

OPERATION AND REFERENCE MANUAL

THE APPLE CURSOR III

Here is your new Apple Cursor III! Be sure to read the instructions here on how TO PLUG IN YOUR CURSOR III. It is not difficult to write commands which instruct the Cursor III according to a particular application. If you want to create programs involving the Cursor III, be sure to read the instructions in your basics manual.

ABOUT YOUR CURSOR III

The Cursor *III* is a precision input device which allows you to send continuous information to the Apple *III* in the form of x-y coordinates.

The Cursor III looks and acts much like an airplane control column. It moves freely in two dimensions; back and forth, and from right to left. Programs can be written so that movement of the Cursor III is tracked by the cursor on the

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screen, giving continuous and immediate feed-back on your activity.

The Cursor *III* is designed to spring back to the center position when released. The cursor can be programmed to follow the Cursor *III* spring return to the center of the screen after release.

The Cursor III contains two potentiometers, one which reads the x-axis and one which reads the y-axis.

An analog-to-digital converter reads the voltage on the potentiometer and gives the Apple a numerical value representing either the x or y coordinate position. The coordinates are scaled so that numerical readings will range between 0 and 255 on both axis.

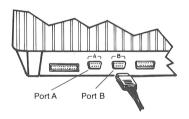
Mounted on the same box which houses the Cursor *III* mechanism is one push button and one three-position switch. The three-position switch has a momentary ON position which automatically switches back OFF, much like the push button; a permanent OFF position; and a permanent ON position.

The Cursor *III* can be used in many applications. It has important potential as an input device in word processing and computer graphics.

The greatest advantage in using a Cursor *III* instead of game paddles is the increased coordination you experience when using software applications which direct cursor movement on the screen.

TO PLUG IN YOUR CURSOR III

If you have one Cursor ///, plug it into Port B on the back of the Apple ///. If you add a second Cursor ///, plug it into Port A. To learn more about the back of your Apple ///, see the section entitled "The Back" on pages 59-63 of your Apple /// Owner's Guide. See pages 80-81 if you would like to learn more about the receptacle ports.



Once you have plugged in your Cursor III, it is ready to go.

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