE BLOCK primitive writes from a memory buffer, pointed to by register R2, to a disk file specified by the FILE ID in register R1. Register R0 specifies the number of bytes to be written. If the channel buffer has been rolled to disk, the least used buffer is freed and the buffer is restored to memory. The file slot ID is placed on the top of the last-access queue.

```
FILID DATA 0      ;FILE ID
BUFFER BSS 252     ;SECTOR BUFFER
```

The write is independent of the data content. The buffer pointer in register R2 is on any byte boundary. The write operation is not terminated with a null.

A byte count of zero in register R0 results in no data being written to the file.

R0 = 0 Write no data

If it is necessary for the file to be extended, PDOS first uses sectors already linked to the file. If a null or end link is found, a new sector obtained from the disk sector bit map is linked to the end of the file. If the file was contiguous, it is retyped as a non-contiguous file.

Extended file

Contiguous changes to non-contiguous

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
Disk errors

5.4.29 XWFA - WRITE FILE ATTRIBUTES

Mnemonic: XWFA
Value: >2F8F

Format: XWFA
error

Registers: IN (R1) = File name
(R2) = ASCII file attributes

The WRITE FILE ATTRIBUTES primitive sets the attributes of the file specified by the file name pointed to by register R1. Register R2 points to an ASCII string containing the new file attributes. The format is:

(R2) = {file type}{protection}

{file type} = AC - PROCEDURE FILE
BN - BINARY FILE
OB - 9900 OBJECT
SY - SYSTEM FILE
BX - BASIC TOKEN FILE
EX - BASIC SOURCE FILE
TX - TEXT FILE
UD - USER DEFINED FILE

{protection} = * - Delete protect
** - Delete and Write protect

If register R2 equals zero, then all flags, with the exception of the contiguous flag, are cleared. If register R2 points to a '#', then the contiguous flag is cleared.

Possible Errors:

50 = Invalid file name
53 = File not defined
54 = Invalid file type
Disk errors

```
LI R1,FILEN      ;GET FILE NAME
LI R2,CLRC       ;CLEAR CONTIGUOUS
XWFA             ;WRITE ATTRIBUTE
XERR
LI R2,PROTF      ;SET BINARY & PROTECTED
XWFA             ;SET
XERR
....
```

```
FILEN TEXT 'DATA:BIN'
BYTE 0
CLRC  TEXT '#'
BYTE 0
PROTF TEXT 'BN**'
BYTE 0
```

5.4.30 XWLF - WRITE LINE

Mnemonic: XWLF
Value: >2F8B

Format: XWLF
error

Registers: IN R1 = FILE ID
(R2) = Buffer address

```
MOV @FILID,R1 ;GET FILE ID
LI R2,LINE ;GET LINE
XWLF ;WRITE LINE
XERR ;ERROR
....
```

The WRITE LINE primitive writes a line delimited by a null character to the disk file specified by the FILE ID in register R1. Register R2 points to the string to be written. If the channel buffer has been rolled to disk, the least used buffer is freed and the buffer is restored to memory. The file slot ID is placed on the top of the last-access queue.

```
FILID DATA 0 ;FILE ID
LINE BYTE >0A,>0D
TEXT 'NO DIAGNOSTICS'
BYTE 0
```

The write line command is independent of the data content, with the exception that a null character terminates the string. The buffer pointer in register R2 is on any byte boundary. A single write operation continues until a null character is found.

Null delimiter

If it is necessary for the file to be extended, PDOS first uses sectors already linked to the file. If a null link is found, a new sector obtained from the disk sector bit map is linked to the end of the file. If the file was contiguous, it is retyped as a non-contiguous file.

Extended file

Contiguous changes to non-contiguous

Possible Errors:

52 = File not open
59 = Invalid file slot
Disk errors

5.5 SUPPORT PRIMITIVES5.5.1 XCBD - CONVERT BINARY TO DECIMAL

Mnemonic: XCBD
Value: >2FD6

Format: XCBD

Registers: IN R1 = number

OUT (R1) = string pointer

The CONVERT BINARY TO DECIMAL primitive converts a 16 bit, 2's complement number to a character string. The number to be converted is passed to XCBD in register R1. Register R1 is also returned with a pointer to the converted character string located in the monitor work buffer. Leading zeros are suppressed and a negative sign is the first character for negative numbers. The string is delimited by a null.

Possible Errors: None

```
MOV @NUMB,R1 ;GET NUMBER
XCBD          ;CONVERT TO PRINT
MOV R1,@SAVE  ;SAVE POINTER
XPLC          ;PRINT
....
```

*

```
NUMB DATA 1234 ;NUMBER HOLDER
SAVE DATA 0    ;SAVE POINTER
```

5.5.2 XCBH - CONVERT BINARY TO HEX

Mnemonic: XCBH
Value: >2FD7

Format: XCBH

Registers: IN R1 = number

OUT (R1) = string pointer

The CONVERT BINARY TO HEX primitive converts a 16-bit number to its hexadecimal (base 16) representation. The number is passed in register R1 and a pointer to the ASCII string is also returned in register R1. The converted string is in the monitor work buffer and consists of four hexadecimal characters followed by a null.

Possible Errors: None

```
MOV @NUMB,R1 ;GET NUMBER
XCBH          ;GET HEX CONVERSION
MOV R1,@SAVE  ;SAVE POINTER
LI R0,'>'    ;ADD HEX SIGN
XPCC          ;PRINT
XPLC          ;PRINT 4 HEX CHARACTERS
....
```

*

```
NUMB DATA 1234 ;NUMBER HOLDER
SAVE DATA 0    ;SAVE POINTER
```

5.5.3 XCBM - CONVERT UNSIGNED BINARY TO DECIMAL W/MESSAGE

Mnemonic: XCBM
Value: >2FD8

Format: XCBM
DATA message

Registers: IN R1 = number

OUT (R1) = string pointer

The CONVERT UNSIGNED BINARY TO DECIMAL W/MESSAGE primitive converts a 16 bit, unsigned number to a character string. The output string is preceded by the string whose address immediately follows the call. The string can be up to 24 characters in length and is terminated by a null character. The number to be converted is passed to XCBM in register R1. Register R1 is also returned with a pointer to the converted character string located in the monitor work buffer. Leading zeros are suppressed and the result ranges from 0 to 65535.

Possible Errors: None

```
MOV @NUMB,R1 ;GET NUMBER
XCBM          ;CONVERT TO PRINT
DATA MES1
MOV R1,@SAVE ;SAVE POINTER
XPLC         ;PRINT
....
```

```
*
NUMB DATA 1234 ;NUMBER HOLDER
SAVE DATA 0 ;SAVE POINTER
MES1 BYTE >0A,>0D
TEXT 'NUMB='
BYTE 0
```

5.5.4 XCDB - CONVERT DECIMAL TO BINARY

Mnemonic: XCDB
Value: >2FD9

Format: XCDB
JL no number
JH number
JEQ number w/o null delimiter

Registers: IN (R1) = string pointer

OUT RO = delimiter
R1 = number
(R2) = updated string pointer

The CONVERT DECIMAL TO BINARY primitive converts an ASCII string of characters to a 16 bit, 2's complement number. The result is returned in register R1 while the status register reflects the conversion results.

XCDB converts signed decimal, hexadecimal, or binary numbers. Hexadecimal numbers are preceded by ">" and binary numbers by "%". A "-" indicates a negative number. There can be no embedded blanks.

A LOW status indicates that no conversion was possible. Register RO is returned with the first character and register R2 points immediately after it.

A HIGH status indicates that a good conversion has been made, and the result is found in register R1. Register R2 is returned with an updated pointer and register RO is set to zero.

A EQUAL status indicates that a conversion was made but the ASCII string was not terminated with a null character. The result is returned in register R1 and the non-numeric, non-null character is returned in register RO. Register R2 has the address of the next character.

Possible Errors: None

```

MOV @PTR,R1      ;GET STRING POINTER
MOV @DFP2,R3     ;GET 2ND DEFAULT
XCDB             ;CONVERT
JL ERROR         ;NO NUMBER
JH CONT          ;OK
CI RO,>2C00       ;COMMA DELIMITER?
JNE ERROR        ;N, ERROR
MOV R2,R1        ;Y, GET NEXT NUMBER
MOV R1,R3        ;SAVE FIRST RESULT
XCDB             ;CONVERT 2ND NUMBER
JL ERROR         ;NO NUMBER
JEQ ERROR        ;ONLY 2 PARAMETERS
MOV R1,RO        ;OK, SHAP R1,R3
MOV R3,R1
MOV RO,R1

*
CONT    ....    ;R1=1ST, R3=2ND

PTR     DATA PTRS    ;STRING POINTER
DFP2    DATA 100     ;2ND PARAMETER DEFAULT

```

5.5.5 XGNP - GET NEXT PARAMETER

Mnemonic: XGNP
Value: >2FD0

Format: XGNP
L => No parameter
EQ => Null
H => parameter

Registers: OUT (R1) = parameter

The GET NEXT PARAMETER primitive parses the monitor buffer for the next command parameter. The routine does this by maintaining a current pointer into the buffer (MIOP) and a parameter delimiter (MDEL).

A parameter is a character string delimited by a space, comma, period, or null. If a parameter begins with a left parenthesis, then all parsing stops until a matching right parenthesis or null is found. Hence, spaces, commas, and periods are passed in a parameter when enclosed in parentheses. Parentheses may be nested to any depth.

A LOW status is returned if the last parameter delimiter is a null or period. XGNP does not parse past a period. In this case, register R1 is returned with a zero.

An EQUAL status is returned if the last parameter delimiter is a comma and no parameter follows. Register R1 is returned pointing to a null string.

A HIGH status is returned if a valid parameter is found. Register R1 then points to the parameter.

Possible Errors: None

```
SPAC  MOV @FDL(9),RO ;GET SYSTEM DISK #
      SRL RO,8        ;POSITION
      XGNP            ;GET PARAMETER, OK?
      JLE SPAC02      ;N, USE DEFAULT
      XCDB            ;Y, CONVERT, OK?
      JLE ERR67       ;N, ERROR
      MOV R1,RO       ;Y
*
SPAC02 XSZF           ;GET DISK SIZE
      XERR            ;PROBLEM
      ....
```

```
.ASM SOURCE,BIN LIST ERR.SP
.CT (ASM SOURCE,BIN),15,,3
.DO ((DO DO),DO)
```

```
.LS.LS
```

```
.ASM SOURCE,,ERR
```

