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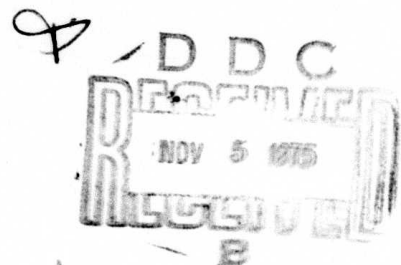
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The following is a short description of a small extension of STAGE2, providing possibilities to copy comments etc. from the source text to the generated text. The description presupposes familiarity with the STAGE2 system: its purpose, use and descriptions, like [1] to [9]. Only section 3 of this paper requires knowledge of the internal structures and working of the system, and that section is unnecessary for the plain use of the described feature.

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## 2. THE FLAG LINE

As described in [1], the input material for any translation by STAGE2 starts with a collection of macros, defining the correspondence between the source language of input (program) text following the macros, and the target language. In the very beginning of the input material, however, and preceding the macros, is a so-called FLAG LINE. This line, terminated by carriage return, defines the character set used.

### 2.1. The original format of the Flag Line.

As also stated in [1], the flag line consists of the following characters, in the order shown:

Pos. in Flag line	Function of Character	Usual character
1	Source end-of-line flag	Ø
2	Source parameter flag	*
3	Target end-of-line flag	§
4	Target parameter flag	*
5	Zero, defines all digits	0
6	Space. Also used as padding character	space
7	Left parenthesis	(
8	Addition operator	+
9	Subtraction operator	-

10	Multiplication operator	*
11	Division operator	/
12	Right parenthesis	)

If the character following immediately after `)`, i.e. in position 13, is not a carriage return or space, the flag line will be considered "extended", effecting the copying of comments, as explained in section 2.2. Contrary, if the character immediately following `)` is carriage return or space (the latter relevant for punched cards), the flag line is considered "normal", and nothing is changed, with respect to use or the appearance of the generated text.

## 2.2. Extended Flag Line.

With a simple extension of the flag line, one can specify that comments in the source text shall be copied over to the generated text lines. By "comments" is here meant strings of characters, other than spaces, following the source end-of-line flag, before carriage return or end of line. As required by assembler or other systems program, to be used for later processing of the generated text, comments in the generated text should usually begin with a special delimiter, after which the remainder of the line will be considered as comments and neglected by the assembler (or post-processor). One often used symbol for this purpose is `;` but any single character can be used, since this is to be specified on the extended flag-line. An example of an extended flag-line can look like:

```
.*$#0_(*-*/)8 tab tab _ _ _ ;
```

where `_` here symbolizes one space character, and `tab` symbolizes one "tab".

The first 12 characters are unchanged. Further along the line is typed the comment delimiter, which here is `;`, in the position where it is to appear in the generated lines. The comments will be inserted in the generated first line, immediately following the delimiter, such that any tabulator or space characters in front of the comments in the source text will be suppressed, and substituted by tabulator and space characters as necessary to place the delimiter and comments in the proper place on the line. Also, if the source line comments begin with the delimiter character (following possible leading tabs and spaces), this delimiter is suppressed, to give only one delimiter character. Delimiter characters later on the line will be copied normally, however. By "first line" is here meant the first of the the group of lines generated by one macro, i.e. the group of lines corresponding to the source line.

The first character following `)` (i.e. in position 13) in the flag line should be an integer, in the range 1 to 9, specifying `W` = the number of spaces equivalent to one tabulator. The next character should be the tabulator character ("tab"). Following this, comes any number of more "tabs" (may be zero), followed by any number of spaces, which can also be zero. Tabs and spaces can not be mixed.

More concisely: If the number of consecutive tabs in the flag line is `k`, followed by `j` spaces, the comment delimiter will be placed in position number:

$$D = [(13 : W) \cdot k] * W + j$$

where `:` symbolizes integer division, discarding remainder.

The integer 13 originates from the thirteen leading characters on the line, before the first tab. As a matter of fact, one can simply forget the formula and just put the comment delimiter in the proper position along the line.

If the generated string, before comments, extends beyond the position specified for start of

comments, the comments will start immediately after the generated string.

To summarize, the character positions along an extended flag line have the following significance:

Pos. in Flag line	Function of Character	Usual character
1	Source end-of-line flag	Ø
2	Source parameter flag	*
3	Target end-of-line flag	§
4	Target parameter flag	*
5	Zero, defines all digits	0
6	Space. Also used as padding character	space
7	Left parenthesis	(
8	Addition operator	+
9	Subtraction operator	-
10	Multiplication operator	*
11	Division operator	/
12	Right parenthesis	)
13	=W, number of spaces between tabulator positions	8
14+i (i=0,1,...,k-1)	Tabulator character value	tab
next j characters (j=0 permitted)	Space, as padding character, used to fix the start of the comment section between two tab positions	space
14+k+j	Comment delimiter	;

Possible further characters, up to carriage return, are ignored.

### 3. DESCRIPTION OF MODIFICATIONS IN STAGE2

The modification of STAGE2, necessary to record extended flag-line and provide copying of comments, consists of 3 parts:

1. Extension of the first part of STAGE2, reading the flag line.
2. Modification of the line input routine.
3. Modification and extension of the routine that outputs characters to the line buffer.

Part 1 is close to the beginning of STAGE2, part 2 is around the label LOC 03, and part 3 is at LOC 57. The modifications are shown in the enclosed listings, on the following pages. The modifications are distinguished from the original parts of the program, by the use of small letters for comments. Also, the new or modified lines are not finished with the word STG2, which indicates original program text. The semicolon, introducing each comment, is superfluous here, it is merely included due to a habit of the author. The listings included here are only extracts of the program, showing the modifications and their surroundings. By comparison with a complete listing of the original text, it should be fairly simple to spot the places where the modifications are made.

The modified program-text partly explains itself, through the comments included. A couple of further details to note are, however:

The set of registers of the simulated FLUB machine is extended with 6 more triples: FLG, VAL, and

PTR, with suffix: AA, AB, AD, AE, AF, and ZC. This involves that the modified version of STAGE2 *no longer can be translated by SIMCMP*, since one more character is used in these variable names. For the bootstrapping implementation is therefore recommended, that the original version is used, until a primitive version of STAGE2 is running. Then, this one can be used to translate the modified version.

The variables mentioned are used in the following applications:

	VAL	PTR
AA	value of char	pointer, current character of comment text
AB	not used	pointer, end of comment text
AD	working variable	number of positions between each tab position
AE	tab character value	pos. no. corresponding to integer tabs before comments
AF	comment delimiter value	pos. no. of beginning comments
ZC	not used	pointer for current character during output

One more remark is important, concerning PTR ZC: This variable is also manipulated, and changed, by the internal mechanisms of the I/O-package:

PTR ZC is set to 0 at each call of READ NEXT \* and of WRITE NEXT \*. It is incremented by each statement CHAR = VAL \*. Here, \* signifies any valid parameter, according to macro notations.

Only PTR ZC is affected by internal operations. All other FLUB registers are only modified by the STAGE2 program, as positively expressed by FLUB statements.

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#### APPENDIX

The following pages comprise:

1. Extracts from listings of STAGE2, in FLUB.
2. Example: Macros for translation from FLUB to assembly for PDP-10
3. Extracts from PDP-10 assembly version of STAGE2, extracts corresponding to item 1 above, as translated with macros, item 2.

APPENDIX 1: Extracts from listings of STAGE2, in FLUB.

(Section containing routines for input of Flag line and for input of normal lines)

PTR J = 0 + 0.		STG2
FLG L = 1.	END-OF-LINE INDICATOR.	STG2
VAL L = 0 - 1.	CARRIAGE RETURN IS -1.	STG2
PTR L = 0 + 0.	LOCATION COUNTER.	STG2
VAL M = CHAR.	LEFT PARENTHESIS.	STG2
PTR M = 0 + 0.	RESET THE SKIP COUNT.	STG2
FLG N = 0.	SET EXPRESSION SIGN POSITIVE.	STG2
VAL N = CHAR.	ADDITION OPERATOR.	STG2
FLG O = 0.		STG2
VAL O = CHAR.	SUBTRACTION OPERATOR.	STG2
VAL P = CHAR.	MULTIPLICATION OPERATOR.	STG2
VAL Q = CHAR.	DIVISION OPERATOR.	STG2
VAL R = CHAR.	RIGHT PARENTHESIS.	STG2
VAL AF = 0 + 0.	; read extension of FLAG LINE	
VAL AE = 0 + 0.	; initialize	
PTR AE = 0.		
PTR AF = 0.		
PTR AD = 0.	; remains=0 if no extension	
VAL AD = CHAR.		
TO 1E IF VAL AD LT 0.	; no extension of FLAG LINE	
TO 1E IF VAL AD = F.	; no extension of FLAG LINE	
VAL AD = AD - E.	; corresp. no. positions for TAB	
PTR AD = VAL AD.	; into tab.-parameter	
PTR AF = 5 + 3.	; POSND(no of pos.)+=13	
PTR AE = AF / AD.	; NMTAB = POSND/TABPOS	
PTR AF = 0.	; initialize POSND	
VAL AE = CHAR.	; TAB-character value	
LOC 1A.		
PTR AE = AE + 1.	; count no. of tabs	
VAL AD = CHAR.		
TO 1D IF VAL AD LT 0.	; terminate extension	
TO 1A IF VAL AD = AE.	; read new if tab	
LOC 1B.		
TO 1C IF VAL AD NE F.	; jump if not space	
PTR AF = AF + 1.	; count no. of spaces	
VAL AD = CHAR.	; read new if space	
TO 1B.		
LOC 1C.		
TO 1D IF VAL AD LT 0.	; terminate extension	
TO 1A IF VAL AD = AE.	; read new if tab	
VAL AF = AD.	; read comment-delimiter	
LOC 1D.	; calculate extension-parameters	
PTR AE = AE * AD.	; pos.no. corresp. to integer tabs	
PTR AF = AE + AF.	; pos.no. of beginning comments	
LOC 1E.	; continue original STAGE2	
PTR R = 0 + 0.	SET NO REPETITION IN PROGRESS.	STG2
PTR 4 = 7 + 7.	LENGTH OF TWO DESCRIPTORS.	STG2
PTR 8 = F + 7.	POINT TO THE FIRST AVAILABLE SPACE.	STG2
TO 01 BY 0.	START WORKING IN EARNEST.	STG2
LOC 01.	ROUTINE TO READ FROM THE INPUT.	STG2
GET I = A.	RECALL THE CHANNEL SPEC.	STG2
READ NEXT I.	GRAB A LINE.	STG2
TO 08 IF FLG I NE 0.	GET OUT UNLESS ALL IS OK.	STG2
PTR I = C + 0.		STG2
VAL Y = 0 + 0.		STG2
PTR Y = C + 0.		STG2



(Section containing the Modified output routine)

```
STO 8 = 1. YES, SET THE TERMINATOR. STG2
PTR 8 = 8 + 7. ADVANCE THE SPACE PDINTER. STG2
TO 97 IF PTR 8 GE 9. HAVE WE OVERRUN THE AREA, YES. STG2
VAL I = CHAR. GET THE NEXT CHARACTER. STG2
TO 55 IF VAL I NE C. DID THAT CLOSE THE DEFINITION PHASE, NO. STG2
FLG B = 0. YES, RESET THE PHASE FLAG. STG2
LOC 55. COMMON SYSTEM RETURN POINT. STG2
RETURN BY D. REGISTER D IS THE RETURN ADDRESS. STG2
LOC 56. PUNCH AN UNRECOGNIZED LINE. STG2
VAL W = 3 + 0. CHANNEL 3 USED WHEN A LINE IS NOT MATCHED. STG2
PTR X = C + 0. ADDRESS THE FIRST CHARACTER. STG2
PTR AA = AB ; eliminate double output of comments
LOC 57. ; output characters
GET X = X. ; norm. loop, get character
TO 00 IF VAL X NE L. ; continue in normal loop if not CR
TO 00 IF PTR AD = 0. ; or if "main extension switch" off
TO 00 IF PTR AA = AB. ; or if no remainder in this line
LOC 2A. ; output remainder of line:
TO 2B IF PTR ZC GE AE. ; if pos.counter less integr. tab.pos
CHAR = VAL AE. ; then output tab and loop
TO 2A. ; loop for spaces
LOC 2B. ; put out space(s)
TO 2C IF PTR ZC GE AF.
CHAR = VAL F.
TO 2B.
LOC 2C.
TO 0C IF VAL AF = 0. ; put out comment-delimiter
CHAR = VAL AF. ; loop for output of remaining string
LOC 0C. ; get first char.
GET AA = AA. ; eliminate possible "source EDL-flag"
TO 2E IF VAL AA NE A. ; loop for output remainder (comments)
LOC 2D. ; get next character
GET AA = AA.
LOC 2E. ; put out the character
CHAR = VAL AA. ; possible terminate
TO 0F IF FLG AA = 1. ; go loop if not exhausted
TO 20 IF PTR AA NE AB. ; normal output-loop
LOC 0D.
CHAR = VAL X. ; terminate if CR
TO 0E IF VAL X = L. HAVE WE REACHED THE END, NO. STG2
TO 57 IF FLG X NE 1.
LOC 0F. ; squeeze possible remaining of "remainder"
PTR AA = AB. ; end of line reached:
LOC 0E. YES, PUT IT OUT ON THE DESIGNATED CHANNEL. STG2
WRITE NEXT W. TREAT ANY ERROR AS FATAL. STG2
TO 98 IF FLG W NE 0. ELSE IF THE LINE IS COMPLETE, RETURN. STG2
TO 55 IF VAL X = L. ELSE REPRINT THE LAST CHARACTER STG2
CHAR = VAL X. AND CONTINUE. STG2
TO 57. TRY FOR AN ALTERNATIVE MATCH. STG2
LOC 58. GET THE PDINTER TO THE ALTERNATIVE. STG2
PTR Z = W + Z. WAS THERE ONE AFTER ALL, YES. STG2
TO 60 IF PTR W NE 0. NO, ARE WE DEFINING, YES. STG2
TO 71 IF FLG B = 2. TRY EXTENDING THE PREVIOUS PARAMETER. STG2
LOC 59. IS THERE ONE TO EXTEND, NO. STG2
TO 70 IF PTR V GE 9. RECALL THE MACRO PDINTER. STG2
GET Z = V. YES, RECALL THE INPUT PDINTER STG2
GET Y = Q. AND THE CURRENT CHARACTER STG2
GET X = Y. IS THIS THE FIRST TIME FOR A PARAMETER, YES STG2
TO 63 IF FLG Z = 2. NO, IS IT A PARAMETER EXTENSION, YES. STG2
TO 64 IF FLG Z = 3.
```

APPENDIX 2: Example: Macros for translation from FLUB to assembly for PDP-10

```

.$#0 (+-*/):
GET # = #.
IF AC2 = 'PTR#20' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,PTR#20#F1$
SET AC2 TO 0$
    MOVEI 15,FLG#10#F1$
    JSR UNPACK#F1$
$
STO # = #.
IF AC2 = 'PTR#10' SKIP 2$
    MOVE 2,PTR#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'PTR#10'$
    MOVEI 15,FLG#20#F1$
    JSR PACK#F1$
$
FLG # = #.
IF #20 NE 0 SKP 2$
    SETZM FLG#10#F1$
SKIP 4$
IF AC2 = 'FLG#20' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,FLG#20#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'FLG#10'$
    MOVEM 2,FLG#10#F1$
$
VAL # = PTR #.
IF AC2 = 'PTR#20' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,PTR#20#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'VAL#10'$
    MOVEM 2,VAL#10#F1$
$
PTR # = VAL #.
IF AC2 = 'VAL#20' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,VAL#20#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'PTR#10'$
    MOVEM 2,PTR#10#F1$
$
PTR # = 0.
    SETZM PTR#10#F1$
$
VAL # = 0.
    SETZM VAL#10#F1$
$
# # = 0 + 0.
    SETZM #10#20#F1$
$
# # = # + 0.
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,#10#30#F1$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
$

```

```

# # = # + 1.
IF #20 NE #30 SKP 3$
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 5$
    AOS    #10#20#F1$
SKIP 5$
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 1$
    MOVE  2,#10#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
    AOJ   2,#F1$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
$
# # = # - 1.
IF #20 NE #30 SKP 3$
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 5$
    SOS    #10#20#F1$
SKIP 5$
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 1$
    MOVE  2,#10#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
    SOJ   2,#F1$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
$
# # = # + 7.
#10 #20 = #30 + 1$
$
# # = # - 7.
#10 #20 = #30 - 1$
$
# # = # + #.
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 2$
IF AC2 = '#10#40' SKIP 3$
    MOVE  2,#10#30#F1$
    AOO   2,#10#40#F1$
SKIP 1$
    ADD   2,#10#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
$
# # = # - #.
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 1$
    MOVE  2,#10#30#F1$
    SUB   2,#10#40#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
$
# # = #.
IF #20 = #30 SKP 4$
IF AC2 = '#10#30' SKIP 1$
    MOVE  2,#10#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#10#20'$
    MOVEM 2,#10#20#F1$
$

```

```

PTR # = # * #.
IF #30 NE 7 SKP 3$
PTR #10 = #20$
SKIP 8$
IF AC2 = 'PTR#20' SKIP 2$
IF AC2 = 'PTR#30' SKIP 3$
    MOVE 2,PTR#20#F1$
    IMUL 2,PTR#30#F1$
SKIP 1$
    IMUL 2,PTR#20#F1$
    MOVEM 2,PTR#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'PTR#10'$
$
PTR # = # / #.
IF #30 NE 7 SKP 3$
PTR #10 = #20$
SKIP 5$
IF AC2 = 'PTR#20' SKIP 1$
    MOVE 2,PTR#20#F1$
    IDIV 2,PTR#30#F1$
    MOVEM 2,PTR#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'PTR#10'$
$
TO # IF # # = #.
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 2$
    MOVE 2,#20#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'$
    CAMN 2,#20#40#F1$
    JRST LOC#10#F1$
$
TO # IF # # NE 0.
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 2$
    MOVE 2,#20#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'$
    JUMPN 2,LOC#10#F1$
$
TO # IF # # GE 0.
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 2$
    MOVE 2,#20#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'$
    JUMPGE 2,LOC#10#F1$
$
TO # IF # # = 0.
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 2$
    MOVE 2,#20#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'$
    JUMPE 2,LOC#10#F1$
$
TO # IF # # NE #.
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 3$
IF AC2 = '#20#40' SKIP 4$
    MOVE 2,#20#30#F1$
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'$
    CAME 2,#20#40#F1$
SKIP 1$
    CAME 2,#20#30#F1$
    JRST LOC#10#F1$
$

```

TO # IF # # GE #.  
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 3\$  
IF AC2 = '#20#40' SKIP 4\$  
MOVE 2,#20#30#F1\$  
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'\$  
CAML 2,#20#40#F1\$  
SKIP 1\$  
CAMG 2,#20#30#F1\$  
JRST LOC#10#F1\$

\$  
TO # IF # # # # #.  
IF AC2 = '#20#30' SKIP 2\$  
MOVE 2,#20#30#F1\$  
SET AC2 TO '#20#30'\$  
IF AC13 = 'BOL#40' SKIP 2\$  
SET AC13 TO 'BOL#40'\$  
MOVE 13,BOL#40#F1\$  
MOVE 15,#20#50#F1\$  
JSR BOOL#F1\$  
JRST LOC#10#F1\$

\$  
TO #.  
JRST LOC#10#F1\$

\$  
TO # BY #.  
MOVEI 14,PTR#20#F1\$  
MOVEI 15,LOC#10#F1\$  
JSP 13,SUBRT#F1\$

SET AC13 TO 0\$  
\$  
RETURN BY #.  
MOVE 13,PTR#10#F1\$  
JRST (13)#F1\$

SET AC13 TO 0\$

\$  
LOC #.  
LOC#10:#F1\$  
SET AC2 TO 0\$  
SET AC13 TO 0\$

\$  
STOP.  
SETA\$

EXIT\$  
\$  
END PROGRAM.  
LOWEND-.#F1\$  
BLOCK MASSIZ#F1\$  
HIGEND-.#F1\$  
END START#F1\$  
#F0\$  
\$

```

READ NEXT #.
    MOVE 5,VAL#10#F1$
    JSR READIN#F1$
    MOVEM 2,FLG#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'FLG#10'S
$
VAL # = CHAR.
    JSR GET1C#F1$
    MOVEM 2,VAL#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'VAL#10'S
$
CHAR = VAL #.
SET AC2 TO 'VAL#10'S
    MOVE 2,VAL#10#F1$
    JSR UTCHAR#F1$
    MOVEM 3,FLG#10#F1$
$
WRITE NEXT #.
    MOVE 5,VAL#10#F1$
    JSR WRTLIN#F1$
    MOVEM 2,FLG#10#F1$
SET AC2 TO 'FLG#10'S
$
REWIND #.
    MOVE 5,VAL#10#F1$
    JSR REWIND#F1$
    MOVEM 3,FLG#10#F1$
$
MESSAGE # TO #.
    MOVEI 13,(ASCIZ/#10/)#F1$
    MOVE 15,VAL#20#F1$
    JSR MSGOUT#F1$
    MOVEM 3,FLG#20#F1$
$
SET # TO #.
#F3$
$
IF # = # SKIP #.
IF #11 = #20 SKP #30$
$
IF # = # SKP #.
#F50$
$
IF # NE # SKP #.
#F51$
$
SKIP #.
#F4$
$$

```

Appendix 3: Extracts from PDP-10 assembly version of STAGE2, extracts corresponding to Appendix 1, as translated with macros, Appendix 2.

(Section containing routines for input of Flag line and for input of normal lines)

```

SETZM PTRJ ;STG2
MOVE 2,FLG1 ;END-OF-LINE INDICATOR. STG2
MOVEM 2,FLGL
MOVE 2,VAL0 ;CARRIAGE RETURN IS -1. STG2
SOJ 2,
MOVEM 2,VALL
SETZM PTRL ;LOCATION COUNTER. STG2
JSR GET1C ;LEFT PARENTHESIS. STG2
MOVEM 2,VALM
SETZM PTRM ;RESET THE SKIP COUNT. STG2
SETZM FLGN ;SET EXPRESSION SIGN POSITIVE. STG2
JSR GET1C ;ADDITION OPERATOR. STG2
MOVEM 2,VALN
SETZM FLGO ;STG2
JSR GET1C ;SUBTRACTION OPERATOR. STG2
MOVEM 2,VALU ;MULTIPLICATION OPERATOR. STG2
JSR GET1C
MOVEM 2,VALP ;DIVISION OPERATOR. STG2
JSR GET1C
MOVEM 2,VALQ ;RIGHT PARENTHESIS. STG2
JSR GET1C
MOVEM 2,VALR

SETZM VALAF ; read extension of FLAG LINE
SETZM VALAE ; initialize
SETZM PTRAE
SETZM PTRAF
SETZM PTRAD ; remains=0 if no extension
JSR GET1C
MOVEM 2,VALAD
MOVE 13,BOLLT ; no extension of FLAG LINE
MOVE 15,VAL0
JSR BOOL
JRST LOC1E
CAMN 2,VALF ; no extension of FLAG LINE
JRST LOC1E
SUB 2,VALE ; corresp. no. positions for TAB
MOVEM 2,VALAD
MOVEM 2,PTRAD ; into tab.-parameter
MOVE 2,PTR5 ; POSNO(no of pos.)=-13
ADD 2,PTR3
MOVEM 2,PTRAF
MOVE 2,PTRAF ; NMTAB - POSNO/TABPOS
IQIV 2,PTRAD
MOVEM 2,PTRAE
SETZM PTRAF ; initialize POSNO
JSR GET1C ; TAB-character value
MOVEM 2,VALAE

LOC1A:
AOS PTRAE ; count no. of tabs
JSR GET1C
MOVEM 2,VALAD
MOVE 13,BOLLT ; terminate extension
MOVE 15,VAL0
JSR BOOL
JRST LOC1D
CAMN 2,VALAE ; read new if tab
JRST LOC1A

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LOC1B:  MOVE 2,VALAO ; jump if not space
        CAMF 2,VALF
        JRST LOC1C
        AOS PTRAF ; count no. of spaces
        JSR GET1C ; read new if space
        MOVEM 2,VALAO
        JRST LOC1B

LOC1C:  MOVE 2,VALAO ; terminate extension
        MOVE 13,BOLLT
        MOVE 15,VALØ
        JSR BOOL
        JRST LOC10
        CAMN 2,VALAE ; read new if tab
        JRST LOC1A
        MOVEM 2,VALAF ; read comment-delimiter
                          ; calculate extension-parameters
                          ; pos.no. corresp. to integer tabs

LOC10:  MOVE 2,PTRAE
        IMUL 2,PTRAO
        MOVEM 2,PTRAE
        ADD 2,PTRAF ; pos.no. of beginning comments
        MOVEM 2,PTRAF

LOC1E:  SETZM PTRR ; continue original STAGE2
        MOVE 2,PTR7 ;SET NO REPETITION IN PROGRESS. STG2
        AOJ 2, ;LENGTH OF TWO DESCRIPTORS. STG2
        MOVEM 2,PTR4
        MOVE 2,PTRF ;POINT TO THE FIRST AVAILABLE SPACE. STG2
        AOJ 2,
        MOVEM 2,PTR8
        MOVEI 14,PTR0 ;START WORKING IN EARNEST. STG2
        MOVEI 15,LOCØ1
        JSP 13,SUBRT

LOCØ1:  MOVE 2,PTRA ;ROUTINE TO READ FROM THE INPUT. STG2
        MOVEI 15,FLGI ;RECALL THE CHANNEL SPEC. STG2
        JSR UNPACK
        MOVE 5,VALI ;GRAB A LINE. STG2
        JSR READIN
        MOVEM 2,FLGI
        JUMPN 2,LOC98 ;GET OUT UNLESS ALL IS OK. STG2
        MOVE 2,PTRC ;STG2
        MOVEM 2,PTRI
        SETZM VALY ;STG2
        MOVE 2,PTRC ;STG2
        MOVEM 2,PTRY

        MOVE 2,PTRM ;SHOULD THIS LINE BE SKIPPED, NO. STG2
        JUMPE 2,LOCØ2
        SOJ 2, ;YES, DROP THE SKIP COUNT STG2
        MOVEM 2,PTRM
        JRST LOCØ1 ;TRY AGAIN. STG2
                          ;READING LOOP. STG2
                          ;ADVANCE THE SPACE POINTER. STG2

LOCØ2:  MOVE 2,PTRI
        MOVEM 2,PTR9
        JSR GET1C ;READ THE NEXT CHARACTER. STG2
        MOVEM 2,VALI
        MOVE 2,PTR9 ;POINT TO THE NEXT CHARACTER SPACE. STG2
        SOJ 2,
        MOVEM 2,PTRI

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	CAMG 2,PTR8	;HAVE WE OVERRUN THE AREA, YES.	STG2
	JRST LOC97		
	MOVE 2,PTR9	;PUT AWAY THE CHARACTER.	STG2
	MOVEI 15,FLGI		
	JSR PACK		
	MOVE 2,VALI	;WAS THIS A CARRIAGE RETURN, YES.	STG2
	CAMN 2,VALL		
	JRST LOC04		
	CAMN 2,VALA	;HAVE WE COMPLETED THE READ, YES.	STG2
	JRST LOC03		
	AOS VALY	;BUMP THE INPUT STRING LENGTH.	STG2
	CAME 2,VALB	;NO, IS THIS A PARAMETER FLAG, NO.	STG2
	JRST LOC02		
	MOVE 2,PTRI	;YES, SET THE PARAMETER POINTER AND	STG2
	MOVEM 2,PTRB		
	MOVE 2,PTR9	;STORE IT WITH THE PHASE FLAG.	STG2
	MOVEI 15,FLGB		
	JSR PACK		
	JRST LOC02	;STG2	
LOC03:		;READ THE REMAINDER OF THE LINE.	STG2
	MOVE 2,PTR9	; remark limitmark	
	MOVEM 2,PTRAA		
LOC0A:		; loop to read comments etc.	
	MOVE 2,VALI	; car.ret., i.e. no remainder	
	CAMN 2,VALL		
	JRST LOC0B		
	MOVE 2,PTRI		
	MOVEM 2,PTR9		
LOC0G:		;	
	JSR GETIC	;	
	MOVEM 2,VALI		
	CAME 2,VALA	;	
	JRST LOC0I		
	JSR GETIC	; read new if first was "source EOL-flag"	
	MOVEM 2,VALI		
LOC0I:		; eliminate leading spaces	
	MOVE 2,VALI		
	CAMN 2,VALF		
	JRST LOC0G		
	CAMN 2,VALAE	; eliminate leading tabs	
	JRST LOC0G		
	CAME 2,VALAF	; continue if no comment-delimiter	
	JRST LOC0J		
	JSR GETIC	; eliminate comment-delimiter	
	MOVEM 2,VALI		
	JRST LOC0H		
LOC0J:		; adjust startpointer	
	MOVE 2,PTR9		
	MOVEM 2,PTRAA		
LOC0H:		; normal read/store loop	
	MOVE 2,PTR9		
	SOJ 2,		
	MOVEM 2,PTRI		
	MOVE 2,PTR9		
	MOVEI 15,FLGI		
	JSR PACK		
	MOVE 2,PTR8	; error if full	
	CAML 2,PTRI		
	JRST LOC97		
	MOVE 2,VALI	; terminate when car.ret.	
	CAMN 2,VALL		
	JRST LOC0B		



(Section containing the Modified output routine)

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                MOVE 2,PTR8      ;YES. SET THE TERMINATOR.          STG2
                MOVEI 15,FLG1
                JSR  PACK
                AOJ 2,          ;ADVANCE THE SPACE POINTER.          STG2
                MOVEM 2,PTR8
                CAML 2,PTR9      ;HAVE WE OVERRUN THE AREA, YES.    STG2
                JRST LOC97
                JSR  GET1C       ;GET THE NEXT CHARACTER.          STG2
                MOVEM 2,VALI
                CAME 2,VALC      ;DID THAT CLOSE THE DEFINITION PHASE, NO. STG2
                JRST LOC55
                SETZM FLGB      ;YES, RESET THE PHASE FLAG.          STG2
LOC55:          ;COMMON SYSTEM RETURN POINT.          STG2
                MOVE 13,PTR0     ;REGISTER 0 IS THE RETURN ADDRESS.  STG2
                JRST (13)
LOC56:          ;PUNCH AN UNRECOGNIZED LINE.          STG2
                ;CHANNEL 3 USED WHEN A LINE IS NOT MATCHED. STG2
                MOVE 2,VAL3
                MOVEM 2,VALW
                MOVE 2,PTRC      ;ADDRESS THE FIRST CHARACTER.      STG2
                MOVEM 2,PTRX
                MOVE 2,PTRAB     ; eliminate double output of comments
                MOVEM 2,PTRAA
LOC57:          ; output characters
                ; norm. loop, get character
                MOVE 2,PTRX
                MOVEI 15,FLGX
                JSR  UNPACK
                MOVE 2,VALX      ; continue in normal loop if not CR
                CAME 2,VALL
                JRST LOC0D
                MOVE 2,PTRAO     ; or if "main extension swith" off
                JUMPE 2,LOC0D
                MOVE 2,PTRAA     ; or if no remainder in this line
                CAMN 2,PTRAB
                JRST LOC00
LOC2A:          ; output remainder of line:
                MOVE 2,PTRZC     ; if pos.counter less integr. tab.pos
                CAML 2,PTRAE
                JRST LOC2B
                MOVE 2,VALAE     ; then output tab and loop
                JSR  UTCHAR
                MOVEM 3,FLGAE
                JRST LOC2A
LOC2B:          ; loop for spaces
                MOVE 2,PTRZC
                CAML 2,PTRAF
                JRST LOC2C
                MOVE 2,VALF      ; put out space(s)
                JSR  UTCHAR
                MOVEM 3,FLGF
                JRST LOC2B
LOC2C:          ; put out comment-delimiter
                MOVE 2,VALAF
                JUMPE 2,LOC0C
                MOVE 2,VALAF
                JSR  UTCHAR
                MOVEM 3,FLGAF
LOC0C:          ; loop for output of remaining string
                ; get first char.
                MOVE 2,PTRAA
                MOVEI 15,FLGAA
                JSR  UNPACK
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        MOVE 2,VALAA ; eliminate possible "source EOL-flag"
        CAME 2,VALA
        JRST LOC2E
LOC2D: ; loop for output remainder (comments)
        MOVE 2,PTRAA ; get next character
        MOVEI 15,FLGAA
        JSR UNPACK
LOC2E:
        MOVE 2,VALAA ; put out the character
        JSR UTCHAR
        MOVEM 3,FLGAA
        MOVE 2,FLGAA ; possible terminate
        CAMN 2,FLG1
        JRST LOC0F
        MOVE 2,PTRAA ; go loop if not exhausted
        CAME 2,PTRAB
        JRST LOC2D
LOC0D: ; normal output-loop
        MOVE 2,VALX
        JSR UTCHAR
        MOVEM 3,FLGX
        CAMN 2,VALL ; terminate if CR
        JRST LOC0E
        MOVE 2,FLGX ;HAVE WE REACHED THE END, NO. STG2
        CAME 2,FLG1
        JRST LOC57
LOC0F:
        MOVE 2,PTRAB ; squeeze possible remaining of "remainder"
        MOVEM 2,PTRAA
LOC0E:
        MOVE 5,VALW ; end of line reached:
        JSR WRTLIN ;YES, PUT IT OUT ON THE DESIGNATED CHANNEL. STG2
        MOVEM 2,FLGW
        JUMPN 2,LOC98 ;TREAT ANY ERROR AS FATAL. STG2
        MOVE 2,VALX ;ELSE IF THE LINE IS COMPLETE, RETURN. STG2
        CAMN 2,VALL
        JRST LOC55
        MOVE 2,VALX ;ELSE REPRINT THE LAST CHARACTER STG2
        JSR UTCHAR
        MOVEM 3,FLGX
        JRST LOC57
LOC58: ;AND CONTINUE. STG2
        MOVE 2,PTRW ;TRY FOR AN ALTERNATIVE MATCH. STG2
        ADD 2,PTRZ ;GET THE POINTER TO THE ALTERNATIVE. STG2
        MOVEM 2,PTRZ
        MOVE 2,PTRW ;WAS THERE ONE AFTER ALL, YES. STG2
        JUMPN 2,LOC60
        MOVE 2,FLGB ;NO, ARE WE DEFINING, YES. STG2
        CAMN 2,FLG2
        JRST LOC71
LOC59: ;TRY EXTENDING THE PREVIOUS PARAMETER. STG2
        MOVE 2,PTRV ;IS THERE ONE TO EXTEND, NO. STG2
        CAML 2,PTR9
        JRST LOC70
        MOVEI 15,FLGZ ;RECALL THE MACRO POINTER. STG2
        JSR UNPACK
        MOVE 2,PTRQ ;YES, RECALL THE INPUT POINTER STG2
        MOVEI 15,FLGY
        JSR UNPACK
        MOVE 2,PTRY ;AND THE CURRENT CHARACTER STG2
        MOVEI 15,FLGX
        JSR UNPACK

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MOVE 2,FLGZ ;IS THIS THE FIRST TIME FOR A PARAMETER, YESSTG2  
CAMN 2,FLG2  
JRST LOC63  
CAMN 2,FLG3 ;NO, IS IT A PARAMETER EXTENSION, YES. STG2  
JRST LOC64

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